

San Diego City College Housing Resource Guide

If you have any questions about the following resources, please call at (619) 388-3211 or email welcomhomecity@sdccd.edu or visit the Basic Needs Center in T-341.

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1. Housing Search Websites

Resource	Description	Contact Information
Zillow	Online real estate marketplace that provides services to help renters and homebuyers to locate listings for housing and apartments.	Website: https://www.zillow.com/
Padmapper	Online search for apartments, condos, houses, and sublets for rent.	Website: https://www.padmapper.com/
Redfin	Online search for renting, buying, and selling housing.	Website: https://www.redfin.com/
Craigslist	Online search for renting apartments and housing. Also utilized to search for roommates.	Website: https://sandiego.craigslist.org/search/apa#search=1~gallery~0~0
Apartment List	Free online service to help you find apartments for rent.	Website: https://www.apartmentlist.com/
Hotpads	Online service to help find apartments and housing for rent and sale.	Website: https://hotpads.com/
Rentable	Online service that allows you to look for housing for rent in your area.	Website: https://www.rentable.co/
Apartments.com	Online service that allows you to look for apartments for rent.	Website: https://www.apartments.com/
Apartmentguide	Offers an interactive map to find apartments for rent.	Website: https://www.apartmentguide.com/
Diggz	Interactive website that allows you to find roommates based on location, preferences, and lifestyle with personalized search results.	Website: https://www.diggz.co/
Rent Cafe	Apartment listings directly from property managers.	Website: https://www.rentcafe.com/apartments-for-rent/us/ca/san-diego/
CONAM Management Company	Company with numerous new buildings in San Diego with affordable units. Select “Affordable” to filter property search. Individual listings have	Website: https://www.conam.com/

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	more info about waitlist, availability, floor plans & rents. Rent amount available via phone call, in many cases.	

2. Roommate & Shared Housing Resources

Resource	Description	Contact Information
Roomiez	Online search for roommates. Can list rooms or find a room.	Website: https://www.roomies.com/
Roomchaserz	Online search for rooms and roommates specifically in the San Diego area.	Website: https://www.roomchazer.com/
San Diego Student Housing	Online search for affordable, short-term, furnished student apartments.	Website: https://www.sandiego-studenthousing.com/
Townspeople Shared Housing	Online matching platform. Together with property owners and service providers, the SDSHC aims to connect individuals experiencing homelessness with compatible housemates and rental housing	Website: https://townspeople.org/san-diego-shared-housing-collaborative/
PodShare	PodShare is a shared housing initiative in Little Italy. According to their website: “PodShare is a home. Your roommates may be long or short term, international or American, any gender and age. What they all bring with them are life-long experiences.”	Website: https://www.podshare.com/

3. Alternative Housing Options

Resource	Description	Contact Information
Independent Living Association	The Independent Living Association (ILA) are privately owned or operated homes or complexes that provide shared housing for adults with disabilities. Tenants in independent livings are able to live independently, are often on a fixed income, and do not need supervision or care from their landlord. ILAs may be co-ed, female or male only, for justice-involved individuals, for members of the LGBTQ+ community, for transitional aged youth, and for veterans. Some ILAs may offer individual or shared rooms. Prices will typically range from \$500 to \$2,000 depending on the characteristics of the ILA.	Website: https://ilacalifornia.org/san-diego-county/ List of all ILAs in San Diego County https://ilacalifornia.org/ILA-San-Diego-Master-List.pdf
Sober Living Homes	The Society of Addiction Recovery Residences keeps an updated directory of sober living homes in San Diego County. Sober living homes are places where people in recovery from alcohol or other substance use can find independence while still staying connected to long-term resources.	Website: https://soarr.org/search-sober-homes/
Single Room Occupancy	Single Room Occupancy (SROs) are hotels that have been converted to rooms to rent out. Rooms often include a bed, small refrigerator, and a microwave. Some do not require security deposits or first and last month's rent. SROs are best for single individuals rather than families. Some rooms will have individual bathrooms, while others will have shared bathrooms depending on pricing. Prices will typically range from ~\$600 and higher	Website: https://sdhc.org/housing-opportunities/single-room-occupancy-units/ List of all SROs in San Diego County https://sdhc.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/SDHC-Current-SRO-Inventory-List.pdf
Safe Parking – Jewish Family Services	The Jewish Family Services (JFS) Parking Program provides safe parking lots for individuals who live in their vehicle. It also	Phone #: 858-637-3373 to enroll

	<p>provides services to help guide individuals towards permanent housing. Children, pets, and service animals are allowed.</p> <p>The program operates seven nights per week at four secured lots at Balboa Avenue, Aero Drive, Mission Village Drive, and Encinitas.</p>	<p>Websites: https://www.jfssd.org/our-services/adults-families/safe-parking-program/</p> <p>Enroll to safe parking program online https://secure.jfssd.org/site/SPageServer?pagename=contact_safe_parking&_gl=1*19c2hys*_ga*Mzi4NDY0OTI3LjE3MTE2NjcwODQ.*_ga_PRYGT1NZZZ*MTcxMTY2NzA4NC4xLjAuMTcxMTY2NzA4NC42MC4wLjA.</p>
<p>Safe Parking Lot - Dreams for Change</p>	<p>This service provides a safe place for individuals to live in their vehicle and provides assistance with other basic needs. Dreams for change also provides services such as case management, housing navigation, access to workforce training, and financial literacy.</p>	<p>Location: 5605 Imperial Ave, San Diego, CA 92114</p> <p>Phone #: (619) 497-0236</p> <p>Website: https://www.dreamsforchange.org/program/safe-parking/</p>

4. Housing-Related Videos

Resource	Description	Contact Information
San Diego Rental Market	Workshop on the history of the San Diego rental market, current rental market and prices, information about renting from a landlord’s perspective, and tips for housing search from Welcome Home City’s housing navigator.	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u8XmsGsk9tA
How to do a Housing Search	Workshop on searching for housing in San Diego. Provided by Welcome Home City’s housing navigator at San Diego City College.	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Jrt9-T-9EqY
Tenant Education	The Tenant Education guide provides educational information and resources to help residential tenants understand their rights under City and State law.	Website: https://sdhc.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/06/Tenant-Protections-Guide.pdf https://sdhc.org/housing-opportunities/tenant-protections/

5. Housing Related Legal Services

Resource	Description	Contact Information
Legal Aid Eviction Walk in	<p>To get help responding to your eviction (unlawful detainer) you can come to Legal Aid Society’s walk-in clinic located at the Hall of Justice courthouse in Downtown San Diego. No appointment is needed, and services are offered on a first-come, first-served basis.</p> <p>They can help prepare an answer to an Unlawful Detainer (Eviction) lawsuit, or help you ask the court for more time to move if you have a notice to vacate from the Sheriff.</p>	<p>Website: https://www.lassd.org/eviction-defense/</p> <p>For Eviction Help: 866-244-0101</p> <p>Call 1-877-534-2524 Monday through Friday 9 am – 5 pm</p>
Law Help- Eviction Response Tool	<p>This Tool is for individuals who have been served an eviction lawsuit in California, called an “Unlawful Detainer.”</p> <p>They provide information on your eviction and next steps.</p>	<p>Website: https://www.lawhelpca.org/resource/eviction-response-tool</p>
Law Help- Know Your Rights as a California Tenant	<p>Provides basic information on evictions and your rights as a California tenant.</p>	<p>Website: https://www.lawhelpca.org/resource/know-your-rights-as-a-california-tenant-evictions</p>
San Diego Volunteer Lawyer Program	<p>A private, non-profit organization. SDVLP is the county’s oldest and most comprehensive pro bono legal services program.</p> <p>They provide legal services to low-income San Diegans who need assistance with various housing/landlord-tenant issues.</p>	<p>Website: https://sdvlp.org/landlord-tenant/</p>
Housing is Key	<p>Resources for Renters, Landlords and Homeowners.</p>	<p>Website: https://www.housing.ca.gov/tenant/resources.html</p>

6. Affordable Housing Resources

Resource	Description	Contact Information
San Diego Housing Commission Affordable Housing Resource Guide	This guide provides information on housing assistance programs, housing services, affordable rental housing, affordable housing developments, single-room occupancy hotels, transitional housing, fair housing, and support agencies.	Website: https://sdhc.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/07/Affordable-Housing-Resource-Guide.pdf
MAAC Project Affordable Housing	This website details what support services MAAC project offers in addition to the handful of affordable units that they manage. Check out the website to learn more about the process!	Website: https://maacproject.org/housing/
San Diego County Rental Assistance and Affordable Housing Directory	This website will provide a list of the various affordable housing units in the County of San Diego.	Website: https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/sdhcd/housing-directory.html

7. Section 8 Related Resources

Resource	Description	Contact Information
Go Section 8	Go Section 8 provides a list of landlords and units that participate in the section 8 rental assistance program.	Website: https://www.affordablehousing.com/san-diego-county-ca/section8-owners/
County of San Diego- Online Waiting List Application for Housing Assistance (Includes section 8)	Online application through the County of San Diego for Housing assistance programs.	Website: https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/sdhcd/rental-assistance/application-directions.html/
Section 8 Housing Fact Sheet	Provides facts on Section 8 Housing Voucher Program.	Website: https://sdhc.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/06/Facts-About-Section8_061118.pdf

8. Domestic Violence Shelters

Resource	Description	Contact Information
YWCA of San Diego County	YWCA San Diego County provides services to all genders of adult and child survivors who are experiencing domestic violence and abuse.	24-Hour Domestic Violence Crisis Hotline 619.234.3164 Domestic Violence Housing Eligibility 619.239.0355 x288 General Information 619.239.0355
Center for Community Solutions	Provides services for individuals who have experienced sexual and physical violence. Services include legal services, counseling, shelter, victim advocacy, and prevention education.	888-385-4657 Location: 4508 Mission Bay Dr., San Diego, CA 92109
Community Resource Center	Emergency assistance, domestic violence emergency shelter, counseling, housing stability and access to food (carlsbad or encinitas)	(877) 633 -1112
Your Safe Place - The San Diego Family Justice Center	Services include personal safety planning, housing support and financial security, legal services, mental health counseling, and more	619-533-6000 https://www.sandiego.gov/yoursafepace/help
Women's Resource Center	WRC is dedicated to stopping domestic violence and sexual assault by rebuilding lives together in Oceanside, CA	760-757-3500 Location: 1963 Apple St., Oceanside Website: https://www.wrcsd.org/
Rachel's Women's Center	Drop-in day center for women who are unhoused or very low income. They aim to provide a safe, supportive environment and opportunities for women with few or no resources to	Call (619) 696-0873 Location: 759 Eight Ave. San Diego, CA 92101

	<p>gather, begin, and continue self-help efforts.</p> <p>Resources include Drop-in day-center, Safe environment, Bathroom, shower, and laundry facilities, Lunch service, Replacement clothing, Mailing address, Behavioral Health recovery support, Mental health screening and referrals, Resource Specialist on site, and Socialization activities</p>	<p>Hours of operation are 7:00 am- 5:00 pm.</p> <p>Website: https://www.ccdsd.org/homeless-womens-services</p>
Rachel's Night Shelter	<p>Emergency shelter for women who are unhoused in San Diego. Rachel's Night Shelter exists to provide supportive, safe emergency, short-term, and interim shelter for women.</p> <p>Resources include Safe environment, Bathrooms, shower, and laundry facilities, Evening meals, Replacement clothing, Storage for personal belongings, Mailing address, Life skills coaching, and Transportation assistance.</p>	<p>Call (619) 696-0873</p> <p>Hours: 6:30pm-6:30 am, Monday-Friday</p> <p>Website: https://www.ccdsd.org/homeless-womens-services</p>
SBCS- Domestic Violence Response Team (DVRT)	<p>SBCS (formerly South Bay Community Services) is a 24 hour/7 days a week emergency response unit. Working closely with local law enforcement and stationed at all South Bay Police Departments, DVRT specialists accompany police on all domestic violence calls. DVRT specialists provide crisis intervention to victims and their children and assist children and adult victims plan their immediate and long-term safety. DVRT also responds to</p>	<p>Contact: 619-420-3620 (office line)</p> <p>DVRT also responds to calls from the SBCS Hotline number 1-800-640-2933.</p> <p>Location: 318 4th Avenue Street Chula Vista, CA 91910</p>

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Interfaith Shelter Network – El Nido	<p>The Interfaith Shelter Network (ISN) coordinates with faith-based communities, nonprofits, and social service agencies in order to serve San Diego’s unhoused and those at-risk of becoming homeless.</p> <p>As a part of the county's Continuum of Care, ISN offers programs to address the needs of situationally homeless individuals and families.</p>	<p>https://www.interfaithshelter.org/</p> <p>Main office: 619-702-5399</p> <p>DV Transitional Housing: 619-563-9878</p>
Crisis House	Homeless prevention, financial assistance, located in East County	<p>619-444-1194</p> <p>https://crisishouse.org/</p>