

## Financial Resources

- **Budgeting**

Personal Budget Worksheet:

<http://www.second.org/en/Woodway/ServeAndGive/Giving.aspx>

(download link at bottom of page)

- **Mortgage**

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

<http://portal.hud.gov>

HUD Approved Housing Counseling Agencies

<http://www.hud.gov/offices>

Government Mortgage Modification Assistance

Consumer Website for assistance with mortgage modification and refinance information: <http://makinghomeaffordable.gov>

- **Rental Assistance**

Public Housing and Housing Choice Vouchers

Phone: 800-955-2232

<http://www.hud.gov/local/index.cfm?state=tx&topic=renting>

- **Healthcare Unemployment Insurance**

Department of Labor: 877-872-5627

[www.dol.gov](http://www.dol.gov)

(Search “COBRA” for premium assistance information)

Eligibility extended for cases of job loss up to February 28, 2010

<http://workforcesecurity.doleta.gov/unemploy/index.asp>

Medicare: 800-772-1213

<http://www.medicare.gov>

- **Medical Expense/Insurance Help**

**Gold Card ~ HCHD Financial Assistance Program:** 713-566-6509

<http://www.hchdonline.com/patient/onecard/goldcard.htm>

Harris County Hospital District provides access to cost-effective health to all residents of Harris County regardless of their ability to pay.

**Children's Medicaid ~ Medical Insurance for children – Texas Health and Human Services Commission**

<https://www.texkid.org/CISS/>

- **Utilities Assistance**

**Assistance programs listed by specific Utility Provider:**

<http://liheap.ncat.org/profiles/Texas.htm>

(dept. of Health and Human Services)

- **Unemployment Compensation**

**Texas Workforce Commission (Unemployment Benefit Services):**

<http://www.twc.state.tx.us/ui/uiclaim.html>

**Federal Assistance Programs:**

[http://workforcesecurity.doleta.gov/unemploy/supp\\_act.asp](http://workforcesecurity.doleta.gov/unemploy/supp_act.asp)

1. Social Security Retirement
2. Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
3. Medicare
4. Medicare Prescription Drug Program
5. Medicaid
6. Stafford Student Loans
7. Food Stamps
8. Emergency Food Assistance
9. Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)
10. Public Housing Assistance Program

- **General Information**

**Listings of various assistance programs:**

<http://usgovinfo.about.com/od/federalbenefitprograms/tp/toptenbenefits.htm>

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