Affordable Housing and Homeownership

H.A.N.D.S:

Developer and manager of affordable housing

814-453-3333

www.hands-erie.org

PA Housing Finance Agency (PHFA):

Homeowner refinancing and foreclosure assistance

855-827-3466

www.phfa.org

St. Martin Center:

Counseling and education for those interested in homeownership

814-452-6113

www.stmartincenter.org

Sisters of St. Joseph Neighborhood Network:

Education and financial assistance in preparation of home ownership

814-454-7814



Who Can Help In My Neighborhood?

Sisters of Saint Joseph Neighborhood Network:

Cranberry Street to McKinley Avenue between 14th and 26th Streets

814-454-7814 www.ssjnn.org

Bayfront Eastside Task Force (BEST):

Holland Street to the Bayfront Parkway between Front and E. 6th Streets

814-456-7062 www.besterie.org

ServErie:

Holland Street to Wayne Street between E. 6th and E. 12th Streets **814-636-5286**

www.serverie.com

Eastside Grassroots Coalition:

Bayfront Connector to McClelland Ave between E. 12th and Bayfront Connector

814-898-0167 www.egcerie.org

Academy Neighborhood:

State to Old French Road between E. 26th and E. 38th Streets **www.academyneighbors.org**

Our West Bayfront:

Sassafras Street to Bayfront Connector between W. 12th Street and the Bayfront

814-871-7050

www.ourwestbayfront.org

SNOOPS:

French Street to Wayne Street between E. 12th and E. 15th Streets **814-572-0755**



HOUSING RESOURCE DIRECTORY



Resources for Homeowners in Need of Residential Repairs

Utility Assistance Programs

Dollar Energy Fund:

Assists with gas, water, and/or electric bills when utility customers are in a financially challenging situation.

888-282-6816 www.dollarenergy.org

PA Department of Human Services:

Administers the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) to aid low-income families to pay heating bills.

866-857-7095 www.dhs.pa.gov

PENELEC: Provides information on saving energy in your home.

- www.firstenergycorp.com/ saveenergy
- www.energysavepa-home.com

PENELEC free energy saving kit.

www.paenergykit.com



City-Wide Housing Repair Programs

Erie Redevelopment Authority:

Addresses code deficiencies and lead-based paint hazards

814-870-1540

www.redeveloperie.org

PA Housing Finance Agency (PHFA):

The Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency offers the HomeStyle® Renovation program. Eligible homebuyers or existing homeowners seeking to refinance their mortgage can borrow funds to repair, remodel, renovate, or complete energy improvements.

855-827-3466

www.phfa.org/programs/repairs.aspx

Greater Erie Community Action Committee (GECAC): Provides assistance and education to homeowners or renters in housing units in need of improvements to reduce energy use 814-459-4581 (ext. 432)

http://www.gecac.org/programs-andservices/housing-utilities-weatherization

City of Erie Department of Economic and Community Development: Facilitates HOME Investment Partnership Program for first time homebuyers and existing homeowners with up to \$24,999 available for closing costs, down payment assistance, and to fix code deficiencies. (income restrictions apply) 814-870-1263

cityof.erie.pa.us/HOME-program/

The Tool Lending Library:

Serving all City of Erie residents and neighborhood groups, as an initiative of the Academy Neighborhood Association. Provides hand tools, power tools, supplies, and support for common household maintenance projects.

(814) 490-6872

Other Resources

Neighborhood Resource Organization:

Provides resources, support, and technical assistance throughout Erie County to Neighborhood Watch Groups and Organizations.

814-572-0755

PA 2-1-1:

If you are unsure of where to call when you need help, dial 2-1-1 to learn about health, human, and social services to assist you.

Dial 2-1-1 http://pa211nw.org

City of Erie Citizen Response Center:

The Citizen Response Center is available to anyone who would like to submit a complaint, concern, compliment, or just has a general question for the City of Erie.

814-870-1111 www.erie.pa.us/crc

LERTA:

A new LERTA passed on July 3, 2019, which allows homeowners to not pay any additional real estate tax for 10 years on the newly created assessed value that results from home improvements that have gone through the permitting process.

For more information contact:

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