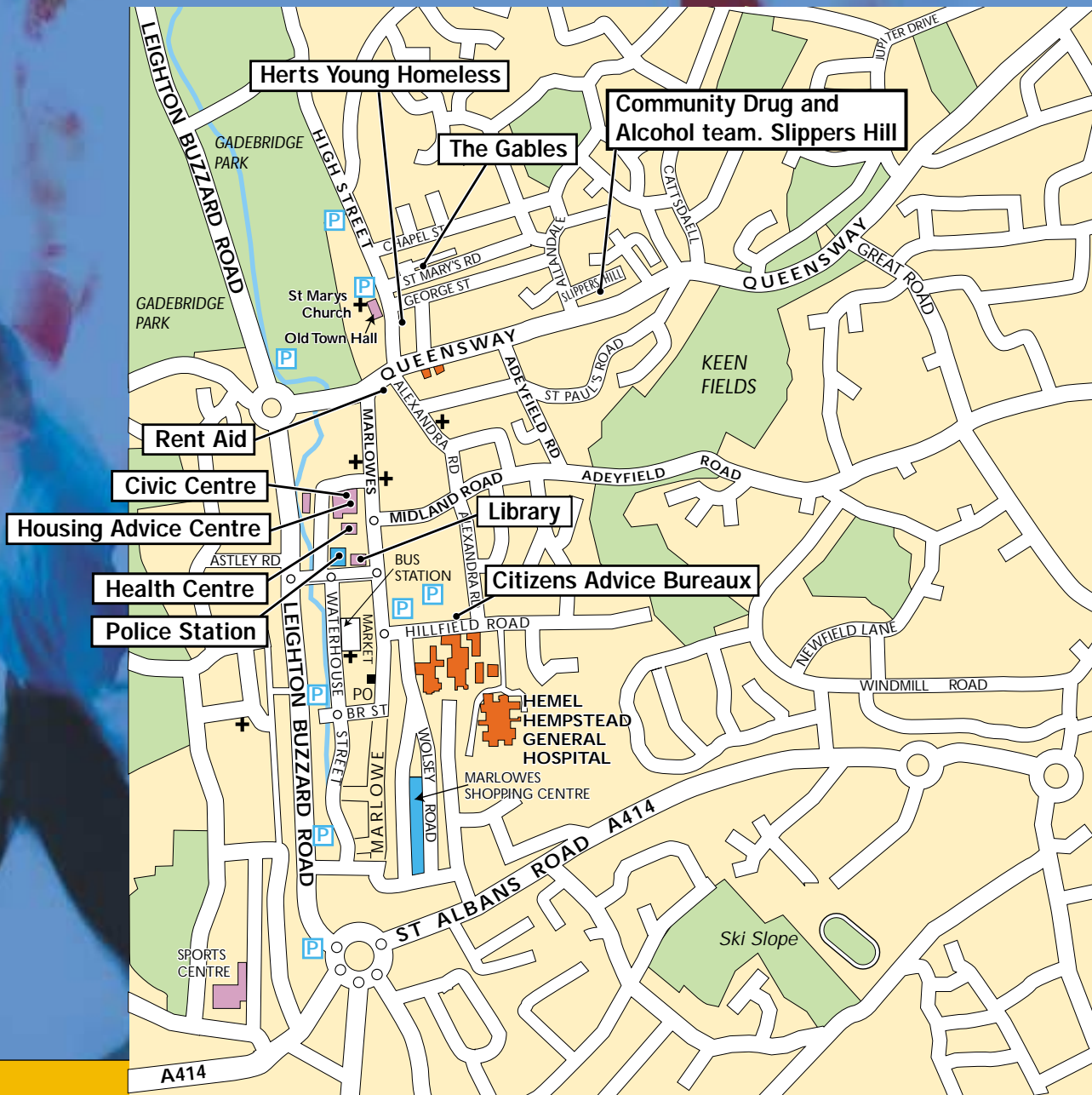


HOW TO GET THERE:



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Homeless in Dacorum?

HELP IN SURVIVING THE STREETS

People often ask if Dacorum really has a homelessness problem. Sadly, it does.



Useful information for anyone who may need help or support

DENS

Dacorum Emergency Night Shelter
Action against Homelessness

ADVICE

HOUSING ADVICE CENTRE (HAC)

Dacorum Housing Advice Centre will provide free and confidential advice and assistance to anyone with:- Housing Needs i Housing Enquiries i Other Housing related matters. The Housing Advice Centre is located in the Hemel Hempstead Civic Centre.

01442 228900

HERTS YOUNG HOMELESS GROUP

HYHG Teams are voluntary sector organisations who work with young people aged 16 ñ 25. The service offers you information, advice, and support. HYHG West Project is situated in the Hemel Hempstead Old Town.

01442 219121

HOUSING

RENT AID: Dacorum Rent Aid is run by a group of people from local churches in the Dacorum area, most of whom are volunteers. The Rent Deposit scheme was set up to help single homeless people aged 18 - 65 rent homes in Dacorum.

01442 251213

PLACES TO STAY

DACORUM EMERGENCY NIGHT SHELTER



DENS is a safe place for homeless people aged 18 + to catch their breath and get back control of their lives.

DENS is open every day of the year from 7.15pm to 8am. DENS exists to help you. We believe that with assistance, homeless people can get back on their feet and start again. For a referral please contact the HAC, HYHG, or the local Police.

THE SWAN FOYER (Berkhamsted):

We house young people and help them to become independent so they can eventually have their own homes

01442 384344

OPEN DOOR NIGHT SHELTER (St Albans):

01727 859113

WATFORD NEW HOPE TRUST:

Sanctuary Night Shelter

01923 801188

PLACES TO GO DURING THE DAY

DENS DAY CENTRE: For information please contact the DENS office

01442 262274

TWO WATERS METHODIST CHURCH:

Mill Street, Apsley. Welcomes all on a Sunday at 10:30am

THE BRIDGE: Computer and other training.

Bridge Street, Hemel.

01442 867839

THE LIBRARY: Read a good book in the warm, help with CVs etc. Coombe Street, Hemel.

THE SALVATION ARMY TEA ROOM:

Waterhouse Street, Hemel.

Open Monday ñ Friday from 10am ñ 12pm

COUNSELLING

DACORUM COUNSELLING SERVICES AT THE GABLES:

Sometimes things happen which cause anxiety and challenge the way we normally cope in life. Counselling provides a means whereby people experiencing anxieties can talk in confidence and reflect on their difficulties with a skilled listener.

01442 252868

THE ELMS: Offering you time and space to share your worries and work through your issues in complete confidence.

01442 216627

RELATE:

01442 262618

SAMARITANS:

01923 233333

SUPPORT

THE COMMUNITY DRUG AND ALCOHOL

TEAM: CDAT Provides help to people wanting to control their drug use, reduce it, or give it up completely. Located on Slippers Hill.

01442 269564

DRUGLINK:

01442 260727

SOCIAL SERVICES:

01438 737400

CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU:

Offering you confidential advice on legal or financial matters. Located in Dacre House, 19 Hillfield Road, Hemel Hempstead.

01442 263501

SHELTER LINE:

Shelter Hertfordshire offers a free, independent, impartial and confidential housing aid service.

0800 800444.

SSAFA: The Soldiers, Sailors, Airman and Families Association. Helping serving and ex-service men, women and their families in need.

020 7403 8783

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HELPLINE/ WOMEN'S AID

0808 808 8088

SUNFLOWER CENTRE

Helping people suffering domestic abuse or race/hate crime in Dacorum

01442 270 679

OTHER USEFUL NUMBERS

POLICE STATION

01442 271000

HEMEL HEMPSTEAD HOSPITAL

01442 213141

BENEFITS AGENCY

(via council switchboard)

01442 228000

ANTI BULLYING CAMPAIGN 020 7378 1446