

# PROGRAMS

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## POVERTY DIVERSION

Apply Online at  
[www.TheArkofRefuge.org](http://www.TheArkofRefuge.org)



BERKELEY CA - Ark of Refuge staff feeding homeless community for Thanksgiving on Marting Luther King Jr. way.

Once we're successful in helping people get off the streets, the real test begins. If it takes nine months to get someone into housing, it may take twice that long to work with them in an apartment environment before they feel fully capable and comfortable with taking care of themselves. Poverty diversion teams will monitor their situations, and help young renters build a life centered around their community. If they need help with furniture, clothes, or rental assistance, we provide that.

Poverty diversion services can be accessed online at [www.thearkofrefuge.org](http://www.thearkofrefuge.org).

### Programmatic Offerings

#### 1. Tapered Rental Assistance

The Ark also provides tapered rental assistance subsidies for clients who have secured permanent housing. This subsidy is a six-month program starting with; \$500 to be disbursed within the first two months; \$375 to be disbursed within the following two months; and in the last two months \$250.

#### 2. Ark Care Grant

Due to Covid - 19 the Ark created our own care grant, \$225.00 Per Applicant, for up to 15 applicants. These funds are disbursed to low-income individuals who are able to demonstrate a need for financial assistance. Applicants are; Transitional Aged Youth (TAY), Victims of Domestic Violence, Transient Populations, and members of the community who demonstrate a need for assistance. Applications are accepted online beginning in October and Close January. Once received, applications are processed during the month of February, and awards are disbursed as late as mid-April.

#### 3. Holiday Donations

Ark of Refuge receives and distributes donations for the following all major holidays; Hanukkah, Christmas, Thanksgiving, Easter, and Halloween. All holiday disbursements take place at 9702 International Blvd., Oakland Ca 94603.

#### 4. CALVCB Application Assistance

Through our organization, victims and local service providers receive streamlined assistance in the processing of CALVCB claims through the Alameda County Family Justice Center. Clients are given two options for completion of the application process; In Person or Telephonically. To be eligible for compensation a person must be a victim of a qualifying crime involving physical injury or death.

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## ARK OF REFUGE

### Poverty Diversion Event Schedule

| Date                      | Time    | Title                                   | Location   | Type              |
|---------------------------|---------|---|--|-------------------|
| Ongoing                   | 9:00 AM | Tapered Rental Assistance (Ongoing)     | <b>ONLINE:</b><br><a href="http://www.theArkofRefuge.org">www.theArkofRefuge.org</a> | Cash Distribution |
| Ongoing                   | 9:00 AM | CALVCB Application Assistance (Ongoing) | 9702 International Blvd<br>Oakland Ca 94603  | Online Assistance |
| March 3 <sup>rd</sup>     | 9:00 AM | Ark Care Grant Application Closes       | <b>ONLINE:</b><br><a href="http://www.theArkofRefuge.org">www.theArkofRefuge.org</a> | Cash Distribution |
| April 4 <sup>th</sup>     | 9:00 AM | Ark Care Grant Disbursement             | 500 W Capitol Mall<br>Sacramento CA 95814  | Cash Distribution |
| October 10 <sup>th</sup>  | 9:00 AM | Ark Care Grant Application Opens        | <b>ONLINE:</b><br><a href="http://www.theArkofRefuge.org">www.theArkofRefuge.org</a> | Cash Distribution |
| November 24 <sup>th</sup> | 9:00 AM | Holiday Donations                       | 9702 International Blvd<br>Oakland Ca 94603  | Holiday Donation  |
| December 25 <sup>th</sup> | 9:00 AM | Holiday Donations                       | 9702 International Blvd<br>Oakland Ca 94603  | Holiday Donation  |



# COVID EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE

If you fell behind on rent and/or utilities during the pandemic and need assistance, apply online today.



**LEARN MORE:** [https:// www.TheArkofRefuge.org](https://www.TheArkofRefuge.org)

**APPLY BY PHONE:** +1(866) 676-0070

**\$500.00 for 2 MONTHS    \$350.00 for 2 MONTHS    \$150.00 for 2 MONTHS**

**TAPERED RENTAL ASSISTANCE- UP TO SIX (6) MONTHS. MUST BE LIVING IN RESIDENCE AT THE TIME OF APPLICATION**

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# ARE YOU EXPERIENCING POST-COVID RECESSION DEPRESSION?

The Ark of Refuge is acting against the impression coronavirus left on our **POCKETS** by implementing the first post covid care grant to come from a private foundation! Visit our website for **\$225.00 in your bank account today!**

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## Apply Online

[www.theArkofRefuge.org/Care-Grant](http://www.theArkofRefuge.org/Care-Grant)

*Grant Amount \$225.00*

### Applicant **MUST** be one of the following;

- Have Valid Form of ID & SSN
- Domestic Violence Victims
- Transitional Aged Youth (TAY) AGES 16-24
- Homeless Persons
- Cash Aid/TANF Recipients
- Member of the community who demonstrates a need for assistance (Income Based).

**Applications are accepted beginning in October and close on February 28th of the next year. Applications are processed in March and award disbursement is in the month of April.**



# HOLIDAY DONATIONS

Members of the Ark of Refuge and volunteers from other local areas have organized an Annual Adopt a Family program where we provide food, clothing, hygiene aids, school supplies, decorations, and of course toys to the needy families of the State of California. Each year, we deliver items to these families just prior to their selected holiday. Since its inception, we have supported over 900 families and brought holiday cheer to thousands of children.

## Applicant Requirements:

- Complete the entire application and sign
- Have children home during delivery
- Provide a place within their home for Santa to make contact with the children
- Not be participating in any additional programs that provide similar support
- Be willing to be photographed or have video taken of all parties for use in future marketing
- Provide proof of residency (Identification Card, and Utility Bill)
- Provide proof of income if requested (Payroll stubs, Previous year W-2)

## Event Schedule:

### HANUKKAH

DECEMBER 18 - DECEMBER 26

### THANKSGIVING

NOVEMBER 24

### HALLOWEEN

OCTOBER 31<sup>ST</sup>

### CHRISTMAS

DECEMBER 25

### KWANZAA

DECEMBER 26 - JANUARY 1

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