



Delaware Shelter Directory | All Counties

Milford Advocacy for the Homeless | Shelter Referral Resource | Verified August 31, 2026

IMPORTANT: Shelter availability and admission rules can change quickly. Call before sending a neighbor.

For statewide emergency shelter placement, call Housing Alliance Delaware Centralized Intake at 833-FIND-BED (833-346-3233).

For immediate danger, call 911.

ID	County	Shelter Type	Shelter / Program	Address	Phone	Who Is Eligible	How to Apply / Be Accepted	Source URL	Verification
1	Sussex	Emergency	Sussex Community Crisis Housing Services – Crisis House	110 N. Railroad Avenue, Georgetown, DE 19947	302-856-2246	Homeless adults; primarily Sussex County, but statewide referrals may be accepted. Heads of household must be 18+. Drug/alcohol-free while residing. Background check required; restrictions include outstanding warrants, sexual offenses, and violent offenses.	Call Housing Alliance Delaware Centralized Intake at 833-346-3233 (833-FIND-BED) for referral. Admission is first-come, first-served when space is available.	https://scshinc.org/crisis-house-emergency-shelter/	Verified 8/31/2026
2	Sussex	Emergency	Catholic Charities – Casa San Francisco	127 Broad Street, Milton, DE 19968	302-684-8694	Adults experiencing homelessness. Shelter serves adult men and women; up to 12 residents; approximately 30-day stays.	Call Casa San Francisco to ask about availability and intake. Centralized Intake may also assist with shelter placement at 833-346-3233.	https://ccwilm.org/program/casa-san-francisco/	Verified 8/31/2026
3	Sussex	Low-barrier interim shelter	Springboard Delaware – Georgetown Pallet Village / Navigation Center	411 Kimmey Street, Georgetown, DE 19947	302-253-8246	Adults experiencing homelessness. Low-barrier model; public descriptions note no ID, sobriety, or income requirements for the navigation-center model.	Call Springboard Delaware or connect through local outreach/case-management partners for current intake and bed availability.	https://www.springboarddelaware.org/springboard-pallet-village/	Verified 8/31/2026
4	Sussex	Seasonal transitional shelter	Tharros Village	18006 Coastal Highway, Lewes, DE 19958	See website / intake partners	Adults 18+ experiencing homelessness in Sussex County or surrounding area who can live in a semi-independent outdoor setting and agree to self-governance/community guidelines and daily work or volunteer expectations.	Apply through local outreach programs. Code Purple shelters, or partner-agency case managers. Direct inquiries are accepted subject to availability. Seasonal operation is generally March through November.	https://www.tharrosvillage.org/faqs	Verified 8/31/2026
5	Sussex	Emergency / transitional	Redemption City – Sunshine House	549 N. Bradford Street, Seaford, DE 19973	302-554-3731	Women experiencing homelessness who are ready to work toward independent living and participate in a structured program.	Submit the Sunshine House application. Redemption City schedules an interview; if accepted, applicant is drug tested and given move-in instructions. If full, applicant may be wait-listed.	https://www.redemptioncityde.org/ourhomes	Verified 8/31/2026
6	Sussex	Emergency / transitional	Redemption City – The Lighthouse	Seaford, DE 19973 (exact residence address confirmed by program)	302-554-3731	Men experiencing homelessness who are ready to work toward independent living and participate in a structured program.	Submit the Lighthouse application. Redemption City schedules an interview; if accepted, applicant is drug tested and given move-in instructions. If full, applicant may be wait-listed.	https://www.redemptioncityde.org/ourhomes	Verified 8/31/2026
7	Sussex	Veteran transitional housing	Home of the Brave	6632 Sharps Road, Milford, DE 19963	302-491-7923 / 302-491-7922	Homeless or imminently homeless veterans who meet VA Grant and Per Diem eligibility, can live in a community setting, and are willing to follow a personal treatment plan. Serves male veterans and female veterans, including some women with children.	Call Home of the Brave. Admission is based on eligibility, space, need, and motivation. Applicants generally need DD214 documentation and must meet HUD homelessness criteria.	https://homeofthebravedn.org/services/eligibility/	Verified 8/31/2026
8	Sussex	Seasonal cold-weather	Code Purple Sussex County	Locations vary by season; western/eastern Sussex sites announced by lead agencies	302-519-0024	People experiencing homelessness who need overnight refuge during qualifying cold-weather conditions. Site eligibility may vary by sex/family composition.	Call the Sussex Code Purple hotline for the current open site, check-in instructions, and transportation information. Locations change by season and weather activation.	https://doc.delaware.gov/reentry/housing.shtml	Seasonal; verify same day
9	Kent	Emergency	People's Place II – Whatcoat Ruth N. Dorsey Shelter	381 College Road, Dover, DE 19904	302-734-8786 (shelter) / 302-734-0319 (office)	Individuals and families experiencing homelessness. Shelter is generally up to 45 days.	Contact Housing Alliance Delaware at 833-346-3233 for shelter referral and placement.	https://www.peoplesplace2.com/services/whatcoat-social-services	Verified 8/31/2026
10	Kent	Emergency	Dover Interfaith Mission – Walt Bagley Hall Men's Shelter	Dover, DE (call shelter for current arrival instructions)	302-380-0344 / 302-380-0347	Adult men experiencing homelessness.	Call the men's shelter directly, 24/7, for current availability and intake instructions.	https://www.doverinterfaith.org/new-family-request-form	Verified 8/31/2026
11	Kent	Emergency	Dover Interfaith Mission – Interfaith Pathway Women & Children's Shelter	1156 Walker Road, Dover, DE 19904	302-736-3600	Single women and women with children under 17 experiencing homelessness.	Call 302-736-3600, 24/7, for current availability and intake instructions.	https://www.doverinterfaith.org/new-family-request-form	Verified 8/31/2026
12	Kent	Emergency	The Shepherd Place	1362 S. Governors Avenue, Dover, DE 19904	302-678-1909	Single women age 18+, women with children, men with children, and full families. No unaccompanied single men. Adults need photo ID.	Call the shelter for intake and bed availability. Self-referrals are accepted; agency referral is not required. Prior shelter use/rule violations may affect eligibility.	https://www.shepherdplace.org/FAQ	Verified 8/31/2026
13	Kent	Emergency	Central Delaware Housing Collaborative – House of Hope	801 W. Division Street, Dover, DE 19904	302-883-2655	Single women experiencing homelessness in Kent County; program may also serve women transitioning from domestic violence or mental-health crises.	Referral is through Housing Alliance Delaware or the State of Delaware. Call House of Hope for questions and current availability.	https://hoh19903.wixsite.com/cdhc	Verified 8/31/2026
14	Kent	Seasonal cold-weather	Code Purple Kent County – Sanctuary Program	People's Church, 46 S. Bradford St., Dover (men); Maranatha Life Changing Church, 1235 E. Division St., Dover (women/children); sites can change	800-733-6816	Men, women, and children needing overnight refuge during cold-weather activation; sites are separated by population.	Call the Kent County Code Purple hotline before travel for activation status, open site, check-in time, and current rules.	https://codepurpledelaware.com/sanctuary-information/	Seasonal; verify same day
15	New Castle	Emergency	New Castle County Hope Center	365 Airport Road, New Castle, DE 19720	866-843-7212	Individuals and families experiencing homelessness; placement depends on referral eligibility and available rooms.	Referral only. No walk-ins. Contact a Delaware State Service Center at 866-843-7212. Centralized Intake at 833-346-3233 can also help route emergency-shelter needs.	https://www.newcastledg.org/2156/Hope-Center	Verified 8/31/2026

16	New Castle	Emergency	Sunday Breakfast Mission – Overnight Guest Shelter	110 N. Poplar Street, Wilmington, DE 19801	877-306-HOME (877-306-4663)	Men, women, and children needing temporary emergency shelter. Men and women/families are housed in separate shelter areas.	Complete the Overnight Guest registration process and contact the appropriate shelter program. Call 877-306-HOME for assistance.	https://sundaybreakfastmission.org/what-we-do/overnight-guest-shelter	Verified 8/31/2026
17	New Castle	Emergency	Ministry of Caring – House of Joseph I	1328 W. 3rd Street, Wilmington, DE 19805	302-652-0904	Single homeless men.	Call the shelter or Ministry of Caring for current intake requirements and availability. Centralized Intake may also assist with emergency-shelter placement.	https://www.ministryofcaring.org/contact/ourlocations/	Verified 8/31/2026
18	New Castle	Emergency	Ministry of Caring – Mary Mother of Hope House I	1103 W. 8th Street, Wilmington, DE 19806	302-652-8532	Single homeless women age 18+.	Call the shelter or Ministry of Caring for current intake requirements and availability. Centralized Intake may also assist.	https://www.ministryofcaring.org/services/emergency-shelters/	Verified 8/31/2026
19	New Castle	Emergency	Ministry of Caring – Mary Mother of Hope House II	121 N. Jackson Street, Wilmington, DE 19805	302-652-1935	Women with children experiencing homelessness.	Call the shelter or Ministry of Caring for current intake requirements and availability. Centralized Intake may also assist.	https://www.ministryofcaring.org/contact/ourlocations/	Verified 8/31/2026
20	New Castle	Emergency	Ministry of Caring – Mary Mother of Hope House III	515 N. Broom Street, Wilmington, DE 19805	302-652-0970	Families experiencing homelessness.	Call the shelter or Ministry of Caring for current intake requirements and availability. Centralized Intake may also assist.	https://www.ministryofcaring.org/contact/ourlocations/	Verified 8/31/2026
21	New Castle	Emergency	Ministry of Caring – Samaritan Housing	917 N. Madison Street, Wilmington, DE 19801	302-428-3653	Single women and women with children needing short-term emergency shelter.	Call Samaritan Housing or Ministry of Caring for current intake requirements and availability.	https://www.ministryofcaring.org/contact/ourlocations/	Verified 8/31/2026
22	New Castle	Emergency	The Salvation Army – Booth Emergency Housing Residence	400 N. Orange Street, Wilmington, DE 19801	302-472-0750 / 302-472-0755	Women and women with children up to age 17. Cold-weather arrangements may expand service populations during extreme weather.	Start with Housing Alliance Delaware / Delaware 211 intake for emergency shelter. Call the residence for current instructions and availability.	https://delaware211.org/resource/salvation-army-booth-emergency-housing-residence/	Verified 8/31/2026
23	New Castle	Emergency / transitional	YWCA Delaware – Home-Life Management Center	709 N. Madison Street, Wilmington, DE 19801	302-658-7110	Women and families experiencing homelessness or housing crisis.	Contact Housing Alliance Delaware Centralized Intake at 833-346-3233 or call YWCA Delaware for program-specific intake and availability.	https://www.ywcade.org/housing	Verified 8/31/2026
24	New Castle	Case-managed shelter	Sojourners' Place	2901 Northeast Boulevard, Wilmington, DE 19802	302-764-4713	Homeless men and women who can participate in a case-managed program. Acceptance is determined after assessment/interview; residents must arrive clean and sober when admitted.	Call 302-764-4713 to arrange an interview with a case manager. If accepted, report on the assigned date/time.	https://sojournersplace.org/programs/case-managed-services/	Verified 8/31/2026
25	New Castle	Family shelter	Family Promise of Northern New Castle County – Hospitality Center	2104 St. James Church Road, Wilmington, DE 19808	302-998-2222	Families with children experiencing homelessness. Program provides shelter and case management for families.	Call Family Promise for screening and current availability. Centralized Intake may also be used for emergency-shelter referral.	https://www.familypromisede.org/what-we-do	Verified 8/31/2026
26	New Castle	Veteran housing / shelter	Delaware Center for Homeless Veterans	1200 N. Walnut Street, Wilmington, DE 19801	302-691-7411	Veterans experiencing homelessness or housing instability; some programs are gender/program specific.	Call DCHV to discuss eligibility, current housing options, and intake. VA/HUD program eligibility may apply depending on placement.	https://dchv.org/gethelp	Verified 8/31/2026
27	New Castle	Veteran shelter	Warriors Helping Warriors	104 S. Broad Street, Middletown, DE 19709	302-696-2320	Veterans; shelter services are primarily for men, while broader resource assistance may serve veterans generally.	Call Warriors Helping Warriors to verify current bed availability, eligibility, and intake steps.	https://doc.delaware.gov/assets/documents/VeteranResourceFlyer_2023.pdf	Verify before referral
28	New Castle	Maternity / family residential	Catholic Charities – Bayard House	300 Bayard Avenue, Wilmington, DE 19805	302-654-1184	Pregnant women and mothers with young children needing residential maternity support and housing stability services.	Call Bayard House to discuss eligibility, openings, and enrollment requirements.	https://ccwilm.org/contact-us/	Verified 8/31/2026
29	New Castle	Domestic violence – confidential shelter	CHILD, Inc. Domestic Violence Shelters	Confidential locations in New Castle County	302-762-6110 (24-hour multilingual hotline)	Victims/survivors of domestic violence and their children who need emergency safe shelter.	Call the 24-hour Domestic Violence Hotline. Advocates conduct safety planning and arrange shelter placement when appropriate. Do not send a client to an undisclosed site without hotline coordination.	https://childinc.org/about-us/	Confidential location
30	New Castle	Youth emergency shelter	CHILD, Inc. Runaway & Homeless Youth Shelter	Confidential / program-coordinated location in New Castle County	302-762-6373 (24-hour hotline)	Runaway and homeless youth needing emergency shelter and age-appropriate case management.	Call the 24-hour Runaway & Homeless Youth Hotline for screening, safety planning, and bed coordination.	https://childinc.org/	Confidential location
31	New Castle	Seasonal cold-weather	Code Purple New Castle County	Wilmington/Newark and other partner sites; locations and activation can change	302-472-0750 (Wilmington) / 302-652-8033 (Newark)	People experiencing homelessness needing overnight refuge during cold-weather activation. Site population rules vary.	Call the local Code Purple lead agency before travel for current activation, registration location, and overnight site.	https://doc.delaware.gov/reentry/housing.shtml	Seasonal; verify same day