

## Education and Employment

Reading Area Community College....610-372-4721  
GED Programs at RACC.....www.ged.com  
Literacy Council .....610-670-9960  
CareerLink 1900 Kutztown Rd. Ste F.610-988-1300  
Office of Vocational Rehabilitation.....610-621-5800  
BCIU Homeless Student Program ...610-987-8509

## Help with Rent, Utilities, and Other Needs

BCAP.....610-376-6571  
The Salvation Army.....610-373-5208  
Catholic Charities.....610-376-7144  
Family Promise.....610-373-3323  
Human Relations Comm.....610-655-6141

## Children and Youth Services

**BCIU Child Care Info Line .....610-987-8444**  
Berks County Children & Youth..610-478-6700  
YMCA Baby University .....610-378-4748

U-TURN - Teen Mediation Program for  
Runaway and Homeless Youth 610-373-3323

*The Coalition is a public and private  
partnership that prevents, reduces, and  
ends homelessness through  
comprehensive coordination of innovative  
solutions and quality programs.*

## Information and Referral

### Call 211

Berks Coalition to End Homelessness.....610-372-7222  
BerksTALKLINE.....610-374-8255  
Domestic Relations.....610-478-2900  
Department of Public Welfare for Food Stamps, Medicaid,  
LIHEAP, etc.....610-736-4211  
American Red Cross.....610-375-4383  
BCPS Reentry Resource Center for ex-offenders  
.....610-478-6920  
BCPS/Pretrial Services for Bail related information  
.....610-478-6920  
Human Relations Commission.....610-655-6141  
(Landlord/Tenant mediation)  
Lifeline of Berks County (pregnancy).....610-374-8545  
Mercy Crisis Pregnancy Center.....610-376-0828  
Mid-Penn Legal Services.....610-376-8656  
City of Reading Citizens Service Center.....1-877-727-3234  
(Zoning/Codes/Quality of Life complaints, etc.)  
Abilities in Motion (Disabilities).....610-376-0010  
Reading Berks Conference of Churches.....610-375-6108

### Resources for Veterans

Homeless Veteran Hotline.....1-877-424-3838  
Veteran Crisis Line.....1-800-273-8255  
Supportive Services for Veterans Families in Berks  
contact Opportunity House .....610-374-4696

### CALL 211

**Information on a broad range of  
services. 211 is a free service.  
Available Mon - Friday 7 am to 6:30 p.m.**

## BERKS COALITION TO END HOMELESSNESS, INC.

# Berks County Directory For Homeless And At-Risk Community Residents

**Need Help?  
Call 211**

For free, confidential support and  
resource referral call -

**BerksTALKLINE  
610-374-8255 (TALK)**

### Emergency Shelter Services

Opportunity House—Men, women, and families  
 430 N 2nd Street.....610-374-4696

Hope Rescue Mission—Men Only  
 645 N 6th Street.....610-375-4224

Family Promise—Families  
 325 N 5th Street.....610-373-3323

### Other Shelter/Homeless Services

Mary's Shelter—Homeless, pregnant women  
 325 S 12th Street .....610-376-1973

Family Promise—Homeless Families with Children  
 325 N 5th Street.....610-373-3323

Easy Does It, Inc. Men and women in recovery  
 647 Walnut Street .....610-373-9550

**Berks Women in Crisis—shelter services  
 for domestic violence victims  
 Emergency hotline... 610-372-9540**

**Victims of Human Trafficking—call the National  
 Hotline at .....1-888-373-888  
 24-Text Line—2337333**

### Housing Programs

(each program has requirements—please call)

Berks Counseling Center .....610-373-4281  
 Reading Housing Authority .....610-376-0814  
 YMCA of Reading and Berks Co.....610-378-4700  
 CARE.....610-374-1880  
 Bridge of Hope.....610-568-1250  
 The Salvation Army .....610-373-5208  
 Habitat for Humanity of Berks Co.....610-373-3439  
 Neighborhood Housing Services.....610-372-8433  
 Easy Does It.....610-373-2463  
 Opportunity House.....610-374-4696

### Transportation Services

BARTA BUS.....610-921-0601  
 GRAB-A-CAB.....610-478-1111  
 INTER CITY BUS TERMINAL.....610-374-3182  
 READING CITY METRO TAXI.....610-374-5111

RECONNECTION PROGRAM.....610-378-4700  
 (provides bus tickets to return home to another city,  
 county, or state)

### Clothing and Food

Greater Berks Food Bank - to locate a food pantry for  
 low or no cost foods.....610-926-5802

Kennedy House Soup Kitchen  
 Sat and Sun from 11:30 to 12:30PM.  
 532 Spruce Street, Reading.....610-378-1947

New Journey Community Outreach  
 Mon-Fri, except Wed. 11:30 to 12:30PM  
 138 South 6th Street, Reading .....610-375-3310

City Thrift Shop - low to no cost clothing  
 314 Penn Street, Reading.....610-376-3320

Hope Rescue Mission Thrift Store  
 645 N 6th Street, Reading.....610-375-4224

City Light Drop-In Center  
 Tues through Saturday 6AM to 9AM  
 246 North 9th Street.....610-207-5184

Bethel AME Church Soup Kitchen  
 Wednesday only From 11AM to 1PM  
 330 West Windsor Street.....610-376-7555

House of Good Food Soup Kitchen  
 Monday through Wed from 11AM to 12 Noon  
 140 W. Buttonwood Street.....610-478-9333

### Drug, Alcohol, and Mental Health Services

Treatment Access Service Center (TASC) for  
 assessment services.  
 19 North 6th Street.....610-375-4426

Council on Chemical Abuse - information and  
 referral  
 601 Penn Street, Suite 600.....610-376-8669

Reading Health System Drug and Alcohol Center  
 Detox program.....610-988-8186

Service Access and Management - Mental  
 health/Mental retardation intake and referral  
 19 North 6th Street, Reading.....610-236-0530

Berks Counseling Center - drug & alcohol coun-  
 seling 645 Penn Street, Reading....610-373-4281

Greater Reading Mental Health Alliance  
 122 W. Lancaster Ave. Shillington..610-775-3000

### Wellness Services

Co-County Wellness Serv/Berks AIDS Network  
 429 Walnut Street, Reading.....610-375-6523

Berks Community Health Center  
 838 Penn Street, Reading.....610-988-4838

2nd Street Dispensary.....610-898-0400

St. Joseph's Family and Women's Care  
 Reed and Walnut Sts., Reading ....610-378-2440

Lebanon VA Med.Ctr.....1-800-409-8771

Berks County Veterans Clinic .....610-208-4717

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