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Alpha One

Alpha One, established in 1978, is Maine's Center for Independent Living, dedicated to empowering individuals with disabilities to achieve self-determination and full participation in their communities. The organization offers a wide array of services, including independent living evaluations, home accessibility consultations, caregiver coordination, adaptive driver assessments, and transition support for youth and adults. Additionally, Alpha One provides alternative financing options, grants for assistive technology and home modifications, and peer services to foster community connections. By advocating for consumer-directed programs and societal change, Alpha One strives to ensure equal access and opportunities for all Mainers with disabilities.

- Address: 115 Thames St. Portland, ME 04101
- Phone: (800) 640-7200
- Email: info@alphaonenow.org
- Website: <https://alphaonenow.org>
- Service Area: Statewide

Colby College - Auditing Classes

Non-matriculated individuals may audit Colby College courses with instructor and Registrar's Office approval. Availability depends on class size and demand.

- Address: 4000 Mayflower Hill, Waterville, ME 04901
- Phone: (207) 859-4000
- Email: via online form
- Website: <https://www.colby.edu/academics/course-catalogue/academic-program/academic-procedures/>
- Service Area: Waterville

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Cooperative Extension Service of the University of Maine System

The UMaine Cooperative Extension provides research-based education and resources to support Maine communities in areas such as agriculture, gardening, food safety, nutrition, youth development, and environmental stewardship. As part of the University of Maine, the Extension connects residents with expert knowledge, hands-on programs, and practical solutions to enhance economic, environmental, and community well-being. Services include support for farmers and home gardeners, 4-H youth programs, small business guidance, and workshops on sustainable living. With a commitment to accessibility and lifelong learning, the UMaine Cooperative Extension plays a vital role in empowering individuals, families, and businesses across the state.

- Address: 125 State St., 3rd Floor, Augusta, ME 04330
- Phone: (207) 622-7546 or (800) 287-1481
- Email: extension.kennebec@maine.edu
- Website: <https://extension.umaine.edu/>
- Service Area: Statewide

Goodwill Northern New England

Goodwill Northern New England is a nonprofit organization dedicated to helping individuals achieve personal stability and economic independence through job training, support services, and sustainable social enterprises. Serving Maine, New Hampshire, and northern Vermont, Goodwill NNE operates thrift stores that fund programs in workforce development, brain injury recovery, disability services, and community support. The organization focuses on empowering people with barriers to employment, promoting environmental sustainability, and strengthening local communities through innovative programs and partnerships.

- Address: 10 Concourse West, Waterville, ME 04901
- Phone: (207) 877-0673
- Email: info@goodwillnne.org
- Website: <https://goodwillnne.org>
- Service Area: Waterville

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Goudreau Retirement Inn

Goudreau's Retirement Home has been providing a blend of privacy and community for over 30 years. Centrally located, residents enjoy the tranquility of a rural setting while being close to downtown amenities and the neighboring college town of Waterville. The community offers home-cooked meals, laundry services, and newly renovated rooms, with pricing starting at \$1,850 per month plus a \$2,000 entrance fee. Residents are encouraged to personalize their spaces, bring their own vehicles, and participate in various social activities aimed at fostering connections and personal growth.

- Address: 510 Augusta Road Winslow, ME 04901
- Phone: (207) 314-6823
- Email: N/A
- Website: <https://www.goudreausretirementhome.com>
- Service Area: Waterville

Home Sharing Nesterly Program

Facilitates home-sharing arrangements by connecting homeowners with spare rooms to individuals seeking affordable housing. The program, managed by MaineHousing in partnership with Nesterly, aims to alleviate housing shortages and support older residents wishing to remain in their homes. Nesterly's platform handles listings, screenings, and rent collection to ensure safe and convenient matches.

- Address: 26 Edison Drive, Augusta, Maine 04330
- Phone: (800) 452-4668
- Email: N/A
- Website: <https://www.mainehousing.org/nesterly>
- Service Area: Statewide

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Kennebec Valley Community Action Program (KVCAP)

Offers housing, transportation, education, financial, and youth support services. Includes programs like Head Start, heating assistance, home repair, and foreclosure counseling.

- Address: 101 & 97 Water Street, Waterville, ME 04901
- Phone: (207) 859-1500 | 1-800-542-8227
- Email: info@kvcap.org
- Website: [KVCAP Directory of Services \(PDF\)](#)
- Service Area: Kennebec & Somerset Counties

KVCAP - Employment Services

Provides employment opportunities with full benefits and training support, along with referrals, job readiness classes, and development programs.

- Address: 101 Water Street, Waterville, ME 04901
- Phone: (800) 542-8227
- Email: info@kvcap.org
- Website: <https://www.kvcap.org/about-kvcap/employment-opportunities/>
- Service Area: Waterville

KVCAP - Energy & Housing Services

Supports energy efficiency, weatherization, emergency heating assistance, home repair, and housing counseling.

- Address: 101 Water Street, Waterville, ME 04901
- Phone: (207) 859-1500, (800) 542-8227
- Email: info@kvcap.org
- Website: <https://www.kvcap.org/for-the-home/energy-housing-services-overview/>
- Service Area: Kennebec, Lincoln, Sagadahoc, Somerset

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Literacy Volunteers of Kennebec

Provides free reading and English language tutoring for adults through trained volunteers. Locations in Waterville and Augusta.

- Address:
 - 61 Pleasant Street, Waterville, ME 04901
 - 12 Spruce Street, Suite 4, Augusta, ME 04330
- Phone: (207) 626-3440
- Email: info@lva-augusta.org
- Website: <https://lva-augusta.org/>
- Service Area: Waterville

Maine Adult Education Programs

Offers adult learners access to literacy, high school equivalency, college preparation, and workforce training across 70+ locations.

- Address: 23 State House Station, Augusta, ME 04333
- Phone: (207) 624-6752
- Email: via online form
- Website: <https://www.maine.gov/doe/learning/adulted>
- Service Area: Statewide

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Maine Department of Health and Human Services, Housing Services

The Maine Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) offers various housing services to support individuals with disabilities and older adults in securing safe, affordable, and accessible housing. Programs include the Section 811 Project Rental Assistance, which provides housing for extremely low-income individuals with disabilities, and the Bridging Rental Assistance Program (BRAP), offering transitional housing subsidies for those with serious mental illness. Additionally, DHHS oversees the Permanent Supportive Housing Program (PSHP) to assist households with disabilities in achieving housing stability. For more information on these programs and eligibility requirements, visit the DHHS Housing Services page.

Address: 67 Eustis Parkway, Waterville, ME 04901

Phone: (207) 287-3707

Email: OADS.Housing@maine.gov

Website: <https://www1.maine.gov/dhhs/oads/get-support/housing-services>

Service Area: Statewide

MaineHousing

Helps Mainers afford, rent, or heat their homes through mortgage programs, rental assistance, home repair, and energy-efficiency investments.

- Address: 26 Edison Drive, Augusta, ME 04330
- Phone: (800) 452-4668, (207) 626-4600, Maine Relay 711
- Email: N/A
- Website: <https://www.mainehousing.org/>
- Service Area: Statewide

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Maine Housing Search

MaineHousingSearch.org is a free online rental listing service designed to connect individuals seeking housing with available rental options. The platform offers detailed listings, including photos, maps, and eligibility requirements, with both simple and advanced search options. Accessible 24/7, it is supported by a toll-free call center available Monday through Friday. Landlords benefit from increased visibility, real-time listing management, and reduced unwanted inquiries, while tenants can search by rent amount, location, and other preferences. The site includes market-rate rentals, subsidized housing, and special needs housing. Originally funded by MaineHousing and the Maine Department of Health and Human Services, the platform continues to receive support from partners such as the Smoke-Free Housing Coalition of Maine and the Maine Department of Environmental Protection, with additional resources provided through 2-1-1 Maine. Powered by Emphasys Software, MaineHousingSearch.org is a valuable tool for improving housing accessibility across the state.

Address: N/A

Phone: (877) 428-8844

Email: info@myhousingsearch.com

Website: <https://www.mainehousingsearch.org/>

Service Area: Statewide

Maine Human Rights Commission

The Maine Human Rights Commission (MHRC) is a quasi-independent state agency established in 1971 to enforce the Maine Human Rights Act (MHRA), the state's anti-discrimination law. The MHRA prohibits discrimination based on protected classes—including race, color, ancestry, national origin, sex, sexual orientation and gender identity, physical or mental disability, religion, and age—in areas such as employment, housing, public accommodations, education, and credit extension. The Commission receives and investigates complaints of unlawful discrimination, attempts to resolve them, interprets and provides guidance on the MHRA, and enforces the Act in the public interest. MHRC is governed by five Commissioners appointed by the Governor for staggered five-year terms, with no more than three members from the same political party.

- Address: 19 Union Street, 2nd Floor Augusta, ME 04330
- Phone: (207) 624-6290
- Email: info@mhrc.maine.gov
- Website: <https://www.maine.gov/mhrc/>
- Service Area: Statewide

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Maine Senior College Network - Augusta Senior College

The University of Maine at Augusta Senior College (UMASC) offers individuals aged 50 and above opportunities for lifelong learning and community engagement. Sponsored by the University of Maine at Augusta and a member of the Maine Senior College Network, UMASC provides a diverse array of courses, lectures, and activities across various subjects, including history, literature, science, and the arts. Classes are conducted in-person and online, accommodating different learning preferences. Beyond academics, UMASC fosters social connections through book groups, field trips, and cultural events, embodying its motto: "Where Friendships Begin, and Learning Never Ends." For more information on membership and current offerings, visit their website.

- Address: 46 University Drive, Augusta, ME 04330
- Phone: (207) 621-3551
- Email: office@umasc.org
- Website: <https://www.umasc.org/>
- Service Area: Statewide

Mid-Maine Homeless Shelter

This program provides safe shelter, food, and essential support services for individuals experiencing homelessness or housing insecurity. With a focus on self-sufficiency, services include emergency shelter, housing assistance, case management, and long-term stability programs.

- Address: 19 Colby Street, Waterville, ME 04901
- Phone: (207) 872-8082
- Email: shelter@shelterme.org
- Website: <https://shelterme.org/>
- Service Area: Waterville

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Mount Joseph at Waterville

Mount Joseph at Waterville provides high-quality, 24/7 skilled nursing and rehabilitation services in a supportive, healing environment for individuals recovering from illness, injury, or surgery. Their multidisciplinary team—including nurses, therapists, and physicians—offers personalized care plans and therapy for a range of needs such as joint replacement, stroke recovery, and chronic disease management. Residents enjoy chef-prepared meals, an on-site café and salon, enrichment activities, pastoral care, and access to independent living apartments, all designed to promote comfort, well-being, and a compassionate recovery experience.

- Address: 7 Highwood Street, Waterville, ME 04901
- Phone: (207) 873-0705
- Email: N/A
- Website: <https://mountjosephwaterville.com/>
- Service Area: Waterville

New Ventures Maine

New Ventures Maine provides free programs and resources to help individuals build careers, start businesses, and manage finances with confidence. Offering career planning, entrepreneurship training, and financial education, the organization supports Mainers in achieving economic independence and stability. Through workshops, one-on-one coaching, and online courses, New Ventures Maine empowers individuals to develop skills, set goals, and take steps toward a more secure future. With a focus on equity and inclusion, the organization serves people of all backgrounds, helping them navigate career transitions, launch small businesses, and improve financial well-being.

- Address: 46 University Drive Augusta, ME 04330
- Phone: (207) 621-3440 or (800) 442-2092
- Email: info@newventuresmaine.org
- Website: <https://newventuresmaine.org/>
- Service Area: Maine

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Oak Grove Center

Residential care facility for elderly individuals and skilled post-hospital rehabilitation.

- Address: 27 Cool Street, Waterville, ME 04901
- Phone: (207) 873-0721
- Email: N/A
- Website: <https://www.genesishcc.com/oakgrove>
- Service Area: Waterville

Salvation Army - Waterville Social Service Office

Assists with rent, heat, electric, clothing, food assistance and temporary housing. The Waterville location is by appointment only. A food pantry is operated out of the Augusta Office location, and open to the public anytime the office is open. The Salvation Army is a religious and social service organization, and a branch of the Christian church.

Address: 179 Main Street, Waterville, ME 04901

Phone: (207) 623-3752

Email: Shannon.Davis@use.salvationarmy.org

Website: <https://easternusa.salvationarmy.org/northern-new-england/augusta-capital-region/contact-us/>

Service Area: Waterville

Seton Village

Seton Village is an affordable independent living community located at 1 Carver Street in Waterville, Maine, designed for individuals aged 62 and older or those who are physically handicapped and meet HUD income guidelines. The community features seventy duplex buildings, each offering first-floor, one- or two-bedroom apartments with off-street parking. Residents enjoy landscaped grounds, lighted walkways, a community center, and proximity to nearby grocery shopping.

- Address: 1 Carver Street Unit 144 Waterville, Maine 04901
- Phone: (207) 873-0178
- Email: <https://setonvillage.com/contact-us/>
- Website: <https://setonvillage.com/>
- Service Area: Waterville

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Sunset Home

Sunset Home of Waterville is a non-profit assisted living facility established in 1924, dedicated to providing high-quality residential care for older women in a safe and comfortable environment. Located at 114 College Avenue in Waterville, Maine, the home offers a warm, family-like atmosphere with amenities such as cozy living areas, screened porches, and paved outdoor walkways. Residents enjoy a variety of social activities, including games, sing-alongs, and communal dining, fostering a sense of community and companionship.

- Address: 114 College Avenue Waterville, ME 04901
- Phone: (207) 872-8414
- Email: admin@sunsethomewtvl.com
- Website: <https://sunsethomeofwaterville.me>
- Service Area: Waterville

Waterville Area Habitat for Humanity

Builds safe, affordable housing for qualifying families. Offers weatherization programs and energy upgrades; does not provide repair/remodel services.

- Address: 24 Silver Street, Waterville, ME 04901
- Phone: (207) 616-0166, (207) 616-7275 (Director)
- Email: info@watervilleareahfh.org
- Website: <https://watervilleareahfh.org/>
- Service Area: Greater Waterville area

Waterville Housing Authority

Provides affordable housing programs and units for income-eligible seniors, individuals, and families. Manages state and federal housing programs.

- Address: 88 Silver Street, Waterville, ME 04901
- Phone: (207) 873-2155
- Email: info@watervillehousing.org
- Website: <https://www.watervillehousing.org/>
- Service Area: Waterville, Oakland, Sidney, and Winslow

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Waterville Public Library

Offers public programs, computer access, job support, educational workshops, and space for community learning and engagement.

- Address: 73 Elm Street, Waterville, ME 04901
- Phone: (207) 872-5433
- Email: librarian@watervillelibrary.org
- Website: <https://watervillelibrary.org/>
- Service Area: Waterville

Woodlands Senior Living of Waterville

Facility with assisted living, memory care, and private apartments.

- Address: 147 West River Road, Waterville, ME 04901
- Phone: (207) 861-5685
- Email: N/A
- Website: <https://www.woodlandsmaine.com/location/waterville/>
- Service Area: Waterville