

# Issues Facing Our Community:

# HOUSING

## UNITED WAY COMMUNITY IMPACT COALITION

The coalition's strategic intent is to create long lasting impact in our community in the areas of education, income, and health by serving as a resource in identifying and meeting community needs, as well as being a resource to one another. Meetings take place once a month and are open to the community.

Learn more at [www.uwdp.prg](http://www.uwdp.prg)

## OVERVIEW

Affordable and safe housing is important to the well-being and health of families. Without adequate housing, families have trouble managing their daily lives. When this happens, their health suffers.

## SERVICES/ORGANIZATIONS

Local services that have programming or the ability to assist with housing needs.

- WCMCA
- Love INC
- HRA
- Salvation Army
- Habitat for Humanity
- Police Department

## NEEDS

Greater availability

Affordable:

- Utilities
- Rent
- Mortgage

Safe homes

Safe neighborhoods

Suitable home size

Emergency shelter options

Diverse housing options:

- Students
- Single persons
- Felony carriers

Application Assistance

Comprehensive services

Help finding homes

Case management

Financial support:

- Receive housing
- Prevent eviction
- Crisis situations



## BARRIERS TO MEETING NEEDS

Limited vacancies

Debt of tenant

Requirements:

- Of landlord
- To receive assistance

Stigma about homeless shelter

Income guidelines

Navigating services

Program Funding

# POSSIBLE SOLUTIONS

- Neighborhood watch
- Neighborhood clean up
- Raising awareness
- Emergency shelter
- Unrestricted funding
- Case management
- Early intervention

DOUGLAS COUNTY

United Way of Douglas & Pope Counties

