

### Education and Employment

Reading Area Community College.....610-372-4721  
 GED Programs at RACC.....www.ged.com  
 Literacy Council .....610-670-9960  
 Career Link 1920 Kutztown Rd. Ste F  
 .....610-988-1300  
 Office of Vocational Rehabilitation.....610-621-5800  
 BCIU Homeless Student Program.....610-987-8509  
 Youth Build – United Community Services  
 ..... 610-374-3319

### Help with Rent, Utilities, and Other Needs

BCAP.....610-376-6571

### For City Residents Only:

The Salvation Army.....610-373-5208  
 Human Relations Commission ..... 610-655-6141

### For County Residents (outside City):

Catholic Charities.....610-376-7144

### Children and Youth Services

BCIU Child Care Info Line.....484-651-8000  
 Berks County Children & Youth.....610-478-6700  
 YMCA Baby University..... 610-378-4748

Family Promise -U-TURN- Coordinated  
 Services Planning for Runaway and Homeless  
 Youth .....610-373-3323  
 Ext 25

*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

Area Agency on Aging.....610-478-6500  
 Berks Encore.....610-374-3195  
 Domestic Relations.....610-478-2900  
 Berks County Assistance Office for Food Stamps, Medicaid,  
 LIHEAP, etc. 625 Cherry Street.....610-736-4211  
 American Red Cross.....610-375-4383  
 BCPS Reentry and Pretrial Services.....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..... 1-800-326-9177  
 City of Reading Citizens Service Center.....1-877-727-3234  
 (Zoning/Codes/Quality of Life complaints, etc.)  
 Abilities in Motion (Disabilities).....610-376-0010  
 Hispanic Center.....610-376-3748  
 LGBTQ Resources .....610-698-4063

### Additional Community Resources

(Throughout rural parts of Berks County)

Salvation Army Hamburg.....610-526-8440  
 Friends Inc. Kutztown.....610-683-7790  
 Boyertown Area Multi Services .....610-367-6957

### Resources for Veterans

Homeless Veteran Hotline.....1-877-424-3838  
 Veteran Crisis Line.....1-800-273-8255  
 Supportive Services for Veterans Families in Berks  
 Opportunity House .....610-374-4696  
 Catholic Charities .....610-376-7144  
 Berks County VA Community Clinic.....484-220-2572

## CALL 211

**Information on a broad range of  
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# Berks County Directory For Homeless And At-Risk Community Residents

### Need Help? Call 211

Information on a broad  
range of  
Services 24/7.  
**211 is a free service.**

Berks Coalition to End Homelessness,  
Inc.

831 Walnut Street  
Reading, PA 19601  
Phone: 610-372-7222  
Fax: 610-372-7223  
Website: bceh.org

## 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

## Other Shelter/Homeless Services

### Mary's Shelter—Homeless, pregnant women

615 Kenhorst Blvd.....610-376-1973

### Family Promise—Homeless Families & Youth

325 N 5th Street.....610-373-3323

### Easy Does It, Inc. Men and women in recovery

647 Walnut Street .....610-373-9550

SafeBerks—shelter services for domestic violence victims

**Emergency hotline... 610-372-9540**

**Victims of Human Trafficking—call the National Hotline at ..... 1-888-373-7888**

## Housing Programs

(each program has requirements—please call)

Berks Counseling Center ..... 610-373-4281  
 Reading Housing Authority..... 610-775-4813  
 YMCA of Reading and Berks Co.....610-378-4700  
 CARE.....610-374-1880  
 Hannah's 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  
 New Person Ministries.....610-777-2222  
 Clare of Assisi House.....484-869-5483

## Transportation Services

BARTA Bus.....610-921-0601  
 Grab-A-Cab.....610-478-1111  
 Reading City Metro Taxi.....610-374-5111  
 Berks Taxi Cab.....610-373-7777  
 Express Taxi.....610-374-2222  
 Dominican Taxi Express.....610-372-0133  
 La Mexicana Express Trans.....610-375-3333  
 Nueva Imagen Transportation.....610-373-5121  
 Inter City Bus Terminal .....610-374-3182  
 Reconnection Program Provides bus ticket ..610-378-4700

## 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

Wed 9:30 serves first 80 families

Clothing Center open Fri 10:30-12:30 at no cost

Back to Work Clothing Center by appointment only

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 .....610-736-3490

### 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

For all Drug and Alcohol Treatment please go to Treatment Access Services Center TASC first:  
 19 North 6th Street.....610-375-4426

### Council on Chemical Abuse - Info / Referral:

601 Penn Street, Suite 600.....610-376-8669

Service Access and Management - Mental Health/Developmental Disabilities intake and referral. 19 North 6th Street.....610-236-0530

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

Greater Reading Mental Health Alliance  
 1234 Penn Ave., Wyomissing.....610-775-3000

National Alliance on Mental Illness  
 MH Support Group Services.....610-685-3000

## Wellness Services

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

Berks Community Health Center  
 838 Penn St. Reading.....610-988-4838  
 430 N. 2nd St. Reading.....610-463-3263  
 1040 Liggett Ave, Reading.....484-220-2955

St. Joseph's Family and Women's Care  
 145 N 6th St. Reading.....610-378-2440

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

Berks County Veterans Clinic.....484-220-2572

National Alliance on Mental Illness ..610-685-3000