



OCEAN COUNTY PROGRAMS

Catholic Charities offers a variety of comprehensive programs throughout Burlington, Mercer, Monmouth and Ocean counties.

For information about services outside of Ocean County, visit [CatholicCharitiesTrenton.org](https://www.CatholicCharitiesTrenton.org), or call our Access, Help and Information Center at **1-800-360-7711**.

CHILDREN & FAMILIES

Programs held in various locations

Immigration Support

Board of Immigration Appeals (BIA)-accredited case managers provide civil legal assistance that is recognized by the Department of Homeland Security.

Services are available in both English and Spanish. All services are located at:

*200 Monmouth Avenue, Lakewood, NJ 08701
732-363-5322*

- Immigration Legal Assistance Services — Assists consumers with the completion of immigration petitions and the translation of documents. Provides immigration information and referral.
- English as a Second Language (ESL) Classes — In collaboration with St. Francis Community Center, these classes help non-English speaking immigrants with English language skills.
- Educational/Enrichment Services — In partnership with other county and communities agencies, consumers of Ocean County can take part educational services, which can include parenting or GED classes.
- Immigration Services — Helps immigrants adapt to American customs and life styles. Certified case managers provide civil legal assistance that is recognized by the Department of Homeland Security.

Providence House Domestic Violence Services

Domestic violence services are provided through Providence House, offering confidential 24-hour hotline services, counseling, education, specialized children's programs, legal advocacy and a Safe House at no cost to victims and their children. Our Outreach Counseling Center address is listed below. Our Safe House location is kept confidential.

Services include:

- 24-Hour Domestic Violence Hotline
- Children's Counseling
- Community Education
- Domestic Abuse Support Groups
- Domestic Violence Liaison Program
- Domestic Violence Response Team
- Emergency Safe House
- Individual Counseling
- Legal Advocacy Program
- PALS (Peace: A Learned Solution)
- Project REACH
- Project Self-Sufficiency

*88 Schoolhouse Road, Suite 1, Whiting, NJ 08759
24-Hour Hotline: 732-244-8259
Toll Free: 1-800-246-8910
Outreach Office: 732-350-2120*

HOUSING & FOOD

Unless otherwise noted, all services are provided to Ocean County residents through Community Services at:
200 Monmouth Avenue, Lakewood, NJ 08701
732-363-5322

Food Pantry

Pre-packed food bags provide 3 meals per day for 3 days for each household member.

Fix It Program

Provides minor home repairs for seniors living in Ocean County.

Project HOPE

Provides individuals and families who live in poverty and are homeless or facing the threat of homelessness with opportunities to develop skills and resources needed to achieve well-being and lead self-sufficient lives. Core components address:

- Workforce Readiness
- Health and Wellness Education and Services
- Essential Life Skills and Community Living

Clothing and Household Goods

Residents in need can “shop” for gently-used clothing and household items.

Tax Preparation

Provides free tax preparation February through April by appointment only.

Holiday/Seasonal Assistance

Provides eligible residents with assistance during Easter, Back-to-School time, Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Housing Services

Our Homelessness Prevention Program emphasizes both immediate and longer-term strategies for reducing

homelessness and strengthening self-sufficiency. While housing units are not offered at all locations, we help individuals and families remain housed through rent/mortgage and utilities assistance.

Parish Services

Provides support for individuals and families referred by parishes in Ocean County.

Services include:

- Case management
- Financial assistance
- Referral to other community resources
- Counseling

Access to Parish Services is only through a referral for assistance from a parish.

732-363-0748 x.3223

Additional Resources for Seniors in Ocean County

For more information regarding senior services in Ocean County, contact the Ocean County Office of Senior Services at: 732-929-2091 OR 1-877-222-3737 (toll-free) www.co.ocean.nj.us

A representative from the Office of Senior Services is also available at the County Connection — the Ocean County government service outlet located at the Ocean County Mall.

MENTAL HEALTH

Child/Adolescent Counseling

Mental health counseling for children and adolescents with emotional or behavioral challenges. Psychiatric evaluation and medication monitoring available as an adjunct to counseling services. Medicaid and sliding scale accepted.

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