

Bellingham Housing Resources

Whatcom Homeless Service Center Coordinated Entry*



*Coordinated entry is a HUD-identified best practice that allows households experiencing homelessness access to multiple housing programs and providers via one access point and one application.

Opportunity Council operates the Coordinated Entry System in Whatcom County.

Housing Options that can be Accessed without Coordinated Entry

Bellingham Housing Authority

- •Must apply online: bellinghamhousing.org/Housing/ApplyingforHousing/tabid/550/
- (Birchwood Manor, Everson Meadows, Varsity Village, Public Housing, etc.)

Catholic Housing Services

- Kateri Court, WA Grocery Building, Mount Baker Apartments etc (**Check website**: www.affordablebellingham.com/UAMBA.htm
- Villa Santa Fe (**Must complete paper application** available online; for farmworkers)

Mercy Housing

- •Check website for openings: www.mercyhousing.org/
- Eleanor Apartments (low-income seniors, pet friendly)
- Sterling Senior (low-income seniors)
- •Sterling Meadows (low-income farm workers, people with disabilities, & large families)

Lake Whatcom Treatment Center

- Serves individuals with persistent and serious mental illness. Must have WA state Medicaid
- •Contact 360-676-6000 to schedule an intake; they will review if you qualify for any of their programs (which includes different layers of supportive housing)
- •Must have LWTC as your mental health provider.

Lighthouse Mission

- •Agape Home (women and women with children) (**Must complete paper application**, at Drop-In Center or online: www.thelighthousemission.org/what-we-do/agape-home/)
- •Ascent Program (men only): Set up an interview appointment with DIC Staff.

HomesNOW

•Unity Village (single adults and couples); **Must apply online**: homesnow.org/are-you-homeless/

www.road2home.org



Other Housing Classes/Resources Located at Opportunity Council at 625 Cornwall Ave

- Meet with a housing advocate, conduct a housing needs assessment, and get help searching for housing
- •Tuesdays 10-12pm
- •Law Advocates present 1130-12

Housing Lab



- Find options to share housing and find roommates
- Thursdays 10-11:30



Emergency Shelters

Year-Round Shelter

- •Lighthouse Mission, 1013 W. Holly St., 360-733-5120
- •Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Services (DVSAS) Safe Housing Program, 1407 Commercial St., 360-715-1563

Winter Shelter

- •Civic Stadium Women's Shelter, Check-in at Drop-In Center at 6pm.
- •NWYS Youth Shelter (age 13-24), Check-in at First Congregational Church from 8-10pm.

Severe Weather Shelter (below 28°F)

- •Garden Street United Methodist (families & children), Check-in at Opp. Council at 1111 Cornwall Ave.
- •Christ the King Church (men), Check-in at Drop-In Center
- •Fountain Community Church (adults), Check-in onsite at 2100 Broadway.
- Seventh Day Adventist (adults)

Tip: Availability of winter shelters changes each year. For updates on check-in time & location, visit: www.cob.org/services/housing/homeless or www.whatcomcounty.us/3167/Homeless-Shelters