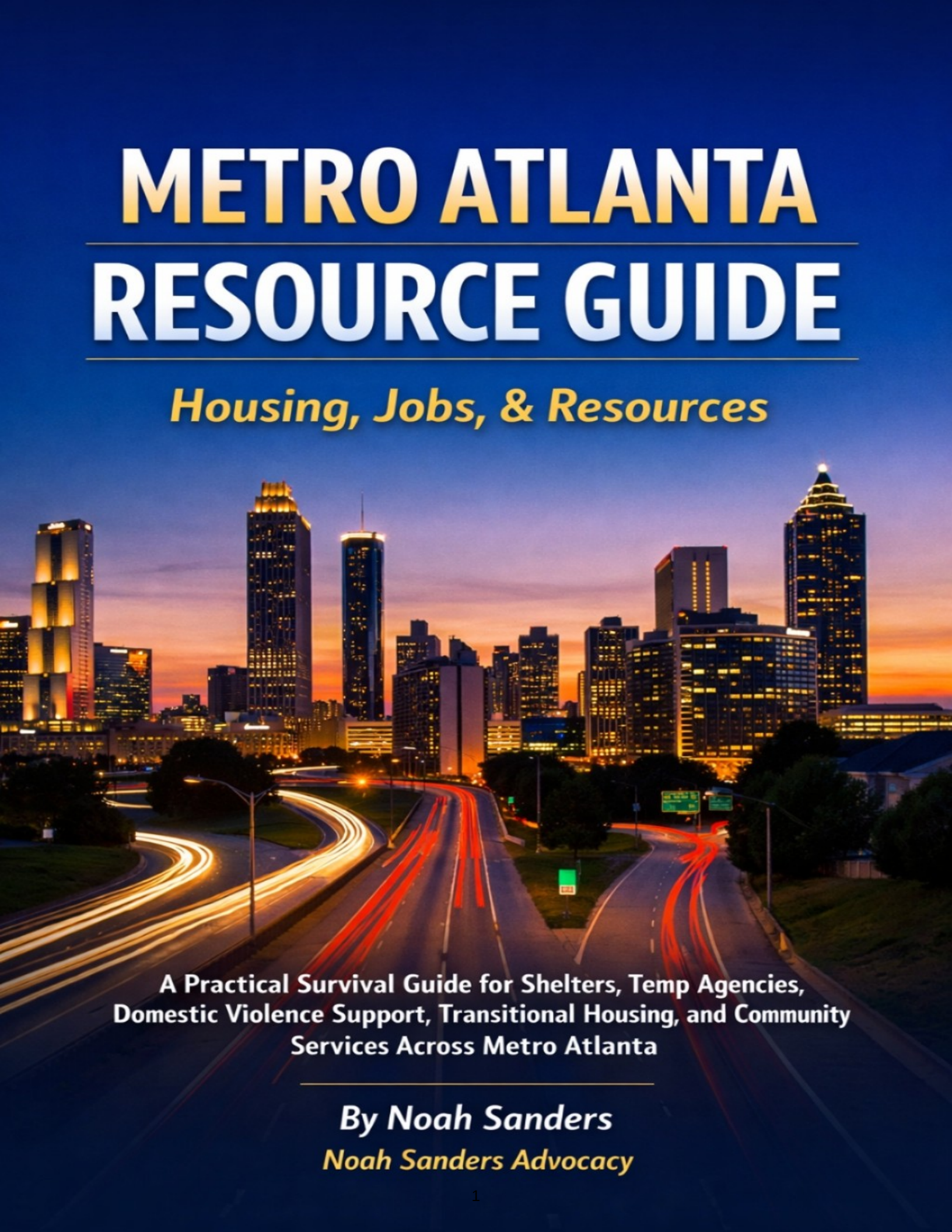




METRO ATLANTA RESOURCE GUIDE

Housing, Jobs, & Resources

**A Practical Survival Guide for Shelters, Temp Agencies,
Domestic Violence Support, Transitional Housing, and Community
Services Across Metro Atlanta**

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CHAPTER 1 — INTRODUCTION & PURPOSE

The Metro Atlanta Resource Guide was created to give individuals and families a clear, direct path to help. Atlanta is a city filled with shelters, crisis centers, temp agencies, transitional housing programs, and community support organizations — but many people do not know where to find them or how to access them. This guide exists to make sure no one is left without direction.

This booklet is designed for anyone facing hardship: people experiencing homelessness, survivors of domestic violence, individuals seeking employment, families in crisis, youth in danger, and advocates helping others. Every chapter provides real organizations, real phone numbers, and real addresses you can use immediately.

The purpose of this guide is to bring clarity to a confusing system. Many people in crisis do not know where to start, who to call, or where to go. This guide organizes Metro Atlanta's resources into clear chapters so you can quickly find what you need. Whether you are looking for emergency shelter, job placement, transitional housing, domestic violence support, food assistance, or legal advocacy, each chapter will walk you through the options available.

This guide is written in plain language so it can be used by anyone — individuals, families, caseworkers, outreach teams, shelters, churches, and community organizations. It is meant to be printed, shared, uploaded, and distributed freely.

The mission of this guide is simple: to empower Atlanta's communities with clarity, direction, and real help. No one should feel lost or alone when trying to find shelter, food, work, or safety. This guide was compiled by Noah Sanders Advocacy, a community initiative dedicated to legal advocacy, outreach, and resource access for underserved populations in Georgia.

CHAPTER 2 — EMPLOYMENT & TEMP SERVICES (FULL METRO ATLANTA BREAKDOWN)

Finding work quickly is one of the fastest ways to regain stability. Metro Atlanta has dozens of staffing agencies that hire daily, weekly, and long-term. Many of these agencies accept walk-ins, offer same-day job placement, and work with individuals who may be experiencing homelessness, re-entry, or financial hardship. This chapter lists every major temp service in the Atlanta area with full contact information.

TeamWRX Staffing

TeamWRX is one of Atlanta's most active staffing agencies, known for warehouse, production, logistics, and manufacturing jobs. They regularly hire individuals with limited work history and offer multiple shifts.

Address: 1500 Pleasant Hill Road, Suite 250, Duluth, GA 30096

Phone: (678) 820-7090

Notes: Walk-ins welcome. Bring ID and Social Security card. Many jobs accessible by MARTA. Known for fast placement.

First Step Staffing

First Step Staffing specializes in helping individuals experiencing homelessness or instability. They partner with shelters and transitional housing programs and often provide transportation to job sites.

Address: 236 Auburn Avenue NE, Atlanta, GA 30303

Phone: (404) 577-3392

Notes: Designed for people rebuilding their lives. Works closely with Gateway Center, Atlanta Mission, and transitional housing programs. Very friendly to re-entry.

Hire Dynamics

Hire Dynamics is a large regional staffing company with multiple Metro Atlanta locations. They place workers in manufacturing, logistics, clerical, and hospitality roles.

Address (Atlanta Office): 2300 Lakeview Parkway, Suite 700, Alpharetta, GA 30009

Phone: (678) 387-4300

Notes: Offers long-term and temp-to-hire positions. Weekly pay. Multiple offices across Metro Atlanta.

Labor Staffing

Labor Staffing is known for daily and weekly pay options, making it ideal for individuals needing immediate income.

Address: 2600 Century Parkway NE, Atlanta, GA 30345

Phone: (404) 636-8575

Notes: Daily pay available. Walk-ins accepted early in the morning. Strong warehouse and general labor placements.

Impact Staffing

Impact Staffing places workers in industrial, warehouse, and clerical roles. They work with both entry-level and skilled applicants.

Address: 1955 Cliff Valley Way NE, Suite 100, Atlanta, GA 30329

Phone: (404) 634-0200

Notes: Strong placement in warehouse and production facilities. Good for individuals seeking consistent shifts.

PrideStaff

PrideStaff offers administrative, clerical, and industrial positions. They are known for professional office placements.

Address: 375 Northridge Road, Suite 110, Atlanta, GA 30350

Phone: (770) 414-2920

Notes: Good for individuals seeking office or customer service roles. Offers temp-to-hire opportunities.

Beacon Hill Staffing Group

Beacon Hill focuses on administrative, legal, and professional placements. They also offer entry-level opportunities.

Address: 1175 Peachtree Street NE, Suite 1000, Atlanta, GA 30361

Phone: (404) 689-5600

Notes: Strong for office work, legal support, and corporate roles. Good for individuals with clerical or administrative experience.

Staff Zone

Staff Zone specializes in construction, general labor, and event staffing. They hire daily and offer immediate placement.

Address: 749 Ponce De Leon Avenue NE, Atlanta, GA 30306

Phone: (404) 885-9919

Notes: Daily work available. Good for individuals seeking outdoor or physical labor positions.

PeopleReady

PeopleReady is a national staffing company with multiple Atlanta locations. They offer daily and weekly pay and hire for general labor, hospitality, and warehouse work.

Address (Atlanta Office): 3301 Buckeye Road, Suite 101, Atlanta, GA 30341

Phone: (404) 634-8844

Notes: Daily pay available through their app. Walk-ins welcome.

Lyneer Staffing Solutions

Lyneer places workers in logistics, warehouse, and clerical roles. They work with major distribution centers.

Address: 2727 Paces Ferry Road SE, Suite 1-B, Atlanta, GA 30339

Phone: (770) 432-4677

Notes: Strong warehouse and shipping department placements.

TRC Staffing Services

TRC offers administrative, professional, and industrial staffing. They are known for long-term placements.

Address: 2675 Paces Ferry Road SE, Suite 300, Atlanta, GA 30339

Phone: (404) 586-1950

Notes: Good for individuals seeking stable, long-term employment.

Express Employment Professionals

Express Employment places workers in office, industrial, and professional roles.

Address: 1874 Piedmont Avenue NE, Suite 460-E, Atlanta, GA 30324

Phone: (404) 255-1777

Notes: Offers temp-to-hire and long-term positions.

Allied Universal (Security Jobs)

Allied Universal hires security officers across Metro Atlanta. They frequently hire individuals with limited experience.

Address: 1770 The Exchange SE, Suite 200, Atlanta, GA 30339

Phone: (404) 609-7000

Notes: Security positions available. Must pass background check.

Job Tips for Success

When visiting a temp agency, bring your ID, Social Security card, direct deposit information, and a reliable contact number. Wear work-ready clothing and be prepared to complete a short application. Many agencies will interview you the same day and send you to work within 24 hours.

Consistency is the key to success with temp agencies. Showing up on time, communicating with supervisors, and accepting available shifts will help you build a work history that can lead to permanent employment. Many companies hire temp workers full-time after 60 to 90 days of good performance.

CHAPTER 3 — HOMELESS SHELTERS & EMERGENCY HOUSING (FULL METRO ATLANTA BREAKDOWN)

Metro Atlanta has a wide network of shelters serving men, women, children, families, and youth. Some shelters operate 24 hours a day, while others have specific intake times. This chapter provides a complete breakdown of every major shelter in the Atlanta area, including full contact information and notes on who they serve.

Atlanta Mission: The Shepherd's Inn (Men's Shelter)

The Shepherd's Inn is one of Atlanta's largest men's shelters, offering emergency beds, meals, and case management.

Address: 165 Ivan Allen Jr Blvd NW, Atlanta, GA 30313

Phone: (404) 367-2493

Notes: Serves adult men. Intake typically in the afternoon/evening. Offers meals, showers, and transitional programs.

Atlanta Mission: My Sister's House (Women & Children)

My Sister's House provides emergency shelter for women and children, along with counseling, meals, and long-term programs.

Address: 921 Howell Mill Road NW, Atlanta, GA 30318

Phone: (404) 367-2465

Notes: Serves women and children only. Offers childcare, counseling, and recovery programs.

Gateway Center (Men, Women, Families)

Gateway Center is one of Atlanta's central homeless service hubs, offering emergency shelter, transitional housing, and employment programs.

Address: 275 Pryor Street SW, Atlanta, GA 30303

Phone: (404) 215-6600

Notes: Intake varies by program. Works closely with First Step Staffing. Offers case management and job placement.

Our House (Families & Children)

Our House provides shelter and early childhood education for families experiencing homelessness.

Address: 173 Boulevard NE, Atlanta, GA 30312

Phone: (404) 522-6056

Notes: Serves families with children. Offers childcare, education, and family support services.

Nicholas House (Families)

Nicholas House is one of the few shelters in Atlanta that keeps entire families together, regardless of family size or composition.

Address: 830 Boulevard SE, Atlanta, GA 30312

Phone: (404) 622-0793

Notes: Serves families of all types. Offers long-term transitional housing and case management.

City of Refuge (Women, Children, Men)

City of Refuge provides emergency shelter, transitional housing, job training, and recovery programs.

Address: 1300 Joseph E. Boone Blvd NW, Atlanta, GA 30314

Phone: (404) 952-1201

Notes: Offers programs for women, children, and men. Includes House of Cherith for survivors of exploitation.

House of Cherith (Women — Trauma & Exploitation Recovery)

House of Cherith provides safe housing for women escaping trafficking, exploitation, or severe trauma.

Address: 1300 Joseph E. Boone Blvd NW, Atlanta, GA 30314

Phone: (404) 655-0024

Notes: Serves women only. Confidential intake. Located within City of Refuge campus.

Covenant House Georgia (Youth 18–24)

Covenant House serves homeless youth and young adults, offering shelter, education, and employment support.

Address: 1559 Johnson Road NW, Atlanta, GA 30318

Phone: (404) 589-0163

Notes: Serves youth ages 18–24. Offers emergency beds, transitional housing, and street outreach.

Salvation Army — Red Shield Services (Men, Women, Families)

The Salvation Army provides emergency shelter, meals, and case management.

Address: 400 Luckie Street NW, Atlanta, GA 30313

Phone: (404) 486-2710

Notes: Serves men, women, and families. Offers emergency beds and transitional programs.

Making A Way Housing (Men & Women)

Making A Way Housing provides emergency and transitional housing for adults experiencing homelessness.

Address: 377 Westchester Blvd NW, Atlanta, GA 30314

Phone: (404) 792-8011

Notes: Serves men and women. Open 24 hours. Offers meals and case management.

Another Chance of Atlanta (Men & Women)

Another Chance offers emergency shelter and transitional housing for adults.

Address: 176 Troy Street NW, Atlanta, GA 30314

Phone: (678) 974-5989

Notes: Serves men and women. Offers meals, beds, and support services.

Restoration House (Women's Shelter)

Restoration House provides emergency shelter for women experiencing homelessness or crisis.

Address: 655 Ethel Street NW, Atlanta, GA 30318

Phone: (404) 588-4007

Notes: Serves women only. Offers meals, beds, and supportive services.

Hope Atlanta (Men, Women, Families)

Hope Atlanta provides homelessness prevention, emergency shelter placement, and transitional housing.

Address: 458 Ponce De Leon Avenue NE, Atlanta, GA 30308

Phone: (404) 817-7070

Notes: Offers rapid rehousing, emergency hotel placement, and case management.

Harbor Halo (Men & Women)

Harbor Halo provides emergency shelter and transitional housing for adults.

Address: 191 Peachtree Road NE, Atlanta, GA 30303

Phone: (404) 777-9126

Notes: Open 24 hours. Serves men and women. Offers meals and support services.

Mary Hall Freedom Village (Women & Children)

Mary Hall Freedom Village provides housing and recovery programs for women and children.

Address: 8995 Roswell Road, Sandy Springs, GA 30350

Phone: (770) 642-5500

Notes: Serves women and children. Offers recovery, housing, and life-skills programs.

Jerusalem House (HIV/AIDS Housing)

Jerusalem House provides long-term supportive housing for individuals and families affected by HIV/AIDS.

Address: 1017 Fayetteville Road SE, Atlanta, GA 30316

Phone: (404) 350-1633

Notes: Serves individuals and families living with HIV/AIDS.

Lost-N-Found Youth (LGBTQ+ Youth)

Lost-N-Found Youth provides emergency beds and transitional housing for LGBTQ+ youth.

Address: 2585 Chantilly Drive NE, Atlanta, GA 30324

Phone: (678) 856-7824

Notes: Serves LGBTQ+ youth ages 18–25. Offers emergency beds and case management.

Shelter Tips for Success

When seeking shelter, arrive early, bring identification if possible, and be prepared for intake questions. Many shelters operate on a first-come, first-served basis. If you do not have ID, some shelters will still accept you, especially Gateway Center, City of Refuge, and Covenant House.

CHAPTER 4 — DOMESTIC VIOLENCE & CRISIS SUPPORT (FULL METRO ATLANTA BREAKDOWN)

Domestic violence is a crisis that requires immediate, confidential, and safe intervention. Metro Atlanta has multiple shelters, hotlines, and advocacy centers dedicated to protecting survivors and helping them rebuild their lives. This chapter provides a complete breakdown of every major domestic violence resource in the Atlanta area, including full contact information and notes on who they serve.

These organizations offer emergency shelter, legal advocacy, counseling, safety planning, and long-term support. Many operate 24 hours a day and accept survivors without requiring identification. If someone is in immediate danger, they should leave the situation and contact emergency services.

Partnership Against Domestic Violence (PADV) — Atlanta

PADV is one of the largest domestic violence organizations in Georgia. They provide emergency shelter, legal advocacy, counseling, and safety planning.

Address: 1175 Northeast Expressway, Building 1, Suite 160, Atlanta, GA 30306

Phone: (404) 870-9600

Notes: Serves women, children, and men. Offers emergency shelter, legal advocacy, and support groups. 24-hour hotline available.

PADV 24-Hour Crisis Line

This hotline connects survivors to emergency shelter, safety planning, and crisis intervention.

Phone: (404) 873-1766

Notes: Confidential and available 24/7.

Women's Resource Center to End Domestic Violence (Decatur)

The Women's Resource Center provides emergency shelter, counseling, legal advocacy, and a 24-hour crisis line.

Address: 115 East Maple Street, Decatur, GA 30030

Phone: (404) 688-9436

Notes: Serves women and children. Offers emergency shelter, counseling, and legal support. Crisis line operates 24/7.

House of Cherith (Women — Trauma & Exploitation Recovery)

House of Cherith provides safe housing for women escaping domestic violence, trafficking, exploitation, or severe trauma.

Address: 1300 Joseph E. Boone Blvd NW, Atlanta, GA 30314

Phone: (404) 655-0024

Notes: Serves women only. Confidential intake. Located within the City of Refuge campus. Offers trauma recovery programs.

HOPE for Domestic Violence (Gwinnett County)

HOPE for Domestic Violence provides emergency shelter, transitional housing, counseling, and recovery programs.

Address: 1305 Lakes Parkway, Suite 121, Lawrenceville, GA 30043

Phone: (770) 807-3915

Notes: Serves women and children. Offers emergency housing, counseling, and long-term support.

Salvation Army — Red Shield Services (Domestic Violence Support)

The Salvation Army provides emergency shelter and domestic violence support services.

Address: 400 Luckie Street NW, Atlanta, GA 30313

Phone: (404) 486-2710

Notes: Serves men, women, and families. Offers emergency shelter and case management. Domestic violence support available through their family services.

YWCA of Greater Atlanta — Domestic Violence Programs

The YWCA offers domestic violence counseling, advocacy, and support services.

Address: 957 North Highland Avenue NE, Atlanta, GA 30306

Phone: (404) 892-3476

Notes: Offers counseling, advocacy, and support groups. Works closely with shelters and legal aid.

Georgia Coalition Against Domestic Violence (Statewide Support)

GCADV provides statewide advocacy, training, and support for survivors. They do not operate shelters but connect survivors to local resources.

Address: 2295 Parklake Drive NE, Suite 130, Atlanta, GA 30345

Phone: (404) 209-0280

Notes: Statewide organization. Provides referrals, advocacy, and survivor support.

Raksha, Inc. (South Asian Domestic Violence Support)

Raksha supports South Asian survivors of domestic violence, offering culturally specific counseling and advocacy.

Address: 5080 Peachtree Blvd, Suite 200, Chamblee, GA 30341

Phone: (404) 876-0670

Notes: Serves South Asian communities. Offers counseling, legal advocacy, and crisis support.

Caminar Latino (Latino Domestic Violence Support)

Caminar Latino provides domestic violence support for Latino families, including counseling and advocacy.

Address: 2750 Buford Highway NE, Suite 802, Atlanta, GA 30324

Phone: (404) 413-6348

Notes: Serves Latino families. Offers counseling, youth programs, and advocacy.

Tapestri, Inc. (Immigrant & Refugee DV Support)

Tapestri supports immigrant and refugee survivors of domestic violence, trafficking, and exploitation.

Address: 3939 Lavista Road, Suite E, Tucker, GA 30084

Phone: (404) 299-2185

Notes: Serves immigrants and refugees. Offers legal advocacy, shelter placement, and crisis intervention.

Legal Aid Atlanta — Domestic Violence Legal Support

Legal Aid provides legal assistance for protective orders, custody, and safety planning.

Address: 54 Ellis Street NE, Atlanta, GA 30303

Phone: (404) 524-5811

Notes: Offers free legal services for survivors seeking protective orders or custody support.

Domestic Violence Safety Tips

Survivors should avoid confronting abusers directly. If possible, leave the situation immediately and go to a safe location. Shelters do not require identification to enter. Crisis lines can help with safety planning, transportation, and emergency shelter placement.

CHAPTER 5 — TRANSITIONAL HOUSING & RECOVERY PROGRAMS (FULL METRO ATLANTA BREAKDOWN)

Transitional housing programs provide longer-term stability for individuals and families who are working to rebuild their lives. Unlike emergency shelters, transitional housing usually offers structured programs, case management, employment assistance, recovery support, and life-skills training. Many programs require intake interviews, but most accept individuals without income or identification.

This chapter lists every major transitional housing and recovery program in Metro Atlanta with full contact information.

City of Refuge — Transitional Housing Programs

City of Refuge offers multiple transitional housing programs for men, women, and children. Their campus includes job training, recovery programs, childcare, and long-term housing.

Address: 1300 Joseph E. Boone Blvd NW, Atlanta, GA 30314

Phone: (404) 758-0929

Notes: Offers transitional housing for women, children, and men. Includes vocational training, childcare, and recovery programs.

House of Cherith — Transitional Housing for Women

House of Cherith provides safe transitional housing for women escaping domestic violence, trafficking, exploitation, or severe trauma.

Address: 1300 Joseph E. Boone Blvd NW, Atlanta, GA 30314

Phone: (404) 655-0024

Notes: Serves women only. Confidential intake. Offers trauma recovery, counseling, and long-term housing.

Making A Way Housing — Transitional Housing

Making A Way Housing provides emergency and transitional housing for adults experiencing homelessness.

Address: 377 Westchester Blvd NW, Atlanta, GA 30314

Phone: (404) 792-8011

Notes: Serves men and women. Open 24 hours. Offers meals, case management, and long-term housing options.

Hope Atlanta — Rapid Rehousing & Transitional Housing

Hope Atlanta provides homelessness prevention, emergency hotel placement, rapid rehousing, and transitional housing.

Address: 458 Ponce De Leon Avenue NE, Atlanta, GA 30308

Phone: (404) 817-7070

Notes: Offers rental assistance, case management, and long-term housing support. Works with families and individuals.

Nicholas House — Family Transitional Housing

Nicholas House is one of the few programs in Atlanta that keeps entire families together, regardless of size or composition.

Address: 830 Boulevard SE, Atlanta, GA 30312

Phone: (404) 622-0793

Notes: Serves families only. Offers long-term transitional housing, employment support, and case management.

Mary Hall Freedom Village — Women & Children

Mary Hall Freedom Village provides housing, recovery programs, and life-skills training for women and children.

Address: 8995 Roswell Road, Sandy Springs, GA 30350

Phone: (770) 642-5500

Notes: Serves women and children. Offers addiction recovery, mental health services, and transitional housing.

Jerusalem House — HIV/AIDS Supportive Housing

Jerusalem House provides long-term supportive housing for individuals and families affected by HIV/AIDS.

Address: 1017 Fayetteville Road SE, Atlanta, GA 30316

Phone: (404) 350-1633

Notes: Serves individuals and families living with HIV/AIDS. Offers permanent supportive housing.

Covenant House Georgia — Youth Transitional Housing

Covenant House offers transitional housing for youth ages 18–24, along with education, employment support, and counseling.

Address: 1559 Johnson Road NW, Atlanta, GA 30318

Phone: (404) 589-0163

Notes: Serves youth ages 18–24. Offers long-term housing, job training, and street outreach.

Lost-N-Found Youth — LGBTQ+ Transitional Housing

Lost-N-Found Youth provides transitional housing for LGBTQ+ youth experiencing homelessness.

Address: 2585 Chantilly Drive NE, Atlanta, GA 30324

Phone: (678) 856-7824

Notes: Serves LGBTQ+ youth ages 18–25. Offers emergency beds, transitional housing, and case management.

The Zaban Paradies Center — Couples Transitional Housing

Zaban Paradies Center is one of the only transitional housing programs in Atlanta that serves couples together.

Address: 1605 Peachtree Street NE, Atlanta, GA 30309

Phone: (404) 872-5796

Notes: Serves couples only. Offers housing, employment support, and case management.

Odyssey III — Men's Transitional Housing

Odyssey III provides structured transitional housing for men, including recovery programs and employment support.

Address: 6073 Riverdale Road, Riverdale, GA 30274

Phone: (770) 991-9444

Notes: Serves men only. Offers recovery support and long-term housing.

Phoenix House Recovery — Transitional Housing & Recovery

Phoenix House offers transitional housing for individuals in recovery from substance abuse.

Address: 3315 Highway 5, Douglasville, GA 30135

Phone: (770) 947-0027

Notes: Serves men and women. Offers structured recovery programs and housing.

The Extension — Recovery Housing (Cobb County)

The Extension provides long-term residential recovery programs for men and women.

Address: 1507 Church Street, Marietta, GA 30060

Phone: (770) 590-9075

Notes: Serves men and women. Offers structured recovery and transitional housing.

Transitional Housing Tips

Most transitional housing programs require an intake interview. Some require sobriety or participation in recovery programs. Arrive early, bring identification if possible, and be prepared to discuss your situation honestly. Many programs accept individuals without income and help them secure employment.

CHAPTER 6 — FOOD ASSISTANCE & COMMUNITY KITCHENS (FULL METRO ATLANTA BREAKDOWN)

Food insecurity is one of the most common challenges faced by individuals and families experiencing homelessness or financial hardship. Metro Atlanta has a wide network of food pantries, community kitchens, churches, and nonprofit organizations that provide free meals, groceries, and emergency food boxes. Some locations offer daily meals, while others distribute food weekly or monthly. This chapter provides a complete breakdown of every major food assistance resource in the Atlanta area.

Atlanta Community Food Bank (Main Distribution & Partner Network)

The Atlanta Community Food Bank is the largest hunger-relief organization in the region. While they do not distribute food directly to individuals at their main warehouse, they supply hundreds of food pantries across Metro Atlanta.

Address: 3400 North Desert Drive, Atlanta, GA 30344

Phone: (404) 892-9822

Notes: Visit their website or call to find partner food pantries near you. They support most major food programs in Atlanta.

Crossroads Community Ministries (Downtown Atlanta)

Crossroads provides daily meals, case management, and support services for individuals experiencing homelessness.

Address: 420 Courtland Street NE, Atlanta, GA 30308

Phone: (404) 873-7650

Notes: Serves breakfast and lunch. Offers ID assistance and employment support.

St. Vincent de Paul Georgia (Multiple Locations)

St. Vincent de Paul operates food pantries across Metro Atlanta, offering groceries, emergency food boxes, and financial assistance.

Address (Main Office): 2050 Chamblee Tucker Road, Atlanta, GA 30341

Phone: (678) 892-6160

Notes: Multiple pantry locations. Call for nearest site and hours.

The Open Door Community (Meals & Outreach)

The Open Door Community provides meals, clothing, and outreach services for individuals experiencing homelessness.

Address: 910 Ponce de Leon Avenue NE, Atlanta, GA 30306

Phone: (404) 874-9652

Notes: Offers meals and community support. Check hours before visiting.

SafeHouse Outreach (Downtown Atlanta)

SafeHouse Outreach provides meals, emergency assistance, and street outreach programs.

Address: 89 Ellis Street NE, Atlanta, GA 30303

Phone: (404) 523-2221

Notes: Serves meals several nights a week. Offers case management and support services.

The Shrine of the Immaculate Conception (Downtown Meal Program)

This church provides meals and support services for individuals experiencing homelessness.

Address: 48 Martin Luther King Jr Drive SW, Atlanta, GA 30303

Phone: (404) 521-1866

Notes: Offers weekly meal service. Call for schedule.

Central Presbyterian Church — Central Outreach & Advocacy Center (COA)

COA provides meals, ID assistance, and support services for individuals experiencing homelessness.

Address: 201 Washington Street SW, Atlanta, GA 30303

Phone: (404) 659-7119

Notes: Offers snacks, water, and limited food support. Strong ID assistance program.

First Presbyterian Church of Atlanta — Community Ministries

This church provides meals, groceries, and outreach services.

Address: 1328 Peachtree Street NE, Atlanta, GA 30309

Phone: (404) 892-8461

Notes: Offers meal services and food distribution. Call for schedule.

Holy Innocents' Episcopal Church — Food Pantry

Holy Innocents' provides groceries and emergency food boxes.

Address: 805 Mount Vernon Highway NW, Atlanta, GA 30327

Phone: (404) 255-4023

Notes: Weekly food distribution. Serves Sandy Springs and North Atlanta.

Intown Cares — Food Pantry & Meal Services

Intown Cares provides meals, groceries, and support services for individuals experiencing homelessness.

Address: 1026 Ponce de Leon Avenue NE, Atlanta, GA 30306

Phone: (404) 373-9283

Notes: Offers meals and food pantry services. Serves Midtown and East Atlanta.

The Salvation Army — Red Shield Services (Meals & Food Boxes)

The Salvation Army provides meals, groceries, and emergency food boxes.

Address: 400 Luckie Street NW, Atlanta, GA 30313

Phone: (404) 486-2710

Notes: Offers daily meals for shelter residents and food boxes for the community.

Hosea Helps (Hosea Feed the Hungry)

Hosea Helps provides large-scale food distribution events, emergency food boxes, and community meals.

Address: 2545 Forrest Hills Drive SW, Atlanta, GA 30315

Phone: (404) 755-3353

Notes: Offers holiday meals, weekly food distribution, and emergency assistance.

Emmaus House — Food Pantry & Community Support

Emmaus House provides groceries, meals, and community support services.

Address: 1017 Hank Aaron Drive SW, Atlanta, GA 30315

Phone: (404) 525-5948

Notes: Weekly food pantry. Serves South Atlanta.

Midtown Assistance Center (MAC)

MAC provides groceries, emergency food boxes, and financial assistance.

Address: 30 Porter Place NE, Atlanta, GA 30308

Phone: (404) 681-0470

Notes: Serves Midtown and Downtown residents. Appointment recommended.

Buckhead Christian Ministry (BCM)

BCM provides groceries, emergency food boxes, and financial assistance.

Address: 2847 Piedmont Road NE, Atlanta, GA 30305

Phone: (404) 239-0038

Notes: Serves Buckhead and North Atlanta. Appointment required.

North Fulton Community Charities (NFCC)

NFCC provides groceries, emergency food boxes, and community meals.

Address: 11270 Elkins Road, Roswell, GA 30076

Phone: (770) 640-0399

Notes: Serves North Fulton County. Offers weekly food distribution.

Gwinnett County Cooperative Ministries (Multiple Locations)

Gwinnett County has several co-ops offering groceries and emergency food boxes.

Examples include:

- Lawrenceville Co-Op
- Norcross Co-Op
- Southeast Gwinnett Co-Op
- Duluth Co-Op

Notes: Each co-op has its own address and phone number. All provide groceries and emergency food boxes.

Food Assistance Tips

Arrive early for meal programs, as lines can be long. Bring a bag or backpack for groceries. Some pantries require proof of residence, but many do not. Churches often provide meals on specific days — calling ahead is helpful.

CHAPTER 7 — HEALTH & MENTAL WELLNESS (FULL METRO ATLANTA BREAKDOWN)

Access to healthcare is essential for stability, especially for individuals experiencing homelessness, domestic violence, or financial hardship. Metro Atlanta has numerous free and low-cost clinics, mental health centers, crisis programs, and community health organizations that provide medical care, counseling, addiction treatment, and wellness support. Many of these services do not require insurance and offer sliding-scale fees or completely free care.

This chapter provides a complete breakdown of every major health and mental wellness resource in Metro Atlanta, including full contact information and notes on who they serve.

Grady Health System — Main Hospital & Clinics

Grady is Atlanta's largest public hospital and provides emergency care, primary care, mental health services, and specialty clinics.

Address: 80 Jesse Hill Jr Drive SE, Atlanta, GA 30303

Phone: (404) 616-1000

Notes: 24/7 emergency room. Offers mental health crisis stabilization, primary care, and specialty clinics. Accepts uninsured patients.

Grady Behavioral Health Outpatient Center

Provides mental health evaluations, counseling, medication management, and crisis intervention.

Address: 10 Park Place NE, Atlanta, GA 30303

Phone: (404) 616-4455

Notes: Serves adults with mental health needs. Accepts uninsured and low-income patients.

Mercy Care — Atlanta (Multiple Locations)

Mercy Care provides medical, dental, mental health, and homeless outreach services. They are one of Atlanta's primary healthcare providers for individuals experiencing homelessness.

Address (Main Clinic): 424 Decatur Street SE, Atlanta, GA 30312

Phone: (678) 843-8500

Notes: Offers primary care, mental health counseling, addiction treatment, HIV testing, and dental care. Serves uninsured patients.

Mercy Care — Chamblee Clinic

Address: 5134 Peachtree Road, Chamblee, GA 30341

Phone: (678) 843-8500

Notes: Provides primary care, mental health services, and chronic disease management.

Mercy Care — Mobile Outreach Clinics

Mobile units visit shelters and street locations to provide medical care.

Phone: (678) 843-8500

Notes: Serves individuals experiencing homelessness. Call for schedule.

Georgia Crisis & Access Line (GCAL)

GCAL provides statewide mental health crisis support, mobile crisis teams, and suicide prevention.

Phone: 988

Alternate: 1-800-715-4225

Notes: 24/7 crisis support. Can dispatch mobile crisis teams anywhere in Georgia.

DeKalb County Board of Health — Clinics & Mental Health Services

Provides immunizations, STD testing, primary care, and mental health referrals.

Address (Main Office): 445 Winn Way, Decatur, GA 30030

Phone: (404) 294-3700

Notes: Low-cost services. Serves uninsured patients.

Fulton County Department of Behavioral Health & Developmental Disabilities

Provides mental health counseling, addiction treatment, and psychiatric services.

Address: 401 West Peachtree Street NW, Atlanta, GA 30308

Phone: (404) 613-1650

Notes: Serves adults and youth. Offers counseling, medication management, and crisis support.

Positive Impact Health Centers (HIV/AIDS Care)

Provides HIV testing, treatment, mental health counseling, and supportive services.

Address: 523 Church Street, Decatur, GA 30030

Phone: (404) 589-9040

Notes: Serves individuals living with HIV/AIDS. Offers medical care and counseling.

AIDS Healthcare Foundation (AHF) — Atlanta

Provides HIV testing, treatment, and primary care.

Address: 5700 Hillandale Drive, Lithonia, GA 30058

Phone: (404) 297-7388

Notes: Free HIV testing. Low-cost medical care.

The Center for Black Women's Wellness

Provides free and low-cost healthcare, wellness programs, and mental health support.

Address: 477 Windsor Street SW, Suite 309, Atlanta, GA 30312

Phone: (404) 688-9202

Notes: Serves women and families. Offers primary care, mental health counseling, and wellness classes.

Oakhurst Medical Center (Multiple Locations)

Provides primary care, mental health services, and chronic disease management.

Address (Decatur Clinic): 1760 Candler Road, Decatur, GA 30032

Phone: (404) 298-8998

Notes: Sliding-scale fees. Accepts uninsured patients.

Southside Medical Center (Multiple Locations)

Provides primary care, dental care, mental health services, and women's health.

Address (Main Clinic): 1046 Ridge Avenue SW, Atlanta, GA 30315

Phone: (404) 688-1350

Notes: Sliding-scale fees. Serves uninsured patients.

The Insight Center — Mental Health Counseling

Provides therapy, trauma counseling, and mental health support.

Address: 191 Peachtree Street NE, Suite 3600, Atlanta, GA 30303

Phone: (404) 500-6785

Notes: Offers low-cost counseling and trauma support.

Skyland Trail — Mental Health Treatment Center

Provides residential and day treatment programs for adults with mental illness.

Address: 1961 North Druid Hills Road NE, Atlanta, GA 30329

Phone: (404) 315-8333

Notes: Serves adults with depression, bipolar disorder, schizophrenia, and anxiety disorders.

The Summit Wellness Group — Mental Health & Addiction Treatment

Provides therapy, addiction treatment, and mental health support.

Address: 996 Huff Road NW, Suite C, Atlanta, GA 30318

Phone: (678) 705-8762

Notes: Offers outpatient treatment and counseling.

Peachford Hospital — Behavioral Health & Crisis Stabilization

Provides inpatient psychiatric care and crisis stabilization.

Address: 2151 Peachford Road, Atlanta, GA 30338

Phone: (770) 455-3200

Notes: Serves adults and youth. 24/7 intake for psychiatric emergencies.

Riverwoods Behavioral Health System

Provides inpatient and outpatient mental health and addiction treatment.

Address: 223 Medical Center Drive, Riverdale, GA 30274

Phone: (770) 991-8500

Notes: Serves adults and adolescents. Offers crisis stabilization.

Health & Wellness Tips

Many clinics accept walk-ins, but calling ahead is recommended. If you do not have insurance, ask for sliding-scale fees or charity care. Mental health services are available even without identification. Crisis lines can dispatch mobile teams to your location if needed.

CHAPTER 8 — LEGAL & ADVOCACY SERVICES (FULL METRO ATLANTA BREAKDOWN)

Legal challenges often appear during periods of instability — eviction, domestic violence, custody issues, criminal charges, lost identification, or disputes involving employment or housing. Metro Atlanta has a strong network of legal aid organizations, advocacy centers, and documentation support services that assist individuals regardless of income. Many of these services are free, and most do not require prior appointments.

This chapter provides a complete breakdown of every major legal and advocacy resource in Metro Atlanta, including full contact information and notes on who they serve.

Atlanta Legal Aid Society (Downtown Office)

Atlanta Legal Aid provides free legal assistance to low-income individuals and families. They handle housing issues, domestic violence, public benefits, consumer problems, and family law.

Address: 54 Ellis Street NE, Atlanta, GA 30303

Phone: (404) 524-5811

Notes: Free legal services for qualifying low-income residents. Strong domestic violence and eviction defense support.

Atlanta Volunteer Lawyers Foundation (AVLF)

AVLF provides free legal assistance for tenants facing eviction, domestic violence survivors, and individuals needing civil legal help.

Address: 54 Ellis Street NE, Atlanta, GA 30303

Phone: (404) 521-0790

Notes: Offers Safe Families Office inside Fulton County Courthouse for domestic violence protective orders.

Georgia Legal Services Program (GLSP)

GLSP provides free legal assistance to low-income individuals outside of Fulton and DeKalb counties, including surrounding Metro Atlanta counties.

Address: 104 Marietta Street NW, Suite 250, Atlanta, GA 30303

Phone: (404) 206-5175

Notes: Handles housing, benefits, family law, and consumer issues.

Fulton County Safe Families Office (Domestic Violence Legal Help)

Located inside the courthouse, this office helps survivors file protective orders and access legal support.

Address: 136 Pryor Street SW, Suite C-01, Atlanta, GA 30303

Phone: (404) 612-4316

Notes: Walk-in legal assistance for protective orders. Operated by AVLF and PADV.

Dekalb County Courthouse — Domestic Violence Intake Center

Provides assistance with filing temporary protective orders and accessing legal advocacy.

Address: 556 North McDonough Street, Decatur, GA 30030

Phone: (404) 371-2561

Notes: Walk-in support for domestic violence survivors.

Georgia Justice Project (GJP)

GJP provides legal representation for individuals involved in the criminal justice system, including record restriction and re-entry support.

Address: 438 Auburn Avenue NE, Atlanta, GA 30312

Phone: (404) 827-0027

Notes: Helps with criminal record clearing, probation issues, and re-entry support.

Southern Center for Human Rights (SCHR)

SCHR provides legal advocacy for individuals affected by the criminal justice system, including prison conditions and sentencing issues.

Address: 60 Walton Street NW, Atlanta, GA 30303

Phone: (404) 688-1202

Notes: Focuses on criminal justice reform and civil rights cases.

Pro Bono Partnership of Atlanta

Provides free legal assistance to nonprofit organizations serving low-income communities.

Address: 400 Colony Square, Suite 200, Atlanta, GA 30361

Phone: (404) 618-0900

Notes: Supports nonprofits, not individuals.

Catholic Charities Atlanta — Immigration Legal Services

Provides legal assistance for immigration matters, including citizenship, visas, and family petitions.

Address: 3669 North Peachtree Road, Suite 100, Chamblee, GA 30341

Phone: (770) 790-3100

Notes: Low-cost immigration legal services.

Tapestri, Inc. — Immigrant & Refugee Legal Advocacy

Supports immigrant and refugee survivors of domestic violence, trafficking, and exploitation.

Address: 3939 Lavista Road, Suite E, Tucker, GA 30084

Phone: (404) 299-2185

Notes: Offers legal advocacy, shelter placement, and crisis intervention.

Raksha, Inc. — South Asian Legal & Advocacy Support

Provides culturally specific legal advocacy for South Asian survivors of domestic violence and abuse.

Address: 5080 Peachtree Blvd, Suite 200, Chamblee, GA 30341

Phone: (404) 876-0670

Notes: Offers legal advocacy, counseling, and crisis support.

Caminar Latino — Latino Family Legal Support

Provides legal advocacy and support for Latino families experiencing domestic violence.

Address: 2750 Buford Highway NE, Suite 802, Atlanta, GA 30324

Phone: (404) 413-6348

Notes: Offers legal advocacy, youth programs, and family support.

Atlanta Bar Association — Lawyer Referral Service

Provides referrals to attorneys for civil, criminal, and family law matters.

Address: 229 Peachtree Street NE, Suite 400, Atlanta, GA 30303
Phone: (404) 521-0777
Notes: Referral service; fees vary by attorney.

Fulton County Public Defender's Office

Provides legal representation for individuals charged with crimes who cannot afford an attorney.

Address: 141 Pryor Street SW, Suite 5001, Atlanta, GA 30303
Phone: (404) 612-5200
Notes: Serves Fulton County residents facing criminal charges.

Dekalb County Public Defender's Office

Provides legal representation for individuals charged with crimes in Dekalb County.

Address: 556 North McDonough Street, Decatur, GA 30030
Phone: (404) 371-2222
Notes: Serves Dekalb County residents facing criminal charges.

ID & Documentation Assistance (Critical for Housing & Employment)

Central Outreach & Advocacy Center (COA)

Provides assistance obtaining Georgia ID, birth certificates, and Social Security cards.

Address: 201 Washington Street SW, Atlanta, GA 30303
Phone: (404) 659-7119
Notes: Specializes in helping individuals experiencing homelessness obtain identification.

Mercy Care — Documentation Support

Helps patients obtain identification needed for medical care and housing.

Address: 424 Decatur Street SE, Atlanta, GA 30312
Phone: (678) 843-8500

Notes: ID assistance available for patients.

Legal & Advocacy Tips

Bring any paperwork you have, even if incomplete. Many legal aid organizations can help reconstruct missing documents. Domestic violence survivors should request assistance filing protective orders immediately — courthouses have walk-in support. For criminal record issues, Georgia Justice Project is the strongest resource.

CHAPTER 9 — BUILDING STABILITY & NEXT STEPS (FULL METRO ATLANTA BREAKDOWN)

Building long-term stability requires more than emergency shelter or temporary assistance. Once immediate needs like housing, food, and safety are addressed, the next step is creating a foundation for independence. Metro Atlanta offers numerous programs for job training, education, financial literacy, credit repair, and community empowerment. These programs help individuals develop skills, secure stable employment, manage finances, and rebuild their lives.

This chapter provides a complete breakdown of every major stability-building resource in Metro Atlanta, including full contact information and notes on who they serve.

Goodwill of North Georgia — Career Centers & Job Training

Goodwill operates multiple career centers offering job training, resume assistance, interview coaching, and employment placement.

Address (Decatur Career Center): 1295 Columbia Drive, Decatur, GA 30032

Phone: (404) 728-8605

Notes: Free job training. Offers forklift certification, logistics training, customer service training, and more.

WorkSource Atlanta — Workforce Development & Training

WorkSource Atlanta provides job training, GED programs, career coaching, and employment placement.

Address: 818 Pollard Blvd SW, Atlanta, GA 30315

Phone: (404) 546-3000

Notes: Free training programs. Offers CDL training, IT training, healthcare training, and job placement.

WorkSource Georgia — Statewide Workforce Programs

Provides job training, education programs, and employment support across Georgia.

Address: 148 Andrew Young International Blvd NW, Atlanta, GA 30303

Phone: (404) 962-4005

Notes: Free training for eligible residents. Covers tuition for many certification programs.

Atlanta Technical College — Adult Education & Workforce Training

Atlanta Tech offers GED classes, technical certifications, and workforce programs.

Address: 1560 Metropolitan Parkway SW, Atlanta, GA 30310

Phone: (404) 225-4400

Notes: Low-cost tuition. Offers welding, HVAC, automotive, healthcare, and IT programs.

Georgia Piedmont Technical College — Adult Education & Career Training

Provides GED classes, ESL classes, and technical certifications.

Address: 495 North Indian Creek Drive, Clarkston, GA 30021

Phone: (404) 297-9522

Notes: Serves DeKalb County. Offers free GED classes and low-cost technical programs.

Urban League of Greater Atlanta — Workforce & Financial Empowerment

The Urban League provides job training, financial literacy classes, credit repair assistance, and youth programs.

Address: 230 Peachtree Street NW, Suite 2600, Atlanta, GA 30303

Phone: (404) 659-1150

Notes: Offers workforce training, entrepreneurship programs, and financial coaching.

Center for Working Families — Employment & Financial Coaching

Provides job readiness training, financial literacy, and family support services.

Address: 477 Windsor Street SW, Suite 101, Atlanta, GA 30312

Phone: (404) 230-7100

Notes: Focuses on long-term stability for families. Offers employment coaching and budgeting classes.

Operation HOPE — Credit Repair & Financial Literacy

Operation HOPE provides free credit repair, budgeting classes, and financial counseling.

Address: 191 Peachtree Street NE, Suite 3600, Atlanta, GA 30303

Phone: (404) 941-2919

Notes: Free credit repair services. Helps increase credit scores and reduce debt.

On the Rise Financial Center — Banking & Financial Coaching

Provides financial coaching, banking assistance, and credit building programs.

Address: 812 West Peachtree Street NW, Atlanta, GA 30308

Phone: (404) 410-1037

Notes: Helps individuals open bank accounts, build credit, and manage finances.

Atlanta Center for Self-Sufficiency (ACSS)

ACSS provides job readiness training, employment placement, and financial coaching for individuals experiencing homelessness.

Address: 460 Edgewood Avenue SE, Atlanta, GA 30312

Phone: (404) 874-8001

Notes: Strong employment program for individuals transitioning out of homelessness.

Year Up Atlanta — Career Training for Young Adults

Year Up provides intensive job training for young adults ages 18–24, including internships with major companies.

Address: 730 Peachtree Street NE, Suite 600, Atlanta, GA 30308

Phone: (404) 249-0300

Notes: Free program. Offers IT, business operations, and financial services training.

Job Corps Atlanta — Free Residential Job Training

Job Corps provides free job training and housing for youth ages 16–24.

Address: 239 West Lake Avenue NW, Atlanta, GA 30314

Phone: (404) 472-9400

Notes: Free housing and training. Offers trades, healthcare, IT, and more.

Literacy Action — Adult Education & GED Preparation

Provides adult literacy classes, GED preparation, and workforce readiness training.

Address: 100 Edgewood Avenue NE, Suite 650, Atlanta, GA 30303

Phone: (404) 818-7320

Notes: Free or low-cost classes. Helps adults improve reading and math skills.

Clarkston Community Center — ESL & Workforce Programs

Provides ESL classes, job readiness training, and community support.

Address: 3701 College Avenue, Clarkston, GA 30021

Phone: (404) 294-1622

Notes: Serves immigrants and refugees. Offers ESL and job readiness programs.

Refugee Women's Network — Employment & Empowerment

Provides job training, financial literacy, and empowerment programs for refugee women.

Address: 1431-A McLendon Drive, Decatur, GA 30033

Phone: (404) 437-7760

Notes: Offers employment support and community empowerment programs.

Community Empowerment Tips

Stability comes from consistent effort. Attend classes regularly, communicate with case managers, and take advantage of free training programs. Credit repair and financial literacy are essential for long-term independence. Many programs listed above can help increase credit scores, secure employment, and build a sustainable future.