

Portage County, Ohio – Housing Resources

Key Agencies & Programs

Portage Metropolitan Housing Authority (PMHA)

- Manages public housing units and Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher program
- Offers homeownership program for Section 8/public housing participants
- Provides Veterans supportive housing in collaboration with VA
- Community resource coordination (rent, utilities, legal aid, emergency housing)
 - Website: <https://portagehousing.org>
 - Phone: (330) 297-1489
 - Address: 2832 State Route 59, Ravenna, OH 44266

Emergency Shelter / Transitional Housing

1. The Haven of Portage County

- Emergency shelter for men, women, and children; job training & case management
- Website: <https://give.portagehaven.org>
- Phone: (330) 839-5027

2. Portage Area Transitional Housing (PATH – Family & Community Services)

- Transitional housing (up to 12 months), advocacy & case management
 - Website: <https://fcsserves.org/program/portage-area-transitional-housing>
 - Phone: (330) 297-7027

3. HESS (Housing and Emergency Support Services – FCS)

- Short-term financial assistance, case management, housing stabilization support
 - Website: <https://fcsserves.org/program/h-e-s-s>
 - Phone: (330) 297-7027

4. M. Marie Miller Community House (MCH)

- 30-day emergency shelter with case management and permanent housing linkages
 - Website: <https://www.uwportage.org>
 - Phone: (330) 297-7027

5. Shepherd's House – Ravenna, OH

- Transitional housing & supportive services for families
 - Website: https://uwportage.galaxydigital.com/agency/detail/?agency_id=123870
 - Phone: (330) 297-7027

Rental / Utility Assistance & Repair Programs

1. Helping Hands – CANAPI (Portage & Summit County)

- Tenant-based rental assistance subsidies
 - Website: <https://www.canapi.org/helping-hands>
 - Phone: (330) 252-1559

2. Community Action Council of Portage County (CACPC)

- HOPE Home Repair Program – emergency home repairs
- Weatherization & energy efficiency improvements
- Utility assistance programs (HEAP, crisis assistance, etc.)
 - Website: <https://www.cacportage.net>
 - Phone: (330) 297-1456
 - Address: 1036 W. Main St., Ravenna, OH 44266

Other Helpful Resources

1. 211 Portage / United Way of Portage County

- Call 211 or (330) 297-4636 for referrals to housing, food, and other services
 - Website: <https://www.uwportage.org>

2. Portage County Community Resource Guide

- Countywide guide for housing, food, and emergency services
 - Website: <https://www.portagecounty-oh.gov/job-family-services/pages/community-resource-guide>

3. Community Legal Aid

- Assistance with evictions, landlord/tenant disputes, housing rights
 - Website: <https://portagehousing.org/community-resources>

4. Fair Housing Contact Service (Akron)

- Handles fair housing complaints & counseling for the region
 - Website: <https://apps.hud.gov>

5. Low-Income & Affordable Housing Listings

- Lists HUD-subsidized housing and low-income rentals in Portage County
 - Website: <https://www.lowincomehousing.us/cty/oh-portage>