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GEORGIA RENTAL ASSISTANCE & HOUSING RESOURCES GUIDE

A Free Resource for Every Renter in Georgia

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Section 1 — Introduction & How to Use This Guide

This guide was created by **Noah Sanders** to help Georgia renters find emergency rental assistance, utility help, legal services, food resources, and other housing support — no matter which of Georgia's 159 counties you call home.

Programs open and close frequently. **Always call ahead to confirm availability before visiting.** This guide is updated periodically; visit noahsandersadvocacy.com for the latest version.

 This booklet is completely FREE.

If someone charged you for it, that was a scam. Report it at 1-800-869-1123 (Georgia Consumer Protection).

Start Here: Your Most Important Steps

1. **Dial 2-1-1** (free, statewide, 24/7). This is your single most powerful tool. Ask which programs currently have money available in your ZIP code. You can also text your ZIP code to **898-211** (metro Atlanta).
2. **Contact your county's Community Action Agency (CAA)** — listed in Section 3 and Section 4 of this guide. These agencies are your frontline resource for emergency rent and utility help.
3. **If you are facing eviction**, call Georgia Legal Services immediately: **1-800-498-9469**. Do not wait.
4. **Undocumented residents:** Many local nonprofits provide help regardless of immigration status. Call 2-1-1 and ask specifically about programs open to all residents.
5. **Scam Warning:** DCA's Georgia Rental Assistance Program (GRA) closed in May 2023. Anyone charging a fee to help you apply for it is running a scam.

Quick Reference — Emergency Contacts

2-1-1

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Free statewide referrals, 24/7

Georgia Legal Services:

1-800-498-9469

DFCS (benefits & LIHEAP):

877-423-4746

St. Vincent de Paul Georgia:

678-892-6163

Salvation Army Metro Atlanta:

404-486-2888

Section 2 — Statewide Resources (Available to All 159 Counties)

The following programs and organizations serve renters across the entire state of Georgia. These are your starting points before searching for county-specific help.

2-1-1 Georgia (United Way)

Your first call for any crisis. Free, confidential referrals for rent, utilities, food, shelter, and more.

Available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. Also text your ZIP code to 898-211 (metro Atlanta area).

 Dial **2-1-1** |  211online.unitedwayatlanta.org

Administers the federal Housing Choice Voucher (Section 8) program across 149 of Georgia's 159 counties. Provides long-term rental subsidies for very low-income households (30–80% of Area Median Income). **Note: Waitlists are often long or closed. Apply early.**

 (470) 802-4707 |  dca.georgia.gov

Georgia Legal Services Program (GLSP)

Free civil legal help for low-income Georgians across 154 counties (outside metro Atlanta). Covers eviction defense, housing disputes, public benefits, and more. Income limit: 125–200% of Federal Poverty Level.

 1-800-498-9469 |  glsp.org

Atlanta Legal Aid Society

Free civil legal services for low-income residents of Clayton, Cobb, DeKalb, Fulton, and Gwinnett counties. Handles eviction defense, landlord-tenant disputes, and more.

 (404) 524-5811 |  atlantalegalaid.org

St. Vincent de Paul Georgia

One of the largest charitable networks in the state. A single statewide helpline routes you by ZIP code to the nearest parish conference for rent arrears, utilities, and rehousing assistance.

 678-892-6163 |  svdpgeorgia.org/get-help

The Salvation Army — Georgia

Emergency financial services covering rent/mortgage, utilities, and food. Metro Atlanta appointment line covers Fulton, DeKalb, Cobb/Douglas, Gwinnett, and Clayton/Fayette counties. Local corps operate statewide.

 Metro Atlanta: 404-486-2888 | Athens: 706-543-5350 |  SAhelp.org

LIHEAP — Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program

Administered through Georgia DFCS and local Community Action Agencies. Covers heating, cooling, utility deposits, and crisis utility shutoff prevention for income-eligible households.

 877-423-4746 (DFCS) |  dfcs.georgia.gov

DFCS / Georgia Gateway — Public Benefits

Apply for SNAP (food stamps), Medicaid, TANF (cash assistance), childcare assistance, and other public benefits online or by phone.

 877-423-4746 |  gateway.ga.gov

Georgia Association of Community Action Authorities (GACAA)

Connects applicants to county-level emergency funds and services statewide. Use their website to locate your nearest Community Action Agency.

 gcaa.org

HUD Housing Counseling

Free or low-cost housing counseling for renters and homeowners facing financial hardship. HUD-approved counselors are available statewide.

 1-800-569-4287 |  hud.gov

Find Help Georgia

Statewide ZIP-code search for financial assistance, food pantries, medical care, and housing support. Simply enter your ZIP code to find programs near you.

 findhelp.org

Georgia Weatherization Assistance Program

Energy-efficiency upgrades for low-income households at no cost. Priority given to elderly and disabled residents. Apply through your local Community Action Agency.

 404-584-1000 (GEFA) |  gefa.georgia.gov

USDA Section 504 Home Repair (Rural Areas)

Loans and grants for very-low-income rural homeowners to repair, improve, or modernize their homes. Grants available for homeowners 62+ to remove health or safety hazards.

 706-552-2541 |  rd.usda.gov

Georgia Fair Housing

Report housing discrimination based on race, disability, religion, sex, national origin, or familial status. Administered through the Georgia Department of Community Affairs.

 dca.georgia.gov (search: Fair Housing)

Section 3 — Community Action Agencies by Region

Community Action Agencies (CAAs) are the backbone of emergency housing assistance across Georgia. They administer LIHEAP, emergency rent help, food programs, and make referrals to other services. Find your county in Section 4, then use this section to get the full contact information for your agency.

1. action pact, Inc.

Counties Served: Appling, Atkinson, Bacon, Brantley, Bulloch, Candler, Charlton, Clinch, Coffee, Effingham, Evans, Jeff Davis, Pierce, Tattnall, Toombs, Ware, Wayne

Address: 510 Tebeau Street, Waycross, GA 31501

Services: Emergency rent/utility assistance, LIHEAP, housing referrals

2. ACTION, Inc. (Area Committee to Improve Opportunities Now)

Counties Served: Barrow, Clarke, DeKalb, Elbert, Greene, Gwinnett, Jackson, Madison, Morgan, Newton, Oconee, Oglethorpe, Rockdale, Walton

Address: 2440 West Broad Street, Suite 9, Athens, GA 30606

Phone: 706-546-8293 (leave a message; callback next business day)

Website: actionathens.org

Services: Rent/mortgage assistance after hardship, LIHEAP, housing referrals

3. Central Savannah River Area Economic Opportunity Authority (CSRA EOA)

Counties Served: Burke, Columbia, Emanuel, Glascock, Jefferson, Jenkins, Lincoln, McDuffie, Richmond, Screven, Taliaferro, Warren, Wilkes

Address: 1261 Greene Street, Augusta, GA 30901

Phone: 706-722-0493

Services: Rent/utility assistance, community action centers

4. Clayton County Community Services Authority

Counties Served: Clayton, Fayette, Henry

Address: 1000 Main Street, Forest Park, GA 30297

Services: Emergency housing assistance, utility help, LIHEAP

5. Coastal Georgia Area Community Action Authority

Counties Served: Bryan, Camden, Glynn, Liberty, Long, McIntosh

Address: 1 Community Action Drive, Brunswick, GA 31520

Services: Emergency rent/utility assistance, LIHEAP, housing referrals

6. Coastal Plain Area Economic Opportunity Authority

Counties Served: Ben Hill, Berrien, Brooks, Cook, Echols, Irwin, Lanier, Lowndes, Tift, Turner

Address: 1810 W. Hill Avenue, Valdosta, GA 31601

Services: Emergency rent/utility assistance, LIHEAP

7. Community Action for Improvement, Inc.

Counties Served: Carroll, Coweta, Douglas, Harris, Heard, Meriwether, Muscogee, Troup

Address: 1380 LaFayette Parkway, LaGrange, GA 30241

Services: Emergency rent assistance, utility help, housing referrals

8. Enrichment Services Program

Counties Served: Chattahoochee, Clay, Harris, Muscogee, Quitman, Randolph, Stewart, Talbot

Address: 2601 Cross Country Drive #C, Columbus, GA 31902

Phone: 706-649-1600

Services: Emergency rent/utility assistance, deposits, housing referrals

9. EOA for Savannah-Chatham County Area

Counties Served: Chatham

Address: 618 West Anderson Street, Savannah, GA 31402

Phone: 912-238-2960

Services: Emergency rent/utility assistance, LIHEAP

10. Fulton Atlanta Community Action Authority

Counties Served: Fulton (City of Atlanta)

Address: 341 Kelly Street NE, Atlanta, GA 30312

Services: Emergency housing assistance, utility help, case management

11. Heart of Georgia Community Action Council

Counties Served: Bleckley, Dodge, Laurens, Montgomery, Pulaski, Telfair, Treutlen, Wheeler, Wilcox

Address: 324 Pine Street, Eastman, GA 31023

Services: Emergency rent/utility assistance, housing referrals

12. Macon-Bibb County Economic Opportunity Council

Counties Served: Bibb

Address: 456 Bay Street, Macon, GA 31201

Services: Emergency rent/utility assistance, LIHEAP

13. Middle Georgia Community Action Agency

Counties Served: Bibb, Bleckley, Butts, Crawford, Dodge, Houston, Jones, Lamar, Laurens, Monroe, Montgomery, Peach, Pike, Pulaski, Spalding, Telfair, Treutlen, Twiggs, Upson, Wheeler, Wilcox

Address: 121 Prince Street, Warner Robins, GA 31093

Services: Emergency rent/utility assistance, LIHEAP, housing referrals

14. Ninth District Opportunity, Inc. (NDO)

Counties Served: Banks, Dawson, Forsyth, Franklin, Habersham, Hall, Hart, Lumpkin, Rabun, Stephens, Towns, Union, White

Address: 308 Spring Street SE, Gainesville, GA 30501

Phone: 855-636-3108

Services: Emergency rent/utility assistance, LIHEAP, housing referrals

15. North Georgia Community Action, Inc.

Counties Served: Catoosa, Chattooga, Cherokee, Dade, Fannin, Gilmer, Murray, Pickens, Walker, Whitfield

Address: 1344 Talking Rock Road, Jasper, GA 30143

Services: Emergency rent/utility assistance, LIHEAP

16. Overview, Inc.

Counties Served: Baldwin, Hancock, Jasper, Johnson, Putnam, Washington, Wilkinson

Address: 325 N. Cobb Street, Milledgeville, GA 31061

Services: Emergency rent/utility assistance, LIHEAP

17. Southwest Georgia Community Action Council

Counties Served: Baker, Calhoun, Clay, Colquitt, Decatur, Dougherty, Early, Grady, Lee, Miller, Mitchell, Quitman, Randolph, Seminole, Terrell, Thomas, Worth

Address: 912 1st Avenue SE, Moultrie, GA 31768

Services: Emergency rent/utility assistance, LIHEAP, housing referrals

18. Tallatoona Community Action Partnership

Counties Served: Bartow, Cobb, Floyd, Fulton (N. Fulton), Gordon, Paulding, Polk

Address: 101 Merchants Square Drive, Cartersville, GA 30120

Services: Emergency rent/utility assistance, LIHEAP, rapid rehousing

19. Unity Community Action Council

Counties Served: Chattahoochee, Crisp, Dooly, Macon, Marion, Schley, Stewart, Sumter, Talbot, Taylor, Webster

Address: 4036 GA-90, Montezuma, GA 31063

Services: Emergency rent/utility assistance, LIHEAP, housing referrals

Section 4 — County-by-County Resource Guide (All 159 Counties)

This section lists every Georgia county alphabetically with its primary rental

assistance contact and Community Action Agency. Always call

2-1-1

for the most current program availability and funding status in your ZIP code before visiting any agency.

How to use this section:

Find your county below. Call the listed agency first. If they are full or closed, call 2-1-1 immediately for a current referral to another open program.

APPLING COUNTY

Primary CAA: action pact, Inc. — 510 Tebeau St, Waycross, GA 31501

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

ATKINSON COUNTY

Primary CAA: action pact, Inc. — 510 Tebeau St, Waycross, GA 31501

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

BACON COUNTY

Primary CAA: action pact, Inc. — 510 Tebeau St, Waycross, GA 31501

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

BAKER COUNTY

Primary CAA: Southwest Georgia Community Action Council — 912 1st Ave SE, Moultrie, GA 31768

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

BALDWIN COUNTY

Primary CAA: Overview, Inc. — 325 N. Cobb St, Milledgeville, GA 31061

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

BANKS COUNTY

Primary CAA: Ninth District Opportunity, Inc. — 308 Spring St SE, Gainesville, GA 30501 — 855-636-3108

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

BARROW COUNTY

Primary CAA: ACTION, Inc. — 2440 W. Broad St Ste 9, Athens, GA 30606 — 706-546-8293

Also: Salvation Army local corps

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

BARTOW COUNTY

Primary CAA: Tallatoona Community Action Partnership — 101 Merchants Square Dr, Cartersville, GA 30120

Also: MUST Ministries (Cherokee/Bartow)

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

BEN HILL COUNTY

Primary CAA: Coastal Plain Area Economic Opportunity Authority — 1810 W. Hill Ave, Valdosta, GA 31601

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

BERRIEN COUNTY

Primary CAA: Coastal Plain Area Economic Opportunity Authority — 1810 W. Hill Ave, Valdosta, GA 31601

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

BIBB COUNTY

Primary CAA: Macon-Bibb County Economic Opportunity Council — 456 Bay St, Macon, GA 31201

Also: Middle Georgia Community Action Agency — 121 Prince St, Warner Robins, GA 31093

Also: Salvation Army Macon corps; United Way of Central Georgia (dial 211)

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

BLECKLEY COUNTY

Primary CAA: Heart of Georgia Community Action Council — 324 Pine St, Eastman, GA 31023

Also: Middle Georgia Community Action Agency

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

BRANTLEY COUNTY

Primary CAA: action pact, Inc. — 510 Tebeau St, Waycross, GA 31501

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

BROOKS COUNTY

Primary CAA: Coastal Plain Area Economic Opportunity Authority — 1810 W. Hill Ave, Valdosta, GA 31601

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

BRYAN COUNTY

Primary CAA: Coastal Georgia Area Community Action Authority — 1 Community Action Dr, Brunswick, GA 31520

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

BULLOCH COUNTY

Primary CAA: action pact, Inc. — 510 Tebeau St, Waycross, GA 31501

Also: Salvation Army Statesboro corps

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

BURKE COUNTY

Primary CAA: CSRA Economic Opportunity Authority — 1261 Greene St, Augusta, GA 30901 — 706-722-0493

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

BUTTS COUNTY

Primary CAA: Middle Georgia Community Action Agency — 121 Prince St, Warner Robins, GA 31093

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

CALHOUN COUNTY

Primary CAA: Southwest Georgia Community Action Council — 912 1st Ave SE, Moultrie, GA 31768

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

CAMDEN COUNTY

Primary CAA: Coastal Georgia Area Community Action Authority — 1 Community Action Dr, Brunswick, GA 31520

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

CANDLER COUNTY

Primary CAA: action pact, Inc. — 510 Tebeau St, Waycross, GA 31501

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

CARROLL COUNTY

Primary CAA: Community Action for Improvement, Inc. — 1380 LaFayette Pkwy, LaGrange, GA 30241

Also: Salvation Army Carrollton corps

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

CATOOSA COUNTY

Primary CAA: North Georgia Community Action, Inc. — 1344 Talking Rock Rd, Jasper, GA 30143

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

CHARLTON COUNTY

Primary CAA: action pact, Inc. — 510 Tebeau St, Waycross, GA 31501

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

CHATHAM COUNTY

Primary CAA: EOA for Savannah-Chatham County — 618 W. Anderson St, Savannah, GA 31402 — 912-238-2960

Also: Salvation Army Savannah; Step Up Savannah (housing advocacy)

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

CHATTAHOOCHEE COUNTY

Primary CAA: Enrichment Services Program — 2601 Cross Country Dr #C, Columbus, GA 31902 — 706-649-1600

Also: Unity Community Action Council

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

CHATTOOGA COUNTY

Primary CAA: North Georgia Community Action, Inc. — 1344 Talking Rock Rd, Jasper, GA 30143

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

CHEROKEE COUNTY

Primary CAA: North Georgia Community Action, Inc. — 1344 Talking Rock Rd, Jasper, GA 30143

Also: MUST Ministries (Cherokee office)

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

CLARKE COUNTY

Primary CAA: ACTION, Inc. — 2440 W. Broad St Ste 9, Athens, GA 30606 — 706-546-8293

Also: Salvation Army Athens — 706-543-5350; Athens Area Homeless Shelter; Athens Community Council on Aging

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

CLAY COUNTY

Primary CAA: Southwest Georgia Community Action Council — 912 1st Ave SE, Moultrie, GA 31768

Also: Enrichment Services Program

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

CLAYTON COUNTY

Primary CAA: Clayton County Community Services Authority — 1000 Main St, Forest Park, GA 30297

Also: Salvation Army Jonesboro corps; Clayton County Housing Authority

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

CLINCH COUNTY

Primary CAA: action pact, Inc. — 510 Tebeau St, Waycross, GA 31501

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

COBB COUNTY

Primary CAA: Tallatoona Community Action Partnership — 101 Merchants Square Dr, Cartersville, GA 30120

Also: MUST Ministries (Marietta, serving Cobb/Cherokee); Salvation Army Marietta corps; Cobb County DFCS; Cooperative Ministry of Cobb County

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

COFFEE COUNTY

Primary CAA: action pact, Inc. — 510 Tebeau St, Waycross, GA 31501

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

COLQUITT COUNTY

Primary CAA: Southwest Georgia Community Action Council — 912 1st Ave SE, Moultrie, GA 31768

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

COLUMBIA COUNTY

Primary CAA: CSRA Economic Opportunity Authority — 1261 Greene St, Augusta, GA 30901 — 706-722-0493

Also: Salvation Army Augusta corps

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

COOK COUNTY

Primary CAA: Coastal Plain Area Economic Opportunity Authority — 1810 W. Hill Ave, Valdosta, GA 31601

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

COWETA COUNTY

Primary CAA: Community Action for Improvement, Inc. — 1380 LaFayette Pkwy, LaGrange, GA 30241

Also: Salvation Army Newnan corps

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

CRAWFORD COUNTY

Primary CAA: Middle Georgia Community Action Agency — 121 Prince St, Warner Robins, GA 31093

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

CRISP COUNTY

Primary CAA: Unity Community Action Council — 4036 GA-90, Montezuma, GA 31063

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

DADE COUNTY

Primary CAA: North Georgia Community Action, Inc. — 1344 Talking Rock Rd, Jasper, GA 30143

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

DAWSON COUNTY

Primary CAA: Ninth District Opportunity, Inc. — 308 Spring St SE, Gainesville, GA 30501 — 855-636-3108

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

DECATUR COUNTY

Primary CAA: Southwest Georgia Community Action Council — 912 1st Ave SE, Moultrie, GA 31768

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

DEKALB COUNTY

Primary CAA: ACTION, Inc. — 2440 W. Broad St Ste 9, Athens, GA 30606 — 706-546-8293

Also: DeKalb Integrated Community Care Initiative (ICCI) — 404-371-6333; DeKalb CoC Coordinated Entry — 404-687-3500; Nicholas House Prevention Services — 404-622-0793; Salvation Army Decatur corps; Atlanta Legal Aid Society — 404-524-5811; DEAM Utility Assistance — 404-373-2300

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

DODGE COUNTY

Primary CAA: Heart of Georgia Community Action Council — 324 Pine St, Eastman, GA 31023

Also: Middle Georgia Community Action Agency

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

DOOLY COUNTY

Primary CAA: Unity Community Action Council — 4036 GA-90, Montezuma, GA 31063

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

DOUGHERTY COUNTY

Primary CAA: Southwest Georgia Community Action Council — 912 1st Ave SE, Moultrie, GA 31768

Also: Salvation Army Albany corps

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

DOUGLAS COUNTY

Primary CAA: Community Action for Improvement, Inc. — 1380 LaFayette Pkwy, LaGrange, GA 30241

Also: Salvation Army Douglasville corps

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

EARLY COUNTY

Primary CAA: Southwest Georgia Community Action Council — 912 1st Ave SE, Moultrie, GA 31768

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

ECHOLS COUNTY

Primary CAA: Coastal Plain Area Economic Opportunity Authority — 1810 W. Hill Ave, Valdosta, GA 31601

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

EFFINGHAM COUNTY

Primary CAA: action pact, Inc. — 510 Tebeau St, Waycross, GA 31501

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

ELBERT COUNTY

Primary CAA: ACTION, Inc. — 2440 W. Broad St Ste 9, Athens, GA 30606 — 706-546-8293

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

EMANUEL COUNTY

Primary CAA: CSRA Economic Opportunity Authority — 1261 Greene St, Augusta, GA 30901 — 706-722-0493

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

EVANS COUNTY

Primary CAA: action pact, Inc. — 510 Tebeau St, Waycross, GA 31501

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

FANNIN COUNTY

Primary CAA: North Georgia Community Action, Inc. — 1344 Talking Rock Rd, Jasper, GA 30143

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

FAYETTE COUNTY

Primary CAA: Clayton County Community Services Authority — 1000 Main St, Forest Park, GA 30297

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

FLOYD COUNTY

Primary CAA: Tallatoona Community Action Partnership — 101 Merchants Square Dr, Cartersville, GA 30120

Also: Salvation Army Rome corps

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

FORSYTH COUNTY

Primary CAA: Ninth District Opportunity, Inc. — 308 Spring St SE, Gainesville, GA 30501 — 855-636-3108

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

FRANKLIN COUNTY

Primary CAA: Ninth District Opportunity, Inc. — 308 Spring St SE, Gainesville, GA 30501 — 855-636-3108

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

FULTON COUNTY

Primary CAA: Fulton Atlanta Community Action Authority — 341 Kelly St NE, Atlanta, GA 30312

Also: Fulton County TBRA (HOME-funded): fultoncountyga.gov; City of Atlanta Housing Help Center — 404-492-7640; Midtown Assistance Center (MAC) — 404-681-5777; HOPE Atlanta: hopeatlanta.org; BCM Georgia (families w/ school-age kids): bcmgeorgia.org/get-help; Safehouse Outreach — 404-523-2221; Tallatoona CAP (N. Fulton); Atlanta Legal Aid Society — 404-524-5811; Salvation Army Atlanta — 404-486-2888; Frontline Housing: frontlinehousing.org

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

GILMER COUNTY

Primary CAA: North Georgia Community Action, Inc. — 1344 Talking Rock Rd, Jasper, GA 30143

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

GLASCOCK COUNTY

Primary CAA: CSRA Economic Opportunity Authority — 1261 Greene St, Augusta, GA 30901 — 706-722-0493

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

GLYNN COUNTY

Primary CAA: Coastal Georgia Area Community Action Authority — 1 Community Action Dr, Brunswick, GA 31520

Also: Salvation Army Brunswick corps

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

GORDON COUNTY

Primary CAA: North Georgia Community Action, Inc. — 1344 Talking Rock Rd, Jasper, GA 30143

Also: Tallatoona Community Action Partnership

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

GRADY COUNTY

Primary CAA: Southwest Georgia Community Action Council — 912 1st Ave SE, Moultrie, GA 31768

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

GREENE COUNTY

Primary CAA: ACTION, Inc. — 2440 W. Broad St Ste 9, Athens, GA 30606 — 706-546-8293

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

GWINNETT COUNTY

Primary CAA: ACTION, Inc. — 2440 W. Broad St Ste 9, Athens, GA 30606 — 706-546-8293

Also: Salvation Army Lawrenceville corps; Gwinnett Housing Authority; Partnership for Community Action — 404-929-2500; Atlanta Legal Aid Society — 404-524-5811

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

HABERSHAM COUNTY

Primary CAA: Ninth District Opportunity, Inc. — 308 Spring St SE, Gainesville, GA 30501 — 855-636-3108

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

HALL COUNTY

Primary CAA: Ninth District Opportunity, Inc. — 308 Spring St SE, Gainesville, GA 30501 — 855-636-3108

Also: Salvation Army Gainesville corps

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

HANCOCK COUNTY

Primary CAA: Overview, Inc. — 325 N. Cobb St, Milledgeville, GA 31061

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

HARALSON COUNTY

Primary CAA: Tallatoona Community Action Partnership — 101 Merchants Square Dr, Cartersville, GA 30120

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current local referrals

HARRIS COUNTY

Primary CAA: Community Action for Improvement, Inc. — 1380 LaFayette Pkwy, LaGrange, GA 30241

Also: Enrichment Services Program

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

HART COUNTY

Primary CAA: Ninth District Opportunity, Inc. — 308 Spring St SE, Gainesville, GA 30501 — 855-636-3108

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

HEARD COUNTY

Primary CAA: Community Action for Improvement, Inc. — 1380 LaFayette Pkwy, LaGrange, GA 30241

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

HENRY COUNTY

Primary CAA: Clayton County Community Services Authority — 1000 Main St, Forest Park, GA 30297

Also: Salvation Army McDonough corps

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

HOUSTON COUNTY

Primary CAA: Middle Georgia Community Action Agency — 121 Prince St, Warner Robins, GA 31093

Also: Salvation Army Warner Robins corps

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

IRWIN COUNTY

Primary CAA: Coastal Plain Area Economic Opportunity Authority — 1810 W. Hill Ave, Valdosta, GA 31601

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

JACKSON COUNTY

Primary CAA: ACTION, Inc. — 2440 W. Broad St Ste 9, Athens, GA 30606 — 706-546-8293

Also: Ninth District Opportunity, Inc. — 855-636-3108

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

JASPER COUNTY

Primary CAA: Overview, Inc. — 325 N. Cobb St, Milledgeville, GA 31061

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

JEFF DAVIS COUNTY

Primary CAA: action pact, Inc. — 510 Tebeau St, Waycross, GA 31501

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

JEFFERSON COUNTY

Primary CAA: CSRA Economic Opportunity Authority — 1261 Greene St, Augusta, GA 30901 — 706-722-0493

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

JENKINS COUNTY

Primary CAA: CSRA Economic Opportunity Authority — 1261 Greene St, Augusta, GA 30901 — 706-722-0493

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

JOHNSON COUNTY

Primary CAA: Overview, Inc. — 325 N. Cobb St, Milledgeville, GA 31061

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

JONES COUNTY

Primary CAA: Middle Georgia Community Action Agency — 121 Prince St, Warner Robins, GA 31093

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

LAMAR COUNTY

Primary CAA: Middle Georgia Community Action Agency — 121 Prince St, Warner Robins, GA 31093

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

LANIER COUNTY

Primary CAA: Coastal Plain Area Economic Opportunity Authority — 1810 W. Hill Ave, Valdosta, GA 31601

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

LAURENS COUNTY

Primary CAA: Heart of Georgia Community Action Council — 324 Pine St, Eastman, GA 31023

Also: Middle Georgia Community Action Agency

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

LEE COUNTY

Primary CAA: Southwest Georgia Community Action Council — 912 1st Ave SE, Moultrie, GA 31768

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

LIBERTY COUNTY

Primary CAA: Coastal Georgia Area Community Action Authority — 1 Community Action Dr, Brunswick, GA 31520

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

LINCOLN COUNTY

Primary CAA: CSRA Economic Opportunity Authority — 1261 Greene St, Augusta, GA 30901 — 706-722-0493

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

LONG COUNTY

Primary CAA: Coastal Georgia Area Community Action Authority — 1 Community Action Dr, Brunswick, GA 31520

Also: action pact, Inc.

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

LOWNDES COUNTY

Primary CAA: Coastal Plain Area Economic Opportunity Authority — 1810 W. Hill Ave, Valdosta, GA 31601

Also: Salvation Army Valdosta corps

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

LUMPKIN COUNTY

Primary CAA: Ninth District Opportunity, Inc. — 308 Spring St SE, Gainesville, GA 30501 — 855-636-3108

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

MACON COUNTY

Primary CAA: Unity Community Action Council — 4036 GA-90, Montezuma, GA 31063

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

MADISON COUNTY

Primary CAA: ACTION, Inc. — 2440 W. Broad St Ste 9, Athens, GA 30606 — 706-546-8293

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

MARION COUNTY

Primary CAA: Unity Community Action Council — 4036 GA-90, Montezuma, GA 31063

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

MCDUFFIE COUNTY

Primary CAA: CSRA Economic Opportunity Authority — 1261 Greene St, Augusta, GA 30901 — 706-722-0493

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

MCINTOSH COUNTY

Primary CAA: Coastal Georgia Area Community Action Authority — 1 Community Action Dr, Brunswick, GA 31520

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

MERIWETHER COUNTY

Primary CAA: Community Action for Improvement, Inc. — 1380 LaFayette Pkwy, LaGrange, GA 30241

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

MILLER COUNTY

Primary CAA: Southwest Georgia Community Action Council — 912 1st Ave SE, Moultrie, GA 31768

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

MITCHELL COUNTY

Primary CAA: Southwest Georgia Community Action Council — 912 1st Ave SE, Moultrie, GA 31768

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

MONROE COUNTY

Primary CAA: Middle Georgia Community Action Agency — 121 Prince St, Warner Robins, GA 31093

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

MONTGOMERY COUNTY

Primary CAA: Heart of Georgia Community Action Council — 324 Pine St, Eastman, GA 31023

Also: Middle Georgia Community Action Agency

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

MORGAN COUNTY

Primary CAA: ACTION, Inc. — 2440 W. Broad St Ste 9, Athens, GA 30606 — 706-546-8293

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

MURRAY COUNTY

Primary CAA: North Georgia Community Action, Inc. — 1344 Talking Rock Rd, Jasper, GA 30143

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

MUSCOGEE COUNTY

Primary CAA: Community Action for Improvement, Inc. — 1380 LaFayette Pkwy, LaGrange, GA 30241

Also: Enrichment Services Program — 706-649-1600; Salvation Army Columbus corps

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

NEWTON COUNTY

Primary CAA: ACTION, Inc. — 2440 W. Broad St Ste 9, Athens, GA 30606 — 706-546-8293

Also: Partnership for Community Action — 404-929-2500

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

OCONEE COUNTY

Primary CAA: ACTION, Inc. — 2440 W. Broad St Ste 9, Athens, GA 30606 — 706-546-8293

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

OGLETHORPE COUNTY

Primary CAA: ACTION, Inc. — 2440 W. Broad St Ste 9, Athens, GA 30606 — 706-546-8293

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

PAULDING COUNTY

Primary CAA: Tallatoona Community Action Partnership — 101 Merchants Square Dr, Cartersville, GA 30120

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

PEACH COUNTY

Primary CAA: Middle Georgia Community Action Agency — 121 Prince St, Warner Robins, GA 31093

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

PICKENS COUNTY

Primary CAA: North Georgia Community Action, Inc. — 1344 Talking Rock Rd, Jasper, GA 30143

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

PIERCE COUNTY

Primary CAA: action pact, Inc. — 510 Tebeau St, Waycross, GA 31501

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

PIKE COUNTY

Primary CAA: Middle Georgia Community Action Agency — 121 Prince St, Warner Robins, GA 31093

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

POLK COUNTY

Primary CAA: Tallatoona Community Action Partnership — 101 Merchants Square Dr, Cartersville, GA 30120

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

PULASKI COUNTY

Primary CAA: Heart of Georgia Community Action Council — 324 Pine St, Eastman, GA 31023

Also: Middle Georgia Community Action Agency

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

PUTNAM COUNTY

Primary CAA: Overview, Inc. — 325 N. Cobb St, Milledgeville, GA 31061

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

QUITMAN COUNTY

Primary CAA: Southwest Georgia Community Action Council — 912 1st Ave SE, Moultrie, GA 31768

Also: Enrichment Services Program

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

RABUN COUNTY

Primary CAA: Ninth District Opportunity, Inc. — 308 Spring St SE, Gainesville, GA 30501 — 855-636-3108

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

RANDOLPH COUNTY

Primary CAA: Southwest Georgia Community Action Council — 912 1st Ave SE, Moultrie, GA 31768

Also: Enrichment Services Program

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

RICHMOND COUNTY

Primary CAA: CSRA Economic Opportunity Authority — 1261 Greene St, Augusta, GA 30901 — 706-722-0493

Also: Salvation Army Augusta corps; Augusta Housing Authority

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

ROCKDALE COUNTY

Primary CAA: ACTION, Inc. — 2440 W. Broad St Ste 9, Athens, GA 30606 — 706-546-8293

Also: Partnership for Community Action — 404-929-2500

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

SCHLEY COUNTY

Primary CAA: Unity Community Action Council — 4036 GA-90, Montezuma, GA 31063

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

SCREVEN COUNTY

Primary CAA: CSRA Economic Opportunity Authority — 1261 Greene St, Augusta, GA 30901 — 706-722-0493

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

SEMINOLE COUNTY

Primary CAA: Southwest Georgia Community Action Council — 912 1st Ave SE, Moultrie, GA 31768

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

SPALDING COUNTY

Primary CAA: Middle Georgia Community Action Agency — 121 Prince St, Warner Robins, GA 31093

Also: Salvation Army Griffin corps

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

STEPHENS COUNTY

Primary CAA: Ninth District Opportunity, Inc. — 308 Spring St SE, Gainesville, GA 30501 — 855-636-3108

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

STEWART COUNTY

Primary CAA: Unity Community Action Council — 4036 GA-90, Montezuma, GA 31063

Also: Enrichment Services Program

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

SUMTER COUNTY

Primary CAA: Unity Community Action Council — 4036 GA-90, Montezuma, GA 31063

Also: Salvation Army Americus corps

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

TALBOT COUNTY

Primary CAA: Enrichment Services Program — 2601 Cross Country Dr #C, Columbus, GA 31902 — 706-649-1600

Also: Unity Community Action Council

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

TALIAFERRO COUNTY

Primary CAA: CSRA Economic Opportunity Authority — 1261 Greene St, Augusta, GA 30901 — 706-722-0493

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

TATTNALL COUNTY

Primary CAA: action pact, Inc. — 510 Tebeau St, Waycross, GA 31501

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

TAYLOR COUNTY

Primary CAA: Unity Community Action Council — 4036 GA-90, Montezuma, GA 31063

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

TELFAIR COUNTY

Primary CAA: Heart of Georgia Community Action Council — 324 Pine St, Eastman, GA 31023

Also: Middle Georgia Community Action Agency

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

TERRELL COUNTY

Primary CAA: Southwest Georgia Community Action Council — 912 1st Ave SE, Moultrie, GA 31768

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

THOMAS COUNTY

Primary CAA: Southwest Georgia Community Action Council — 912 1st Ave SE, Moultrie, GA 31768

Also: Salvation Army Thomasville corps

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

TIFT COUNTY

Primary CAA: Coastal Plain Area Economic Opportunity Authority — 1810 W. Hill Ave, Valdosta, GA 31601

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

TOOMBS COUNTY

Primary CAA: action pact, Inc. — 510 Tebeau St, Waycross, GA 31501

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

TOWNS COUNTY

Primary CAA: Ninth District Opportunity, Inc. — 308 Spring St SE, Gainesville, GA 30501 — 855-636-3108

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

TREUTLEN COUNTY

Primary CAA: Heart of Georgia Community Action Council — 324 Pine St, Eastman, GA 31023

Also: Middle Georgia Community Action Agency

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

TROUP COUNTY

Primary CAA: Community Action for Improvement, Inc. — 1380 LaFayette Pkwy, LaGrange, GA 30241

Also: Salvation Army LaGrange corps

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

TURNER COUNTY

Primary CAA: Coastal Plain Area Economic Opportunity Authority — 1810 W. Hill Ave, Valdosta, GA 31601

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

TWIGGS COUNTY

Primary CAA: Middle Georgia Community Action Agency — 121 Prince St, Warner Robins, GA 31093

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

UNION COUNTY

Primary CAA: Ninth District Opportunity, Inc. — 308 Spring St SE, Gainesville, GA 30501 — 855-636-3108

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

UPSON COUNTY

Primary CAA: Middle Georgia Community Action Agency — 121 Prince St, Warner Robins, GA 31093

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

WALKER COUNTY

Primary CAA: North Georgia Community Action, Inc. — 1344 Talking Rock Rd, Jasper, GA 30143

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

WALTON COUNTY

Primary CAA: ACTION, Inc. — 2440 W. Broad St Ste 9, Athens, GA 30606 — 706-546-8293

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

WARE COUNTY

Primary CAA: action pact, Inc. — 510 Tebeau St, Waycross, GA 31501

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

WARREN COUNTY

Primary CAA: CSRA Economic Opportunity Authority — 1261 Greene St, Augusta, GA 30901 — 706-722-0493

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

WASHINGTON COUNTY

Primary CAA: Overview, Inc. — 325 N. Cobb St, Milledgeville, GA 31061

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

WAYNE COUNTY

Primary CAA: action pact, Inc. — 510 Tebeau St, Waycross, GA 31501

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

WEBSTER COUNTY

Primary CAA: Unity Community Action Council — 4036 GA-90, Montezuma, GA 31063

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

WHEELER COUNTY

Primary CAA: Heart of Georgia Community Action Council — 324 Pine St, Eastman, GA 31023

Also: Middle Georgia Community Action Agency

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

WHITE COUNTY

Primary CAA: Ninth District Opportunity, Inc. — 308 Spring St SE, Gainesville, GA 30501 — 855-636-3108

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

WHITFIELD COUNTY

Primary CAA: North Georgia Community Action, Inc. — 1344 Talking Rock Rd, Jasper, GA 30143

Also: Salvation Army Dalton corps

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

WILCOX COUNTY

Primary CAA: Heart of Georgia Community Action Council — 324 Pine St, Eastman, GA 31023

Also: Middle Georgia Community Action Agency

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

WILKES COUNTY

Primary CAA: CSRA Economic Opportunity Authority — 1261 Greene St, Augusta, GA 30901 — 706-722-0493

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

WILKINSON COUNTY

Primary CAA: Overview, Inc. — 325 N. Cobb St, Milledgeville, GA 31061

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

WORTH COUNTY

Primary CAA: Southwest Georgia Community Action Council — 912 1st Ave SE, Moultrie, GA 31768

Action: Call 2-1-1 for current funding availability

Section 5 — Additional Resources

Food Assistance

Program / Organization	Contact	Area Served
DFCS / Georgia Gateway — SNAP (food stamps)	877-423-4746 gateway.ga.gov	Statewide
Atlanta Community Food Bank	404-892-3333 acfb.org	Metro Atlanta
Food Bank of Northeast Georgia	foodbanknega.org Dial 211	Northeast GA
Second Harvest of South Georgia	229-244-3663 feedingsga.org	Valdosta area
Middle Georgia Community Food Bank	478-741-1840 mgcfb.org	Macon area
Feeding the Valley Food Bank	feedingthevalley.org	Columbus area
America's Second Harvest of Coastal Georgia	912-236-6750	Savannah area

Utility Assistance

- **LIHEAP through DFCS:** 877-423-4746 | dfcs.georgia.gov
- **Georgia Power Energy Assistance Programs:** 1-888-660-5890 | georgiapower.com
- **Atlanta Gas Light Bill Assistance:** 1-770-994-1946
- **GEFA Weatherization Assistance:** 404-584-1000 | gefa.georgia.gov
- **Project SHARE (Salvation Army):** SAhelp.org

Healthcare & Mental Health

- **Georgia Crisis & Access Line (GCAL):** 1-800-715-4225 — 24/7 mental health crisis line
- **Community Health Centers of Georgia:** 404-815-7600 | chcgeorgia.org
- **Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs)** — sliding scale fees statewide:
findahealthcenter.hrsa.gov

- **Medicaid / PeachCare for Kids:** 800-869-1150 | dch.georgia.gov

Public Benefits & Financial Assistance

- **DFCS / Georgia Gateway** (SNAP, Medicaid, TANF, childcare): 877-423-4746 | gateway.ga.gov
- **Social Security Administration:** 1-800-772-1213 | ssa.gov
- **Supplemental Security Income (SSI):** Apply through SSA above
- **Georgia Department of Veterans Service:** 404-656-2300 | veterans.georgia.gov

For Seniors (Age 62+)

- **Georgia Division of Aging Services:** 404-657-5258 | aging.georgia.gov
- **HUD Section 202 Supportive Housing for the Elderly:** hud.gov
- **Georgia Senior Citizens Home Assistance Program:** Contact Division of Aging Services above
- **Area Agency on Aging (your local):** Contact aging.georgia.gov to locate yours
- **USDA Section 504 Home Repair Grants (rural, 62+):** 706-552-2541 | rd.usda.gov

For People with Disabilities

- **HUD Section 811 Housing:** Administered through DCA — dca.georgia.gov
- **Georgia Council on Developmental Disabilities:** 404-657-2126 | gcdd.georgia.gov
- **DCA Medicaid Waiver Referrals for Disability Housing:** dca.georgia.gov

For Veterans

- **HUD-VASH Vouchers:** Through your local VA Medical Center | va.gov
- **Georgia Department of Veterans Service:** 404-656-2300 | veterans.georgia.gov
- **Volunteers of America Southeast (homeless veterans):** 1-800-899-0089 | voase.org

Legal Help

Organization	Contact	Coverage
Georgia Legal Services Program	1-800-498-9469 glsp.org	154 rural counties
Atlanta Legal Aid Society	404-524-5811 atlantalegalaid.org	Clayton, Cobb, DeKalb, Fulton, Gwinnett
Housing Justice League Eviction Defense Hotline	404-941-9494 housingjusticeleague.org	Metro Atlanta
State Bar of Georgia Lawyer Referral	404-527-8700 gabar.org	Statewide
Georgia Appleseed Center for Law & Justice	georgiaappleseed.org	Statewide
LawHelp Georgia (self-help resources)	lawhelp.org/georgia	Statewide

Section 6 — Tenant Rights & Eviction Tips

Facing eviction is terrifying

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but you have rights. Here are the most important things to know if you receive an eviction notice. Act quickly; timelines are short in Georgia.

6. **File an Answer immediately.** If you receive a Dispossessory Warrant (eviction notice), you typically have **7 days** to file an Answer with the magistrate court. **Do not ignore it** — file even if you cannot pay the full amount owed. Failing to respond almost always results in an automatic judgment against you.
7. **Call a lawyer the same day.** Contact **Georgia Legal Services (1-800-498-9469)** or **Atlanta Legal Aid (404-524-5811)** immediately after receiving an eviction notice. Free legal help is available, but limited seats fill quickly. Call on day one.

8. **Keep all your records in one safe place.** Store rent receipts, payment records, money order stubs, bank statements, your lease agreement, and all written communications with your landlord — in a folder, a box, or photos on your phone. These documents can win your case.
9. **Document housing problems in writing.** If your landlord has failed to make repairs or you have unsafe conditions, document them with photos and send notice in writing via text or email so you have a time-stamped record. This matters legally.
10. **Call for emergency rental assistance right away.** Contact your local Community Action Agency (Section 3 or 4) **or dial 2-1-1** the same day you receive an eviction notice. Some programs can issue payments directly to landlords to stop an eviction. Every day counts.
11. **Know your legal rights under Georgia law.** Georgia's landlord-tenant law is in the **Official Code of Georgia Annotated, Title 44, Chapter 7**. Free copies and plain-language explanations are available at georgialegalaid.org. Knowing your rights empowers you to advocate for yourself.
12. **Use the court's self-help resources.** Many Georgia magistrate courts have self-help centers that can assist you with completing forms and understanding the process. When you arrive at the courthouse, ask the clerk if a self-help center or resource desk is available.
13. **Scam alert: Rental assistance is always free. Never pay anyone a fee to apply for rental assistance.** No legitimate program charges an application fee. If someone asks you to pay to access housing help, it is a scam. Report it to the Georgia Consumer Protection Division at 1-800-869-1123.

 Important Georgia Eviction Timeline:

Georgia has one of the fastest eviction timelines in the country. From the time you receive a Dispossessory Warrant, you typically have only 7 days to respond. A hearing may be scheduled within days of your Answer.

Act immediately — do not wait.

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Dial 2-1-1 (free, 24/7, statewide)

Georgia Legal Services: 1-800-498-9469

DFCS / Benefits: 877-423-4746

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