

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.

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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
- Habitat for Humanity
- HRA
- Legal Services
- Human Services
- Chamber of Commerce
- Salvation Army
- Churches
- Service Clubs
- Family Collaborative

NEEDS

Availability
Affordable:

- Housing
- Utilities

Case management

Quality housing:

- Safety
- Energy efficient
- Accommodating

Education:

- For landlords
- Tenant rights

Special housing:

- Transitional
- Emergency
- Individuals with mental illness



BARRIERS TO MEETING NEEDS

Criteria:

- Credit score
- Deposits
- Initial costs

Landlord relationships

Fines to tenants

City ordinances

Funding

Application:

- Process
- Fees

Other expenses:

- Childcare
- Transportation

POPE COUNTY

United Way of Douglas
& Pope Counties



POSSIBLE SOLUTIONS

Knowledge of:

- Support services
- Rights (tenants and landlords)

Landlord Risk Mitigation Service (WCMCA grant)

Landlord partnerships

Education:

- Renting 101 class
- Online courses
- Prevention

Accountability:

- Tenant and landlord Case management
- "Housing 1st" Model
- Business/employment partnerships