

## UTILITY ASSISTANCE AND HOME REPAIRS

### UTILITY ASSISTANCE

Note that funds for utility assistance and donated items such as heaters are subject to availability and most programs are limited to low income households.

#### Our Florida

833-493-0594

Eligible Florida renters can qualify for up to **15 months of rent and utility payments**. This includes 12 months of past due rent and utilities and three months of forward-looking rent payments.

[ourflorida.com](http://ourflorida.com)

#### Capital Area Community Action Agency

850-222-2043/appt. line 850-325-3500

Utility bill and weatherization assistance. Applicants must reside in Franklin, Gulf, Gadsden, Jefferson, Leon or Wakulla counties. Preference is given to individuals age 60 and older, those with disabilities, families with children under 12, and households with a high energy burden (repeated high utility bills).

[capitalareacommunityactionagency.com](http://capitalareacommunityactionagency.com)

#### Elder Care Services, Inc. Emergency Home Energy Assistance for the Elderly

850-921-5554

Eligible households experiencing a home energy emergency may be provided a benefit of up to \$600 per season. Program beneficiaries may also receive vouchers to purchase blankets, portable heaters, and fans. The program can also help pay for repairs to existing heating or cooling equipment or re-connection fees.

[ecsbigbend.org](http://ecsbigbend.org)

#### Salvation Army

850-222-3255

The Salvation Army offers limited utility bill assistance to avoid shut offs or restore service.

[salvationarmyflorida.org](http://salvationarmyflorida.org)

#### Catholic Charities

850-222-2180

Limited utility bill assistance is available for households meeting income requirements (if bills are overdue and the household is in hardship). Applicants are prioritized for assistance based on need, housing status, and family composition.

[ccnwfl.org](http://ccnwfl.org)

#### City of Tallahassee Utilities

850-891-4968

City of Tallahassee Utilities provides energy audits, low interest loans for weatherization, energy credits and extension requests for utility bill payments.

[talgov.com/you/you.aspx](http://talgov.com/you/you.aspx)

#### City Sewer Program

850-891-4968

The City Sewer Program provides low or no-interest loans for converting from a septic tank to the city sewer system.

[talgov.com/you/you.aspx](http://talgov.com/you/you.aspx)

#### Talquin Electric Cooperative

850-627-7651

Talquin Electric offers energy audits and serves Leon, Wakulla, Gadsden, and Liberty counties. The **Talquin Assistance Program (TAP)** provides limited help with the payment of utility bills. To apply for assistance from **TAP** on a monthly utility bill contact **Capital Area Community Action Agency** at **(850) 222-2043** to schedule an appointment.

[talquinelectric.com](http://talquinelectric.com)

## HOME REPAIRS

Note that funds for home repairs are subject to availability and most programs are limited to low income households.

### Home Repair Program / Home Accessibility Program

850-891-6566

The **Home Repair Program** provides up to \$12,500 in a forgivable loan to assist low-income property owners in the removal of health/safety hazards and the correction of exterior code violations. **Home Accessibility** provides up to \$12,500 through local partners such as the **Center for Independent Living (Ability 1st)** to make accessibility improvements like widening doorways, adding ramps/railings and raising countertops.

[talgov.com/neighborhoodservices/housingprograms.aspx](http://talgov.com/neighborhoodservices/housingprograms.aspx)

### Home Resilience Program / City CARES Home Repair Program

850-891-6566

The **Home Resilience Program** provides up to \$12,500 in a forgivable loan available for repairs to storm damaged structures or to help secure the home against future damage. The **City CARES Home Repair Program** provides up to \$15,000 to improve the living conditions of households affected by **COVID-19**, by removing health and safety hazards and/or architectural barriers from their homes.

[talgov.com/neighborhoodservices/housingprograms.aspx](http://talgov.com/neighborhoodservices/housingprograms.aspx)

### Leon County Housing Programs

850-606-1900

Funding available for home down-payments, closing costs, home rehabilitations and emergency repairs.

[leoncountyfl.gov/HHS/rehab.asp](http://leoncountyfl.gov/HHS/rehab.asp)

### Elder Care Services

850-921-5554

Assistance available through the **Community Care for the Elderly** program to help pay for home repairs.

[ecsbigbend.org](http://ecsbigbend.org)

### Tallahassee Fuller Center

850-509-5438

Funding provided through the **Greater Blessing Box** for repairing and rehabilitating owner-occupied homes.

[tfch.org](http://tfch.org)

### Tallahassee Urban League

850-222-6111

The Tallahassee Urban league provides home repairs and modifications for low-income homeowners.

[www.tallahasseeurbanleague.org](http://www.tallahasseeurbanleague.org)

### Ability 1<sup>st</sup> Ramp Program

850-575-9621

Builds wheelchair ramps and provides minor home modifications for low-income individuals with disabilities.

[ability1st.info](http://ability1st.info)

### American Red Cross

850-878-6080

Works in partnership with other agencies and organizations that provide services to disaster victims.

[redcross.org/local/florida/north-florida](http://redcross.org/local/florida/north-florida)

### Killearn Lakes United Methodist Church

850-893-1116

Provides labor for minor home repairs and yard work (services based upon availability of volunteers).

[kumconline.org](http://kumconline.org)

### Caring and Helping in Community Service at FSU

Provides labor for minor home repair projects and yard work.

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