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## EMERGENCY SHELTERS

### **Abby's House (Women with/without children) (508-756-5486)**

52 High Street, Worcester, MA 01609

Not handicapped accessible. Regular hours 5:30pm–8:00am

### **American Red Cross of Central MA (508-595-3700) or Regional Office in Medford (781-410-3700) (800-564-1234)**

2000 Century Drive, Worcester, MA 01606

Arranges emergency shelter for disasters and emergency evacuations

### **Catholic Charites (508-753-3084)**

25 West Chester St, Worcester 01605

Family shelter (15 bedrooms) at 4 Caroline Street, Worcester, MA 01604 (apply through DHCD first)

Substance abuse recovery shelter for men at Crozier House, 10 Hammond St, Worcester (508-860-2216)

Substance abuse recovery shelter for women w/MH issues at 196 Mechanic St, Leominster (508-754-1865)

### **Friendly House (508-755-4362)**

36 Wall Street, Worcester, MA 01604

3 Shelters – funded by DHCD – all family w/children – apply at DHCD first

Shelter locations: 86 Elm, 5 Crosby, 91 June

### **Greater Worcester Housing Connection (508-757-0103)**

25 Queen Street, Worcester, MA 01610

100 men, 10 women. Stay varies based on client's needs. Must be over 18. Advocacy, counseling, 3 meals/day; handicapped accessible, nurse, doctor visits twice a week, day programs, limited storage, shower available for females, limited transportation services. Must be referred by Common Grounds Resource Center 508-620-2690 at SMOC.

### **In the Hour of Need Family Shelter (508-755-2212)**

91 June Street, Worcester, MA 01602

Shelter to families who are experiencing homelessness and who do not qualify for state-funded Emergency Assistance, regardless of income and family structure. Contact: Sheri Linn, Program Director [info@ihnworchester.org](mailto:info@ihnworchester.org)

### **Jeremiah's Inn (508-755-6403)**

#### **Men's Residential Treatment Facility**

1059 Main Street, Worcester, MA 01603

Substance abuse and mild mental health issues, admission requires a referral. 29 beds. Must be clean/sober at least 30 days prior to admission with stable medical and mental health status. Not classified as emergency shelter.

### **Saint Francis & Therese Catholic Worker's Shelter (508-753-3588)**

52 Mason Street, Worcester, MA 01610

\* Emergency shelter w/4 beds (own room) for men/women; must be sober. Breakfast/dinner provided and laundry 2x/wk. Resident stays 2-3 weeks; prefer they have a case worker and plan for next move.

**YWCA Domestic Violence Services 24/7 Hotline 508-755-9030** [www.ywcahelp.com](http://www.ywcahelp.com) (chat line)

**SafeLink Domestic Violence Hotline 1-877-785-2020** information on shelters and services

### **Worcester Emergency Shelter (Only open during winter months)**

611 Main Street, Worcester, MA

60 bed shelter 24/7 provide: showers, meals, support services and security detail

(to open 12/11-SMOC staffed)

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