

**COMMUNITY
RESOURCE
GUIDE**

**ROCHESTER, MN
2019**

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Homeless Community
Network**

HOMELESS??

Contact one of these agencies to complete a VI-SPDAT assessment, which will put you on the coordinated entry system list and enable eligibility for housing openings.

Olmsted County Access Sites

Families and Single Adults

Three Rivers Community Action Program

300 11th Ave NW, Rochester
507-3160610/1-800-277-8418

Salvation Army

20 1st Ave NE, Rochester
507-288-3663

Guiding Partners for Solutions – GPS

2117 Campus Drive SE, Rochester
507-328-6325

Veterans

MN Assistance Council for Veterans

507-345-8258

www.mac-v.org

Single Adults

**Zumbro Valley Homeless Service
Team**

29 7th Street NE, Rochester

507-535-5642

Unaccompanied Youth

(Persons under age 25)

Lutheran Social Service – LINK

1610 4th St NW Suite 300, Rochester

507-316-8273

Victims of Domestic/Sexual

Violence

Women's Shelter and Support Center

507-285-1010 or 507-285-1938

Families with Children

Family Promise Rochester

507-281-3122

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CHILD & FAMILY SERVICES

Birthright 288-9374

830 S Broadway

- Pregnancy Services such as pregnancy tests, maternity clothing, diapers, shampoo, baby wash, etc.
- Can be used 1x per calendar month- No income limit. Just need picture ID
- Hours Vary- Call to hear schedule

Catholic Charities 1-800-222-5859

903 West Center Street, #220

- Free confidential adoption and pregnancy counseling

Crisis Nursery 287-2020

126 Woodlake Drive SE

- Mon – Fri 8am – 4:30pm
- May provide temporary short term care for children for families in crisis
- No cost to the family
- Must be Olmsted County resident

Families First of Minnesota 287-2020

126 Woodlake Drive SE

- Child and Adult Care Food Program
- Child Care Assistance
- Head Start
- Resource and Referral
- School Readiness

- PARRK Group (Parents and Relatives Raising Kids)

LSS Adoption and Pregnancy Counseling 651-646-7771

- Supports birth parents through pregnancy services and concurrent planning
- Supports families wanting to adopt

Olmsted County 328-6400
Child Welfare Services

2117 Campus Drive SE

- **Family Support Team Services**
Pregnant and parenting teens, First time parents, Families of color with child under 5 yrs., and Families with at least one child under 10yrs.
- **PACE** – works with families of color who have school attendance issues
- **CARE** – support for parents who have a mental illness
- **Parent Support & Outreach** – links families to community resources
- **Youth Behavioral Unit** - works with teens and their behavior issues

THRIVE! Family Resource Center

400 5th Ave SW

218-1236

TanyaG@THRIVEFRC.ORG

- Childcare- Infants thru Pre-K
- Mon-Fri

- Supportive resources for families

Women, Infants & Children (WIC) 328-7555
2100 Campus Drive SE

- 7:30am – 5:45pm
- Walk ins & appointments
- Nutritious foods, such as milk, whole grains, cereal, eggs, fruits and vegetables, peanut butter or beans.
- Breastfeeding information and support
- Infants who are partially or not breastfed may receive iron-fortified formula
- Nutrition and health information
- Referrals to health and social services when appropriate

DAILY SOCIAL SERVICE

Salvation Army 288-3663
20 1st Ave NE

- Monday – Friday 8am – 4pm by appointment only
- Clothing & household goods

Southern Minnesota Center for Independent Living (SEMCIL) 285-1815
2200nd Ave SW

- Monday through Friday 8:00 - 4:30 PM
- Independent Living Skills instruction
- Assistance applying for benefits

- PCA, Respite, and Homemaker Services

Family Service Rochester-GPS Program

2117 Campus Dr SE 328-6325

- Guiding Partners to Solutions serves any individual or family in Olmsted County who is struggling to connect with resources or services they may need.

DENTAL CARE

Apple Tree Dental 424-1040

973 Skyline Drive SW

- General Dental Care
- Ages 1 or older
- All MA, MNCare, private insurance and sliding fee if eligible

Children’s Dental Health Service 529-0436

903 West Center Street, #208

- Preventive Dental Care
- Ages 14 and younger
- All MA and MNCare

Community Dental Care

1926 College View Road SE, 258-4046

Heintz Center #116 &

2120 US 14 E 258-7934

- General Dental Care for all ages

- Private insurance MA, MNCare and sliding fee if eligible
- Free preventative program for families provided at 2120 US 14 E Location.

Good Samaritan Dental Clinic 529-4100
120 North Broadway, Suite B

- Emergency dental care only
- Ages 6 or older
- All MA, MNCare and sliding fee for those without insurance

Medica Delta Dental 1-800-459-8574

RCTC Dental Hygiene Clinic 280-3169
1926 College View Road SE
Heintz Center #216

- Preventive dental care including x-rays, cleaning, fluoride treatment & sealants
- Most private insurance and MA plans

Dr. Richard Cohen 206-6780
2112 Viking Drive NW, Suite E

- General dental Care for all ages
- Private insurance, MA and MNCARE
- **UCARE Dental Hotline** 1-800-235-0564

EDUCATION

Hawthorne Education Center 328-4440
Adult & Family Literacy Program

700 4th Ave SE

- English language (ESL)
- GED preparation

Rochester Public Library 328-2309

101 2nd St SE

- Free library card, materials & internet access
- Children & adult program & classes
- Mon-Thurs 9:30am – 9pm
- Fri-Sat 9:30am – 5:30pm
- Sun 1:30pm – 5:30pm
- Summer hours: Sat 9:30am – 1:30pm
Sunday – closed

Rochester Public Schools 328-3000

Edison Administration Building

615 7th St SW

- School registration
- General information

Rochester Public School

Student in Transition Services 328-4230

- Homeless youth/families
- Immediate enrollment
- Free breakfast & lunch

EMPLOYMENT

Aerotek 206-5760

3425 40th Ave NW

- Monday – Friday 8:30am – 5pm

- Walk-ins accepted

CHOICES OF SE MN 280-5510

MN Displaced Homemaker Program

Heintz Center-RCTC

851 30th Ave SE

- Low-income male or female homemaker who is abandoned, separated, divorced, or dealing with death or disability
- Veterans & their spouses
- Call for appointment
- Photo ID needed

Doherty Employment 258-5535

300 11th Ave NW #101

Experience Works 289-2652

903 West Center Street, #208

- Serves 55+, unemployed and meets income guidelines
- Walk-ins accepted

Express Employment Professionals 285-1616

2518 North Broadway

- Mon - Thur 7:30am – 5:30pm
- Friday 7:30am – 5pm
- Walk-ins & appointments
- Serve anyone

Global Employment Solutions 292-6692

1032 15th Ave SE

- Specializes in light industry

Kelly Services 282-1584
5721 Bandel Rd NW, Suite 200

People Ready 286-1064
304 Elton Hills Dr. NW

- Work today-paid today

Manpower 285-0710
2746 Superior Drive NW, #320

Masterson Staffing 252-8481
401 16th Ave NW, #102

Career Force 923-2828
2070 College View Road East

Veteran Employment Service 923-2828
2070 College View Road East

- Direct referrals for job openings
- Training for disabled veterans

Workforce Development Inc. 292-5152
2070 College View Road East

- Assist in looking for employment
- Training Programs

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Catholic Charities 287-2047
903 West Center Street, #220

- One-time financial assistance for pregnant women and women with children up to age one

Olmsted County Emergency Housing & Utility Aid 328-6500

Family Support & Assistance
2117 Campus Drive SE

- Minnesota Family Investment Program
- Emergency Assistance (EA)
- Food support & health insurance

Family Homeless Prevention & Assistance Program 316-0610

Three Rivers Community Action Program
300 11th Avenue NW #110

- Energy Assistance Program

St. Vincent De Paul Society 216-7370

- Mon-Fri 9am-3pm to arrange home visit
- Group of local church volunteers, provides limited direct assistance to our friends in need.
- We assist with advice and friendship, and sometimes help with food, gas, furniture, utilities, etc.

LSS Financial Counseling 1-888-577-2227

1610 14th St NW Suite 300
Rochester, MN 55901

- Services to resolve credit card debt, education on credit scores and reports, student loan repayment, housing

counseling services and achieving
financial wellness

FOOD SHELVES

Berean Community Church 289-4179

3157 Kenosha Drive NW

- In His Name food program
- \$15 for a box of groceries that would cost \$70 plus.
- Reserve a box by calling & leaving a clear message - **206-1889** by Tuesday.
- Pick up 2nd Saturday 12pm – 1:30pm

Channel One 287-2350

131 35 St SE

- Monday – Thursday 8am – 5:45pm
- Friday 8am – 11:45

Catch a bus to Channel One – \$2 one-way cost

1. Bus # 14 – morning or evening
2. Bus # 6M – mid-day

Community Food Response 281-5061

810 3 Ave SE & 3945 10TH Ave NW

- Located at Bethel Lutheran Church
- Monday, Wednesday & Friday
5pm – 6:30 pm at SE location
- Monday & Wednesday 5pm-6pm at
NW location
- Bring ID to get signed up

Hope Summit Christian Church 288-3293

1315 6th Ave SE

- In His Name food program
- \$15 for a box of groceries that would cost \$70 plus
- Reserve a box by calling & leaving a clear message - **206-1889** by Wed.
- Pick up is the 4th Saturday monthly
- Pick up time is 12:00pm – 1:30pm

Hosanna's Pantry 285-0092

2815 57th Street NW

- 4th Saturday of each month
- 9am – 11:30am

Life Gate Services 421-3107

1300 10th Ave NE

- 1st Saturday of each month
- 10am – 11:30pm

Oasis Church/Supermarket Saturday 289-8596

1815 38th St NW

- 3rd Saturday of each month
- 10 am – 11:30 am
- Channel One registration required

Rochester Outreach Center 226-8193

Fishes and Loaves Food Pantry

Salvation Army/Channel One 288-3663

20 1st Ave NE

- Tuesday & Friday only
10am – 4pm

FREE MEALS

Christ United Methodist Church 289-4019
400 5th Ave SW

- Wednesday Soup Dinner 5:20pm
(during school year)
- Saturday lunch 11am – 1:00pm

Church of the Savior 289-7491
971 16th St SE

- Every Wednesday during school year
- 5:15pm – 6:30pm

Evangel United Methodist Church 289-4817
2645 North Broadway Avenue

- Every Wednesday during school year.
- Call ahead of time
- 4:45pm – 6:00 pm

Open Table Food Truck 288-2649
2245 Park LN SE &
2009 17th St SE

- Every Thursday night
- 5pm at Parkside Park (1st address)
- 6pm at Eastwood Estates Apartments
(2nd address)
- During Winter Months pre-wrapped burritos are distributed at Oak Terrace Mail Box's (5pm), Parkside Mailbox's (5:30pm), and Eastridge Estates (6pm)

Peace United Church of Christ 282-6117
1503 2nd Ave NE

- Wednesdays 5:30-6pm
- Meal runs from September Thru May

Salvation Army 288-3663
20 1st Ave NE

- Bread Table
Monday-Friday
8:00am – 4:00pm
- Lunch
Monday-Friday
11:30am – 12:30 pm
- Supper
Every Monday
6:00pm – 6:45 pm
Enter through the back door.

St. Francis Church 288-7313
1114 3rd St SE

- Sunday lunch from 11:30am – 12:30pm

HEALTH CARE

First Care Pregnancy Center 282-3377
902 North Broadway

- Free pregnancy tests
- STD testing
- Supportive services and referrals

Good Samaritan Medical Clinic 529-4100
120 North Broadway

- Services for general medical, psychiatry and psychology, smoking cessation, pediatrics, eye, diabetes
- Call to schedule appointments

Intercultural Mutual Assistance Association (IMAA) 289-5960
2500 Valleyhigh Drive NW

- Community Health Workers

Mayo Clinic 284-2511
200 1st St. SW

- Medical, surgical, specialty care
- Adults and children
- Mayo Express Care clinics in Rochester
- Branch clinics located in Rochester and southeast Minnesota
- **Community Health Services Inc.**
529-0503
(Formerly Migrant Health Services)
1926 College View Rd. SE
- Serves migrants, seasonal farm workers, family members, low income community members
- Call for eligibility information
- Some bilingual services available

Olmsted County Public Health 328-7500

2100 Campus Drive SE

- Immunizations
- Communicable disease information
- STD and HIV Clinic
- Health information and referral

Olmsted Medical Center Clinic 288-3443

210 9th St. SE

- Medical, surgical, specialty care
- Adults and children
- Branch clinics located in Rochester and southeast Minnesota
- Fast Care Clinics at Shopko Stores (292-7009)
- Skyway Clinic-downtown Rochester (292-7250)

Olmsted Medical Center Hospital 529-6600

1650 4th St. SE

Planned Parenthood 288-5186

1212 7th St. NW

- HIV & STD testing
- Birth control
- Pregnancy testing
- Men and women served

Rochester Veteran (VA) Clinic 252-0885

3900 55th St. NW

- Medical, surgical, mental health

- Prescription refills
- If you have thoughts of harming yourself, call **1-800-273-8255**

St. Mary's Hospital 255-2123
1216 2nd St. SW

HIV/AIDS Resources **Advocacy, Referral, Support**

Gay/Lesbian Community Services

- PO Box 454
Rochester, MN 55903-0454
<http://www.glcsmn.org/>

Mayo Clinic HIV Clinic 255-7763

Mayo Clinic Social Services 284-2131

Minnesota AIDS Project 612-373-2437

- Web site <http://www.mnaidsproject.org/>
- Text AIDSLINE to **839863**
- E-mail
mapaidline@mnaidsproject.org

Minnesota Pharmacy Syringe Access Initiative

- To prevent disease transmission among IV drug users, may purchase up to 10 new syringes without a prescription at a participating pharmacy

- www.health.state.mn.us/syringe

Rural AIDS Action Network (RAAN)

1- 800-966-9735

- Website www.raan.org

HOTLINES

Crisis Response for SE MN 1-844-274-7472

- Suicide, depression, mobile response
- 24/7 phone support
- Text Line: Message HOME to 741741

Disability Hub MN 1-866-333-2466

- Statewide referral & assistance
- www.disabilityhubmn.org

Domestic Violence Hotlines

- National Hotline 1-800-799-7233
TTY: 1-800-787-3224

Family Planning STD Hotline 1-800-783-2287

Landlord & Tenant Hotline 529-4111

National Suicide Prevention Hotline

- 1-800-273-TALK (8255)

Safe Harbor Regional Navigator

- Serves Sexually Exploited Youth

- Housing, medical, legal support and access to survivor groups
- 24-hour Crisis Line 289-0636

Victim Services - Sexual Assault Program

- Office Phone 328-7270
- 24-hour crisis phone 289-0636

LANDLORDS/APARTMENTS

All Star Properties	252-9143
Brit Noser	990-3920
Jakobson Management	536-0000
J & L Management	282-2494
Premier Housing Management	272-9595
Paramark Property Management	285-5082
RGI Management	289-8000
Silver Lake Apartments	289-8982
Steve Books	269-7066
Walter Bush	202-2784

LEGAL SERVICES

Attorney General Office 1-800-657-3787

Olmsted County Law Library 328-7605

Southern Minnesota Regional Legal Services
903 West Center Street, #230 1-888-575-2954

Legal Assistance of Olmsted County (LOAC)
1700 North Broadway, Suite 124 287-2036

Olmsted County District Court 206-2400

- Criminal, Civil, Traffic
- Orders for protection
- Juvenile/Family/Child Protection

OutFront Minnesota 1-800-800-0350

- Assistance with GLBT issues

Mediation and Conflict Solutions 285-8400

- Mediation services for both adults and youth regardless of income.

Minnesota Board of Public Defenders

400 South Broadway 285-7370

Immigrant Law Center of Minnesota

- 1-800-223-1368
- Legal services for immigrants
- Education for communities on variety of immigration matters

MENTAL HEALTH

Associates in Psychiatry & Psychology

3101 Superior Drive NW 288-8544

Blue Stem

282-1009

124 Elton Hills Lane NW

Fernbrook Family Center 1811 Greenview Dr Pl SW #110	446-0431
Olmsted Medical Center 210 9 th St SE	288-3443
Zumbro Valley Health Center 343 Woodlake Drive SE	289-2089

OTHER HOUSING ASSISTANCE

Intercultural Mutual Assistance Association (IMAA) 2500 Valleyhigh Dr. NW	289-5960
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Immigrant/Refugee services: • Health insurance assistance • Victim services • Shelter & utility assistance • Professional. Language. & interpretation services 	

Family Homeless Prevention & Assistance Program Three Rivers Community Action Program 300 11th Avenue NW #110	507-732-7391
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eviction prevention • Mortgage foreclosure prevention • Energy Assistance • Rehab Loans 	

Salvation Army 20 First Ave NE	288-3663
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rent & utility assistance 	

SELF-DIRECTION

Alcohol or Drug Use National Help & Referral Line

1-800-252-6465

Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) 281-1747

- 24-hour phone
- To locate meetings -

www.aameetinglocator.org

www.aadistrict1.org

Gamblers Anonymous

- Christ United Methodist Church
400th Ave SW
Saturdays 11:00 am
- First Presbyterian Church
512 3rd Street SW
Thursdays 7:00 pm

Harm Reduction Coalition

- “Promoting the health & dignity of those impacted by drug use.”
- www.harmreduction.org

Minnesota Adult & Teen Challenge 288-3733

Narcotics Anonymous (NA) 281-2227

- 24-hour phone

National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI)

- 287-1692

NAMI Warmline 287-7161

- Thursday, Friday, Saturday & Sunday

Recovery is Happening 218-4773
25 16th Street NE

Salvation Army Smoking Cessation Clinic
120 North Broadway 529-4100

- Counseling and medical assistance to stop smoking

Social Security Application Assistance

Disability Professionals – Mankato

- 1-866-678-1832 or 1-507-625-1832
- Disability Partners – St. Paul
- 1-866-577-9007 or 1-651-633-4882

United Way Dial 211-Get Connected.

Call 211 for: Senior Services, Education, Childcare, Health Services, Legal help, Transportation, Housing, Youth Services, Employment, Food, Counseling, Family Services and Volunteering.

Alternative number: 1-800-543-7709

Veteran Suicide Prevention Line

- 1-800-273-8255

Women's Shelter and Support Center

- 24-hour phone 285-1010

SHELTER

Dorothy Day Hospitality House 282-5172
703 1st St SW

- Visits last 14 days
- Must have a 60-day break between visits
- Dinner served daily at 6 pm
- House closed from 9am to 4pm

Family Promise Rochester 281-3122
811 7th St NW

- Program provides shelter for homeless families with at least one minor child

Women's Shelter and Support Center 285-1010

- Serves women experiencing domestic abuse

SHOWER TIME

Salvation Army 288-3663
20 First Ave NE

- Showers allowed at set day and times
- Monday – Friday
- 9:00 am – 11:00 am
- 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm

SUBSIDIZED HOUSING

Byron

Elderly (62+), under 62 if handicapped &/or disabled:

- Rolling Heights (507) 775-2109

Chatfield

Elderly (62+), under 62 if handicapped &/or disabled:

- Lakewood Senior (507) 867-4791

Eyota

Elderly (62+), under 62 if handicapped &/or disabled &/or Family:

- Lifestyle Management (507) 451-8524

Pine Island

Cost of rent is 30% of gross income:

- Knollwood Apartments (507) 356-8448
- Fox Meadows (507) 356-8979
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Rochester

Elderly (62+), under 62 if handicapped &/or disabled:

- Central Towers – 285-1118
- Fontaine Towers – 288-1128
- Northgate Plaza – 289-2022
- Park Towers – 285-9051
- Kenosha Drive – 206-5166

Family &/or handicapped:

- Hylands – 288-4201
- Innsbruck – 289-1319
- Rochester Square – 288-9205
- Eastridge Estates – 285-0022

Handicapped only:

- Oakridge – 281-1031
- Newbridge – 282-8284

Elderly only:

- High Pointe – 282-8385

Stewartville

Elderly (62+), under 62 if handicapped &/or disabled

- Downtowner II – (507) 533-8692

Family &/or handicapped:

- Eastside Village – (507) 533-4953

SUPPORTIVE HOUSING

Cronin Home Inc. 282-1204

825 West Silver Lake Drive NE

- “Providing safe, sober, supportive living environment” for chronic chemically dependent/homeless adults.

Family Promise Rochester 281-3122

811 7th St NW

- Program provides shelter for homeless families
- At least one child under age of 16

Homeless Service Team – ZVHC 535-5642
29 7th St NE

- Serves the chronic homeless

Salvation Army Castleview Residence

120 North Broadway

Property Manager: 424- 4180

Case Managers: 424-4182 or 424-4183

- Permanent supportive housing
- Single adult

TEEN/YOUNG ADULT SERVICES

Boys & Girls Club of Rochester 287-2300
1026 East Center St

- Monday – Friday 2:30pm – 8:00pm
- Gives every child access to a safe, nurturing, educational environment that positively impacts their lives.

Friendship Place 529-8791
1429 4th Ave SE

- After School Program: 4pm –5:30pm
Mon – Fri homework support, healthy snacks & craft projects
- Evening Tutoring: 7pm – 8:30pm
T/W/Th middle school thru college
- Summer Program - 8/10 weeks long
with reading classes, crafts & games

Gay Lesbian Community Services

- www.glcsmn.org

LINK Program – Lutheran Social Services

1610 4th St NW Suite 300

Info Line: 316-8273

- Serves at-risk & homeless youth
- 16-25 year olds
- Serves both families & individuals
- Access to emergency shelter
- Provides basic needs items: food, bus tokens, & clothing

Military Service Registration 847-688-6888

- www.sss.gov

National Dating Abuse Hotline

- 1-866-331-9474
- TTY 1-866-331-8453
- Text – loveis to 77054

Rochester Public School Services 328-4230

- Homeless youth/families
- Immediate enrollment
- Free breakfast & lunch

Runaway Shelter 800-621-4000

- National Runaway Switchboard 24 hour

THRIFT STORES

Goodwill 281-9651 & 424-1860

239 28th St SE & 1987 Scott Road NW

- Monday-Friday 9am – 9pm

- Saturday 9am – 6pm
- Sunday 11am – 6pm

Restore - Habitat for Humanity 258-5505
3034 40th Ave NW

- Wednesday/Thursday/Friday 12 – 6pm
- Saturday 9am – 4pm

Salvation Army Thrift Store 281-1561
201 9th St SE & 4921 West Frontage Rd NW

- Monday – Friday 8am to 8pm
- Saturday – 9am to 5pm

Savers 536-2564
1201 South Broadway

- Monday-Saturday 9am – 9pm
- Sunday 10am to 7pm

Thrift on 5th
400 5th Ave SW 289-4019

- Wed 4pm-7pm
- Sat 9am- 12pm
- Adult Clothes- \$1.00; Children's- 50¢
 - Limit 10 items per person

TRANSPORTATION

Med City Taxi 282-8294
Rochester Public Transit Bus 328-7433
Rochester Taxi 424-8294
UCARE Health Ride 1-800-864-2157
Yellow Cab 282-2222

VETERAN SERVICES

Olmsted County Veterans Service Office

2100 Campus Drive SE 328-6355

- Assistance veteran benefits
- Financial assistance

Rochester Veteran (VA) Clinic 252-0885

3900 55th St NW

- Primary medical & mental health care
- If you are having thoughts of harming yourself call: **1-800-273-8255**

Veteran Employment Service 923-2828

2070 College View Road East

- Direct referrals for job openings
- Training for disabled veterans

LSS CORE 1-844-577-2673

Veteran Services

- Serves veterans and their families with case management, behavioral health, and financial counseling

VICTIM SERVICES

Intercultural Mutual Assistance Association

(IMAA) 289-5960

2500 Valleyhigh Dr. NW

Olmsted County Victim Services 328-7270

Olmsted County Government Center

151 4th St SE – 3rd floor

- **24 hour CRISIS LINE – 289-0636**
- Provides support, information, options and resources sexual assault victims
- Provide specialized outreach services to youth, immigrants/refugees and SE Asian community members

Mission 21 208-4600

- Provides restoration services to minor victims of human trafficking

Women’s Shelter and Support Center 285-1010

- Assistance with Orders for Protection & Harassment Orders
- Lodging, meals & transportation provided

Homeless Community Network Supporters

Center City Housing Corp.
Channel One Food Bank
Church of Resurrection
Community Food Response
Community Housing Partnership
DFO Community Corrections
Dorothy Day Hospitality House
Habitat for Humanity
Hawthorne Education Center
Housing & Redevelopment Authority
Intercultural Mutual Assistance Assoc.
Family Promise Rochester
LINK-Lutheran Social Services
Mayo Clinic Division of Community Engagement
Olmsted County Community Services
Olmsted County GPS
Olmsted County Public Health
Olmsted County Veteran Services
Olmsted County Victim Services
Olmsted Medical Center
RCTC-Community Youth Program
Redeemer Lutheran Church
Rochester Outreach Center
Rochester Police Department
Rochester Public Library
Rochester Public Schools
Salvation Army
Southeastern MN Center for Independent Living, Inc.
Southern MN Regional Legal Services
Three Rivers Community Action, Inc.
United Way of Olmsted County
Women's Shelter and Support Center.
Workforce Development, Inc.
WSU-Rochester-Nursing Program
Zumbro Valley Health Center

85D.AGGRESSIVE PANHANDLING

85D.01. Purpose. Subdivision 1.

Panhandling is a growing social and public safety concern faced by cities of all sizes including Rochester. Many panhandlers passively ask for money or hold a sign. Federal and state courts have ruled such passive panhandling is protected speech under the First Amendment. This ordinance is not directed towards such protected speech. This ordinance is not intended to limit any person from exercising his or her constitutional right to solicit funds, picket, protest, or engage in other constitutionally protected activity.

85D.02. Definitions. Subdivision 1.

The term “Aggressive Panhandling” shall mean Panhandling that occurs in any of the following situations or locations:

- A.** The Panhandler intentionally touches or causes physical contact with the solicited person without the solicited person’s consent;
- B.** The Panhandler repeats the solicitation when the solicited person has refused an immediate prior solicitation made at that location;
- C.** The Panhandler blocks the path of the solicited Person;
- D.** The Panhandler follows behind, alongside, or ahead of the Solicited Person during or after the Panhandling Request with the intent to intimidate or continue the solicitation;
- E.** The Panhandler speaks profane or abusive language, or uses an obscene gesture at the Solicited Person immediately before, during, or after the Panhandling event; or

F. During the Panhandling event, the Panhandler makes any statement other than the solicitation or acts in any manner which would cause a reasonable person to feel harassed, intimidated, or compelled to make a donation.

G. The Panhandler is within fifteen feet of an ATM or entrance to a financial institution.

H. The Panhandler is within fifteen feet of a public restroom.

I. The Panhandler is in a public transportation vehicle or public transportation facility, including a bus stop or taxi stand.

J. The Panhandler is within 15 feet of a Sidewalk Café, Vending Cart, or outdoor dining area.

K. The Panhandler approaches a vehicle which is traveling, parked, or stopped on a public street.

L. The Panhandler approaches a person in line waiting to be admitted to a commercial or government establishment.

85D.05. Penalty. Subdivision 1.

Any person who violates this chapter may be prosecuted for a misdemeanor offense subject to the notice requirement in subdivision 2.

85D.05. Penalty. Subdivision 2.

No person may be prosecuted under this chapter until the person has been informed by law enforcement, including a community service officer, about: (A) the rules as to where panhandling can and cannot occur; (B) the penalty for violating those rules; and (C) the various charitable and social services available to the person.

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