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**Drop-In Centers**

Need a safe place to go during the day or essential resources?


**NORTHSIDE:** Broadway Youth Center – 4009N. Broadway 773-399-1600 extension 9. M,T,Th,F 9am-5pm. Youth 12-24. Health Center and Drop-in for LGBTQTA. Food, clothing, HIV/STI testing, misc. health services

**NORTHSIDE:** After Hours (Howard Brown Health) – 4025 N. Sheridan Road. 773-388-8906. 1st and 3rd Fridays of the month, 6pm-9pm. Ages 18&up. Drop-in for TGNC folks. Food, programming, insurance enrollment, hormones.


**NORTHSIDE:** Covenant House Illinois – 30 W. Chicago Ave., 5th floor, 312-759-7888. Drop-in services 8am-3pm seven days a week. Ages 18-24. Hot Meal, showers, laundry, lockers, legal support, job training, public benefits assistance, medical referrals, HIV testing, mental health services. Covenant House also has a residential program that is non-emergency. Youth must be participants in drop-in services to be eligible for the residential program.


**WESTSIDE:** Harbor57 (Austin)-St. Martin’s Episcopal, 5700 W. Midway (@ Waller & W. Race Ave; Central Green Line) 1st Fridays 4:30-7:30 PM Ages 14-25. Meals, resource advocacy, basic needs

**WESTSIDE:** Taskforce Prevention & Community Services. 9 N Cicero Ave. 773-473-4100, M-W 5pm-9m, HIV/STI testing, case management, medical referrals, job readiness, hormones.

**SOUTHSIDE:** Teen Living Programs Drop-In Center – 5500 S Indiana (basement of Life Center Church). 773-355-9843. M-Th: 11am-2pm. Fri by appt. only. ages 18-24


**SOUTHSIDE:** POP (People Organizing Progress) Corner of 55th and Lake Park Ave, Suite 205, Rhll@medicine.bsd.uchicago.edu . Thursday 4-7pm. Meal, HIV testing, GED program; mental health services, basic needs

**DOWNTOWN:** Drop-In Space 877-606-3158. Tues 1p-8p. Women/transwomen 14-22 who may have had to engage in sex to survive (involved in sex trade). Call for address and more info.

**Street Outreach Programs**

Street outreach programs provide youth with basic services such as access to food, hygiene supplies

**NORTHSIDE:** The Night Ministry’s Street Outreach Events – Corner of Belmont and Halsted. (look for blue van) Thursday nights 8:30pm-10:00pm. Contact: 773-784-9000 ext.7004

**SOUTHSIDE:** C2P Youth Medical Mobile, Tuesday 5:30pm-8pm Washington Park Refectory at 55th and Cottage Grove, 5531 S. Russell Drive. Ages 12-24

**FAR SOUTHSIDE:** Universal Family Connection
Hours: Mon: 10am-6pm; Tues-Fri: 9am-5pm
1350 W. 103rd Street 773-881-1711. Ages 14-23

**City Warming/Cooling Centers**

A Warming Center is a heated facility. Go here for safe refuge from extreme weather.


**WESTSIDE:** Garfield Center – 10 S. Kedzie Ave [Madison and Kedzie]. 312-746-5400 OPEN 24/7


**SOUTHSIDE:** King Center – 4314 S. Cottage Grove (43rd and Cottage Grove). 312-747-2300

**SOUTHSIDE:** South Chicago – 8650 S. Commercial Ave (87th and Commercial Ave). 312-747-0500

**Emergency Housing Options**

Do you need a safe place to stay tonight? These are places that you can stay. You do not need to call in advance but you do need to arrive by a certain time.

**NORTHSIDE:** The Crib (The Night Ministry) - 835 W. Addison Street @ the Lakeview Lutheran Church (2 blocks east of the Addison Red line stop). 773-318-5462 (answered 8pm-10am).
Set up: All genders. Transgender and Gender Non-Conforming youth welcome. Lottery drawing at 8:30pm.

**NORTH SIDE:** Casa Corazon-Logan Square (La Casa Norte) – 1940 N. California Ave. (Blue line, California). 773-276-4900
Set up: All genders. Lottery M,Th @8pm, 2845 W McLean; W, F Lottery @ 1940 N California @ 8:45pm. Open from 9pm-9am

**WESTSIDE:** A Safe Haven - 2750 W. Roosevelt (Roosevelt and California). 773-435-8440.
Set up: All genders. First come, first serve. Open 7pm-7am. Arrive @ 8pm.

Set up: Ages 18-24. 7:00p-9:00a. Must be referred by La Casa Norte
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Set up: All genders. First come, first serve. Open from 9pm-9am.

SOUTHSIDE: Ujima Village Youth Overnight Shelter – 7320 S. Yale, south wing, Chicago, IL 60621

Setup: All genders, First come, first serve. Lottery at 8pm or call 311 from an emergency room and state you are a youth wanting to go to Ujima.

**Interim Housing Options**
Do you need a safe & stable place to stay for a few weeks to a couple of months?
These are places that you can stay for a short time.

NORTHSIDE: Open Door Shelter* – 1110 N. Noble Street (4 blocks southeast of the Division Blue line stop). 773-506-4100. Best times to call: before 9am, after 9pm. Youth 14-20. TGNC youth and single parents w/ children are welcome. 4 month maximum stay. Transitional Living Program available to clients in the interim program. No ID required.

NORTHSIDE: Response-Ability Pregnant and Parenting Program ("RAPPP")* – 3262 N. Clark St. 773/506-3120. Provides 4 months shelter for pregnant and/or parenting youth. 8 beds, 8 cribs. Youth ages 14-20. Call for intake.


El Rescate – 2703 W Division St. 872-829-2654, 14-17. All genders. 3 week stay. Meals, showers, family reunification. Call to schedule intake.

**Transitional Living Programs**
Do you need a long-term safe & stable place to stay?
These programs allow youth to stay up to a year or two. For most of these programs, you will need to be referred by the coordinated entry system. Please go to one of the coordinated entry access points to be eligible for these programs.

ACCESS POINTS, Youth 18-24:
North: Broadway Youth Center, 4009 N Broadway
Fridays: 9am-5pm
South: Teen Living Programs, 5500 S. Indiana Ave
Fridays: 11am-5pm. Call for appointment 773-891-2505
West: La Casa Norte, 2845 W McClean
Tuesday: 1pm-5pm. Call for appointment 773-276-4900 x252

ACCESS POINTS, minors under 18:
North: The Night Ministry, 835 W Addison St. Call: 877-286-2523
West: Puerto Rican Cultural Center Call: 872-829-2654
South: Teen Living Programs Call: 866-803-8336

**Emergency Numbers**

-National Runaway Safeline
1-800-RUNAWAY (786-2929)

-Statewide CCBYS Information Line (24-hour Crisis Intervention Services for homeless minors)
1-877-870-2663

-Illinois Domestic Violence helpline
1-877-863-6338

-Chicago Domestic Violence helpline
1-877-863-6338
1-877-863-6339 (TTY)

-Stop It (Salvation Army/Human Trafficking)
877-606-3158

-LGBTQ Crisis Hotline
773-871-2273

-Illinois Coalition for Immigrant and Refugee rights hotline
855-435-7693

-Homelessness Prevention Call Center (For rent, utility, emergency assistance)
Call 311 and ask for “Short-Term Help”

**Websites**

-Direct2Housing: online tool that allows you to search for housing information on your own
www.direct2housing.org

-Chicago Central Referral System (CRS): system by which people experiencing homelessness can apply for housing
www.chicagocrs.org

-Streetlight Chicago: a free website and mobile application of resources for homeless youth It is a database listing resource and healthcare information for homeless youth.
http://www.streetlightchicago.org/, you can also download this as an app on your phone