

During the Covid-19 response, **please call ahead** and verify changes in service.



Phone Hours: M-F: 9am-5pm

Chat Hours: M-F: 9am-5pm

Live text: M-F: 9am-5pm

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<https://www.crisisconnections.org/get-help/community-resources-online/>

King County 211:

Dial: 211 or 206-461-3200

Toll Free 1-800-621-4636

TTY: 206-461-3610

Live text: 898211, text your zip code

Automated text: 898211, text "WAOD"

www.211KingCounty.org

24 Hour Crisis Line:

206-461-3222 or Toll-Free 1-866-427-4747

TTY:206-461-3219

www.CrisisConnections.org

In response to your request, please be advised that we do not provide direct service, and our agency is not an option for use as an address upon your release from the corrections center. We can supply information and referrals to organizations that may assist you upon your release. Enclosed you will find the following related to the King County area:

- A list of programs and agencies that help those with a prior criminal offense transition back into the community and may help with basic needs: housing, employment, and transitional support.
- Brochures listing South King County and/or Seattle Emergency Services.

Please keep in mind that the resource information being supplied can change at any time. Certain agencies have restrictions based on the nature of the prior offense, read all eligibility instructions carefully before applying. Upon your release, contact us at the number listed above to verify information or if you need additional referrals. You can also access our comprehensive database of social and health service agencies through our website, <https://www.crisisconnections.org/get-help/community-resources-online/> using a computer at a local library.

Good luck to you!

King County 211

Note: Services marked with an asterisk () are not non-profit or social service agencies. These are private landlords who have informed us that they will consider renting to individuals with criminal convictions.

Housing Resources

APTFINDER.ORG

Website: www.aptfinder.org

Description: Offers searchable online database of affordable low-income and subsidized housing properties throughout Washington State. Offers search options of Location, Eligibility, Rent Affordability, Amenities, Bedrooms, and Availability (including waiting list length, if applicable). Also designates housing specific to: Seniors, People with disabilities, Families, and Individuals. Includes extensive information on income qualifications for various programs and counties throughout the state. Agency staff do NOT provide referrals or individualized housing locator services.

Eligibility: Low-income households looking for affordable housing.

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY SERVICES – KATHERINE’S HOUSE

Website: http://www.ccsww.org/housing_index

Phone: (253) 856-7716

Days/Hours: M-F: 9:00AM-5:00PM.

Description: Provides alcohol/drug-free transitional housing for women in addiction recovery, with an additional focus on serving those involved with the criminal justice system. Case manager is on-site to assist with probation requirements, employment, and comprehensive social needs. Women may stay up to 2 years with Aftercare case management for an additional year.

Eligibility: Serves homeless women, ages 18 and older, in addiction recovery. Applicants must be sober 30 days prior to receiving services, willing to adjust to group living, must participate in life skills training, and abide by program guidelines. Cannot accept anyone with a sex offense, arson, or manufacturing on their criminal record. Background check required. Enrolled in an Out-Patient Treatment Program.

To Apply: Call for information about availability and to request a copy of the application; application also available on the website. Referrals accepted from Drug Court, Regional Justice Center, and other treatment providers; self-referrals also accepted. No waitlist is maintained. Referral Preferred but Not Required.

Fees: Charges 30% of monthly income.

HOUSE OF MERCY MINISTRIES

Phone: (206) 651-7840

Email: office@hom.church

Description: Offers a faith-based transition program for men who are recovering from substance abuse disorder, homeless, or those being released from prison. The homes are located in King, Pierce, Yakima, Whatcom, and Spokane counties. Offers employment assistance through a network of supporting employers and organizations. Also assists residents in fulfilling DOC requirements, obtaining driver's licenses and ID cards, food stamps and public assistance, financial planning, resume preparation and employment resources, and other items necessary for successful re-entry into society.

Eligibility: Men only at this time who are recovering addicts, homeless, or being released from prison. Applicants not coming from an institution or monitored medical facility may require a recent negative COVID-19 test. Must cover program fees through employment, public assistance, or DOC Voucher.

Days/Hours: M-F: 9:00AM-5:00PM

To Apply: Obtain an application form online, or via email at office@hom.church

Fees: No fee to apply; \$500 to \$700 monthly program fee; varies slightly based on location.

Housing: The program is **only offered to men** currently.

Sex Offenders: Yes

OXFORD HOUSES

Website: www.oxfordhouse.org

Days/Hours: Hours vary.

Description: Operates low-cost, clean, and sober housing for those in recovery, providing separate houses for single men and women. Also, maintains limited properties for single adults with children. Housing sites are peer-run with voluntary assistance. Individuals living in a house are expected to participate in community recovery programs during their residence. Houses operate democratically, electing house officers who serve six-month terms. Any resident who relapses is immediately expelled. Residents may live in Oxford House for as long as they want, provided they follow house rules.

Eligibility: It is suggested but not required that individuals have completed inpatient substance use disorder treatment, a 10-day detoxification program with intense outpatient treatment or have 30 days of being clean and sober. Must be willing to accept the house rules and expectations and be able to pay their equal share of household expenses. Maintains houses for single men and others for single women, no co-ed housing. Limited housing for single adults with children. May take those with criminal history, will not accept clients with previous convictions of arson or sex offenses. May accept women fleeing domestic violence if they meet all other eligibility requirements.

To Apply: Visit website to use the geographic housing locator. Locator can also limit searches to show only houses with vacancies as well as houses for men, women, and houses that accept children. If an individual is interested in living in Oxford House, they can apply directly to the house of their choice. If there are vacancies, an interview will be scheduled. The interview with an applicant involves all members of the House. Eighty percent of the members must vote to accept the applicant as a roommate. Those who need additional help selecting a house can call one of the Oxford House outreach workers.

Fees: Houses are financially self-supporting; members split house expenses. The average cost is \$275 to \$650 per person, per month.

PIONEER HUMAN SERVICES – TRANSITIONAL RESIDENTIAL RECOVERY HOMES

Website: <http://pioneerhumanservices.org/housing>

Phone: (206) 768-1990

Days/Hours: M-F: 9:00AM-5:00PM.

Description: Offers low-cost drug and alcohol-free transitional housing to those who are having difficulty obtaining housing due to a criminal record or in a treatment program for a substance use disorder. Facilities are conveniently located near bus lines and within walking distance of shopping and other community service providers. Random drug and alcohol tests are required at all facilities.

Eligibility: Individuals who have been recently incarcerated or those in a treatment program for chemical dependency. Must be committed to a clean and sober lifestyle. Cannot accept those with a history of arson, manufacturing of methamphetamine, or sex offenses. Some units have income-based restrictions.

To Apply: Download application from specific property on website. Submit application in person to specified address on application. Mail or fax if currently incarcerated. To check availability, email the regional office with the areas of interest.

Fees: Fees vary by housing facility.

Employment Resources

TRAC ASSOCIATES - EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

Address: 16300 Christensen Rd Suite #104, Tukwila, WA 98188

Phone: (206) 574-0863

Email: info@trac.com

Fees: Fees vary by program; some do not charge fees.

Website: <http://www.tracassoc.com>

Description: Provides employment services, matching employers with job seekers. Services include job readiness workshops, job skills training, job placement services and job retention services. It also offers employer services, including screening of potential applicants, supervisory training, and outplacement services.

Program Includes: Employment services, Community Jobs Initiative (CJI). Offers paid (minimum wage) internships to job seekers looking to build skills for employment.

Participants must currently receive TANF cash assistance from DSHS - Community Services Office.

Provides vocational assessment, internship development, and monitoring and job placement services for adults with disabilities who are referred by DSHS - DVR counselors.

Eligibility: Varies by program. Programs may serve low-income adults, people with disabilities, veterans, refugees, or DSHS clients.

To Apply: Call to apply.

YWCA

Address: 2024 3rd Avenue, Opportunity Place #200, Seattle, WA 98121

Phone: (206) 436-8600

Hours: M-F: 8:30AM-5:00PM.

Description: Provides in-demand training and job search assistance for individuals for criminal justice-connected job seekers. Helps job seekers with criminal background find full-time permanent jobs to help reduce the recidivism rate in King County.

Eligibility: Individuals must:

- Have criminal history or background.
- Receive Basic Food benefits.
- Live in King County.
- Have a low income.
- Be eligible to work in the United States.
- Have no active warrants.

How to Access: Call for more information.

Fees: None.

FARESTART

Website: <http://www.farestart.org>

Email: enroll@farestart.org

Phone: (206) 443-1233

Address: 700 Virginia St., Seattle, WA 98101

Days/Hours: Curriculum has been adapted for virtual training.

Fees: None.

Training: M-F: 8:00PM-8:00PM, include two shifts of training within these hours.

Description: Trains adults for food service industry jobs. Training Courses cover many aspects of catering and restaurant operation and are tailored to meet the individual trainee's interests and needs. Other areas covered include one-on-one case management, assistance in securing housing, job readiness, job placement, and resume preparation assistance. Case by case shelter placement possible while enrolled in the program.

Eligibility: Homeless or unemployed adults eligible for food assistance, ages 18+. No level III sex-offenses. No arson convictions.

To Apply: Open orientation sessions conducted each Tuesday at 9:30am or email. Orientation will be followed up by a one-on-one interview. Applicants, if eligible, can begin the following month if there is no waiting list.

PIONEER HUMAN SERVICES – ROADMAP TO SUCCESS

Phone: 206-768-7333

Email: pioneertraining@p-h-s.com

Website: <https://pioneerhumanservices.org/job-skills/Job-readiness>

Days/Hours: M-F: 9:00AM-4:00PM.

Description: The program provides job training that focuses on the skills needed to look for work for those recovering from substance use disorders or who have been incarcerated. The course covers many topics, including:

- Developing job search strategies.
- Navigating questions about criminal history.
- Writing targeted cover letters and effective resumes.
- Learning to interview and share information in mock interview sessions.

The course focuses on overcoming barriers to employment through cognitive thinking transformation, soft-skills development, professional communication, conflict resolution, time management, job search techniques, targeted resume building, interviewing techniques, handling different management styles and computer skills. After graduation, students work with employment specialists to find full-time employment with one of the many employers, or they are referred to vocational or pre-apprenticeship/apprenticeship programs offered through partner agencies.

Eligibility: Priority given to people currently in a work release program, or in a Pioneer treatment or housing program.

Applicants must:

- Have a criminal background and/or history with a substance use disorder.
- Be interested in finding employment and physically able to work.
- Pass a urinalysis (UA).
- Be willing and able to comply with classroom policy and procedures.

Fee: No charge.

INTERACTION TRANSITION – EMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Website: <https://www.interactiontransition.org/services>

Phone: (206) 324-3932

Address: 1265 S. Main St, Suite 305-B. Seattle, WA, 98144

Days/Hours: M-F: 9:00AM-4:30PM

Description: An area non-profit agency dedicated to helping those with a criminal history find meaningful employment. The employment assistance program provides employment readiness and job search assistance for those reentering society, or anyone with a criminal history who is facing barriers to employment.

Eligibility: All King County residents who have a criminal history and face barriers to gaining employment. Accepts those with sex offenses.

To Apply: Call the main number during business hours or walk into their office during business hours. Applicants can also apply through an online application form.

WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS - WORK/TRAINING RELEASE FACILITIES

Website: <http://www.doc.wa.gov>

Phone: (360) 725-8213

Address: 7345 Linderson Way SW, Tumwater, WA 98501

Days/Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00AM-5:00PM; Program hours may vary.

Description: The department contracts with private agencies to provide facilities for diagnostic services, work/training release and residential treatment.

Eligibility: Varies with the program; it depends in part on original sentencing, crime committed, and time served. Accepts those with a sex offense.

To Apply: Call to inquire.

CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY

WASHINGTON RECOVERY HELP LINE

Website: <http://www.warecoveryhelpline.org>

Phone: (866) 789-1511

E-Mail: recovery@crisisconnections.org

Days/Hours: 24 hrs. daily

Description: Operates a statewide 24-hour behavioral health helpline for those dealing with substance use disorder, problem gambling or mental health. Assists callers in connecting to state funded mental health, problem gambling and substance abuse treatment providers. Provides referrals to assist callers in connecting with privately funded chemical dependency treatment providers.

Eligibility: Washington State Residents. **To Apply:** Call.

Fees: No charge.

SUPPORT SERVICES

WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH – SEX OFFENDER TREATMENT DIRECTORY

Website: <https://doh.wa.gov/licenses-permits-and-certificates/professions-new-renew-or-update/sex-offender-treatment-provider/sotp-directory>

Phone: (360) 236-4700

E-Mail: hsqa.csc@doh.wa.gov

Days/Hours: M-F: 9:00AM-5:00PM.

Description: Provides a directory of professionals who are certified to provide sex offender treatment in Washington State.

To Apply: Call, e-mail or visit our website.

SOLANUS CASEY CENTER

Website: http://www.ccsww.org/site/PageServer?pagename=homeless_solanuscaseycenter

Phone: (206) 223-0907

Address: 804 9th Ave, Seattle, WA 98104

Days/Hours: M-Th: 1:00PM-4:00PM.

Description: Offers drop-in hospitality, advocacy, telephone use, resource information, and limited WA State ID and birth certificate application assistance. Limited Spanish translation available by phone.

Eligibility: Serves anyone in need, including those with a sex offense. Primarily serves residents with low-income, no income, those who are homeless, unemployed and individuals released from prison.

To Apply: Call or visit in person.

Fees: No charge.

FREEDOM PROJECT

Website: <https://freedomprojectwa.org/reentry-support/>

Phone: (206) 231-1386

E-mail: reentry@freedomprojectwa.org

Days/Hours: Office hours vary

Description: Freedom Project is an innovative educational organization serving inmates and those recently released back into the community. Offers training in concrete skills on nonviolent communication and mindfulness leading to reconciliation with individuals, loved ones, and community.

Eligibility: 18 and older

To Apply: Call for more information.

Fees: No charge.

KING COUNTY 211 – SCREENING FOR CIVIL LEGAL ASSISTANCE

Phone: 211 or 1-800-621-4636

Days/Hours: M-F: 9:00AM-5:00PM

Description: King County 211 coordinates with various legal agencies in King County to screen callers and refer them to specific legal consultation services. These agencies do not provide direct legal representation or assistance with criminal cases. However, they can provide legal advice and guidance on a variety of legal issues including family law, public benefits, denial of housing due to a prior criminal record, and debt collection assistance regarding legal financial obligations.

To Apply: Call for a legal screening.

CREDIT REPORTING ASSISTANCE:

Website: www.AnnualCreditReport.com

Phone: 1-877-322-8228,

Days/Hours: 24 hours daily

Description: Provides a free credit file disclosure, commonly called a credit report, once every 12 months from each of the (3) national consumer credit reporting agencies. It is recommended to reorder a credit score yearly to provide the most up to date information to prospective property owners. It may be useful to include a copy of a credit score prior to the application fee.

To Apply: Call or visit website Fees: None

TENANT SCREENING REPORT – MOCO INC.*

Website: www.myscreeningreport.com

Phone: 1-877-701-0044,

E-Mail: service@myscreeningreport.com

Days/Hours: Phone: M-F: 8:00AM-5:00PM, Sa: 10:00AM-4:00PM, Su: 12:00PM-4:00PM.

Description: Provides a comprehensive reusable tenant screening report. Report is valid for 30 days after production which contains credit, criminal, eviction, employment, and rental history. Report may not be accepted by all landlords, but Moco Inc. will answer questions on how to use the report.

To Apply: Call or visit website, 24 hours daily.

Fees: Varies by report.

BANK ON-SEATTLE/KING COUNTY

Website: www.everyoneiswelcome.org

Description: A partnership of banks, credit unions, and community organizations that can help those with a criminal history to open free or low-cost checking and savings accounts and facilitates financial education opportunities. Provides alternatives to paying exorbitant fees and interest for financial services. Helps customers open checking and savings accounts that currently do not have them.

The program features a low opening deposit requirement, no monthly minimum balance, no (or low) monthly minimum fee, free ATM or debit card, savings account, direct deposit, online banking (if available) and programs that encourage savings.

Participating institutions will accept Mexican Matricula Consular card as primary ID and will accept an ITIN in lieu of a Social Security number. Will open accounts for customers on ChexSystems with activity present within the last six months, on a case-by-case basis. Will open accounts for people on ChexSystems if the activity is more than six months old, except for internal fraud or restitution policies.

Eligibility: No restrictions. Visit the website for more information.

TEMPORARY MAILING ADDRESS

The following locations can be used as a temporary address, for the purpose of receiving mail and registering to vote in King County:

COMPASS HOUSING ALLIANCE – CSO

Phone: (206) 474-1600

Address: 77 S Washington St, Seattle, WA, 98104

Days/Hours: M-F: 9:00AM 4:00PM.

To Apply: Clients do not need to pre-register for mail service. General mail held for 2 weeks. Provides mail service for anyone needing a local address for receipt of mail.

BALLARD FOOD BANK

Website: <http://www.ballardfoodbank.org>

Phone: (206) 789-7800

Address: 1400 NW Leary Way, Seattle, WA, 98107

Days/Hours: M, Th: 1:00PM-6:45PM; Tu, W: 11:00AM-3:45PM.

To Apply: Visit in person during office hours to set up a file.

Mail Assistance: Must file address information with the post office. Must show Valid ID to pick up mail. Primarily services homeless clients. General mail is held for a maximum of 3 months.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL OF SEATTLE/KING COUNTY – FOOD AND CLOTHING BANK

Website: <http://svdpseattle.org/our-services/food-bank/>

Phone: 206-767-9975

Address: 5972 4th Ave S, Seattle, WA, 98108

Days/Hours: Tu, Th, F: 11:00AM -2:00PM; Friday is for homeless clients only.

To Apply: Clients must complete a “Change of Address” form through the post office and register with the food bank before using the address. Mail can be held for up to 10 business days.

Voting Rights:

Anyone with a prior record no longer under DOC supervision has the same voting rights as all other citizens and has the right to participate in all local, state, and national elections.

Q: Am I eligible to Vote?

A: If you answer yes to the following statements, you are eligible to vote:

- I am a US citizen.
- I will be at least 18 years old by Election Day.
- I am a legal resident and have a registered address in Washington State that has been active for 30 days prior to the election.
- I am no longer in prison or living in community custody under the authority of the DOC.
- To verify your conviction status to determine voter eligibility, please contact the Washington State Department of Corrections at (360)-725-8213 (M-F, 8am-5pm).

Three ways to Register:

Option 1 – Online

Step 1: Make sure you have a current Washington State driver's license or Washington State ID card.

Step 2: Visit the Washington Secretary of State's Website 24 hours a day. <https://www.sos.wa.gov>

Option 2 – By Mail

Step 1: Pick up a voter registration form online at kingcounty.gov/elections, over the phone at 1-800-325-6165, or in-person at certain public library or Department of Licensing locations.

Step 2: Fill out your voter registration form, complete with mailing address.

Step 3: Return your voter registration form to King County Elections; see address below.

Option 3 – In Person

Step 1: Visit the King County Administration Building or King County Elections; see addresses below.

King County Elections

919 SW Grady Way, Suite 100

Renton, WA, 98057

King County Administration Building

500 4th Avenue Room #440

Seattle, WA 98104

Voting Rights Violation Reporting:

Website: <https://www.justice.gov/crt/complaint/votintake/index.php>

Phone: 1-855-856-1247

E-Mail: Voting.Section@usdoj.gov

Days/Hours: 24 hours daily

Report Violations: Call or use complaint form on website.

U.S. Department of Justice investigates complaints of Intimidation, Coercion, or Threats made against anyone Voting or Attempting to vote.

- Works to ensure that every eligible voter can participate in elections to the full extent that federal law provides.
- Complaints related to disruption at a polling place should always be reported immediately to local election officials (including officials in the polling place).
- Complaints related to violence, threats of violence or intimidation at a polling place should be reported immediately to local police authorities by calling 911.
- They should also be reported to the U.S. Department of Justice after local authorities have been contacted.