

## **Statewide Foreclosure Prevention Task Force**

611 Church Street, Suite 4A  
Ann Arbor, MI 48104-3000  
Phone: (734) 998-6100  
Website: [www.mplp.org](http://www.mplp.org)

## **Wayne County Mortgage Foreclosure Prevention Program**

640 Temple, Suite 745  
Detroit, MI 48201-2599  
Phone: (313) 833-2948  
Toll Free: (877) 693-6199  
Web site:  
[www.fightmortgageforeclosure.com](http://www.fightmortgageforeclosure.com)

The Wayne County Mortgage Foreclosure Prevention Program seeks to assist residents at risk of foreclosure through the following avenues.

### **EDUCATION & AWARENESS**

This website has been created for the MFPP which contains links to valuable sites, materials for use in credit counseling and foreclosure counseling. Residents will be instructed to download and complete the forms to the best of their abilities and contact the MFPP for an appointment to discuss their mortgage foreclosure situation.

### **FORECLOSURE COUNSELING**

Once residents contacts the MFPP, the MFPP will perform a foreclosure status assessment to determine at what stage in the foreclosure process that case is in. The MFPP will assist the resident in preparing an emergency family budget, cutting out unnecessary expenses and will perform a financial status assessment in order to determine if the family can actually afford to remain in the home.

### **INTERVENTION**

Once the financial assessment and foreclosure status assessment are completed, the MFPP will make

recommendations about the types of options that the resident has in that situation. The lender will be contacted and a negotiated settlement will be commenced and a settlement agreement will be reached with the lender.

## ***National***

### **Institute for Foreclosure Legal Assistance (IFLA)**

Email: [info@foreclosurelegalassistance.org](mailto:info@foreclosurelegalassistance.org)  
Web site:  
[www.foreclosurelegalassistance.org](http://www.foreclosurelegalassistance.org)

As the nation's foreclosure epidemic continues to worsen, the Center for Responsible Lending has formed the Institute for Foreclosure Legal Assistance (IFLA) to support groups giving legal representation to families facing foreclosure and financial ruin because of abusive subprime mortgages. The National Association of Consumer Advocates will manage the project, which recognizes that one of the biggest barriers families face to avoid losing their homes is the lack of access to quality legal services.

### **U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development**

451 7th Street S.W.,  
Washington, DC 20410  
Phone: (202) 708-1112  
TTY: (202) 708-1455  
Web site:  
[www.hud.gov/foreclosure/index.cfm](http://www.hud.gov/foreclosure/index.cfm)

## ***INFORMATION AND REFERRAL SERVICES***

Information and Referral Services provide people in need of assistance with referrals to local resources.

## **Wayne County**

### **Detroit Public Library The Information Place (TIP)**

5201 Woodward Ave  
Detroit, MI 48202  
Phone: (313) 833-4000

The Detroit Public Library's TIP Database contains records of community services offered by not-for-profit and government agencies serving seven counties in southeastern Michigan. Please contact a staff member for assistance in logging in to the database.

### **The Information Center (TIC)**

20500 Eureka Suite 110  
Taylor, MI 48180  
Phone: (734) 282-7171  
Email: [info@theinfocenter.info](mailto:info@theinfocenter.info)  
Web site: [www.theinfocenter.info](http://www.theinfocenter.info)

Our Information and Referral service includes thousands of resources for food pantries, medical and dental resources, holiday assistance, mentor programs, mortgage foreclosure assistance, grandparents raising grandchildren, troubled youth, utility assistance, clothing and furniture vouchers, senior services, Medicaid Waiver, caregiver support groups, and various other community service needs.

The Information Center, Inc. is the first agency in Michigan to receive AIRS (Alliance of Information and Referral Services) accreditation [www.airs.org](http://www.airs.org).

### **United Way for Southeastern Michigan**

1212 Griswold  
Detroit, MI 48226  
Phone: (313) 226-9200  
Phone: 211  
Toll Free: (800) 552-1183  
Web site: <http://www.uwsem.org/>

By dialing 2-1-1, you can get access to health and human care services in Wayne, Oakland, and Macomb counties.

## **Monroe County**

### **United Way of Monroe County**

First Call for Help  
216 North Monroe Street  
Monroe, MI 48162  
Phone: (734) 242-1331 or Dial 2-1-1  
Fax: (734) 242-3378  
Email: [clcarroll@monroeuw.org](mailto:clcarroll@monroeuw.org)  
Web site: <http://www.monroeuw.org/>

2-1-1 is a dial up service for Monroe County. You can just dial 2-1-1 on your land based phone or your cell phone. 2-1-1 is a one stop number that provides information and makes referrals to health and human care services in Monroe County.

## **MATERIAL GOODS**

### **Children's Corner**

The Guidance Center Family Resource Center  
Various Locations  
Phone: (734) 785-7705 Ext. 7053

Services offered: Distribution of clothing (infant to 5T), blankets, sheets, towels, diapers, shoes and personal items.

Looking for infant and toddler clothing, bottles, or other gently used supplies?

Visit our Children's Corner. Take something you need or leave something for someone else.

We accept all gently used clothing and donations of new products for children ages birth to five.

### **Dress For Success Metro Detroit**

P.O. Box 24476

Detroit, MI 48224

Email: [detroit@dressforsuccess.org](mailto:detroit@dressforsuccess.org)

Web site: [www.dressforsuccess.org](http://www.dressforsuccess.org)

The mission of Dress for Success Metro Detroit is to promote the economic independence of disadvantaged women by providing professional attire, a network of support and career development tools to help women thrive in work and in life.

### **Jackets for Jobs**

Michigan WORKS! Affiliate

5555 Conner Suite 2097

Detroit, MI 48213

Phone: (313) 579-9160

Fax: (313) 579-9180

Web site: <http://jacketsforjobs.org/>

Jackets for Jobs, Inc. Michigan WORKS! Affiliate is a non profit corporation that provides interview-quality, professional business clothing at no charge to economically disadvantaged individuals in the Metropolitan Detroit Area. Jackets for Jobs, Inc. Michigan WORKS! Affiliate is operated by dedicated volunteers providing our clients with an additional tool to enhance their marketable skills, professional clothing.

Volunteers act as personal shoppers to help each client select the most appropriate clothing and accessories available. All clients receive one free, fully accessorized business outfit for job interviews, plus two outfits when a job is secured.

### **Lend a Hand Diapers**

Web site: [www.lendahanddiapers.org](http://www.lendahanddiapers.org)

Yahoo! Group:

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/lendahanddiapers>

Lend A Hand Diapers is a non-profit organization dedicated to assisting low

income families who wish to cloth diaper their children. Our organization also promotes cloth diapers as a mainstream diapering solution by providing the public with accurate information on their ease of use and many financial and ecological benefits.

Through generous donations of cloth diapers and diapering related items, we are able to help families who are interested in saving money and lessening their impact on the environment through cloth diapering.

### **Miracle Diapers**

Phone: (866) 999-3595

Fax: (866) 999-3565

Email: [info@miraclediapers.org](mailto:info@miraclediapers.org)

Web site: [www.miraclediapers.org](http://www.miraclediapers.org)

Our 501(c) (3) nonprofit organization is dedicated to providing cloth diapers, baby products, and natural living items to struggling families all over the world. We accept donations that were given generously by caring individuals and redistribute them to families who are in need of assistance.

The use of disposable products decreases resources, increases waste output, costs more, and has significant health risks. Through providing cloth diapers and other natural living alternatives to low income families, we aspire to increase the use of reusable items on a larger scale, therefore helping improve the environment.

### **No Mother Left Behind (NMLB)**

Email: [andi-mama@hotmail.com](mailto:andi-mama@hotmail.com)

Web site: [www.nomotherleftbehind.com](http://www.nomotherleftbehind.com)

Provides slings to mothers in need.

We here at NMLB strongly believes that the benefits of baby-wearing need to be available for ALL women, regardless of their financial situation. We accept slings

from individuals and business and redistribute them to mothers who are in need of assistance.

NMLB is 100% volunteer run so your donations go directly to mothers in need.

**Salvation Army Coats For Kids Program  
Dearborn Heights Citadel Corps**

26700 W. Warren Ave.  
Dearborn Heights, MI 48239  
Phone: (313) 563-4457  
Fax: (313) 563-1951

**Monroe Community Center**

815 E. First Street  
Monroe, MI 48161-1919  
Phone: (734) 241-0440  
Fax: (734) 241-7181

**Plymouth Community Center**

9451 S Main St.  
Plymouth, MI 48170-4119  
Phone: (734) 453-5464  
Phone: (734) 414-8210  
Fax: (734) 453-0805

**Wayne/Westland Community Center**

2300 Venoy  
Westland, MI 48186-1100  
Phone: (734) 722-3660  
Fax: (734) 722-5115

**Wyandotte Community Center**

1258 Biddle Ave.  
Wyandotte, MI 48192-3498  
Phone: (734) 282-0930  
Fax: (734) 282-8928

Collects new coats and money to purchase coats (sizes 6 to 3X) for distribution to schoolchildren from low-income families.

**Eligibility:**

Children from low-income families in metropolitan Detroit who are enrolled in preschool through twelfth grade.

To apply for a coat, contact the Salvation Army Community Corps serving the area of residence.

**Society of Saint Vincent De Paul**

General Furniture Provision  
Toll Free: (877) 788-4623  
Phone: (313) 393-3036

Provides household goods and clothing for people with an emergency need. Does not provide major appliances, such as stoves, refrigerators, or washers and dryers.

Must be referred by a St. Vincent de Paul parish conference; call Main Office and ask for information on nearest parish conference or contact local area Catholic church.

In order to obtain material goods from St. Vincent DePaul, you will need to contact the local Catholic Church for a paper voucher. You will also have to ask for, and be given, a Gift Card, by that church. You will then have to bring the gift card along with the paper referral, in order to receive assistance.

**The ReUselt Network**

Web site:  
[www.reuseitnetwork.org/us.htm#MI](http://www.reuseitnetwork.org/us.htm#MI)

Ask for or offer free items

The ReUselt Network is an on-line forum that serves as a tool to make connections between community members who want to help each other, themselves, and their environment.

The ReUselt Network also provides an opportunity for those looking for an item to ask for it. Requests for items may jog the memory of someone who has an unused item stashed in the garage or basement waiting to be used. It is a great way to help get rid of those things which we may have forgotten, giving every member the chance

to ReUseIt! All transactions must be free, legal, and family-friendly.

Find and join your local group to start reducing clutter in your space and helping someone else acquire what they are looking for! Simply list the item that you wish to give away and wait for someone to respond saying that he or she is interested in taking the item. Some people like to wait 24 hours before selecting the person to whom the item will be given. Others simply go with the first person who answers. How you choose is up to you.

### **Zeta Stork's Nest Foundation**

Saint Gregory Catholic Church  
15031 Dexter  
Detroit, MI 48238  
Phone: (313) 863-6378  
Fax: (313) 863-5417

Provides free infant layettes which include: blankets; diapers; clothing and accessories; and bathtubs. Agency distributes approximately 1500 layettes per year.

Primarily low-income expectant or new mothers who live in Wayne County.

Call for information. Must be referred by a medical or human service professional.

## **OUTREACH SERVICES**

Depending on the distribution of government funding, community action agencies, as well as other organizations, may be able to provide financial assistance for utility bills that have been or are at risk of being shut-off, food assistance, mortgage assistance, etc.

### **Arab Community Center for Economic and Social Services (ACCESS)**

2651 Saulino Ct.

Dearborn, MI 48120  
Phone: (313) 842-7010  
Fax: (313) 842-5150

Web site: [www.accesscommunity.org](http://www.accesscommunity.org)

Emergency services include the provision of food assistance, rent/mortgage assistance, and utility assistance, to alleviate hunger and prevent the threat of homelessness and displacement, and/or utility shut off.

These programs include the following:

- Food Assistance Program
- Emergency Rent/Mortgage Program
- Utility Assistance

### **Health Emergency Lifeline Programs (HELP)**

1726 Howard Avenue  
Detroit, MI 48216  
Phone: (313) 832-3300  
Toll Free: (888) 435-5655  
Fax: (313) 832-3393  
Web site: [www.helpoffice.org](http://www.helpoffice.org)

Housing, Financial Assistance, Food and Nutrition, Medication Assistance

### **City of Livonia Community Resources**

33000 Civic Center Drive  
Livonia, MI 48154  
Phone: (734) 466-2540  
Email: [Comments@ci.livonia.mi.us](mailto:Comments@ci.livonia.mi.us)

Social Services

Commodity Foods Distribution - TEFAP surplus commodity foods are distributed on a monthly basis to qualified low-income Livonia residents based on Total Household income and residency.

Residents who receive FIP, SSI, Food Stamps or Medicaid are automatically eligible. Those receiving all other sources

of income must qualify based on federal income guidelines.

To apply for a TEFAP I.D. card or for further information, contact our office at (734) 466-2538.

Focus: HOPE Food Distribution - U.S.D.A. commodity foods in pre-packaged boxes are distributed on a monthly basis to qualified low-income Livonia senior residents (over 60 years of age) to sustain their health and independence.

City staff and volunteers assist seniors with food pickups or deliver boxes to those who are homebound.

To apply for a Focus HOPE food box or for further information, contact our office at (734) 466-2538.

Utility Shut-off Assistance - Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds are available to qualified low-income Livonia residents who have a current utility shut-off notice.

CDBG funding provides payment of gas, electric or fuel heating bills, up to a combined maximum of \$500.00 on a one-time only basis.

To apply for shut-off assistance or for further information, contact our office at (734) 466-2538.

### **Michigan Veterans Trust Fund**

Soldiers and Sailors Relief Fund

Wayne County

28 West Adams – Suite 1710

Detroit, MI 48226

Phone: (313) 224-5045

Phone: (313) 224-8162

Fax: (313) 224-8179

Monroe County

29 Washington Street

Monroe, MI 48161-2188

Phone: (734) 240-7359

Phone: (734) 240-7362

Fax: (734) 240-7360

Temporary assistance granted by the Michigan Veterans Trust Fund (MVTF) for emergencies or hardships is available to eligible wartime veterans, and their families, residing in the state. Under the authority of Public Act 9 of 1946 (as amended), the MVTF cannot provide assistance for long-term problems or chronic financial difficulties.

### **Salvation Army**

Web site: [www.salvationarmyemich.org](http://www.salvationarmyemich.org)

### **Wayne County**

Dearborn Heights Corps

26700 W. Warren Ave.

Dearborn Heights, MI 48127

Phone: (313) 563-4457

Detroit Brightmoor

15133 Burgess Ave.

Detroit, MI 48223-1999

Phone: (313) 532-1281

Fax: (313) 532-1734

Detroit Grandale

11311-25 Montrose Ave.

Detroit, MI 48227-1648

Phone: (313) 835-3736

Fax: (313) 835-8644

Detroit Harding

3735 Harding Ave.

Detroit, MI 48214-1534

Phone: (313) 822-2800

Fax: (313) 822-8873

Detroit Harbor Light

3737 Lawton

Detroit, MI 48201

Phone: (313)361-6136

Fax: (313) 361-6210

Detroit Temple

3729 W. Chicago  
Detroit, MI 48204  
Phone: (313) 897-2914  
Fax: (313) 897-2933

Plymouth Corps  
9451 S. Main St.  
Plymouth, MI 48170  
Phone: (734) 453-5464

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2300 Venoy  
Westland, MI 48186-1100  
Phone: (734) 722-3660  
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1258 Biddle Ave.  
Wyandotte, MI 48192-3498  
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### ***Monroe County***

Monroe Salvation Army  
815 E. First Street  
Monroe, MI 48161-1919  
Phone: (734) 241-0440  
Fax: (734) 241-7181

**The Society of St. Vincent de Paul**  
3000 Gratiot Avenue  
Detroit, Michigan 48207  
Toll free: (877) ST VINCENT (877-788-4623)  
Phone: (313) 393-2930  
Fax: (313) 393-2978  
Web site: [www.svdpdet.org](http://www.svdpdet.org)

The Van Elslander Family Center at 3000 Gratiot Avenue in Detroit is on the former site of the Society's main warehouse, which was destroyed by fire in December 1995. SVDP collaborates with 10 community agencies in providing specialized programs to help individuals and families lift themselves up and out of poverty. The Center houses a Head Start center, non-acute health and dental care

centers, a thrift store, an emergency food depot, a credit union and legal services.

### *Emergency Services*

The St. Vincent de Paul Clothing Referral Center and Food Depot provides clothing and food in emergency situations. Open Mon, Wed and Fri. from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. (313) 393-2920

Energy Assistance Program has limited funds available for utility assistance in collaboration with St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Parish Conferences.  
313.393.3036

### **Samaritan Assistance Center**

140 Superior Blvd. (Office)  
135 Superior Blvd. (Mailing Address)  
Wyandotte, MI 48192  
Phone: (734) 285-8450

Food, clothing, household furnishings, utilities, rent or mortgage assistance, prescriptions, emergency transportation, gas voucher.

Members of congregations; Residents of Wyandotte, Homeless or Stranded persons. Persons outside our geographic area will be referred to an agency in that area. Clients must be able to demonstrate need. All contacts are confidential.

### **Wayne County Veterans Affairs Department**

Soldiers and Sailors Relief Fund/Veterans Trust  
Grand Park Centre Building, Suite 1710  
28 W. Adams  
Detroit, MI 48226  
Phone: (313) 224-5045  
Fax: (313) 224-8179

Provides emergency relief to honorably discharged wartime veterans. Financial assistance is typically given to prevent mortgage foreclosure, eviction, loss of

property for delinquent taxes, utility shut-offs, or for food and clothing. Other assistance may include coordination of services from outside agencies to help the client address the causes of his or her situation.

### **Wayne Metropolitan Community Action Agency**

Email: [info@waynemetro.org](mailto:info@waynemetro.org)

Web site: [www.waynemetro.org](http://www.waynemetro.org)

The Outreach and Emergency Services program employs five full-time staff members that are the point of entrance into the Wayne Metro service delivery system. Outreach workers identify client needs and provide information and referral to both internal and external resources including food, clothing and other supportive services. Workers also handle direct client assistance with utilities, rent, mortgage, and food voucher services. The Outreach workers act as the agency's liaisons to the five Regional Advisory Councils.

#### **Region V Outreach/Main Service Office**

2121 Biddle, Ste. 102  
Wyandotte, MI 48192  
Phone: (734) 246-2550  
Fax: (734) 246-2288

Service Area: Allen Park, Ecorse, Lincoln Park, Melvindale, River Rouge, Southgate, and Wyandotte

Region I Outreach Office  
211 Glendale, Room 423  
Highland Park, MI 48203  
Phone: (313) 868-1460  
Fax: (313) 868-2214

Service Area: Grosse Pointe, Grosse Pointe Farms, Grosse Pointe Park, Grosse Pointe Shores, Grosse Pointe Woods, Hamtramck, Harper Woods, and Highland Park

Region II Outreach Office  
Holy Cross Lutheran Church  
30650 Six Mile Road  
Livonia, MI 48150  
Phone: (734) 266-0190  
Fax (734) 266-0189

Service Area: Dearborn, Dearborn Heights, Garden City, Inkster, Livonia, Northville, Northville Twp, Plymouth, and Plymouth Twp.

Region III Outreach Office  
Downriver Human Services Center  
6094 Second Street  
Romulus, MI 48174  
Phone: (734) 729-7635  
Fax: (734) 729-7636

Service Area: Belleville, Canton Twp, Huron Twp, Romulus, Sumpter Twp, Van Buren Twp, Wayne, and Westland

Region IV Outreach Office  
Taylor Human Services Center  
26650 Eureka Road  
Taylor, MI 48180  
Phone: (734) 955-6752  
Fax: (734) 955-6754

Service Area: Brownstown Twp, Flat Rock, Gibraltar, Grosse Ile, Riverview, Rockwood, Trenton, and Woodhaven

## ***RENT AND MORTGAGE ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS***

For some people, one of the biggest stressors about being unemployed is making sure the bills are paid on time. Sometimes, depending on the landlord or mortgage company, payment arrangements can be made for a late or missed payment. If payment arrangements cannot be made, Rent and Mortgage