

Community Resources in Response to COVID-19

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COVID-19 Information	Government of Canada	Link	
	Public Health Ontario	Link	
	Toronto Public Health	Link	
	World Health Organization	Link	
Homeless Help	Resources useful for the homeless during COVID-19 – comprehensive list	Link	
Homeless Help	Homeless Help (City of Toronto)	Link	
Homeless Help	Shower & Bathroom access locations in Toronto are available by following the link and clicking the “Support for People Experiencing Homelessness” tab at bottom.	Link	
Homeless Help	Map of usable washrooms in Toronto	Link	Link
Homeless Help	Central Intake for Toronto		
Homeless Help	Shelter, Support and Housing Administration. Homelessness Initiatives & Prevention Services	(416) 338-4766	
Homeless Help	Haven Toronto A Sanctuary for Elder Homeless Men 170 Jarvis Street, Toronto Telephone: (416) 366-5377	Link	
Homeless Help	Only takeaway breakfast and lunch on site. Nurse and counsellors all accessible via phone and email but no staff on-site apart from the cook and two support care workers. Drop closed, showers, clothing room and cafeteria are all closed.		
Homeless Help	Information on Interim Housing for Individuals in Encampments	Link	
Homeless Help	Health Bus – Mobile Nursing Clinics Primary Healthcare with Nurse Practitioners for general healthcare needs (non-COVID 19)	Link	
Homeless Help	Our usual Health Bus service is suspended for now, but we are still out in the community (follow link for details)		
Homeless Help	The Partners for Access & Identification Project (PAID) is city-wide and helps vulnerable people get the identification they need to access health care, sources of income such as pensions, and other services. PAID ID Clinics are cancelled Clients in URGENT need of ID must contact PAID directly. We will assess applications on a case by case basis. Follow link for further detail	Link	
Housing & Shelter	Resources for people who rent & are having trouble paying	Link	

	<p>Rent Relief</p> <p>Rent relief is available to low-income households in Toronto who are in rental arrears or need to move to more suitable housing.</p>		
Housing & Shelter	<p>The Toronto Rent Bank Program, funded by the City of Toronto, provides interest-free loans to cover rental arrears and rental deposits.</p> <p>The application is simple and can be completed from home, over the phone. Documents can be emailed. There is no credit check and repayments are deferred for 12 months.</p>	Link	(416) 397-7368
Housing & Shelter	<p>Emergency Housing Fund is available for recipients of Ontario Works (OW) or the Ontario Disability Support Program (ODSP).</p> <p>This fund can help with costs associated with rent, moving, bed bugs, electricity or rent arrears.</p> <p>To apply for this fund, OW and ODSP recipients should speak with their caseworker.</p>	Link	
Housing & Shelter	<p>List of resources for Toronto-area:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Help for Tenants - Rent Relief - Financial aid - Utilities assistance <p>maintained by the Centre for Equality Rights in Accommodation (CERA)</p>	Link	(416) 944-0087
Housing & Shelter	<p>Update on Landlord & Tenant Law: Eviction Suspension Lifted and Changes to Eviction Process</p> <p>The COVID-19 pandemic eviction ban was lifted in Ontario on August 4, 2020. This means evictions can once again take place in Ontario.</p> <p>There remains a process for evictions, but for most evictions that process is now different due to recent changes to the Residential Tenancies Act.</p> <p>Follow the link for a list of key changes affecting tenants.</p>	Link	
Housing & Shelter	Rent Relief Fund - Akin Collective	Link	
Housing & Shelter	City of Toronto Housing & Shelter Services	Link	
Housing & Shelter	<p>Friends of Ruby – 489 Queen St E, Lower Level</p> <p>Comprehensive and progressive support to LGBTQI2S youth well-being through housing and social services.</p> <p>Phone for service updates</p>	Link	(416) 359-0237

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