

**Local Community Resources for Maine Township Residents**  
**August 2020**

**We are once again updating this Emergency Resource Guide.**

**By order of Governor Pritzker evictions were prohibited until June 27, 2020.**

**Utility shut-offs will be allowed as of August 1, 2020.**

**CHILD CARE**

1. Those designated essential workers, regardless of income, are eligible for assistance in paying for child care during the pandemic. To obtain an application go to:

[www.dhs.state.il.us/OneNetLibrary27893/documents/coronavirusinfo/COVID-19-Child-Care-Application-4-3-2020.pdf](http://www.dhs.state.il.us/OneNetLibrary27893/documents/coronavirusinfo/COVID-19-Child-Care-Application-4-3-2020.pdf).

2. CEDA (Community Economic Development Association) – 312-795-8948 (if you are behind on the bill due to inability to work due to a diagnosis of COVID-19 or because of COVID-19 related loss of employment and do not qualify for a child care subsidy)

**DENTAL CARE AT LOW COST WITH OR WITHOUT INSURANCE**

Asian Human Services Family Health Center - 800-597-5077  
8800 Lockwood in Skokie

Erie Family Health - 847-666-3494  
1285 Hartrey in Evanston

Evanston Hospital - 847-570-2380  
2650 Ridge in Evanston

### DRIVER'S LICENSES

Illinois Secretary of State facilities are open. All driver's licenses that expired in March, April or May, or are going to expire in June or July, are extended until October 30, 2020.

### EMERGENCY CASH

For low-income families with children under the age of 19. Apply online at [www.abe.illinois.gov](http://www.abe.illinois.gov). You can also call 800-843-6154 but know that the wait time was over an hour before COVID-19 and is even longer now.

### FORECLOSURE

Open Communities – 847-501-5760

Housing & Urban Development's Making Home Affordable Program  
888-995-4673

### INCOME TAX RETURNS

The deadline for filing both federal and Illinois income tax returns has been extended to July 15, 2020.

Tax Assistance Centers remain closed.

### LEGAL ASSISTANCE

Chicago Bar Association's Lawyer Referral Service – 312-554-2001  
Offers free phone consultations the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month from 9AM to noon for a variety of issues.

Legal Aid Chicago – 312-341-1070

For a variety of issues including housing, medical debt relief, employment issues and domestic violence.

North Suburban Legal Aid Clinic – 847-737-1042

Housing and domestic violence assistance.

### LICENSE PLATE STICKERS (AUTO REGISTRATION)

Illinois Secretary of State facilities are open, as well as vehicle emissions testing facilities. All license plate stickers that expired in March, April or May, or are going to expire in June or July, are extended until October 30, 2020.

### MEDICAL CARE AT LOW COST WITH OR WITHOUT INSURANCE

Genesis Center

1 N. Broadway in DesPlaines  
847-298-3150

Cook County Health

(presently doing tele-health calls, only)  
847-934-7969

### MISCELLANEOUS

The state of Illinois has established a COVID-19 Emergency Response Fund. This fund will distribute money to local non-profit agencies throughout the state to assist with a variety of things including food, shelter, utilities and other basic household needs.

So far there have been four rounds of funding distribution. The Following agencies have received funding for this area:

Age Options at 800-699-9043.

Children's Home & Aid Society at 847-493-4300

Hanul Family Alliance at 847-383-6117

Lutheran Social Services at 847-635-4600

Salvation Army at 847-981-9111

The fund is continuing to accept donations. Check this website periodically to learn when and where additional funds have been made available in this area: [www.illinoiscovidresponsefund.org](http://www.illinoiscovidresponsefund.org)

### MORTGAGE ASSISTANCE

Illinois Housing Development Authority has a mortgage assistance program taking online applications at [www.ema.ihda.org](http://www.ema.ihda.org).

If you live in incorporated DesPlaines, contact Center of Concern at 847-823-0453 and ask for Kelsey Cavalieri or Northwest Compass at 847-392-2344, ext. 402.

### PRESCRIPTION COPAY ASSISTANCE

CEDA (Community Economic Development Association) – 312-795-8948  
(if you cannot afford your medication due to inability to work due to a diagnosis of COVID-19 or because of COVID-19 related loss of employment)

### RENT

If you are issued a 5-day notice of eviction after June 27, contact Maine Township's General Assistance Department at 847-297-2510, ext. 230.

If you live in incorporated DesPlaines, contact Center of Concern at 847-823-0453 and ask for Kelsey Cavalieri or Northwest Compass at 847-392-2344, ext. 402.

Apply to Illinois Housing Development Authority at [www.era.ihda.org](http://www.era.ihda.org).

### RTA PASSES

If your Free Fare RTA pass expired in March or April, the RTA is automatically renewing it for 6 months without you having to reapply for the Benefit Access Program.

You will be mailed a new pass that will be good for 6 months. Contact Maine Township at 847-297-2510, ext. 236 for assistance in renewing your Benefit Access Application.

### STATE IDs

Illinois Secretary of State facilities are open. All state IDs that expired in March, April or May, or are going to expire in June or July, are extended until October 30, 2020.

### TELEPHONE BILL ASSISTANCE

CEDA (Community Economic Development Association) – 312-795-8948 (if you are behind on the bill due to inability to work due to a diagnosis of COVID-19 or because of COVID-19 related loss of employment)

### UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

You can apply online or by phone. The Illinois Dept. of Employment Security is asking residents to comply with the following schedule to ease system overload:

1. Apply online at [www.ides.illinois.gov](http://www.ides.illinois.gov).

If your last name starts with A-M you are asked to apply on Sunday, Tuesday or Thursday.

If your last name starts with N-Z you are asked to apply on Monday, Wednesday or Friday.

If you are **unable** to apply on the assigned day you can apply on Saturday.

2. Apply by phone at 800-244-5631 between 7:30AM and 6:00PM.

If your last name starts with A-M you are asked to apply on Tuesday or Thursday.

If your last name starts with N-Z you are asked to apply on Monday or Wednesday.

If you are **unable** to apply on the assigned day you can call on Friday.

### UTILITIES (ComEd & Nicor)

If you live in incorporated DesPlaines, contact Center of Concern at 847-823-0453 and ask for Kelsey Cavalieri or Northwest Compass at 847-392-2344, ext. 402.

For Nicor bills, contact Salvation Army at 847-981-1111 and ask for Maylin Quinones.

### WATER BILL ASSISTANCE

CEDA (Community Economic Development Association) – 312-795-8948  
(if you are behind on the bill due to inability to work due to a diagnosis of COVID-19 or because of COVID-19 related loss of employment)

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