

Housing Resources in San Mateo County

Based on San Mateo County Housing Indicators as of June 30, 2008,
the average rent for a 2-bedroom/1-bathroom apartment in San Mateo County is \$1,849 a month.

If you are homeless

Emergency shelter services are available for single adults, families, youth, survivors of domestic violence and persons with disabilities. You will need a voucher or referral from one of the community service agencies listed below for entrance to a shelter. Check with the agency located closest to your last place of residence.

Community Service Agencies

Daly City:	Daly City Community Service Center650-991-8007 350 - 90th Streetwww.dalycity.org/city_services/srvctr.htm
East Palo Alto:	El Concilio Emergency Services Partnership650-330-7432 1798-B Bay Road
El Granada:	Coastside Hope650-726-9071 99 Avenue Alhambra / P.O. Box 1089www.coastsidehope.org
Pacifica:	Pacifica Resource Center650-738-7470 1809 Palmetto Avenue..... www.pacresourcecenter.org
Redwood City:	Fair Oaks Community Center650-780-7500 2600 Middlefield Road www.redwoodcity.org/parks/cc/fairoaks.html
San Mateo:	Samaritan House650-347-3648 401 North Humboldt Streetwww.samaritanhouse.com
South San Francisco:	North Peninsula Neighborhood Services Center650-588-8822 600 Linden Avenuewww.neighborhoodservices.org
Countywide:	St. Vincent de Paul Society650-343-4403 50 North B Street, San Mateowww.svdp.org/sanmateo

Housing Discrimination Complaints

State law protects people from housing discrimination if based on race, religion, national origin or ancestry, sex, marital status, physical handicap or retaliation.

Midpeninsula Citizens for Fair Housing.....650-327-1718 457 Kingsley Avenue, Palo Alto 94301 www.echofairhousing.org <i>Investigates charges of housing discrimination in Redwood City and Menlo Park, including unincorporated areas. Provides counseling and refers clients for legal action when appropriate.</i>
Project Sentinel650-321-6291 430 Sherman Avenue, Suite 308, Palo Alto 94306 www.housing.org <i>Investigates cases of discrimination in cities north of Redwood City and on the Coastside. The Fair Housing Center offers education, counseling, investigation and, when necessary, legal referrals to persons who believe they have experienced housing discrimination.</i>

Low-Cost Rehabilitation Services

Center for Independence of the Disabled (CID).....650-645-1780 1515 South El Camino Real, San Mateo 94402 www.cidsanmateo.org <i>Provides accessibility modifications and peer counseling program. Offers housing and information referrals and teaches independent living skills.</i>
Community Action Agency of San Mateo County (CAA)650-595-1342 930 Brittan Avenue, San Carlos 94070www.caasm.org <i>Provides weatherization, home repair and home energy assistance.</i>
North Peninsula Neighborhood Services Center650-583-3373 600 Linden Avenue, South San Francisco 94080 www.neighborhoodservices.org <i>The Housing Revitalization Program provides free home repairs to low-income homeowners throughout the county.</i>

Low-Cost Rehabilitation Services (continued)

- Rebuilding Together Peninsula 650-366-6597
P.O. Box 4031, Menlo Park 94026 www.rebuildingtogetherpeninsula.org
Offers home renovation and repair for low-income, elderly or disabled homeowners. Work is done primarily by volunteers through National Rebuilding Day on the last Saturday in April.
- San Mateo County Department of Housing
Housing and Community Development 650-802-5050
264 Harbor Blvd., Belmont 94002 www.smchousing.org
Provides low-interest loans to low- and very low-income property owners to rehabilitate their property. Daly City, Redwood City, San Mateo and South San Francisco have separate programs for their residents. Call those city offices for information.

For information on additional housing repair programs for seniors, contact your local senior center.

Rental and Mortgage Assistance

- Consumer Credit Counseling Service / Housing Education Program 800-777-PLAN (7526)
595 Market Street, 15th Floor, San Francisco 94105 www.housingeducation.org
Offers first-time homebuying workshops with pre-purchase education, default counseling, transitional housing and tenant counseling.
- Mental Health Association 650-368-9989
2686 Spring Street, Redwood City 94063 www.mhasmc.org
Provides rental assistance and case management for persons who are HIV positive.
- Project Sentinel 650-321-6291
430 Sherman Avenue, Suite 308, Palo Alto 94306 www.housing.org
Assists homeowners who are having difficulty making their monthly mortgage payments and offers first-time homebuyer pre-purchase and household budget counseling.
- San Mateo County Department of Housing 650-802-5050
264 Harbor Blvd., Belmont 94002 www.smchousing.org
Offers a Mortgage Credit Certificate Program for first-time homebuyers whose income is low enough to qualify for the tax credit.

For additional information on rental assistance, contact the closest community service agency listed on the other side of this flyer. All programs are dependent upon availability of funds. Clients must meet eligibility requirements.

Other Housing Resources

San Mateo County does not have one main clearinghouse of affordable housing. Listed below are several organizations that can help find available housing. Also listed are resources dealing with other housing issues.

- HIP Housing (Human Investment Project) 650-348-6660
364 South Railroad Avenue, San Mateo 94401 www.hiphousing.org
Offers programs designed to help seniors, single parents or persons with low incomes obtain housing or remain in their own homes, including home sharing, self-sufficiency and home equity conversion mortgages (reverse mortgages).
- Housing Leadership Council 650-872-4444
139 Mitchell Avenue, Suite 108, South San Francisco 94080 www.hlcsmc.org
Maintains a database of available affordable housing units, searchable by various criteria.
- Peninsula Conflict Resolution Center (PCRC) 650-513-0330
1660 South Amphlett Blvd., Suite 219, San Mateo 94402 www.pcrweb.org
Offers mediation services for landlord/tenant, neighbor/neighbor, consumer and a variety of other issues.
- San Mateo County Department of Housing / Housing Authority 650-802-3300
264 Harbor Blvd., Belmont 94002 www.smchousing.org
Administers housing benefits such as Section 8 (waiting list closed) and project-based and public housing (waiting lists open).
- San Mateo County Health Department / Environmental Health Services 650-372-6200
2000 Alameda de las Pulgas, Suite 100, San Mateo 94403 www.smhealth.org/environ
Accepts questions and complaints regarding health and safety problems such as: unsanitary conditions; defective wiring; rodents and insects; leaks; unsafe floors and stairways; overcrowding; nuisance noise; or lack of hot water, heat or plumbing.