

**RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE:
FOR SELF-HEALING AND SOLIDARITY WITH OTHER VULNERABLE PERSONS,
ALL CONSISTENT WITH THE CORPORAL AND SPIRITUAL WORKS OF MERCY**

(Prepared by STA Social Concerns Ministry)

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TEXT

1. Tenants: Financial assistance and eviction procedures to tenants in distress

“RESIDENTIAL EVICTIONS: WHAT TENANTS NEED TO KNOW, As of December 30, 2021” from Lowenstein Sadler law firm (its *pro bono* contribution to COVID-19 affected tenants). Look for periodic updates - <https://www.lowenstein.com/media/7576/residential-evictions-what-tenants-need-to-know-123021.pdf>

Learn about the Covid-19 impact on evictions & court procedures (See sublink on “housing”) - <https://www.lsnjlaw.org/Health-Care/Coronavirus/Pages/default.aspx>

“Statewide program helps low-income landlords and tenants prevent eviction,” *Looking Out for Your Legal Rights* (Jan.-Feb. 2022), page 7 - <https://proxy.lsnj.org/rcenter/GetPublicDocument/Sites/LAW/Documents/Publications/Looking%20Out/2022/Jan-Feb2022.pdf>

NJ Department of Community Affairs - Rental Assistance Programs: <https://njdca.onlinepha.com/>

“Tenants' Rights in New Jersey: A Legal Manual for Tenants in N.J.” -

<https://proxy.lsnj.org/rcenter/GetPublicDocument/Sites/LAW/Documents/Publications/Manuals/TenantsRights.pdf>

Report (02/07/2022): Rutgers Law School (Camden) and Seton Hall Law School prepared a report on the implementation of landlord-tenant reforms in NJ with a focus on implementation of the law during COVID-19 that provides protection from eviction for certain tenants and the judicial reforms intended to transform landlord-tenant court.

<https://e.issuu.com/embed.html?d=csj-report-housing-justice-project-20220207&u=seton-hall-law-school>

2.Homeowners: Financial assistance dealing with distress

“RESIDENTIAL EVICTIONS: WHAT HOMEOWNERS NEED TO KNOW, as of December 30, 2021” from Lowenstein Sadler law firm (its *pro bono* contribution to COVID-19 affected homeowners)

– Look for periodic updates: <https://www.lowenstein.com/media/7574/residential-evictions-what-homeowners-need-to-know-123021.pdf>

NJ Offering Grant Assistance to Homeowners,” Looking Out for Your Legal Rights (Jan.-Feb. 2022), page 9 -

<https://proxy.lsnj.org/rcenter/GetPublicDocument/Sites/LAW/Documents/Publications/Looking%20Out/2022/Jan-Feb2022.pdf>

NJ Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency - <https://nj.gov/dca/hmfa/erma/hub/> and <https://www.insidernj.com/press-release/housing-advocates-laud-new-foreclosure-prevention-funding/>

“NJ PROGRAM TO HELP HOMEOWNERS AVOID FORECLOSURES GETS A \$10M BOOST,” *Montclair Local* (02/17/2022) <https://www.montclairlocal.news/2022/02/17/nj-program-to-help-homeowners-avoid-foreclosures-gets-a-10m-boost/> . See NJHMFA application process: <https://nj.gov/dca/hmfa/erma/hub/index.shtml>

3.Where and how to apply for subsidized rental housing

NJ Department of Community Affairs - HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION AND RAPID RE-HOUSING: <https://www.nj.gov/dca/divisions/dhcr/covid19housingassistance.html>

NJ Housing Resource Center - <https://www.nj.gov/humanservices/njsnap/index.shtml>

List of Public Housing Authorities in NJ – to apply for conventional public housing and/or the Section 8 Tenant-Base (Voucher) Program - Contact information by municipality:

https://www.hud.gov/sites/dfiles/PIH/documents/PHA_Contact_Report_NJ.pdf

How to look for and apply for admission to other HUD-financed subsidized multifamily rental apartments (Section 8 Project-Based apartments, elderly apartments, etc.):

https://www.hud.gov/topics/rental_assistance , <https://resources.hud.gov/#> and <https://resources.hud.gov/#search-dialog> .

“Bloomfield Taking 75 Applications For Housing Choice Voucher List,” *Patch* (02/14/2022). Applications will be available online on the Bloomfield Township website starting March 1 at 8:30 a.m. and ending April 7 at 4:30 p.m. See criteria. https://patch.com/new-jersey/bloomfield/bloomfield-taking-75-applications-housing-choice-voucher-list?utm_source=local-update&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=alert and for application process: <https://www.bloomfieldtwpnj.com/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=345>

Three low-income subsidized apartment buildings located in Nutley - <https://www.lowincomehousing.us/NJ/nutley.html>

4. Utility assistance

NJ Department of Community Affairs - <https://www.nj.gov/dca/divisions/dhcr/offices/energy.html>

211 NJ - https://www.nj211.org/utility-assistance-programs?gclid=Cj0KCQjApL2QBhC8ARIsAGMm-KFCd0uMbWXrWVGEG3uMH-cPPPC1jIBnn13JAcVk7piq6_I-3Sbb9gEaAjKUEALw_wcB

Help With Your Utility Bills: New Jersey’s Utility Assistance Programs and Extended COVID Shutoff Protections - <https://www.lsnjlaw.org/Utilities/Help-with-Utility/Pages/NJ-EA-Programs.aspx>

5. Hurricane Ida Disaster Relief

FEMA Assistance, FEMA Appeals, and Insurance Basics Training (11/05/2021) - <https://www.lsnjlaw.org/Government-Aid-Services/Pages/Hurricane-Ida-Training.aspx>

6. Immigration assistance

Legal Services of NJ – general information:

<https://www.lsnjlaw.org/Immigration/Pages/default.aspx>

Catholic Charities, Archdiocese of Newark - The Bishop Francis Center for Legal Immigration Services - Immigrant & Refugee Services https://www.ccannj.com/refugee_immigration.php - 976 Broad Street, Newark, NJ 07102. Monday - Friday, 9:00am - 5:00pm, by appointment. P: 973-733-3516. F:973-733-9631.

Immigration Assistance Program

- Direct Representation
- Assistance for Immigrant Detainees
- Legal Orientation Program for Custodians
- Safe Release Support

Refugee Social Services

- Refugee Social Services
- Refugee Cash Assistance
- Refugee Support Services
- Mother Teresa House*

*About Mother Teresa House - In partnership with St. Teresa of Calcutta parish, Catholic Charities provides temporary housing for asylum-seeking families. Volunteers assist families

with English as a Second Language (ESL), tutoring, transportation, and connection to community resources. If you are interested in volunteering at MTH, please contact Catholic Charities' Office of Volunteer Services at stobin@ccannj.org. [See Steve St. Hilaire at STA on how to volunteer.]

American Friends Service Committee - representation - 89 Market Street, 6th Floor, Newark, NJ 07102. Tel: 973-643-1924: <https://www.afsc.org/office/newark-nj>

International Rescue Committee – representation. The IRC provides opportunities for refugees, asylees, victims of human trafficking, survivors of torture, and other immigrants to thrive in America. Contact Elizabeth, NJ office at 908-290-5496. <https://www.rescue.org/usa/elizabeth-nj>

First Friends of NJ & NY - Mission: Upholds the inherent dignity and humanity of immigrants who are impacted by the immigration and enforcement system. It provides compassion and hope through connections with volunteers dedicated to helping them survive detention, gain freedom and rebuild their lives. <https://firstfriendsnjny.org/>

7. Food insecurity

SNAP (Food Stamps)

“NJ SNAP Benefit Changes: What you need to know,” LSNJ (As of Oct. 1, 2021)
<https://proxy.lsnj.org/rcenter/GetPublicDocument/Sites/LAW/Documents/Publications/Flyers/SNAPBenefitsChanges.pdf>

NJ Department of Human Services – SNAP program:
<https://www.nj.gov/humanservices/njsnap/index.shtml>

SNAP Food Assistance: Immigrants and SNAP Benefits,” LSNJ (02/26/2020) -
<https://proxy.lsnj.org/rcenter/GetPublicDocument/Sites/LAW/Documents/Publications/Flyers/SNAPImmigrants.pdf>

New Jersey to Launch Online Grocery Shopping for SNAP Recipients,
<https://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/news/pressreleases/2020/approved/20200520.html>

Soup kitchens

STA Beyond Cornerstone Service Ministry - is a response to meeting the needs of the hungry. Our group supports the work of Mother Theresa’s Missionary Sisters of Charity at St. Augustine’s Soup Kitchen in Newark. Currently, visits take place monthly.
<https://www.stachurchbloomfield.org/beyond-cornerstone> . [To get involved, please get in touch with Alicia vonSchaumburg at aliciavons@gmail.com .]

Toni’s Kitchen, Montclair. <https://toniskitchen.org/> . Toni’s Café, Food for Senior & Soup Kitchen. Volunteer services: <https://toniskitchen.org/volunteering-faqs/> . Tony’s Kitchen also provides food kits to the Bloomfield Library, which are available on a first come basis, and include ingredients for a healthy family dinner. They are available every Wednesday in the main library at noon. *Montclair Emergency Services for Hope (MESH)* is a local, faith-based organization dedicated to providing basic and essential services to Montclair’s most vulnerable homeless adults and families. MESH partners with local

churches, synagogues and other community members to provide a nutritious evening meal, 6 days a week, to needy adults and families in Montclair, NJ and the surrounding areas (includes Bloomfield). MESH also provides overnight respite at local churches and synagogues during extreme weather. <https://www.meshmontclair.org/> & Winter 2022 Newsletter <file:///C:/Users/Owner/Downloads/MESH%20Tidings%20Winter%202021-22.pdf>. [The STA Lenten/Advent Small Christian Community is involved with MESH in collaboration with St. Peter Claver parishioners in providing periodic dinners. To get involved with those dinners, please get in touch with Barbara St. Hilaire at (973) 338-5371.]

Food pantries

STA Food Pantry:

Reminders regarding donations to the food pantry. See Deacon Brian Murphy's spiritual reflection: STA website, blog, "St. Thomas Food Pantry Updates" (01/09/2022)

- Donated food should be left inside the "handicap accessible" doorway at the back south side of the Church. Be careful not to place bags or boxes in the path of foot traffic.
- Only non-perishable food items are suitable for our Food Pantry (i.e., peanut butter, jelly, cereal, oatmeal, pancake mix, syrup, coffee, tea bags, canned tuna, boxed macaroni and cheese, canned vegetables, canned fruit, canned fruit juice, canned soups, canned stews, pasta sauce, pasta, bagged rice, canned or bagged beans, powdered potatoes, powdered milk, stuffing mix, cake mix, and baby food)
- Supermarket Gift Cards are gladly accepted. Please drop them off at the parish center. Please contact the parish center if you wish to donate fresh/frozen beef or poultry (only current sell-by date).

Find a food pantry near you:

<https://www.ccannj.com/documents/CCAN%20EFNN%20Food%20Pantry%20Update%2008-10-20.pdf>

8.Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Newark

The work of Catholic Charities: <https://www.ccannj.com/our-work.php>

Among its programs are:

- counseling and support services for at-risk youth and their families
- programs for the elderly
- educational programs for children with special needs
- psychological and psychiatric help for those with mental illness
- job training
- affordable, high-quality early childhood education to children in Newark, Bloomfield and Elizabeth
- emergency shelter for the homeless and for those who are HIV-positive
- affordable housing for low-income families

- adoption services

Its programs include:

- Adult Services
- Behavioral Health Services
- Children & Family Services
- Community Access Services
- Education
- HIV/Aids Services
- Housing Services
- Immigration and Refugee Services
- Transportation Solutions
- Workforce Development

How to contact Catholic Charities: <https://www.ccannj.com/contact-us.php>

Behavioral health activities: https://www.ccannj.com/behavioral_health.php and <https://www.ccannj.com/psychological.php>

Homelessness:

<https://www.ccannj.com/documents/HomelessShelterUrgentNeedsShoppingClub.pdf>

9.Substance Abuse

See Catholic Charities, above.

<https://essexcountynj.org/mental-health-substance-abuse-services-and-other-resources/>

10.Mental Health

See Catholic Charities, above

<https://essexcountynj.org/mental-health-substance-abuse-services-and-other-resources/>

MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION OF ESSEX AND MORRIS COUNTIES [MHA] -

<https://www.mhainspire.org/>

11.Family supportive services

See *Catholic Charities*, above

Essex County Department of Citizen Services – Work First NJ cash assistance, Food Stamp (SNAP), NJ FamilyCare- 50 South Clinton Street, East Orange, NJ 07018 - Suite 5400 (T) 973-395-8400.

<https://essexcountynj.org/citizen-services/>

Family Promise of Essex County - a not-for-profit organization that provides shelter, support services and housing assistance for families experiencing homelessness.

<https://www.fpessexnj.org/>

The Impact of the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency on Families Involved with the Child Welfare System. Resource: <https://www.lsnjlaw.org/Health-Care/Coronavirus/Pages/Impact-Families-Child-Welfare.aspx>

12. Accompaniment & fellowship for spiritual, emotional, social, cultural, physical wellness & growth

STA Wellness Ministry - <https://www.stachurchbloomfield.org/wellness-ministry>

STA Prayer Shawl Ministry - <https://www.stachurchbloomfield.org/prayer-shawl>

STA Small Christian Communities - <https://www.stachurchbloomfield.org/small-christian-community> [Three groups pending: Weds., Fridays and a liturgical season (Advent/Lent) group]

STA Bereavement and Funeral Ministry - <https://www.stachurchbloomfield.org/bereavement-funeral-ministry>

STA Bible Scripture Reflection Group - <https://www.stachurchbloomfield.org/bible-scripture-reflection-group>

STA September Club - <https://www.stachurchbloomfield.org/september-club>

STA Music Ministry - <https://www.stachurchbloomfield.org/music-ministry>

STA Rosary Society - <https://www.stachurchbloomfield.org/rosary-society>

STA Holy Name Society <https://www.stachurchbloomfield.org/holy-name-society>

STA Social Concerns Ministry - <https://www.stachurchbloomfield.org/social-concerns-ministry>

13. Legal assistance—where to get it—civil law

Call *LSNJLAWSM*, *Legal Services of New Jersey's* statewide, toll-free legal hotline, at 1-888-LSNJ-LAW (1-888-576-5529) or complete an online questionnaire. Go to:

<https://www.lsnj.org/GetLegalHelp.aspx?Span=ObtengaAyudaJuridica.aspx&Eng=GetLegalHelp.aspx>

Legal Services offices in various NJ counties: <https://www.lsnj.org/LegalServicesOffices.aspx>

Volunteer Lawyers for Justice

PO Box 32040, Newark, NJ 07102

Phone: 973-645-1955

<https://www.vljinj.org/get-help>

E-mail: vlj@vljinj.org

Community Health Law Project (mental health): 650 Bloomfield Avenue, Suite 210 Bloomfield, NJ 07003

Phone: (973) 680-5599

Fax: (973) 680-1488

E-mail: Bloomfield@chlp.org

Disability Rights NJ: <https://disabilityrightsnj.org/get-in-touch/get-help/> . You may call its intake line at (800) 922-7233, email us at intakeunit@disabilityrightsnj.org , or complete the online intake form.

Essex County Bar Association Lawyer Referral Service -
<https://www.essexbar.com/page/LawyerReferralService> .Public Call 973.622.6204; Email: KOfray@essexbar.com . [Comment: If the above 3 entities cannot help, consider this source; but, note that if the attorney takes that case, s/he will charge you their normal and customary fees.

LEGAL ASSISTANCE for victims of discrimination: *N.J. Division on Civil Rights:* Policy and Legal help: Policy: <https://www.njoag.gov/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/Anti-Racist-Statement-Final-1.18.21.pdf> . File Complaints: <https://bias.njcivilrights.gov/en-US/> or phone 1.833.NJDCR4U.

14.Domestic violence resources

“Dealing with Domestic Violence During the Coronavirus Pandemic” -
<https://www.lsnjlaw.org/Health-Care/Coronavirus/Pages/DV-During-Coronavirus.aspx>

“Preparing for an Online Final Restraining Order Hearing” - <https://www.lsnjlaw.org/Health-Care/Coronavirus/Pages/Preparing-Online-FRO.aspx>

“Sexual Assault Survivor Protection Act - Who Can Get A Protective Order,” Legal Services of NJ (YouTube, June 2021) - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=daRPWlnSDa8>

“How to File an Amended Domestic Violence Complaint” -
https://www.njcourts.gov/forms/12600_amend_tro_cmplnt.pdf

“Creating a Domestic Violence Safety Plan” LSNJ (2020)
<https://proxy.lsnj.org/rcenter/GetPublicDocument/Sites/LAW/Documents/Publications/Flyers/DVSafetyPlan.pdf>

15.Human Trafficking Survivors

Expungement bill signed into law on behalf of human trafficking survivors - *Looking Out for Your Legal Rights* (Jan.-Feb. 2022), page 5 -
<https://proxy.lsnj.org/rcenter/GetPublicDocument/Sites/LAW/Documents/Publications/Looking%20Out/2022/Jan-Feb2022.pdf>

16.Victims of Crime Compensation

Interactive application - <https://www.lsnjlaw.org/Pages/a2j/VCCO/default.aspx>

17.Expungement of criminal records

Clearing Your Record Online - <https://www.lsnjlaw.org/Pages/Expunge.aspx>

[See also, “*Human Trafficking Survivors,*” above]

18. Prisoner re-entry

“New law extends re-entry benefits and repeals long standing drug conviction ban,” *Looking Out for Your Legal Rights* (Jan.-Feb. 2022), page 8 -

<https://proxy.lsnj.org/rcenter/GetPublicDocument/Sites/LAW/Documents/Publications/Looking%20Out/2022/Jan-Feb2022.pdf>

American Friends Service Committee - <https://www.afsc.org/office/newark-nj>

19. Employment/Unemployment

Did You Recently Lose Unemployment Benefits? Other Programs Can Help -

<https://www.lsnjlaw.org/Government-Aid-Services/WorkFirst-TANF-GA/General-Information/Pages/Benefits-End-September.aspx>

COVID-19 Paid Sick Leave and Expanded Paid Family and Medical Leave -

<https://www.lsnjlaw.org/Health-Care/Coronavirus/Pages/COVID19-Paid-Sick-Leave.aspx>

20. Government Aid and Services

NJ Department of Human Services Initiatives During the COVID-19 Outbreak -

<https://www.lsnjlaw.org/Health-Care/Coronavirus/Pages/NJDHS-Initiatives-COVID-19.aspx>

FEMA Now Covers COVID-19 Funeral Expenses - [https://www.lsnjlaw.org/Health-](https://www.lsnjlaw.org/Health-Care/Coronavirus/Pages/FEMA-Funeral-Expenses.aspx)

[Care/Coronavirus/Pages/FEMA-Funeral-Expenses.aspx](https://www.lsnjlaw.org/Health-Care/Coronavirus/Pages/FEMA-Funeral-Expenses.aspx)

21. Home health care for elderly & disabled & transportation

Essex County Department of Citizen Services, Division of Senior Services, Programs offered by the Division of Senior Services. Information and Assistance (T) 973-395-8365. Programs include: Adult Protective Services, Assisted Transportation, Caregiver Assistance, Care Management, Certified Home Health Aide, Emergency Heating/Cooling Program, Financial Counseling: Friend/Advocate, Grandparent Caregivers, Health Insurance Counseling (SHIP), Home Delivered Meals, Home Friend (in-home chore service), Home Modifications (ramps) , Information & Assistance (NJ EASE), Legal Services, Nutrition Sites, Outreach, Programs: Jersey Assistance for community caregivers (JACC), Residential Repair (minor repairs), Respite Services, Title III Family Caregivers Support Services, Transportation (To schedule a ride, call 973-737-7200), Visiting Nurse, Veterans' services.

<https://essexcountynj.org/senior-services/>

NJ FamilyCare to Further Enhance Services for Older Adults and Individuals with Disabilities, Including Innovative Affordable Housing Investment -

<https://www.nj.gov/humanservices/news/pressreleases/2022/approved/20220207.html>

The Town of Nutley sponsors an Operation Reassurance. Seniors and those with disabilities, who live alone, can sign up by calling 973-284-4930. The individual then calls 973-284-4930 each day between 8:30 am – 10:30 am to say if they are okay, or need help. If they are not heard from, a representative will call, and if there is no answer, a police officer or firefighter will stop by their home to make sure everything is all right.

22. Veterans' affairs

Information for Veterans in New Jersey Concerning Coronavirus -

<https://www.lsnjlaw.org/Health-Care/Coronavirus/Pages/Information-Veterans-Coronavirus.aspx>

Supportive services for veterans:

<https://www.ccannj.com/documents/SSVF%20small%20flyer.pdf>

23. Income tax help

Understanding your 2021 Taxes” -

<https://proxy.lsnj.org/rcenter/GetPublicDocument/Sites/LAW/Documents/Publications/Looking%20Out/2022/Jan-Feb2022.pdf>

Legal Services of NJ – “Q&A” resource guide for 2021 tax year -

<https://www.lsnjlaw.org/Taxes/Current-Tax-FAQs/Pages/2021-Tax.aspx>

FREE TAX PREPARATION FOR SENIORS – The STA Holy Name Society is again sponsoring free tax preparation by an experienced retired CPA. You must be a parishioner of St. Thomas, a senior, and only require a regular Federal 1040 and N.J. State tax return with related schedules. We cannot accept businesses, partnerships, or returns involving rental investment properties. The tax preparer will be available in the parish center on all Friday mornings February 11th to April 8th from 9:30 am to 12 pm, to take your information, assist you, or answer any tax questions you may have. Please bring all related tax information and a copy of last year’s Federal 1040 return with you at that time. Masks must be worn. Tax returns will be completed in the following week and returned to you for mailing. All info provided or discussed is held in strictest confidence and not shared with anyone. If the Friday time in the parish center is not convenient, you can just drop off the info in an envelope addressed to “TAX HOLY NAME” at the Parish Center in the Holy Name mail slot. You can also call the number below and we can try to make some other arrangements. Call: Dennis Sutton at 973-338-8604.

“Didn’t Receive Your Economic Stimulus Payment” - <https://www.lsnjlaw.org/Health-Care/Coronavirus/Pages/Didnt-Receive-Stimulus-Payment.aspx>

“Questions and Answers about the Third Economic Impact Payment” -

<https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/questions-and-answers-about-the-third-economic-impact-payment>

24. Funerals and Bereavement

Accompaniment provided by STA Bereavement Ministry:

<https://www.stachurchbloomfield.org/bereavement-funeral-ministry> (See above under “accompaniment”)

FEMA Now Covers COVID-19 Funeral Expenses - <https://www.lsnjlaw.org/Health-Care/Coronavirus/Pages/FEMA-Funeral-Expenses.aspx>

25. Affordable health insurance

NJ FamilyCare - <http://www.njfamilycare.org/apply.aspx>

26. Special education assistance

“NEW JERSEY SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVOCACY GUIDE” (Disability Rights NJ, Mar. 2021)
https://disabilityrightsnj.org/wp-content/uploads/SPED-Advocacy-Guide_3-21.pdf

“Parental Rights in Special Education” (State of NJ, revised August 2016)
<https://www.state.nj.us/education/specialed/form/prise/prise.pdf>

27. Disability rights assistance

“Valuable Resources to Help You Navigate the COVID-19 Crisis” (From Disability Rights: NJ)
<https://www.drnj-covid.org/valuable-resources>

NJ FamilyCare to Further Enhance Services for Older Adults and Individuals with Disabilities, Including Innovative Affordable Housing Investment -
<https://www.nj.gov/humanservices/news/pressreleases/2022/approved/20220207.html>

28. Federal child tax credit

“10 Things to Know About the 2021 Stimulus Payments” (Feb. 3, 2022) -
<https://www.clasp.org/blog/10-things-know-about-2021-stimulus-payments>

“What’s New this Year for the EITC—Possibly More Money for You!” (Jan 28, 2022)
<https://www.clasp.org/blog/what-s-new-year-eitc-possibly-more-money-you>

29. Social Security Administration - Disability/SSI

SSA website: <https://www.ssa.gov/>

Resources on SSI process from Legal Services of NJ’s website: Social Security Disability/SSI - INDEX of website on SSI: <https://www.lsnjlaw.org/Government-Aid-Services/SSDI-SSI/Pages/default.aspx>

“A Guide to Continuing Disability Reviews for SSD/SSI Claims” -
<http://lsnjlaw.org/Disability/SSDI-SSI/Pages/Continuing-Disability-SSI.aspx>

SSA Provides Guidance and New Contact Options During the Coronavirus Pandemic -
<https://www.lsnjlaw.org/Health-Care/Coronavirus/Pages/SSA-Provides-Guidance.aspx>

30. Bankruptcy legal help

<http://www.njb.uscourts.gov/content/information-regarding-court-operations-procedures-during-covid-19>

See above: “Legal assistance—where to get it— civil law”

31.Consumer debt

Grace Periods Extended for Insurance Premiums During COVID-19 - <https://www.lsnjlaw.org/Health-Care/Coronavirus/Pages/Grace-Periods-Insurance-Premiums.aspx>

Free weekly credit reports through April 2022 (from annualcreditreport.com)

“200K N.J. residents with private student loans can now get financial help in coronavirus crisis” - <https://www-nj-com.cdn.ampproject.org/c/s/www.nj.com/coronavirus/2020/04/200k-nj-residents-with-private-student-loans-can-now-get-financial-help-in-coronavirus-crisis.html?outputType=amp>

32.COVID-19

General Covid-19 Resources for New Jersey - <https://www.lsnjlaw.org/Health-Care/Coronavirus/Pages/General-Covid19-Resources.aspx>

Covid-19 Information by County - <https://www.lsnjlaw.org/Health-Care/Coronavirus/Pages/Covid19-Information-County.aspx>

Testing and vaccines:

NO-COST COVID TESTING FOR ALL NEW JERSEY RESIDENTS - <https://learn.vaulthealth.com/nj/>

Where can I get free, public COVID-19 testing or treatment? - <https://covid19.nj.gov/faqs/nj-information/testing-and-treatment/where-can-i-get-free-public-covid-19-testing-or-treatment>

Township of Bloomfield - <https://www.bloomfieldtwpnj.com/1527/COVID-19-Information>

Vaccines: As of 02/20/2022, Essex County government’s vaccination and testing clinic at Sears in Livingston is now closed. Vaccinations and testing will continue to be offered at its centers at Kmart in West Orange and the Essex County Employee Parking Deck in Newark. Hours are Tuesday to Friday from 2-7pm and Saturday from 8am to 2pm. The sites are closed on Sunday and Monday. See periodic updates: <https://essexcountynj.org/covid-testing-locations/>

Studies on effect of COVID-19 on high risk populations:

Learn about the Covid-19 impact on court procedures, access to government assistance, and more: <https://www.lsnjlaw.org/Health-Care/Coronavirus/Pages/default.aspx>

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