



Homeless Youth Resources

Portage County

Bridges Program - Serves Northeast Ohio

- **Phone:** (614) 490-4357
- **Services Provided:** Education, employment, housing, and well-being.

“Bridges is a voluntary program open to young adults who left foster care in Ohio at ages 18, 19 or 20 and who are in school, working, in an employment program, or have a medical condition that prevents them from going to school or working. The program provides guidance and support as they shift to adulthood.”

Coleman Youth Transitional Services

- **Location:** 5982 Rhodes Rd. Kent, OH
- **Phone:** (330) 673-1347
- **Hours:** Open 24/7
- **Services Provided:** Behavioral health services, vocational and employment services, housing, educational support, community life-functioning support, and benefits of consultations.

“Coleman designed and built two facilities for transition-age youth. They offer stability to young adults ages 18-26 who have been homeless and diagnosed with mental illness or a co-occurring disability. Residents learn daily living activities including cooking, cleaning, leisure, and money management as well as social and communication skills. Staff is available onsite to provide support for residents.”

Next Step Program

- **Location:** 705 Oakwood St. Suite 221 Ravenna, OH
- **Contact:** (330) 357-2111 or nextstep@axessfamily.org
- **Hours:** Monday - Friday 8AM - 4PM
- **Services Provided:** Assistance in securing housing, employment, education, transportation, and health care.

“We work with young adults aged 18-24 in Portage and Geauga Counties who are often coming out of traumatic situations and are either homeless or at-risk for homelessness. We help these individuals transition into a more stable situation and create a plan that has sustainable goals that help achieve self-sufficiency.”

Miller Community House

- **Location:** 1211 Anita Dr. Kent, OH

6847 North Chestnut Street, Ravenna, Ohio 44266
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- **Phone:** (330) 673-0034
- **Hours:** Open 24/7
- **Services Provided:** Housing, education, counseling, seeking employment, and financial planning

“Our mission is to improve the quality of life for our residents by providing a 30-day shelter that includes advocacy, information, and referrals to area resources and collaborative agencies.”

Housing and Emergency Support Services

- **Location:** 705 Oakwood St. Suite 216, Ravenna, OH
- **Contact:** (330) 296-1111 or hess@axessfamily.org
- **Hours:** Monday - Friday 8:30AM - 4:30PM
- **Services Provided:** Housing, crisis support, case management, financial assistance, and connections to services based on needs

“Housing and Emergency Support Services (HESS) believes that all families and individuals who are experiencing a crisis that threatens their well-being receive the services needed to stabilize and resolve the crisis.”

Portage Metropolitan Housing Authority

- **Location:** 2832 State Route 59, Ravenna, OH
- **Contact:** (330) 297-1489 or info@portagehousing.org
- **Hours:** Monday - Thursday 7AM - 5PM
- **Services Provided:** Affordable housing, safe housing assistance, support programs, and stability resources

“The Portage Metropolitan Housing Authority is dedicated to meeting the housing needs of low-income families and individuals of Portage County by developing, managing and supporting decent, affordable housing in cooperation with community partners.”

Summit County

Harmony House

- **Location:** 766 E Exchange St. Akron, OH
- **Contact:** (330) 615-0577 or housing@akronharmonyhouse.org
- **Services Provided:** Housing, securing employment, access to healthcare, transportation, education, and coping & communication skills.

“Our mission is to help young adults achieve self-sufficiency, secure employment, pursue educational opportunities, access vital community resources, and ultimately find permanent, stable housing.”

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ACCESS, Inc.

- **Location:** 230 W. Market St. Akron, OH
- **Phone:** (330) 376-0997
- **Hours:** Monday - Friday 9AM - 5PM
- **Services Provided:** Emergency shelter, food, laundry services, phone and computer access, transportation, individualized support services, life management, physical assessments, counseling, recovery coaching, peer support groups, child advocacy services, and case management

“ACCESS Provides emergency shelter for women and children experiencing homelessness. We embrace the Housing First philosophy, a best practice approach to addressing homelessness based on the idea that all people should have access to safe shelter as a basic human dignity. ACCESS participates in a coordinated entry process through 2-1-1 to connect women ages 18 and older experiencing homelessness with our shelter.”

Shelter Care

- **Location:** 32 South Ave. Tallmadge, OH
- **Phone:** (330) 630-5600
- **Hours:** Monday - Thursday 8:30AM - 4:30PM – Friday 8:30 AM - 3:00 PM
- **Services Provided:** Crisis and emergency services, teen pregnancy resources, outreach services, counseling.

“For over 50 years, Shelter Care has been dedicated to helping youth and families navigate life’s toughest challenges. Whether through safe housing, counseling, or community support, our mission is to provide healing, restore hope, and recognize the value of young people and families.”

Cuyahoga County

Bessie’s Angels

- **Location:** 17017 Miles Ave. Cleveland, OH
- **Phone:** (440) 256-6663
- **Services Provided:** Low-income housing, food assistance, financial literacy, life & employable skills, and employment retention

“Bessie’s Angels is a nonprofit organization, with a mission to nurture, empower, educate and to provide low-income housing to young women touched by the foster care system”