A CAW: Woonanker/ Preventive housing guidance

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## Woonanker

Woonanker assists socially vulnerable individuals who require additional support in their search for rental homes. This includes homeless persons, refugees, and those living in inadequate housing conditions. A team of professionals and volunteers helps identify suitable housing options and determines the appropriate type of assistance required. They also verify an individual's rights and determine whether they have been fully utilized. Woonanker also provides practical support in finding a new home, such as guiding individuals on how to search for properties online, how to communicate with property owners, what to consider during property viewings, and important factors to keep in mind when moving. Concrete assistance includes searching multiple real estate websites, contacting owners of suitable rental properties, coaching individuals on how to highlight their strengths as tenants and property viewings.

## Preventive housing guidance

Preventive housing guidance provides assistance to tenants and homeowners who find themselves overwhelmed by the responsibilities of maintaining their homes. This support is offered in situations involving neglect of the property, such as hygiene issues, excessive clutter, disturbances to the neighborhood, or conflicts between tenants and owners. Registration for this service can be done through a social housing company, a social rental office, or another relevant organization. The guidance provided is accessible, proactive, and customized to individual needs. The primary goal is to prevent eviction and ensure the well-being of residents.

B Brughuis

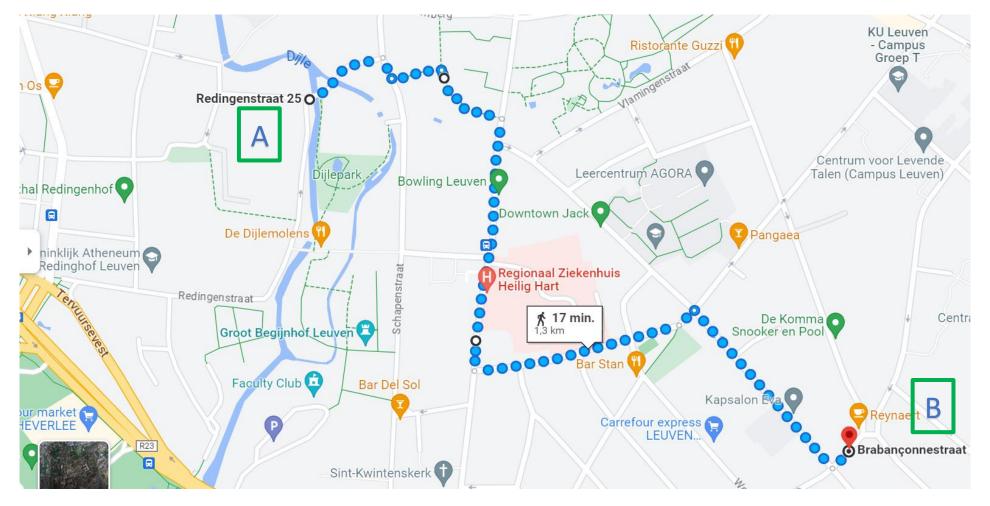
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Brughuis is a community house in Leuven that offers affordable rooms for youth and young adults aged 17 to 25 years. The house provides a place where young individuals learn to become independent with support in daily matters such as household tasks, cooking, health, communication, relationships, daily activities, and employment. Particularly, it serves as a base for young adults who are highly vulnerable or have limited social networks.

The Brughuis provides 'ordinary' support and involvement for and by young individuals, as well as through a dedicated house coach. The focus is on fostering the autonomy and responsibility of young adults, while considering each person's vulnerability. The Brughuis embraces diversity, where experienced student tenants support new roommates, students live together with non-students, and young individuals in a youth care program share accommodation with engaged peers of the same age.

## 17 min walk



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