

Accessing Emergency Shelters:

Central Intake

24/7 | 416-338-4766 or 1 (877) 338-3398

There are no LGBTQ2S dedicated shelters in Toronto. However, some of our trans and non-binary community members have shared that the following shelters have felt safer for them:

For Trans Men/Non-Binary Folks	For Trans Women/Non-Binary Folks
<u>Na-Me-Res</u> 26 Vaughan Rd www.nameres.org (416) 652-0334 Prioritizing Indigenous people, however sometimes non-Indigenous folks can stay here too <u>Safe Bed</u> Various addresses (416) 248-4174	<u>Street Haven</u> 87 Pembroke Street www.streethaven.com (416) 967-6060 Ask for Linda or Jane when you call (if available) <u>Davenport Shelter</u> (pet friendly) Address unlisted Access through Central Intake <u>Safe Bed</u> Various addresses (416) 248-4174

When you are on the phone with Central Intake, you can tell the intake worker if you would like to access a particular shelter, if you'd like to avoid any particular shelters, whether you want men's/women's/co-ed space, etc. The worker will try to accommodate you, but keep in mind that if the shelters are full, you may have limited choice.

REMEMBER: It is your HUMAN RIGHT to access the shelter that best aligns with your gender identity, regardless of what you look like or how you dress.

If You Are Experiencing Abuse:

Assaulted Women's Helpline – For Women, Non-Binary, and Trans folks

24/7 | 416-863-0511 | TEXT #SAFE (#7233) on your cell phone

Call for access to Violence Against Women (VAW) shelters, counselling, support, and other resources

1 in 6 Men's Helpline Chat – For Men, Non-Binary, and Trans Folks

24/7 | <https://1in6.org/helpline/>

Use the online chat to access counselling, support, and other resources

REMEMBER: *Emergency and VAW shelters are open 365 days a year*

LGBTQ2S Youth Housing Help:

The 519 Community Centre – For LGBTQ2S Youth Ages 16 to 29

519 Church Street | <https://www.the519.org/programs/housing-services> | 416-355-6782

Appointment Only – Email vwatson@the519.org

Friends of Ruby (formerly Egale Youth Services) – For LGBTQ2S Youth up to Age 29

489 Queen Street E, LL01 | <http://friendsofruby.ca/> | 416-359-0237 | info@friendsofruby.ca

Drop in space with food and case workers who can offer support

Housing Help Centres for All Ages:

Wood Green Housing Help Centre

650 Queen St. E. | <https://www.woodgreen.org/OurServices/Housing.aspx> | (416) 645-6000 ext. 2500
housing@woodgreen.org | Mon – Fri (9am-2pm) Drop-in housing help (best to arrive as early as possible)

East York Housing Help Centre

1350 Danforth Ave. | <http://eyetfrp.ca/housing-help/> | 416-698-9306 | eyhhc@eyetfrp.ca

West Toronto Housing Help Services

1032 Bloor Street West | <https://www.wtcls.org/housing-help-services> | (416) 531-0841

The Housing Help Centre

205-2500 Lawrence Avenue E | <http://www.shhc.ca/contact> | (416) 285-8070

Drop-In Centres, Free Meals, and Other Supports:

211 Central

24/7 | <https://www.211toronto.ca/> | TTY 1-888-340-1001
Live Text Chat Support available Monday-Friday 7am-9pm by texting 21166

Chalmers Bot

24/7 | <https://chalmers.app/>
A web/phone app that uses your current location to find the closest free meal/drop-in/clothing resource/etc

For Questions About Landlords, Evictions, and Human Rights:

Tenant Hotline

Monday- Friday, 8:30am-6pm | 416-921-9494

Landlord & Tenant Board

Monday-Friday, 8:30am-5pm | 416-645-8080

Centre for Equality Rights in Accommodation (CERA)

<http://www.equalityrights.org/> | 416-944-0087 | cera@equalityrights.org

Housing Search Tools:

Kijiji – <http://www.kijiji.ca/>

Craigslist – <http://toronto.craigslist.ca/>

ViewIt – <http://www.viewit.ca/>

Facebook Pages

1. Homes for Queers Toronto
2. Toronto Home Zone
3. Roomies for Queers
4. Trans Housing Toronto

Ask to join the group to see all of the listings and to post. Once you are accepted you can see apartment and room posts, comment on posts/send a message to the poster, write your own post, etc.