



## Couleecap Services at a Glance

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Counties Served: Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, & Vernon

### Office Locations:

Vernon County	Westby (Central Office)	201 Melby Street	Ph. 608-634-3104	Ph. 1-866-904-4508 (client use only)
La Crosse County	La Crosse:	700 North 3rd St., Suite 202B	Ph. 608-782-4877	
Monroe County	Sparta:	217 N. Black River Street	Ph. 608-269-5021	
Crawford County	Prairie du Chien:	200 E. Blackhawk Avenue	Ph. 608-326-2463	

**\*Please contact the listed employee to find out current eligibility requirements and program information.**

## Apartments/Housing

**Couleecap Transitional Supportive Housing (All Counties)** ~ Provides limited term affordable housing to homeless individuals and households who need assistance in returning to independent living situations. Participants may remain in the program for up to two years.

Participants must be willing to work on self-sufficiency goals. **For an application in La Crosse County, contact 608-782-4877.**

**Dana Casberg**, Monroe, 608-269-1286; **Pam Wood**, Vernon, 608-291-6711, **Pam Wood**, Crawford, 608-326-0423.

**New Hope Permanent Supportive Housing (All Counties)** ~ Provides permanent housing to families and/or individuals with disabilities who are homeless. A case manager assists clients to develop goals and monitor progress toward self-sufficiency.

**For an application in La Crosse County, contact 608-782-4877.** **Pam Wood**, Vernon, 608-291-6711; **Dana Casberg**, Monroe, 608-269-1286, **Pam Wood**, Crawford, 608-326-0423.

**Housing First Permanent Supportive Housing (La Crosse County)** ~ Provides permanent housing and case management services to single individuals who are homeless and living with a mental health issue. A case manager assists clients to develop goals and monitor progress towards self-sufficiency. Contact **Jann Kunz**, La Crosse, 608-782-4877.

**Homeless Prevention Program (Vernon/Crawford/Monroe Counties)** ~ **Currently Out of Funding** Provides motel vouchers, security deposit, first month's rent and eviction prevention assistance in Monroe, Vernon and Crawford counties. Tenants must be homeless or in danger of being evicted for lack of rent payment. Must demonstrate the ability to maintain payments beyond assistance. Eligible participants must meet income eligibility guidelines of at or below 30% County Median Income in order to qualify for assistance. Funds for this program are provided by the State of Wisconsin Bureau of Supportive Housing, and types of assistance vary by county. Contact **Pam Wood**, Vernon, 608-291-6711; **Pam Wood**, Crawford, 608-326-0423; **Stephanie Rahr**, Monroe, 608-269-3012.

**S.O.A.R. Program (Social Security Outreach, Access, and Recovery) (La Crosse/Jackson/Monroe/Vernon Counties)** ~ Provides assistance in applying and navigating the application process for Social Security Disability benefits. Eligible persons are individuals who are homeless and have a diagnosed mental illness. Contact **Molly Betts**, La Crosse, 608-796-2725.

**8<sup>th</sup> Street Apartments (La Crosse County)** ~ 2 bedroom apartments in La Crosse for low-income households.

Contact **Kayla Tally**, La Crosse, [Kayla.Tally@couleecap.org](mailto:Kayla.Tally@couleecap.org) or 608-796-9092.

**Rockland Duplexes (La Crosse County)** ~ 3 bedroom duplexes in Rockland for low-income and market-rate households.

Contact **Kayla Tally**, La Crosse, [Kayla.Tally@couleecap.org](mailto:Kayla.Tally@couleecap.org) or 608-796-9092.

**Kickapoo Ridge/Crooked River Townhomes (Crawford County)** ~ 2 and 3 bedroom townhomes in Gays Mills for low-income and market-rate households. Contact **Kayla Tally**, La Crosse, [Kayla.Tally@couleecap.org](mailto:Kayla.Tally@couleecap.org) or 608-796-9092.

## Energy Efficiency

**Weatherization Program (All Counties)** ~ Helps individuals or families improve the energy efficiency of their residences. Weatherization can be done for homeowners or renters. Common services include insulating attics and sidewalls, air-sealing the structure, furnace inspections, and energy conservation measures such as lighting and refrigerator replacement. Work is done at no cost for qualifying households. Contact **Denise Vine**, Westby, 608-352-9717; or call 1-866-904-4508 (client use only).

## Homeownership / Home Rehabilitation

**Homebuyer Counseling (All Counties)** ~ Provides homebuyer counseling to individuals planning to purchase a home. No income restrictions. Counseling meets Fannie Mae requirements for accessing the First-Time Homebuyer Tax Credit. Fees may apply depending on income. Contact **Taylor LeJeune**, La Crosse, [Taylor.LeJeune@couleecap.org](mailto:Taylor.LeJeune@couleecap.org) or 608-796-9062. **(by appointment only)**.

**Homeownership Programs (All Counties)** ~ Helps income-eligible homebuyers purchase their first home, with down payment and closing cost assistance available. Contact **Taylor LeJeune**, La Crosse, [Taylor.LeJeune@couleecap.org](mailto:Taylor.LeJeune@couleecap.org) or 608-796-9062.

**Owner-occupied Home Rehab Programs (All Counties)** ~ Helps low and moderate income homeowners rehabilitate their home. Focus is on rehabilitation that makes the home safe, sanitary, and energy efficient. Contact **Taylor LeJeune**, La Crosse, [Taylor.LeJeune@couleecap.org](mailto:Taylor.LeJeune@couleecap.org) or 608-796-9062.

## Employment and Training

**Skills Enhancement Program (All Counties)** ~ Increases family earned income and benefits by assisting with the training needs of low-income workers. Provides support and financial assistance for tuition, child care, and transportation expenses related to returning to school. Contact **Aaron Reimler**, La Crosse, [Aaron.Reimler@couleecap.org](mailto:Aaron.Reimler@couleecap.org) or 608-782-5525.

**Job and Business Development (All Counties)** ~ Technical assistance to business start-ups and entrepreneurs. Help is available for developing business plans. Contact **Aaron Reimler**, La Crosse, [Aaron.Reimler@couleecap.org](mailto:Aaron.Reimler@couleecap.org) or 608-782-5525.

**The Gig** – Affordable co-working space for entrepreneurs of any income. Desks and offices available for rent. Find out more at [www.couleeco.com](http://www.couleeco.com) or contact **Aaron Reimler** at [Aaron.Reimler@couleecap.org](mailto:Aaron.Reimler@couleecap.org) or 608-782-5525.

## Transportation

**Work-n-Wheels Program (All Counties)** ~ Provides zero interest auto loans to qualified low-income households. Participants must be currently employed and need a personal vehicle to get to and from their place of employment. Participants must agree to participate in Wisconsin Rideshare when possible. Contact **Krista Heinz**, La Crosse, Monroe, Vernon and Crawford 608-423-6624.

## Prevention Programming

**Drug Free Communities Program (Monroe County)** ~ Facilitates ATOD prevention programming in Monroe County communities through the support of the Monroe County Safe Community Coalition. Contact **Natalie Carlisle**, Monroe, 608-269-2391.

## Food and Clothing

**The Emergency Food Assistance Program, TEFAP (All Counties)** ~ Provides food to pantries, meal sites, and shelters. Couleecap acts as an Emergency Food Organization handling the distribution of TEFAP food to pantries in the four county area. Contact **Jann Sturmer**, Crawford, 608-326-2463; **Stephanie Rahr**, Monroe, Vernon, & La Crosse, 608-269-3012.

**Emergency Food Pantry (Crawford and Monroe Counties)** ~ Provides food to residents with an emergency need and who qualify within income guidelines. Contact **Jann Sturmer**, Crawford, 608-326-2463; **Stephanie Rahr**, Monroe, 608-269-3012.

**Bargain Boutique (Crawford County)** ~ Thrift store in Prairie du Chien that allows individuals to buy quality and affordable donated items. Items provided in an emergency situation. Contact **Jann Sturmer**, Crawford, 608-326-2463



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