

Are you at risk of losing your home or apartment?

Way Finders can help by providing assessments at our Housing Centers to determine eligibility for financial assistance to lease an apartment.

Residential Assistance for Families in Transition (RAFT) funds are now available for families, individuals, and couples.

Meet with a Way Finders' Housing Counselor to determine if you are eligible for financial assistance.

Housing Counselors are available at:

- **Springfield Housing Center**
322 Main Street
Springfield, MA 01105
Monday - Friday 8:30am to 2:30pm

What do you need to bring to the Housing Center?

- Birth Certificate of all household members
- Social Security Cards of all household members
- Picture ID for all adults in the household
- Confirmation if a child is 18-20 and is a full-time student, if applicable
- All Income Verification
 - Last 4 pay stubs - Last 2 if bi-weekly
 - Social Security - Not more than 60 days old
 - Department of Transitional Assistance (DTA) cash and food stamps - Not more than 60 days old
 - Child Support payments - Current documentation
 - Pension or Annuity - Current Documentation
 - Casual Labor - Notarized Letter
 - Any other source of income and/or a Notarized Letter stating zero (0) income for anyone in the household 18 and older that is not working
- You **MUST** have a documented crisis/emergency
 - Example: Doubled up-homeless letter, summary process, eviction, board of health condemnation order, or failed inspection report.
- Letter of Lead Compliance from potential landlord if there are children under 6-years of age.

If you don't qualify for financial assistance, Way Finders' Housing Counselors will provide you with information for other resources in the community.



Everyone deserves a safe, stable home

Do you need help finding an apartment?

Way Finders has up to date apartment listings on our website at:

www.wayfindersma.org/support-for-renters

Each Housing Center also has printed resources and apartment listings that you can use to search for apartments in our region.

What can RAFT funds be used for?

Residential Assistance for Families in Transition (RAFT) can help you in a variety of ways, including:

- Rent arrears
- Rental stipends
- First/Last/Security deposits
- Moving costs
- Utility arrears
- and more



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