

## ELIGIBILITY



Residents are eligible for Homeless Prevention if they meet the following criteria:

- ✓ Are from the at-risk of homelessness definition (as long as they have an income at or below 50% of AMI).
- ✓ Are at risk of losing current permanent housing (e.g. eviction) or have found alternative housing to move into.
- ✓ Owe up to six months of rental payments, and/or utility arrears/deposits/assistance.

### Eligible costs include:

- Rental Assistance: rental assistance and rental arrears.
- Financial assistance: rental application fees, security and utility deposits, utility payments, and moving costs.

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# Homeless Prevention



## About Homeless Prevention

The Homeless Prevention program aims to prevent an individual or family from eviction from their current housing through providing short- and/or medium-term assistance.

Assistance is only available to the extent necessary to help an individual or family regain stability in their current housing or move into other permanent housing. An eviction notice is required to apply for this program.

Payments are made on behalf of the applicant to third parties for security deposits, six months of rental arrears, as well as utility arrears/deposits/assistance.

## About the YWCA of the Niagara Frontier

The YWCA of the Niagara Frontier was formed in 2015 through the merger of YWCA Tonawandas and YWCA of Niagara. Together, we are now able to assist women in all walks of life throughout the entire Niagara Frontier.

At the YWCA of the Niagara Frontier, we value education and empowerment. Together, we can end the cycle of violence; teach valuable life and learning skills; support women and children as they achieve their dreams; and provide a strong community of care through our services.

**The YWCA is dedicated to eliminating racism, empowering women, and promoting peace, justice, freedom, and dignity for all.**



## YWCA Alternatives to Domestic Violence

**A 24-hour Hotline** is answered by trained staff. Hotline staff provides crisis counseling, emotional support, information about domestic violence, and referrals to other resources.

**A Safe Dwelling** is provided for you and your children.

**An Advocacy Program** can help you through family court, criminal court, police departments and Child Protective Services.

**A Counseling Program** provides you with individual counseling and an educational support group.

**A therapeutic support group** is available for children who have witnessed domestic violence.

**A Community Outreach Program** provides community members with education, training, and information about domestic violence response and prevention

**To reach our crisis hotline, call or text (716) 433-6716.**