

NEW HRC SERVICE

**www.hrc.hctx.net, click on
affordable housing**

Your fingers can now walk across your keyboard to find the ideal rental property for you and your family. Search for rental property 24/7 by unit size, zip code, and household income.

Harris County, in collaboration with the City of Houston and several community organizations are offering this free search tool for landlords to list available units and for tenants to find the perfect home.

This interactive Web site is found at
www.hrc.hctx.net



To talk to a resource specialist to find or list rental properties, call
713.578.2055

Our Mission

The mission of the Housing Resource Center is to aide the community in finding decent, safe, and affordable housing in a manner that promotes equal opportunity and fair housing. In accomplishing this goal, the Housing Resource Center is committed to serving as a viable community resource that is accessible to everyone. We are committed to bridging the communication gap in housing information between the community and other supportive and social services organizations.

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Housing Resource Center

The Housing Resource Center is the *first stop* for housing resources and assistance programs in Harris County.

In partnership with other government agencies, as well as non-profit and community organizations, the Housing Resource Center has built a network concerned with finding and maintaining safe, comfortable, and secure housing for Harris County residents.

We can help you find resources and information on the following needs:

- Homebuyer down payment assistance education programs
- Information on how to buy a home
- Affordable and specialized rental housing
- Household bills or utilities
- Safe and immediate shelter
- Emergency and transitional housing
- Emergency home repairs
- Long-term care facilities



F How can the Housing Resource Center help me?

We can assist you in locating affordable housing, emergency shelter, home repair and down payment assistance for purchasing a home.

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The HRC does not directly give money or rent properties, but we have gathered comprehensive information to aid your search in finding and renting appropriate property for your special needs.

Who may use the HRC services?

The services are available to anyone with a telephone or access to a computer. You can also utilize computers at community centers and neighborhood libraries to log on to the HRC resources.

When is the telephone helpline available?

The recorded telephone helpline at **713.578.2055** can be called 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. The resource information is in English, Spanish and Vietnamese.

Can I find rental property easily?

Yes. Rental information is searchable by ZIP code, rent, and apartment size and is available 24/7, at **www.hrc.hctx.net**. These properties are managed and updated by landlords.

Do the HRC provide vouchers or financial assistance for housing?

No, the HRC does not have funds or vouchers for housing. Section 8 vouchers are distributed through the county and city housing authorities.

Will I find information on more than just affordable housing?

Yes, there is also information on supportive services for all kinds of housing issues and concerns.

Who else would benefit from the HRC?

Community organizations, landlords, builders, developers, financial institutions, and others seeking information on buying a house, home repairs, renting affordable housing, and other housing opportunities.

Community organizations can benefit their clients by using:

The **HRC Web site** for all aspects of their clients' housing needs and emergency financial assistance in English and Spanish at **www.hrc.hctx.net**;

Tenant search tool for rental properties sorted by unit size, household income, and ZIP code; A **recorded telephone helpline**, at **713.578.2055**, available 24/7 with resources and emergency assistance in English, Spanish and Vietnamese;

The **comprehensive database** on the HRC Web site is filled with current housing resources and supportive services;

Technical assistance and networking opportunities for community supportive housing organizations; and

Consumer and staff education and outreach programs.



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