

# FINANCIAL & HOUSING RESOURCES

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# **HASTINGS COUNTY – FINANCIAL HELP**

Housing and Homelessness Fund (HHF): 1-866-414-0300 or 613-771-9630

Financial help may be available for rent arrears, hydro or heat deposits or arrears, emergency accommodation for homelessness, and last month's rent deposits. Call to see if you qualify.

### How to apply:

- **If you are not on social assistance**: Call the number for HHF above. You will be asked to provide information about your income.
- If you are on Ontario Works (OW): Contact your caseworker. OW phone numbers are:

**Belleville** 1-800-267-0575 **Bancroft** 1-866-569-1941 **Quinte West** 1-800-267-0575 **Madoc** 1-866-434-4024

• **If you are on Ontario Disability Support Program (ODSP)**: Contact your caseworker first at 1-800-267-4355 or 613-962-9562, and then call HHF.

To learn more, please visit: <a href="https://hastingscounty.com/services/community-human/">https://hastingscounty.com/services/community-human/</a>

# **Hydro or Heat Arrears**

- **LEAP** (Low-Income Energy Assistance Program): To apply for LEAP contact your utility. Contact information can be found on your bill. In North Hastings contact United Way of Greater Simcoe County at 1-855-ITS-LEAP (1-855-487-5327).
- Winter Warmth Program: To apply for Winter Warmth (gas only) contact 613-771-9630.

## For more information regarding help with utilities, please see:

Community Trust

Financial assistance for things like rent, heat, hydro, appliances and groceries.

**Belleville** 613-962-3070 **N. Hastings/Bancroft** 613-332-3657

**Centre Hastings** 613-473-5258

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#### **Hastings Local Housing Corporation**

Geared to income housing, rent supplement programs

• **Belleville** 613-966-1311

For more information: <a href="https://hastingscounty.com/services/community-human/housing-services/">https://hastingscounty.com/services/community-human/housing-services/</a>

Hastings County Community Services Booklet 2025: <a href="https://bit.ly/HCCS-Booklet-2025">https://bit.ly/HCCS-Booklet-2025</a>

**Next Step Housing Connection**: provides intensive case management housing support services for those facing or experiencing homelessness <a href="https://nextstephousing.ca/">https://nextstephousing.ca/</a>

**Belleville** 613-969-1748, ext 249 or 231

**Quinte West** 613-392-1387, ext 339 **Youth (16-24)** 613-969-1748, ext 222

## St. Leonard's - Supported Independent Living & Youth Emergency Housing:

Emergency & transitional housing for youths ages 15 – 24. Must call to qualify, phone lines are open 24/7. <a href="https://stleonardscsprs.ca/transitional-housing/">https://stleonardscsprs.ca/transitional-housing/</a> 613-955-0172

#### **EMERGENCY AFTER HOURS**

Emergency housing & food, 4:30 pm to 8:30 am, weekends and holidays 1-877-528-9514

#### OTHER HELP

#### **Elevate Plus – Quinte Region**

Elevate Plus is a SkillsAdvance Ontario program which helps participants learn employment skills: https://elevateplus.ca/about/

## **Counselling Services**

- Resolve Counselling Services Belleville 1-800-379-5556 or 613-966-3556
  Free assistance with budgeting and finances: <a href="https://resolvecounselling.org/">https://resolvecounselling.org/</a>
- Counselling Services Full listing available on CALC Website <a href="https://communitylegalcentre.ca/tcodownloads/counselling-referral-resources/">https://communitylegalcentre.ca/tcodownloads/counselling-referral-resources/</a>

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