Family Shelter Community Rooms

The following are family shelters with rooms that are available for families who are not eligible for Emergency Assistance through the Department of Housing and Community Development. There is a high demand for these rooms and thus they are often full. It is recommended to call them directly to determine availability.

Greater Boston

**Queen of Peace**
401 Quincy Street
Boston, MA 02125
617-288-4182
Community Rooms: 11
Total Capacity: 11 beds among families of women and children.
Services: Dinner & breakfast; clothing if available.
Restrictions: Only women and children; no males over the age of 3; must not be heavily reliant on medications, drugs, or alcohol; must be in at 4 pm & out by 9 am.
Referral: Must be called/referred by an agency.

**Nazareth House**
91 Regent Street
Roxbury, MA 02119.
617-541-0100
Community Rooms: 3
Total Capacity: 7 DTA families (10 total including community room)
Wait List: Yes.
Services: Advocacy; counseling; transportation.
Restrictions: At least one family member must be HIV positive; 2-year limit.
Admissions Process: There is a waiting list specific to the community room. Must have a referral from the Department of Transitional Assistance and be eligible for Emergency Assistance.

North Shore/Merrimack Valley

**Inn Between**
25 Holten Street
Peabody, MA 01960
978-532-2372
Community Rooms: 1
Total Capacity: One family, no more than 4 persons
Waiting list: Yes.
Services: Advocacy; case management; referrals to other social services.
Restrictions: No alcohol; no drugs; no violence.
Curfew: weekdays: 9 pm; weekends: 11 pm.
Admissions Process: Department of Transitional Assistance for Emergency Assistance bed; self-referral for community room.

**Lazarus House Ministries, Inc.**
48 Holly Street
Lawrence, MA 01842
978-689-8575 (x5225)
Community Rooms: 7
Total Capacity: 41 beds and seven cribs
Services: Advocacy; limited counseling; 3 meals/day; clothing; medical and dental once a week.
Restrictions: Night shelter only; in at 5 pm and out at 8 am; must be sober while in facility; no boys over 14 year old.
Admissions Process: Can be referred by: social workers; Department of Transitional Assistance; places of worship; hospitals; self.

Southeastern Massachusetts

**Faith Home Share - Friends of the Homeless of the South Shore**
48 Sea Street
N. Weymouth, MA 02191
781-340-1604
Total Capacity: 8 families
Services: Advocacy; referral resources
Admissions Process: Must be eligible for Emergency Assistance and have a referral from the Department of Housing and Community Development. Those interested in community rooms will be referred to two local churches.

Metro West

**Family Promise Metrowest**
13 Common Street
P.O. Box 847
Natick, MA 01760
508-318-4820
Community Rooms: Only in the day for the 4 families within the program
Total Capacity: 4 families.
Services: Meals; referrals; case management; transportation
Admissions Process: There is a wait list. People can self-refer, or obtain a referral from a social service agency.

Central Massachusetts

**Abby's House**
52 High Street
Worcester, MA 01609
508-756-5486
Community Rooms: 10
Total Capacity: 10
Referral: Self.

**Friendly House**
87 Elm Street
Worcester 01609
508-792-1799
Community Rooms: 2
Wait List: No, persons must call back to check the status of open beds.
Total Capacity: 13 beds for men and women.
Services: Advocacy; referrals; handicap access.
Referral: DHCD; self for community beds.

Western Massachusetts
None known.

* Interfaith Hospitality Networks in Massachusetts

**Interfaith Hospitality Network of Greater Worcester**
91 June St.
Worcester, MA 01602
508-755-2212
Community rooms: All
Total capacity: 6 rooms
Family shelter accepting women, men and couples with children
Wait list: Yes
Services: Wide variety of services offered from basic needs to case management.
Restrictions: No active substance abuse or domestic violence
Admissions process: Non EA eligible families; individuals can self-refer

**Montachusett Interfaith Hospitality Network, Inc.**
758 Main Street
Leominster, MA 01453
978-466-1704
Community Rooms: Yes
Total Capacity: 5 families
Wait List: Yes
Length of Stay: Short-term
Services: Emergency shelter, food, clothing and intensive case management. Mandatory weekly educational trainings on various life skills topics, such as resume building, interviewing techniques, dressing for interviews, healthy eating on a budget, landlord/tenant rights & responsibilities, parenting, navigating of insurance systems, stress management, etc. Trauma sensitive environment, with yoga classes, therapy animals, a literacy program, a well-stocked playroom, two outside playgrounds, and expansive lawn in which to play.
Restrictions: Families with children, of various configurations. Must not be eligible for EA shelter services. Must be drug and alcohol free, and willing to work toward self-sufficiency/permanent housing.
Referral: Self or community referral. MIHN is generally full. For a family to be placed on the waiting list or to be considered for intake, the family must inquire directly by calling MIHN.

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Total Capacity: 4 families
Services: Meals; referrals; case management; transportation.
Referral: There is a wait list. Self; Social service agency.

**Family Promise North Shore Boston, Inc.**
330 Rantoul St.
Beverly, MA 01915
(978) 922-0787
Wait List: Yes
Services: Meals; temporary shelter; day center with showers, washing machines, quiet room, computer; individual case management.
Restrictions: Current or recent alcohol and/or substance abuse, immediate fleeing of domestic violence situation, criminal history, severe and untreated mental health diagnosis.

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**Gan Rivkah Center**
18 Cedar St, Milford, MA 01757
(508) 838-6151
We are a private and non-profit homeless shelter for women, children, and their pets for extended stay. We have accommodations for 28 individuals and much more room for their furry, feathered, scaled and finned family members. We do not discriminate based on race, religion, age, or species. We offer semi-private rooms and provide food, clothes, and all personal needs for our residents. We accept women and children of all ages; males 18 and under. We accept all pets, regardless of size, breed, or species.