



NJDCF OFFICE OF HOUSING

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What's the role of the office?

The Office of Housing works to ensure DCF's network of housing and related services are accessible, high quality, culturally competent, and effectively meet youth and family needs. Guided by the Department's strategic priorities, the Office collaborates with various Divisions and external stakeholders (including contracted providers, constituents and other system partners) to further the Department's goal of supporting a portfolio of high-quality, results-driven, community-engaged services focused on the prevention of all types of maltreatment. OOH works to achieve these objectives through the following functions:

- Program Implementation
- System Advocacy and Integration
- Capacity Building and Technical Assistance

Please tell us how OOH can keep your teams CONNECTED.



IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- Everyone should **SELF CERTIFY** with DCA. (<https://covid19.nj.gov/pages/renter>).
- Rental Assistance and Eviction Prevention funding remains available
 - State: CV-ERAP with DCA
 - This program is transitioning to the Eviction Prevention Program (EPP). **EPP can provide up to 2 years of future rent payments.**
 - The application process for CV-ERAP and EPP ***is the same.***
 - ***Undocumented applicants are eligible for rental assistance.***
 - County and City Resources vary; access database here www.consumerfinance.gov/renthelp
 - Participants can receive funding from both – but separate applications are required.
 - To reduce confusion, we suggest starting with the DCA self certification form and rental assistance application.
- Encourage all potential applicants to sign up immediately for all rental assistance options, *while funding remains available.*
- Youth (18-21) Housing Resources - Connect with the Adolescent Housing Hub 24/7 at 1-877-652-7624 to access DCF housing programs.
- Connect with us: DCF.OfficeofHousing@dcf.nj.gov