

FUEL/ENERGY ASSISTANCE

1) BERKSHIRE COMMUNITY ACTION COUNCIL

1531 East Street

Pittsfield, MA 01201

Business Office : Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. 413-445-4505

Fuel Office: Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. 413-445-5671

Energy Conservation Office: Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. 413-443-4672

Food Pantry: Monday – Friday, 10 a.m. – 12:45 p.m. 413-443-4503

Fax: 413-447-7871

85 Main Street

North Adams, MA 01247

Business Office: Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. 413-663-3014

Fuel Office: Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. 413-663-3099

Food Pantry: Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. 413-663-3014

Fax: 413-663-3577

8 Castle Street

Great Barrington, MA 01230

Business Office: Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. 413-528-1947

Fuel Office: Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. 413-528-1947

Food Pantry: Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. 413-528-1947

Saturday, 11 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Fax: 413-528-9658

Our Friends House Family Shelter (See also separate listing in this directory.)

292 West Street

Pittsfield, MA 01201

Business Office: Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. 413-499-2877

Fax: 413-499-3779

Berkshire Community Action Council provides advocacy, fuel and utility assistance, energy conservation, transportation, shelter, and a food pantry. Serves low and moderate income families and individuals in Berkshire County.

2) CATHOLIC CHARITIES

65 Elliot Street 413-452-0613

Springfield, MA 01101

Hours: Must call for appointment

Provides some assistance with electricity, gas and oil bills once per year per family. May also be able to provide appliances, help with prescription medications and one-way emergency transportation. Berkshire County residents are eligible for these services, although in some cases it may be necessary to travel to Springfield.

3) CENTER FOR ECOLOGICAL TECHNOLOGY

www.cetonline.org

112 Elm Street 1-800-238-1221

Pittsfield, MA 01201 413-445-4556

Hours: Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.- 5 p.m.

CET, a community based non-profit organization, has been working since 1976 to help individuals, businesses, schools and communities reduce our environmental impact. CET provides education and assistance in recycling, composting, using less toxic products, energy conservation, and renewable resources. Services include: Home energy surveys and weatherization in partnership with local utility companies; sales of energy efficient lighting, weatherization, water conservation products, and recycled paper. Home Heating Oil Co-op; ReStore Home Improvement Center in Springfield for affordable renovation materials; Office Paper Recycling and Document Destruction.

4) CITIZENS ENERGY

www.citizensenergy.com

1-877-563-4645

1-877-JOE-4-OIL

Citizens Energy allows eligible families to purchase one-time deliveries of discount home heating oil. Call toll free to receive a referral to a local fuel-assistance agency that processes applications and authorizes fuel delivery.

5) GOOD NEIGHBOR ENERGY FUND

Salvation Army Gateway New Life Center (North Adams) 413-663-7987

Hours: Monday-Friday, 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m., 12:30 – 3:00 p.m.

Salvation Army (Pittsfield) 413-442-0624

Hours: Monday-Friday, 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Funded by utility company contributions. Meets winter emergency fuel needs for people facing financial difficulties, including working families, individuals, elderly, handicapped persons and others who do not qualify for other fuel assistance. Funding available from December 1st each year until the funds are depleted. For application and eligibility requirements, call your local Salvation Army.

6) SALVATION ARMY GATEWAY NEW LIFE CENTER (NORTH ADAMS)

393 River Street 413-663-7987

North Adams, MA 01247

Hours: Food Pantry: Monday - Thursday, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Sunday Meal: 4 p.m. following Praise and Worship

Office hours: Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Services include emergency transportation, emergency assistance for disaster victims, food pantry, fuel assistance (Good Neighbor Fund, December-April), free bread, free clothing, furniture (when available), senior citizen activities, social recreation, and educational programs for children. Saturday breakfast for children and a Tuesday and Wednesday feeding program are planned for early 2004.

7) SALVATION ARMY (PITTSFIELD)

www.salvationarmy-ma.org/locations/corps_pittsfield.shtml

298 West Street 413-442-0624

Pittsfield, MA 01201

Hours: Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.- noon, and 1 p.m.- 4 p.m.

(Bread pickup open until 4 p.m.)

Grocery items for anyone in need, referrals for emergency housing, budget counseling, counseling for families, marriage counseling, and counseling for victims of domestic violence. Also handles Pittsfield Area Council of Churches (PACC) emergency funds. Serves breakfast daily (9-10 a.m.) and Sunday evening dinner at 4:30 p.m.