

Polish American Social Services "PASS"

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Main Office:

308 Walnut Street • Philadelphia, PA 19106
Open Monday to Friday • 9 A.M. to 4 P.M.

Telephone: (215) 923-1900

Outreach Services in and around the Philadelphia area

If you, a family member, or friend have a question concerning social services, call PASS and discuss your needs with a representative. All calls are CONFIDENTIAL, and PASS will either give you the information you need, handle your service directly, or refer you to the proper agency that can assist you.

Those wishing to visit the main office at 308 Walnut Street, or one of the outreach sites, are asked to call in advance so that a Social Service Representative can tell you what documentation you will need to bring with you to process your request.

You can view an outline of several programs available to senior citizens and individuals of all ages on the PASS Internet site at PolishAmericanSocialServices.com.

For additional information, call PASS, Monday through Friday, between 9 A.M. and 4 P.M. at (215) 923-1900.

Utility Emergency Services Fund (UESF) May Help You With Your Utility Bills

The UESF may be able to help you with an electric, gas or water bill which is shut-off or in danger of being shut off. UESF will provide up to \$500 in assistance. All grants must be applied to bills in which the account will reach a zero balance. If the bill is in excess of \$500, the applicant is responsible for the balance. For example, if the account is \$600, UESF will help with \$500 if the applicant comes up with \$100 because the balance is now zero and the person has a fresh start.

Eligibility guidelines for the program are:

- Applicant must have notice of termination or must be off utility service
- Applicant must be a Philadelphia resident
- The utility bill must be in the applicant's name or they must show proof of responsibility for the bill
- Applicant must not have received a UESF grant in the past 24 months
- Applicant must have applied for LIHEAP Cash and Crisis when the programs are open
- Applicant must not be on a payment agreement with the utility company
- Applicant must meet the the following income guidelines:

Family Size	Yearly Income	Monthly Income
1	\$18,200	\$1,517
2	\$24,500	\$2,042
3	\$30,800	\$2,567
4	\$37,100	\$3,092

For additional family members, site locations or any other information, call UESF at (215) 972-5174 or PASS at (215) 923-1900.

Pennsylvania Property Tax / Rent Rebate File by June 30, 2008

To help with the rising cost of living, you are reminded that Pennsylvania Property Tax/Rent Rebate Program applications should be filed by June 30, 2008. There are new guidelines which will permit individuals that qualify to receive a rebate between \$250 and \$650 from property taxes or rent paid last year. Funding for this rebate program is made possible from the Pennsylvania State Lottery Fund.



Applicants should note that no lien or judgment is placed against their property, nor will this rebate ever have to be repaid. To qualify, you must be a senior citizen 65 years of age or older, a widow or widower 50 years of age or older, or a disabled person 18 years or older. Homeowners that have annual incomes of \$35,000 or less and renters with annual incomes of \$15,000 or less could qualify. The good news is that only half of your annual Social Security or SSI income is counted toward the income guideline. This application must be filed by June 30, 2008. For more information or an application call POLAM Social Services, Monday through Friday between 9 A.M. and 4 P.M. at (215) 923-1900. All inquiries are confidential and services are provided free of charge.

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Do You Have A Resume?

PASS encourages job-seeking clients to prepare an outline of their work experience, or a resume, before they apply for any type of employment. A written resume helps job seekers present their job qualifications to a prospective employer. During June and July 2008, a PASS staff associate will be available to review your current resume, update it, or develop a new one with you to prepare you for your job interview.

This service will be available at the office of Polish American Social Services, 308 Walnut Street in Center City Philadelphia, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday throughout the month of June, between 10 A.M. and 3 P.M. Call in advance to make an appointment for this free service at (215) 923-1900.

What If I Am Satisfied With My Current Resume?

If you are already satisfied with your resume, live in the State of Pennsylvania and want to share your availability with potential employers, mail your resume to PASS and your resume will be shared with prospective employers. Mail your resume to:



**Polish American Social Services
Employment Outreach**
308 Walnut Street
Philadelphia, PA 19106
Fax to: (215) 922-1518
Email to:
Staff@PolishAmericanSocialServices.com

Receipt of your resume will be acknowledged in writing and your resume will be provided to prospective employment sources. For more information call PASS, Monday through Friday between 9 A.M. and 4 P.M. at: (215) 923-1900.

Job Training Program Information

If you are considering a job training program that can help you attain or retain long-term employment, contact PASS for more information. The outreach program is especially important to individuals who are unemployed due to company closings or relocations. PASS will share information about Pennsylvania area Job Training Programs to help you become more employable in a changing job market. Call PASS's Employment Outreach Representative for more information at (215) 923-1900.

Attention Employers!

People seeking employment often contact PASS. The staff will be pleased to alert job seekers of **Job Openings** that have been reported.

If your place of employment is about to post or has already posted a position, kindly let "PASS" know about that opening. Call Monday through Friday, between 9 A.M. and 4 P.M. at (215) 923-1900, or send the job opening information to:

**Attn: Employment Information
Polish American Social Services
308 Walnut Street
Philadelphia, PA 19106**

Kindly include qualifications needed, starting salary and where to go for an application and interview.

Water Bill Assistance

PASS reminds senior citizens living in the city of Philadelphia that they can apply for the 25% water and sewer discount program.

To qualify, you or your spouse must be:

- * 65 years of age or older
- * have an annual household income of less than \$26,700, (approximately \$2,225 per month.)

Those who qualify will receive a 25% discount on every monthly water bill. There are many people still eligible who have not applied.

For more information or an application, contact Polish American Social Services "PASS", Monday through Friday, between 9 A.M. and 4 P.M. at (215) 923-1900.

