



Keep People Housed – Oakland (KPH) prevents Oakland residents at-risk of homelessness and displacement from losing their housing.

KPH is a collaborative led by Bay Area Community Services (BACS), partnering with many non-profit providers to provide outreach, legal representation, emergency financial assistance, and supportive services.

We prevent homelessness for people who have a lease but are at-risk of losing that housing. KPH also closes the gap that allows people with unstable/informal housing arrangements to fall into homelessness. People who are at high risk of immediate homelessness, living in housing without a legal lease (doubled up, etc.), or in other unstable arrangements can get comprehensive Housing Problem Solving support through BACS.

This program is made possible through public-private partnership, including City of Oakland, All Home, Kaiser Permanente, Crankstart, and the San Francisco Foundation.

Who is eligible to receive services?

Oakland residents with extremely low incomes who are at imminent risk of losing their housing due to financial and/or legal hardship.

What is a housing crisis for the purposes of KPH?

A housing crisis is situation in which a person or household is currently at-risk of losing that housing. Conditions that could lead to a housing crisis include, but are not limited to, any situation that could result in the imminent loss of housing, which may include a landlord attempting to evict a tenant.

Examples include:

- ♥ Behind on rent due to unforeseen medical emergencies, job loss, or other economic shocks to the household
- ♥ Conditions that could allow a landlord to claim a tenant is in violation of a provision of the lease
- ♥ Conditions that could allow a landlord to claim that the tenant has substantially damaged the unit
- ♥ Significant rent burden (rent is over 50% of income)
- ♥ Tenant has a prior experience of homelessness (therefore has a higher likelihood to fall back into homelessness without support)

HOW TO GET HELP

Call 211 or reach out directly to the agencies.

LEGAL REPRESENTATION

East Bay Community Law Center (EBCLC): 510-548-4040

Eviction Defense Center (EDC): 510-452-4541

SUPPORTIVE SERVICES AND FINANCIAL SUPPORT APPLICATION ASSISTANCE

Black Cultural Zone: 510-470-0183

East Oakland Collective: 510-990-0775

A. L. Willis Life Center: 925-264-9663

Safe Passages: 510-817-4625

Unity Council: 510-535-6900

HOUSING PROBLEM SOLVING

Bay Area Community Services (BACS): 510-899-9289 (call) or 510-759-4877 (text)

Or visit BACS Towne House at 629 Oakland Ave, Oakland, CA on Mon, Tue, & Wed afternoons.





Will a check be written directly to residents?

Keep People Housed will send checks to landlords or third-party providers who provide a valid W-9. If landlord is unable to provide W-9, further problem solving will be made available.

If a resident has already submitted an application to one organization, can they go to the other organizations for further support?

All Keep People Housed agencies work together to review and address each unique situation. Once an application is submitted, each household is treated as a single entry across the coordinated KOH system. Numerous duplicate applications will not help.

What is Housing Problem Solving & how will it help?

Housing Problem Solving is focused, individualized attention to the factors that are causing a housing crisis and help to change those factors.

Problem Solving works with participants to identify options, overcome barriers, develop resolution plans, and carry them out, focusing on the root of the problem. Flexible financial assistance can be deployed to support a housing option.

Problem Solving supports rapid resolution to housing crises for people with unstable housing, including light ongoing support to make sure the solution 'sticks.' includes follow-up with tenants and landlords as needed to address other barriers to remaining housed.

Drop-In (for application assistance)



The Unity Council
Drop in: 1900 Fruitvale Ave 2a, Oakland, CA 94601
Monday-Friday 9a-5p



The East Oakland Collective
Drop in: 7800 MacArthur Blvd, Oakland CA 94605
Tue 10a-3p, Wed 1p-5p, Thurs 10a-3p



A. L. Willis Life Center
Drop in: 1010 91st Ave., Oakland 94603
Tuesdays & Thursdays 12p-4p



Safe Passages
Drop in: 1017 Clay St, Oakland CA 94607
Wed 9a-5p

DOCUMENTATION

What documentation is required to receive financial assistance?

- ♥ Completed application, with documentation of a Housing Crisis (eviction notice, notice to vacate, termination letter from employer, etc.)
- ♥ ID or other proof of identity
- ♥ Proof of Income
- ♥ 3-day notice, unlawful detainer filings, etc.
- ♥ W-9 from landlord or new lease agreement

Learn more about KPH

Visit us online at www.keeppeoplehoused.org for more information, or scan this QR code with the camera app of your smart phone:



Updated 8/15/2023



CRANKSTART

