



Shelter & Housing Guide

Where to Find Support in Summerville

Emergency Assistance Notice

If you are experiencing an emergency or are in immediate danger, call 911 immediately.

For urgent shelter assistance, domestic violence support, or emergency housing resources, contact organizations directly for current availability and intake requirements.

At What's Up Summerville, we believe that a strong community starts with every resident having a safe place to rest their head. Life can be unpredictable, and sometimes, we all need a little extra support to get back on our feet. Whether you are facing an immediate housing crisis or looking for long-term assistance, please know that you are not alone. Our town and the surrounding Tri-County area are home to incredible organizations dedicated to providing shelter, resources, and a path forward.

This guide is designed to be a practical local resource for neighbors across Summerville and the Tri-County area. If you also need help with groceries, our 2026 Food Pantry Guide is a helpful companion resource for food assistance.

We've organized these housing and shelter resources by area, Dorchester, Berkeley, and the wider Tri-County region, to help you find support closer to home.

Remember: reaching out is the first step toward a brighter tomorrow.



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Dorchester Area Resources

If you are in the Summerville or greater Dorchester County area, these local organizations are ready to help with emergency shelter, family stability, and housing navigation.

Keys to Change (Formerly Dorchester County Community Outreach)

Keys to Change is a cornerstone of support in Summerville. They operate specific centers tailored to the unique needs of men and women, providing not just a bed, but a community of care. Their programs focus on helping residents move toward housing independence through professional counseling, financial education, and job advocacy.

Anchor House Men's Center

Address: 9924 Jamison Rd, Ladson, SC 29456

Phone: 843-469-8858

Light House Women's Center

Address: 700 Central Ave, Summerville, SC 29483

Phone: 843-771-2094

Get in Touch

Website: keystochangesc.org

Phone: 843-900-4315

Instagram: @keystochangesc

Help of Summerville

Help of Summerville provides emergency assistance to local residents in crisis. They focus on providing the immediate resources needed to prevent homelessness and stabilize families within our community, including short-term, rapid emergency aid for one-off financial crises.

Get in Touch

Website: helpofsummerville.org

Phone: 843-871-0182

Instagram: @helpofsummerville

Directory: [Help of Summerville Listing](#)

Dorchester Center for Strong Families (Trident United Way)

Working under the Trident United Way umbrella, this center provides a "one-stop shop" for families. They offer financial coaching, resource navigation, and support systems designed to help families move from crisis to long-term stability.

Dorchester Center for Strong Families (Summerville)

Address: 133 E 1st N St, Suite 3, Summerville, SC 29483

Phone: 843-566-7040

Get in Touch

Website: tuw.org/TUW-CSF

Phone: 843-566-7040

Instagram: @tridentunitedway



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Berkeley County Area Resources

For those located in Goose Creek, Moncks Corner, and surrounding Berkeley County areas, these organizations offer vital support for housing and basic needs.

Helping Hands of Goose Creek

Helping Hands is a faith-based organization that provides emergency assistance to residents of Berkeley County. They focus on helping neighbors through difficult times by providing food, clothing, and financial assistance for essential housing costs.

Get in Touch

Website: helpinghandsofgoosecreek.org

Phone: 843-553-7132

Instagram: @helpinghandsofgoosecreek

Facebook: Helping Hands of Goose Creek

Trident United Way Berkeley Resource Connection

Similar to the Dorchester location, the Berkeley branch provides comprehensive support for residents seeking to improve their housing situation and overall financial health.

Berkeley Center for Strong Families (Moncks Corner)

Address: 500 S Live Oak Dr, Moncks Corner, SC 29461

Phone: 843-761-6033

Get in Touch

Website: tuw.org/TUW-CSF

Phone: 843-761-6033



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Tri-County Resources

Some of the most robust housing resources in our region serve the entire Tri-County area (Charleston, Dorchester, and Berkeley). These organizations are equipped to handle complex housing needs and specialized care.

One80 Place

One80 Place is a leader in the fight to end and prevent homelessness in the Lowcountry. They provide a wide range of services, from emergency shelter for individuals and families to specialized programs for Veterans, with priority support for families and those with health or mental health needs. Their goal is to ensure that everyone has a permanent place to call home, and their front desk is available 24/7 at 843-723-9477.

Get in Touch

Website: one80place.org

Phone: 843-723-9477

X (Twitter): @one80place

Directory: One80 Place Listing

Neighbors Together (Formerly Tri-County Family Ministries)

Located in North Charleston but serving the entire region, Neighbors Together offers a holistic approach to poverty relief. They provide hot meals, clothing, and crisis assistance, including housing referrals and support.

Get in Touch

Website: neighborstogether.org

Phone: 843-747-1788

Instagram: @neighborstogether.org

Directory: Neighbors Together Listing

My Sister's House

For women and children fleeing domestic violence, My Sister's House provides a critical safe haven. They offer emergency shelter, a 24-hour crisis hotline, therapy, safety planning, and legal advocacy to help survivors rebuild their lives in safety. Office hours are Monday through Friday, 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM.

Get in Touch

Website: mysistershouse.org

24-Hour Crisis Line: 843-744-3242

Office Phone: 843-747-4069

Directory: My Sister's House Listing

Fetter Health Care Network

Housing and health are deeply connected. Fetter Health Care Network provides a dedicated Homeless Outreach program, ensuring that those experiencing housing instability still have access to quality medical, dental, and mental health care.



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Fetter Health Care Network

Address: 51 Nassau St, Charleston, SC 29403

Phone: 843-722-4112

Please call your local office to schedule an appointment.

Get in Touch

Website: fetterhealthcare.org

Phone: 843-722-4112

Instagram: [@fetter_health](https://www.instagram.com/fetter_health)

X (Twitter): [@FetterHealth](https://twitter.com/FetterHealth)

How You Can Help

Our local shelters and housing programs rely heavily on the generosity of the Summerville community. If you are in a position to give back, here are the best ways to support these vital organizations:

Donate Essentials: Many organizations need non-perishable food, toiletries, socks, undergarments, and other daily essentials. Contact the organization first to ask about current high-priority needs.

Financial Contributions: Monthly recurring donations help non-profits plan ahead and respond to urgent housing needs.

Volunteer Your Time: Volunteer opportunities may include meal service, administrative help, donation sorting, outreach support, and facility assistance.

Spread the Word: Share this guide with neighbors, friends, and local networks so more people know where to turn for help.

If you are a local business owner looking to partner with one of these organizations or if you know of a resource we should add to this guide, please reach out to us at What's Up Summerville. We are stronger when we work together.

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