

State Homeless Hotline

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NJ 211 serves as the state homeless hotline and seeks to assist those experiencing homelessness by connecting them with community resources that may help them with breaking the cycle of homelessness. The local [County Board of Social Services](#) is the primary resource for individuals experiencing homelessness or those seeking emergency housing assistance. During business hours, contact your local [County Board of Social Services](#).

After business hours, on weekends, and on holidays, contact NJ 211 by dialing 2-1-1. On behalf of the county, NJ 211 arranges a one-time emergency placement through the statewide homeless hotline program, for those who are eligible, along with information and appropriate referrals for the individual's situation.

Code Blue

When a county declares a Code Blue, NJ 211 can assist with arranging a placement after-hours for individuals who were previously placed. Appropriate sheltering options are pursued based on specific county-level Code Blue instructions. Therefore, placement instructions, Code Blue activations, warming center listings, and motel information are based on what each individual county has provided to NJ 211.

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You are encouraged to dial "2-1-1" 24 hours a day, seven days a week if you need help in understanding and finding available assistance services. Language translation and TTY services are offered to any caller. You can also search our database for services in your local community or Chat Live with an experienced community resource specialist. 2-1-1 will help identify with you the best local resources to fit your individual needs during times of distress or for life's everyday situations.

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