

# FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

Organization Name	Assistance Category	Phone Number	Types of Assistance/Eligibility Requirements
Assurance Wireless	Free Wireless Cell Phone Service	(888) 321-5880	Assistance may be provided for low income individuals and recipients of the following: Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Medicaid, Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Section 8, Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), free/reduced lunch, or Bureau of Indian Affairs Program.
CHAP (Community Housing Assistance Program)	Utility Bill	(727) 442-9041	Deposit assistance when setting up new utility services and rental property, along with rental assistance.
Citizens Alliance for Progress (CAP) located at the Union Academy Family Center	Electric Bill	(727) 934-5881	Assistance for northern Pinellas County residents only. For more information, you may access the website at <a href="http://www.citizensallianceforprogress.org">http://www.citizensallianceforprogress.org</a> .
Day Star	Water and Electric	(727) 825-0442	All Pinellas County residents are eligible to apply and considered on an individual needs basis.
Florida LifeLine Telephone Assistance	Phone Bill Assistance	(800) 540-7039	Federal assistance program that reduces the monthly telephone bill to low income heads of households. Household income must be at or below 135% of the poverty guidelines to be eligible. Lifeline is also offered on certain wireless companies and also includes broadband. May access the website at <a href="http://www.floridaopc.gov">www.floridaopc.gov</a> for an application.
Free Clinic/We Help - St. Petersburg	Water Bill	(727) 823-3471 (727) 821-1200, x115	Pays the last \$50.00 owed on the water bill, one time only, and within a 12 month period. Receipt showing balance left owing of \$50.00 is required. By appointment only.
High Point Neighborhood Family Center	Electric Bill	(727) 533-0730	Provides assistance for residents with minor children and living in the following zip code areas: 33760, 33762, 33764, 33770 and 33771.
Mattie Williams Neighborhood Family Center	Water and Electric	(727) 791-8255	Provides water and electric assistance, one time within a 12 month period, for residents living in the following zip code areas: 34677, 34695, 33759 and 33761.
Pinellas County Urban League	Electric, Gas and Deposit	(727) 327-0977	Assists with electric, gas and deposit.
Pinellas Opportunity Council	Water and Electric	(727) 823-4101	Past due electric bill and deposit assistance for seniors only (age 60+) and by appointment only. Assists with past due water and electric bills, (no deposits) for all age groups, and by appointment only. Also assists utility companies and customers in resolving high consumption/bill issues. They are not a licensed plumber, but can assist with minor repairs and trying to determine the actual cause of the high bill.

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Safelink Wireless	Free Cell Phone Service	(800) 723-3546	Assistance may be provided for recipients of: Medicaid, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Food Stamps, Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Federal Public Housing Assistance (Section 8), Veterans and Survivors Pension Benefit, Bureau of Indian Affairs General Assistance (BIA), Tribally Administered Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (Tribal TANF), Tribal Head Start (only those households meeting its income qualifying standard) and Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR)
Salvation Army	Water, Electric and Gas	(727) 446-4177	Properties north of Ulmerton Road only - provides assistance with the water for City of Clearwater, Dunedin, Pinellas County Utilities and Safety Harbor, along with Duke Energy and Clearwater Gas.
Salvation Army	Water, Electric and Gas	(727) 822-4954	Based upon the availability of funds, they provide assistance for water, electric and gas to properties south of Ulmerton Road.
Society of St. Vincent de Paul North Pinellas, Inc.	Water and Electric	(727) 442-5306	Referred to local churches. Assistance for water and electric is determined by your zip code area and as funds are available.
Society of St. Vincent de Paul South Pinellas, Inc.	Water and Electric	(727) 823-2516, press 0	Provides water and electric assistance.
211 Tampa Bay Cares	Financial, Food, Shelter, Support for adults, children, youth, veterans and military families, Older Americans, Person with Disabilities along with Physical and Mental Resources and Crisis Intervention information	211 or text your zip code to 898211 (727) 210-4211	211 Tampa Bay Cares is a non-profit organization that provides the only free, confidential, multi-lingual, 24 hour telephone number 211 for access to community information, services & resources and crisis intervention information for the residents of Pinellas County. The phone #211 is available 24/7. During regular business hours, Monday - Friday, you can text your zip code to 898211 or email to info@211.org. You can also visit the website www.211tampabay.org. for further assistance and information.

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<b>HUMAN SERVICES ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS</b>			
Boley Centers	Housing, Mental Health and Employment	(727) 821-4819	Offers various types of housing assistance for low income individuals. Also assists with mental health, Section 8 and employment. No financial assistance provided.
Citizens Alliance for Progress (CAP) located at the Union Academy Family Center	Clothing and Basic Necessities	(727) 934-5881	Assistance for Tarpon Springs and Palm Harbor residents only. For more information you may access the website at <a href="http://www.citizensallianceforprogress.org">http://www.citizensallianceforprogress.org</a> .
CHAP (Community Housing Assistance Program)	Rental Assistance	(727) 442-9041	Screening for rental assistance along with deposit assistance when setting up rental property or utility services.
Clearwater Housing Authority	Housing	(727) 461-5777	Provides housing assistance. For more information you may access the website at <a href="http://www.clearwaterhousingauth.org">www.clearwaterhousingauth.org</a> .
Consumer Protection	Consumer-Business and Landlord/Tenant Disputes	(727) 464-6200	No financial assistance. Investigates most consumer-business disputes, including landlord/tenant, motor vehicle repair, home repairs, billing disputes, etc. Attempt to assist parties through mediation if civil in nature. Conducts criminal investigations of consumer fraud, and enforce various county ordinances, including towing.
F.E.A.S.T. (Food Emergency and Services Team)	Food	(727) 789-5275	Food pantry only, for residents living in the following zip code areas: 33761, 34677, 34681, 34682, 34683, 34684, 34685, 34695 and 34698. Must provide proof of residence and income (if applicable), along with a Social Security card or a Green Card, for each individual that is requesting assistance.
Gulf Coast Legal - St. Petersburg	Legal Issues	(727) 821-0726	Provides free legal assistance with specific concerns such as domestic violence, family issues, Social Security, human trafficking, taxes, housing assistance and foreclosures.
HEP (Homeless Empowerment Program)	Shelters	(727) 442-9041	HEP processes the intake of individuals Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Individuals may also request for shelter at the main office Monday through Friday, 8:30 - 5:00.
<b>Neighborly Care Network Programs:</b>			
Adult Day Care	Supervised Adult Activities	(727) 573-9444, x3051	Request is reviewed and evaluated on a case by case situation.
Meals on Wheels	Meals Delivered to Home	(727) 573-7773	Provides meals to individuals over 60, but may make exceptions to the age. All individuals under 60 are allowed to purchase a meal. Individuals need to call to have their request reviewed.
Senior Dining	Food and Entertainment	(727) 573-9444, x3025	Meals served along with socializing, informational programs and activities. Ages 60 years old or more.

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Transportation	Transportation	(727) 571-4384	Provides medical transportation, shopping and field trips for individuals 60 years old or more.
Pinellas County Housing Authority	Housing	(727) 443-7684	Provides subsidized and HUD housing for Pinellas County, excluding St. Petersburg and Clearwater city limits.
Pinellas County Senior Connections	Social Services, Housing, Transportation, Health Services and Discounts		Various types of assistance supporting senior citizens. For more information you may access the website at <a href="http://www.pinellascounty.org/humanservices/seniors.htm">http://www.pinellascounty.org/humanservices/seniors.htm</a>
Pinellas County Veterans Services	Various Non-Financial Assistance	(727) 464-8460 (Clearwater) (727) 582-7828 (St. Petersburg)	Wide variety of assistance available including filing claims for benefits for veterans, spouses and dependants.
Pinellas Heights	Housing	(727) 953-9809	Provides housing for seniors, 62 years old or more. This organization is affiliated with Pinellas County Housing Authority.
Pinellas Opportunity Council	Rent and Mortgage	(727) 823-4101	Provides assistance for past due rent and mortgage when funds are available. One time per a 12 month period, by appointment only and does not assist with deposits.
Pinellas Opportunity Council - <b>Chore Services</b>	Household Cleaning	(727) 327-3091	Provides assistance to people 60 years old and above. No income restrictions apply.
St. Ignatius Catholic Church	Food and Prescriptions	(727) 937-4050	Food Pantry for Tarpon springs residents only. Assists with the payment of Tarpon Springs Water bills, up to \$25.00, if shut off is pending. Limited prescription assistance. Food Pantry open Monday, Wednesday & Friday from 10 a.m. – 11:45 a.m., except holidays.
Society of St. Vincent de Paul North Pinellas, Inc.	Furniture, Household Furnishings, Meals and Clothes	(727) 442-5306	Referred to local churches. Provides assistance for furniture and household furnishings, soup kitchen and a change of clothes (three times a year).
Society of St. Vincent de Paul South Pinellas, Inc.	Clothing and Food Vouchers	(727) 823-2516, press 0	Assists with clothing and food vouchers.
Tarpon Springs Housing Authority	Housing	(727) 937-4411 (727) 279-2814 (Fax)	Provides low income public housing assistance for families.

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