Baltimore City Resource Guide for For Households with Water Shut-Off Notice

Utility Bills & Assistance

Department of Public Works (Water Bill Issues) 410-396-5398	For water bill disputes, request an informal conference from the Department of Public Works.
Abel Wolman Municipal Building	For water leaks, call 311 to request the City to
200 Holiday Street	check for a leak. Request a credit from the
Baltimore, MD 21202	Department of Public Works. For help getting an informal conference or credit,
	call legal resources listed on page 2.
Senior Citizens Water Discount	The Senior Citizen's Water Discount program
Complete an application and mail it to Bureau of Water and	provides a 39% discount on water and sewer bills
Wastewater, Customer Support and Services Division, 200	for seniors 65 and over. Applicants must own the
Holliday Street, Room 404, Baltimore, MD 21202:	home or have a lease in their name and have a
Publicworks.baltimorecity.gov/portals/publicworks/	household income of \$25,000 or less. Homeowners
Documents/Senior%20discount%20application%202015.pdf	must reapply every year.
Low Income Water Assistance Program	Income eligible households that are not on a water
You can apply at one of the Community Action Centers:	payment plan are eligible for a one-time grant of
http://humanservices.baltimorecity.gov/	\$161. Homeowners must reapply every year.
CommunityActionPartnership/HoursandLocations.aspx	
Hardship Exemption from Stormwater and	Homeowners who receive public assistance, VA
Bay Restoration Fees	benefits, or social security disability benefits and
www.cleanwaterbaltimore.org/Flyers_Pdfs/Hardship/_	are income eligible may be exempt from
Exemption_Application_2014_pdf	Stormwater or Bay Restoration fees. Homeowners
	must apply every year.
211	For information about assistance paying an
Call 211 or visit www.211md.org/.	electricity bill.
Baltimore City Housing Department LIGHT Program	For information about housing repairs to help
Apply through a housing counselor (listed on page 2) or a	address high water bills, energy efficiency issues,
Community Action Center (listed below).	or other housing related problems.

Housing Counseling

Neighborhood Housing Services of Baltimore 410-327-1200 ext. 104 819 Park Ave. Baltimore, MD 21201	Free housing counselor who can assist Baltimore residents with a mortgage who are facing tax sale. Case management assistance to homeowners without mortgages. NHS staff will go through available resources and help homeowners apply for available resources owing water and taxes to reduce tax and water bill and stay out of the tax sale. (April- June) NHS also has a small loan program for eligible clients facing tax sale who have an ability to repay. Call NHS for more details.
St. Ambrose Housing Aid Center 410-366-8550 321 W. 25 th Street Baltimore, MD 21218	Free housing counseling that can help with foreclosure related issues including: tax sale, water bills and mortgages.
Southeast CDC 410-342-3234 3323 Eastern Ave., #200 Baltimore, MD 21224	Free housing counseling that can help with foreclosure related issues including: tax sale, water bills and mortgages.

Legal Resources

Maryland Volunteer Lawyers Service (MVLS) 443-547-6537 http://www.mvlslaw.org/	Free legal assistance with a water shutoff or tax sale matter. (Also assists clients with other civil legal issues). Clients must be income eligible.
Legal Aid Bureau 800-999-8904 http://www.mdlab.org/	Free legal assistance with a water shutoff or tax sale matter. (Also assists clients with other civil legal issues). Clients must be income eligible.
St. Ambrose Housing Aid Center 410.366.8550 http://www.stambros.org/	Free legal assistance with a water shutoff or tax sale matter. (Clients must reside in Baltimore City or Baltimore, Howard, Harford or Anne Arundel Counties). Clients must meet eligibility guidelines.
Public Justice Center 410-625-9409	Free legal assistance to tenants .

Assistance with Public Benefits & Alternative Housing Options

Maryland Access Point	For information about housing and resource options
410-396-2273	for seniors or people with disabilities.
http://www.marylandaccesspoint.info/	
211	For households facing homelessness.
You can also get information here:	
http://humanservices.baltimorecity.gov/HomelessServices/	
DocumentsandResources.aspx	
Community Action Centers	Southeast Community Action Center: 410-545-6510
http://humanservices.baltimorecity.gov/Community	Eastern Community Action Center: 410-545-0136
ActionPartnership/HoursandLocations.aspx	Northwest Community Action Center: 443-984-1384
Monday – Friday 8:30am to 4:30pm	Southern Community Action Center: 410-545-0900
(Information about public benefits and programs).	Northern Community Action Center: 410-396-6084