

Deshon Place I & II

Deshon Place serves all Butler County residents by providing a lending hand to those in need. Our dedicated staff consists of a full-time Manager, two full-time Primary Resident Aides, and seven part-time Residential Workers. We are located in a secure building at the Veteran Medical Center in Butler, Pennsylvania. Each resident leases one of the ten apartments contained in the Deshon Place building. The apartments are equipped with a kitchenette,



table, two chairs, single-bed, nightstand, dresser, and a full bath with shower. Our facility also boasts a comfortable

community room with games, cable television, and pay phone. Our computer room and library are available to all residents to assist them with employment, school, or seeking



benefits. We welcome scheduled tours and give informational talks about our program to interested agencies. Please feel free to contact us at 724-285-2753 for details.



Additional Local Resources

Emergency	9-1-1
Catholic Charities	724-287-4011
Butler Housing Authority	724-287-6797
Veterans Adm. Hospital	724-287-4781
Center for Comm. Resources	724-431-0095
Crisis Intervention Services	800-292-3866
Irene Stacy MH Center	724-287-0791
Alcoholics Anonymous	724-287-1815
Narcotics Anonymous	412-391-5247
Butler Regional Recovery	724-284-4357
Gaiser Addiction Center	724-287-8205
Dept of Public Welfare	724-284-8844
Grapevine Center	724-283-1704
Mental Health Association	724-287-1965
Salvation Army	724-287-5532
Light House Foundation	724-586-5554
Victim Outreach Intervention Center (V.O.I.C.e)	
800-400-8551	or 724-283-8700

Butler County Housing Authority

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**Butler County's
Transitional Housing
Program**

**Cooperative of:
Veterans Affairs Medical
Center**

Mission Statement

The mission of the Transitional Housing Project, Deshon Place, is to provide a safe and secure, affordable housing environment for homeless individuals in the community, to improve their life circumstances, and to assist them in avoiding future homelessness.

Our Purpose

Our purpose is to empower and prepare homeless individuals to become self-sufficient and independent. We focus on restoration and preservation of dignity for each individual. We strive to engage residents in life-skills training, promote self-sufficiency, promote successful community re-integration, improve self-worth, and combat future homelessness.

Agency Involvement

All community agencies are invited to utilize the Deshon Place Program for their consumers. The Butler County Housing Authority cooperatively operates the facility with the Veterans Affairs Medical Center. All agencies are encouraged to refer to the program. While Deshon Place offers an array of services, outside agency involvement is crucial, sought, and utilized frequently.



Services Provided

- ❖ **In-house Case Management**
- ❖ **Monitored 24 / 7**
- ❖ **Individualized Service Plans**
- ❖ **Recreational Activities**
- ❖ **Secure Building**
- ❖ **Rent Based Income**
- ❖ **Single Occupancy Apartments**
- ❖ **Life Skills Training**
- ❖ **On-Site weekly AA meetings**
- ❖ **Drug/Alcohol Screens**
- ❖ **Housing Assistance**
- ❖ **Coordination of Services**
- ❖ **Limited Transportation**
- ❖ **2-Year Follow-up Program**

More information can be found at:

www.housingauthority.com

Admission Criteria

Including, but not limited to:

Applicants must be:

- 1) Referred by an agency.
- 2) In a HUD defined homeless situation
 - a) In a place not meant for human habitation, such as cars, parks, abandoned buildings....
 - b) In an emergency shelter
 - c) In transitional or supportive housing for homeless persons who originally came from street or emergency shelters
 - d) In any of the above places, but is spending a short time (up to 30 consecutive days) in a hospital or other institution
 - e) Is being evicted within a week from a private dwelling unit and no subsequent residence has been identified and the person lacks the resources and the support networks needed to obtain housing
 - f) Is being discharged within a week from an institution in which the person has been a resident for more than 30 consecutive days and the person lacks the resources and the support networks needed to obtain housing
 - g) Is fleeing a domestic violence housing situation and no subsequent residence has been identified and the person lacks the resources and support networks needed to obtain housing
- 3) A verified Butler County resident
 - a) 30+ consecutive days
- 4) Income eligible upon application
- 5) Abstain from Drug/Alcohol use
 - a) 60 days prior to admission
 - b) For the duration of the program
 - c) Drug Screens are administered
- 6) Agreeable to:
 - a) Criminal background check
 - b) Participate with the program
 - c) Assume a productive lifestyle
 - d) Pay approximately 30% of gross income towards rent
 - e) Wait 30 days before applying if previous treatment unsuccessful