



"Putting Children First"

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Compilation of Community Resource Guides

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Families in Transition



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Resource Guide



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EMERGENCY HOUSING FOR HOMELESS FAMILIES

Fresh Start Can't Go Back, Inc.

850-556-5174

A Gadsden County shelter for adults and families at risk of domestic violence. The shelter is not free and does require a move-in deposit. Tenant is responsible for monthly rent and utilities.

Bethany Family Services

2207 S Meridian St., Tallahassee, FL 32301

850-878-1722

Website: <http://www.echotally.org>

Services: *Short term transitional housing for homeless families along with supportive services to help these families get stabilized, employed, move into independence, and permanent housing. Only homeless families can be served; must have at least one minor child; may consist of a parent, or relative caregiver with at least one minor child who is a member of household; family must either be totally without shelter, reside in emergency shelter, or reside in transitional housing. Parents must agree to full participation in case management, a personal savings plan, random drug testing, and participation in life skills classes. One and two bedroom completely furnished apartments available, program fee of \$100 per month

Hours: 9am-8pm, M-F

[Family Emergency Shelter at HOPE Community \(Big Bend Homeless Coalition\)](#): Emergency shelter for families. 2729 W. Pensacola St. Phone: 576-5566

Refuge House (For the safety and security of those at Refuge House, the locations of the shelters are confidential.)

Website: <https://refugehouse.com/get-help/>

850-681-2111

Services: Our shelters offer a safe place for adults and families at risk of domestic violence, sexual assault or prostitution, who have no other safe housing option. While in shelter, residents are provided with emergency foods, linens, clothing and other needed personal items. Staff members are here to help you meet your goals for housing, jobs, family support and any other "next steps" you have in mind. Special activities are designed to help children begin the process of recovering from violence as well. We plan on a 45-day stay for shelter residents.

24 Hour Hotline 850-681-2111



FOOD PANTRY

Agape Christian Fellow Center

9 South Jackson St., Quincy, FL 32351

Contact: Derotha Jones

Description: 3rd Saturday of the month

850-544-0757

9:00 am – 11:00 am

Bostick Temple

3795 Pat Thomas Parkway, Quincy, FL 32351

Contact: Janice Francis

Description: Thursdays

850-524-3050

12:00 pm – 2:00 pm

Community Cares Outreach

118 SW Third Street, Havana, FL 32333

Contact: Berta Kemp

Description: Wednesdays

Saturdays

850-539-5349

9:00 am – 11:00 am

9:00 am – 3:00 pm

Fellowship @ Midway Church

32319 Blue Star Highway, Midway, FL 32343

Contact: David Weolowski

Description: 3rd Thursday of the month

850-533-6547

6:00 pm – 6:30 pm

Holy Community Church

24450 Blue Star Highway, Quincy, FL 32351

Contact: Heather Shaw

Description: 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month

Breakfast every Sunday

850-322-2880

2:30 pm – 3:00 pm

9:30 am – 10:00 am

Hope Harvest

1110 Rich Bay Road, Havana, FL 32350

Contact: Karusha Sharpe

Description: 3rd Saturday of the month

850-766-1207

10:00 am – 12:00 pm

Lamb's Temple Resource Ministry

410 Parker Knight Rd., Midway, FL 32343

Contact: Mary Williams

Description: Every other Monday

850-405-3884

2:00 pm – 4:00 pm

N.F.E.D.C.

349 Cone Street, Quincy, FL

Contact: Donna Graham

Description: 1st, 2nd and 3rd Thursday of each month

850-856-5025

1:00 pm – 3:00 pm

St. John COGIC

3490 Bainbridge Highway, Quincy, FL 32353

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Contact: Reginald Ray 850-556-1168
Description: Wednesdays 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

Tears to Freedom

631 S. Stewart Street, Quincy, FL 32351

Contact: Adrian Bishop 850-591-5280
Description: Saturdays 10:00 am – 1:00 pm

The Body of Christ

6909 Havana Highway, Havana, FL 32333

Contact: Jerome Showers 850-539-5736
Description: Thursday before the 3rd Sunday 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

The Center for Health Equity

231 East Jefferson Street, Quincy, FL 32351

Contact: Carol Gagliano 850-875-4959
Description: Home delivery/walk-ins Please call

The Church of Jesus Christ Holy Mission

4067 Attapulcus Highway, Quincy, FL 32352

Contact: Luretha Rush 850-408-3061
Description: 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month 11:30 am – 1:30 pm

The Liberty Center

613 Chattahoochee Street, Chattahoochee, FL 32324

Contact: Terry Fitzgerald 850-933-2571
Description: 4th Saturday of the month 9:30 am – 11:30 am

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LANDLORDS

Jessie Kenan 850-528-5473

Midway 850-443-3300

Sandy Davenport 850-509-0806



SUBSIDIZED HOUSING

Arbor Crest Apartments

64 N Cleveland St Quincy, FL 32351

850-627-6499

Website: <http://www.apmanagement.net/>

Services: *Provides affordable housing in multi-family and condominium apartment communities
*Partners with local agencies who serve domestic violence victims, persons with disabilities, youths aging out of foster care, the homeless coalition *Offers 1, 2 and 3 bedroom apartments that feature central heating and cooling, dishwashers, refrigerators, range and microwaves: 1 bedroom/1 bath, \$646; 2 bedroom/2 bath, \$766; 3 bedroom/2 bath, \$819. *Minimum income requirement: 1 person: \$18,600; 2 person: \$22,170; 3 person: \$23,970. Maximum allowable income: 1 person, \$27,360; 2 person, \$32,260; 3 person: \$35,160; 4 person: \$39,060

Hours: 8:30pm-5:30pm, M-F

Eligibility: Pass rental history, credit and criminal screening, income must not exceed maximum (see notes)

Documents to Bring: Proof of income, photo ID

Golden Leaf Apartments

122 N Cleveland St, Quincy, FL 32351

(850) 875-4882

Website: <http://goldenleafapts.com>

Services: *Privately-owned, federally subsidized or Section 8 one and two-bedroom apartments
*Residents must meet income guidelines and be capable of independent living *Waiting list usually 3 to 6 months *On Taltran Bus route.

Eligibility: Household minimum income limits vary, please call office to see if you qualify, and capable of independent living

Documents to Bring: Application filled out; proof of income

Hours: 10am-4pm, M, W, F

Green Meadows Apartments

944 Strong Rd # 37, Quincy, FL 32351

(850) 875-3596

Services: Government subsidized low income apartments for elderly (62+) and disabled persons; rent adjusted according to income *Kitchen appliances, handicapped accessibility, central heat and air, monthly pest control, on-site laundry facilities, community room with organized activities
*Some apartments available for non-elderly or disabled, with starting monthly rate of \$479 for one bedroom and \$509 for 2 bedrooms

Eligibility: Subsidized housing is available on a sliding scale for senior citizens (62+), handicapped, or disabled individuals; rental rates are set for others

Documents to Bring: ID, proof of income, SS card, completed application form

Hours: 9am-2pm, M-R; 8a-1p, F Office hours

Riverside Apartments

110 16th Ave W, Havana, FL 32333

850-539-5620

Services: *Privately owned apartment complex of 50 two and three bedroom units *Rent based on income, Section 8 subsidies accepted; Section 515 Rural Rental Housing, for very low, low, and moderate income families, elderly persons and persons with disabilities *Utility deposit of \$425 required by city *Some modified for handicapped living *Heat and air included



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Hours: 8am-Noon, 1pm-5pm, M-F

Eligibility: Persons with low income qualifying for assistance or able to pay; able to pass background check

Documents to Bring: Photo ID, proof of income or job

Ability1st - Center for Independent Living of North Florida

1823 Buford Ct., Tallahassee, FL 32308

850-575-9621

Website: <http://www.ability1st.info>

Services: *DO NOT REFER CALLERS DIRECTLY TO ABILITY 1ST FOR THIS PROGRAM*** (SEE INFORMATION IN THE DESCRIPTION) *Permanent supportive housing programs ONLY for chronically homeless individuals (homeless for a year or more) with a significant disability OR for chronically homeless families, having at least one parent with a significant disability, who has custody of at least one minor child *The Kearney Center has agencies available each weekday which directly serve homeless persons. Social workers/case managers from these agencies can help navigate the paperwork and appointments required to determine eligibility *Community groups aiding homeless persons form a committee that meets regularly and after rating each situation, the next eligible individual or family is assigned to a residence according to priority of need

Hours: 8:30am-5pm, M-Th; 8:30am-3pm, F, Office hours

Eligibility: See Description

Documents to Bring: Consult with social service worker at Kearney Center

Briarwood Manor Apartments

4495 Shelfer Rd Tallahassee, FL 32305

850-878-2133

Services: *Privately-owned, federally subsidized housing complex offering one, two and three bedroom apartments some of which rent based on percentage of annual income *Prospective tenants must apply at office for complete screening and application *Some apartments have minimum rental fee *Credit, rental history and criminal background check run on all applicants

Hours: 8am-Noon, 1pm-5pm, M, Tu, Th, F, Office hours

Eligibility: Approved applicants meeting federal income guidelines pay 30% of income

Documents to Bring: SS card; birth certificate; proof of identity

Gibb Mabry Village

2441 Roberts Ave Tallahassee, FL 32310

850-574-4663

Website: <http://www.goodwillbigbend.com>

Services: *20 one-bedroom and 19 two-bedroom unfurnished apartments for families in which head of household or spouse must be physically disabled to the extent it interferes with mobility and/or independent living *Only low-income applicants accepted; call for current guidelines; average wait varies *Units wheelchair accessible; require one year lease *Families with children permitted; head of household must be aged 18 or older *Persons with mental disabilities eligible, but not given priority *Stove and refrigerator provided *Rent subsidized by HUD

Hours: 8am-Noon, M-F, generally; Office hours vary, leave message

Eligibility: Adults with verified disabilities

Documents to Bring: Completed application; background check

Gibb Oakridge Village Inc



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274 Ross Rd Tallahassee, FL 32305

850-942-4777

Website: <http://www.goodwillbigbend.com>

Services: *27 one-bedroom and 12 two-bedroom government subsidized unfurnished apartments, stove and refrigerator provided; wheelchair accessible and one year lease required *Only low-income applicants may apply; call for current income limits *Either head of household, co-head, or spouse must be physically disabled to the extent it interferes with mobility and/or independent living; families with children permitted *Persons with mental health or developmental disabilities eligible, but not given priority *Head of household must be 18 years of age or older *Applications taken and apartments filled on a first-come, first serve basis, except for persons or families wanting 2 bedroom apartments may be given some priority depending on availability

Hours: 9am-3pm, M-F, Office hours vary, leave message on answering machine or stop by

Eligibility: Physically disabled to extent it interferes with mobility or independent living, 18+ years of age, and low-income

Documents to Bring: Proof of income; verification of disability

Griffin Heights Apartments

1010 Basin St., Tallahassee, FL 32304

850-224-1314

Website: <http://www.griffinheights.com>

Services: *Privately-owned, Section 8 federally subsidized apartments for low-income persons *Consists of 1, 2, 3, and 4 bedroom apartments; available on a first come, first serve basis *Rent is based on 30% of the household's adjusted annual income *Rent deposit equals one month's rent *Most of the time, the 3 and 4 bedroom apartments have a shorter waiting list if there is one

Hours: 9am-4:30 pm, M, Tu, Th, F; Closed W

Eligibility: Persons meeting federal income guidelines

Documents to Bring: Completed application, birth certificate, SS card, proof of income, picture ID

Lutheran Social Services of North Florida

6077

Tallahassee, FL 32303

(850) 575-4309

Website: <http://www.lssnf.org>

Services: *Better Angels housing, ten 2 bedroom/1 bath units with utilities provided and on-site service coordinator providing independent living for limited income seniors; Section 8 senior vouchers accepted *Computer Refurbishing and Technical Assistance (CRTA) program recycles computers donated by the community for distribution to low-income individuals and human service agencies in Tallahassee and the Greater Big Bend area of North Florida; donations of equipment are accepted, hard drives erased; computer requests from individuals are not accepted; to receive a PCs, an individual must be referred through a 501(c)(3) non profit organization or a school guidance counselor that has verified their low-income status *KidSafe provides families in need with child safety car seats

Hours: 9am-5pm, M-F

Eligibility: Low income older adults for Better Angels; individuals referred by non-profits to receive computers; and families in need of car safety seats for children

Documents to Bring: Financial proof for housing, referral by non-profit for computers and call regarding need for car seats



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Magnolia Terrace Apartments

509 E Magnolia Dr., Tallahassee, FL 32301

850-877-6420

Website: <http://www.magnoliaterraceapts.net>

Services: *Privately-owned, federally subsidized housing complex *Rent based on the household size and income *Applications may be picked up on 2pm-4pm, Thursdays *Typically a waiting list; call to verify

Hours: Office Hrs 8:30am-5:30pm M-F; Applications picked up Thursdays 2-4pm only

Eligibility: Low-income families meeting federal income eligibility guidelines

Documents to Bring: Call

Mission Hills Apartments

2425 Mission Rd Tallahassee, FL 32304

850-575-8609

Website: <http://www.royalamerican.com>

Services: *Private apartment complex subsidized by the Federal Government through the HUD Section 8 housing program; not directly affiliated with Tallahassee Housing Authority *Apartments consist of 1, 2, and 3 bedroom units; income guidelines apply *Recreation and laundry facilities available *Persons served on a first come, first serve basis *At times, the application waiting list becomes full, and new applications are not accepted

Hours: 8:00am-12pm, 1pm-5:30pm, M, Tu, Th, F; Closed W

Eligibility: Call

Documents to Bring: Call

Rockbrook Garden Apartments

1021 Idlewild Dr., Tallahassee, FL 32311

850-878-4226

Website: <https://www.apartments.com/rockbrook-garden-apartments-tallahassee-fl/51kd1hn/>

Services: *Privately owned, federally subsidized complex of one and two bedroom apartments offering rent assistance based on income level *Applicants must pass a credit and background check and have verifiable income sufficient to pay rent *Water, sewer, garbage and pest control included

Hours: 8:30 am-Noon, 1pm-4:30pm, M-F, Office hours

Eligibility: Head of household must be 18 or older; income limits apply

Documents to Bring: Income verification; child care expenses; SS cards; picture ID; birth certificate

Sunrise Place Apartments

2525 Texas St., Tallahassee, FL 32301

850-942-0035

Website: <http://www.sunriseplace.net>

Services: *Privately owned, federally subsidized, rental apartment complex for low-income families, elderly, or disabled persons *One, two, three and four bedroom residences available *Rent based on income of household and family size

Hours: 9am-6pm, M-F; 10am-4pm, Sa, By appointment, Su

Eligibility: Families, elderly or disabled community residents with low-income

Documents to Bring: Completed application, criminal background check, no felonies or substance abuse related convictions, no evictions



HOUSING FOR SUBSTANCE & ALCOHOL ABUSERS

Christ Town Ministries

2121 W Jefferson St. Quincy, FL 32351

850-627-7181

Website: <http://www.Christtown.org>

Services: Christian-based, residency program only for men offering assistance in overcoming drug/alcohol abuse. Program has 20 beds; meals, clothing, continuing education, rehabilitation, job placement, and Biblical-based studies on life issues provided. Residential homes not wheelchair accessible, but church is. Men on psychiatric medication not accepted into program.

Hours: Call

Eligibility: Men in need of residency and living assistance while overcoming substance abuse

Documents to Bring: Call

Tallahassee Men's Center

4141 Apalachee Pkwy Tallahassee, FL 32311

850-385-8336

Website: <http://www.livestream.com/tallahasseechallenge>

Services: Christian based men's (18+) year-long residential program for recovery from substance abuse and other life controlling problems. Biblical study, regular church attendance. One-on-one mentoring, job training and GED study if needed. Accepts referrals from court system

Hours: 8:30am-5pm, M-F, Office

A Life Recovery Center Inc

449 W Georgia St Tallahassee, FL 32301

850-224-9991

Services: Substance abuse treatment for adult males and females. 21-bed facility licensed to provide day treatment and outpatient treatment services. Male and female transitional safe houses for clients. Daily lunch. Family group meetings W from 6pm-8pm. Drug testing for probation clients and/or EAP programs.

Hours: 9am-8pm, M-F, Administrative hours



TEMPORARY HOUSING FOR HOMELESS YOUTH

Going Places Street Outreach

699-501 Dunn St., Tallahassee, FL 32304

850-408-1469

Website: <http://www.ccys.org>

Services: Outreach services for homeless, runaway and at-risk youth (11 to 21) on the streets: Provides shelter or tents and/or tarps and survival supplies for living outdoors. Help with finding housing, employment, financial aid, ID acquisition, food stamps, bus tickets home, calls home for safe and well notification. Assistance with Medicaid, health and dental care, prescriptions, pregnancy and STD testing, substance abuse and mental health counseling. Drop in center at 654 Dunn St, Tallahassee, 32304, open Noon-7pm, Tu-F and Noon-5pm, Sa, offers all services plus showers, laundry, computers, meals, food pantry, clothes closet and a safe place to be. Services also available where Safe Place signs are placed, such as a table, banner or vehicle with Going Places logo.

Hours: Street outreach hours vary; See description for drop-in center hours

Eligibility: Youth living on the streets ages 11 to 21

Documents to Bring: None

Capital City Youth Services

2407 Roberts Ave., Tallahassee, FL 32310

850-576-6000

Website: <http://www.ccys.org>

Services: Transitional living home for older homeless, runaway or at-risk youth who need help transitioning into adulthood, ages 16-19. Has space for 6 residents, length of stay is usually 6months to 1 year. Provides instruction and encouragement with setting goals and developing strategies for personal growth. Referrals for services such as Medicaid, health and dental care, prescriptions, legal help, intensive therapy, and others as needed.

Hours: 24/7

Eligibility: Youth age 16-21

Documents to Bring: Call

Going Places Street Outreach

699-501 Dunn St., Tallahassee, FL 32304

850-408-1469

Website: <http://www.ccys.org>

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Hours: Street outreach hours vary; See description for drop-in center hours

Eligibility: Youth living on the streets ages 11 to 21

Documents to Bring: None



THRIFT STORES

Community Cares

118 3rd St SW, Havana, FL 32333

850- 539-5349

Services: Provides free food, clothing, to anyone in need. Thrift shop open 9am-11am, W; and 9am-3pm, Sa. Free food is given on Wednesdays and Saturdays between 9am and 11am (clients must be on the list by 10am). Clients may receive food once every 30 days *Office hours vary; call for more information

Hours: Call; Office hours vary; Thrift Shop open 9am-11am, W; 9am-3pm, Sa

Eligibility: Based on need, must be a Gadsden County resident

Documents to Bring: None for food; ID for thrift shop

Goodwill Retail Store

1503 W Jefferson St, Quincy, FL 32351

850-627-2244

Services: Long-standing nonprofit chain with a range of pre-owned clothing, furniture, housewares & more.

Hours: Opens 9AM Mon

Eligibility: None

Documents to Bring: None

Good Samaritan Super Thrift Store

2810 Sharer Rd, Suite 30, Tallahassee, FL

850-297-1113 ext. 1007

Website: <http://www.gsncares.org>

Services: Faith-based transitional housing for women which supports 8 women at any given time but is always accepting applications. Single women with children also accepted. Includes women being released from prison, also victims of human trafficking. Provides job-readiness training, job placement services and referrals to other support services on an "as needed" basis. Physical, emotional and spiritual support while women work toward self-sufficiency and readiness for independent living. This is NOT an emergency shelter

Hours: 10am-6pm, M-Sa, office hours

Eligibility: Women, must be physically and mentally stable, cannot be a substance abuser

Documents to Bring: Call

The Salvation Army Tallahassee

2410 Allen Rd, Tallahassee, FL 32312

850-575-9798

Website: <http://www.salvationarmyusa.org>

Services: Sells a variety of donated items at low cost including clothing, furniture, office equipment, household items, shoes and books. Will pick up some donations on a case by case basis.

Hours: 10am-5:30pm, M-F; 9am-5pm, Sa

Eligibility: Anyone

Documents to Bring: None

ReStore Big Bend Habitat for Humanity

387 Marpan Ln. Tallahassee, FL 32305

850-544-6438

Website: <http://bigbendhabitat.org/restore/>



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Services: Provides inexpensive gently used and sometime new building supplies: tile, flooring materials, siding, wire, and more. Appliances, doors, cabinets, sinks, tables, chairs, lamps and more. Materials list on internet; items needing repair not accepted

Hours: 9am-5pm, Tu-F; 9am-Noon, Sa; Hours may vary some during Holiday season and also occasionally throughout the year when there is a volunteer shortage

Eligibility: Anyone looking for inexpensive items for their home

Documents To Bring: N/A

Lucky Duck Resale For Autism

3244-6 N Monroe St., Tallahassee, FL 32303

850-562-8353

Website: <http://ww.facebook.com/Lucky-Duck-Resale-for-Autism-Thrift-Store-1506852072865329/>

Services: Sells a variety of donated items at thrift store prices including clothing, shoes, small furniture and household items.

Hours: 9am-6pm, M-W; 9am-8pm, Th-F; 9am-8pm, S; 11am-5pm, Su

Eligibility: Anyone

Documents to Bring: None

City Walk Urban Mission

1105 N Monroe St., Tallahassee, FL 32303

850-528-3909

Website: <http://www.citywalkthrift.com>

Services: Faith-based organization that operates a thrift store open to the public. Free supplies for homeless persons only: personal hygiene products, clothing, blankets, backpacks when available according to donations. Discounts on certain days for different items

Hours: 10am-6pm, M-Sa; closed Sunday

Eligibility: Anyone

Documents to Bring: None



TRANSITIONAL HOUSING

[Brehon House:](#)

1315 Linda Ann Drive, Tallahassee, FL

850-656-7110

Services: Housing and support for homeless, pregnant women ages eighteen or older. Can have one child (three years or younger).

Call for information.

[Capital City Youth Services Emergency & Transitional Shelter:](#)

2407 Roberts Ave. Tallahassee, FL

850-576-6000

Services: short term residential program for runaway & homeless youth ages 10-17; transitional housing for youth in crisis.

Hours: 24-hours

[Chelsea House \(Good Samaritan Network\)](#)

Call for referral and intake.

933-1449 or 329-7512

Services: Faith-based transitional facility for single women.

[City Walk Urban Mission Transition Home](#)

1105 N Monroe St. Tallahassee

850- 528-3909

Services: For men who desire to make the transition from incarceration back into the community. Serves a variety of men, including individuals required to register for sex offenses.

[ECHO, Inc. Family Services](#)

1707 S. Gadsden St. Tallahassee

850-224-3246

Services: Transitional housing with supportive services for families with children. Must be referred by an existing case manager.

Hours: Call for information.

[HOPE Community \(Big Bend Homeless Coalition\)](#)

2729 W. Pensacola St. Tallahassee, FL

850-576-5566

Services: Six-month transitional housing program for home-less families & single women (no longer taking men). Screenings open at the Homeless Coalition on Tues 9-11:30 at CESC Wed 1-3p Call for more information.

[Inn Between Program \(Lutheran Social Services\):](#)

850-575-4309

Services: Transitional housing for families with children; can stay up to 24 months. Scattered sites throughout Tallahassee. Must be referred by a case manager.

[Making Miracles Group Home:](#)

523-7886 or 727-3304

Services: Transitional Home for homeless, pregnant young women and teens. Call for more details.

[Refuge House:](#) Emergency shelter, transitional housing, rape crisis and overall support for survivors of domestic and sexual violence survivors. 24-hour hotline: 1-800-500-1119 or 681-2111



[Veterans Village:](#)

1280 Kissimmee St. Tallahassee, FL 32310

850-575-3140

Services: A 6-month Transitional Housing Program for homeless veterans (no longer 24 months).
Must qualify for VA medical services.

[Westgate Community - Good Samaritan House \(Good Samaritan Network\):](#)

2650 Municipal Way Tallahassee, FL

850-792-9000

Services: Transitional home for homeless men looking to get back on their feet. Must participate
in the program and pay program fees, in addition to giving back to the Community.



VOUCHERS

Goodwill Industries, Big Bend Inc.- \$25.00 each to be used for the purchase of merchandise sold at Goodwill. Vouchers are valid through 12/31/2020.

Big Bend Transit, Inc. Vouchers- \$5.00 Value each for the use of transportation;
\$35.00 40 Ride Pass voucher, good for use on the Gadsden Express, Gadsden Connector, Quincy Shutter, Madison Shuttle and Perry Shuttle.

What A Blessing Clothing Vouchers -\$100.00 Clothing Voucher to be used for the purchase of ladies, children (boys & girls), shoes, and some men clothing from What A Blessing Boutique (new & used clothing). (Downtown Quincy)

Gadsden Women Arise - Ladies Clothing Voucher

2-1-1 BIG BEND INC- Helpline 2-1-1 Gadsden County

Helpline 2-1-1 was created in 1970 at FSU but at that time it was called Telephone Counseling Service. It incorporated in 1976 as a nonprofit agency and expanded services to include community information and referral for the eight county Big Bend area. In 2002 the agency changed its name to 2-1-1 Big Bend after the three-digit number "2-1-1" was designated by the FCC for community information and referral purposes. New services have been added to the program including: Help Me Grow (HMG) - services that target children eight and younger at-risk for developmental or behavioral challenges; National Suicide Prevention Lifeline - services that provide mental health and suicide prevention; MyFLVet / Veteran Support Line - services. Other services: FL HIV/AIDS Hotline, Family Health Line, After-hours 2-1-1 services in FL Panhandle. Mission: to provide assessment, emotional support, crisis assistance, education, training, and referrals with accurate, up-to-date resource information.

AMERICAN NATIONAL RED CROSS - Disaster Services-Gadsden **850-878-6080**
https://www.redcross.org/local/florida/north-florida/about-us/locations/capital-area.html?CID=organic_gmb_listings

Capital Area Red Cross received our Charter on May 16, 1917.

The American Red Cross, through its strong network of volunteers, donors and partners, is always there in times of need. We aspire to turn compassion into action so that

all people affected by disaster receive care,
shelter and hope; our community is ready
and prepared for disasters;
all members of our armed services and their families find support and comfort whenever
needed; and
in an emergency, there are always trained individuals nearby, ready to use their Red Cross
skills to save lives.

Our mission: The American Red Cross prevents and alleviates human suffering in the face of emergencies by mobilizing the power of volunteers and the generosity of donors.

AMIKIDS INC - AMikids Gadsden 850-627-1844
<http://www.amikids.org/>

AMikids is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization dedicated to helping youth develop into responsible and productive citizens. AMikids' mission is to protect the public safety and positively impact as many youth as possible while working in partnership with youth agencies, local communities and families.

For nearly 50 years, AMikids has empowered over 135,000 kids across the country to discover the potential within them to transform their lives and send them on the road to success. The cornerstone of AMikids programs is its Personal Growth Model, which provides support for growth through education, behavior modification, and treatment in a family atmosphere with caring staff. The AMikids Personal Growth Model is recognized by the Substance Abuse Mental Health Services Administration as an evidence-based model for improving the academic achievement of at-risk kids and reducing delinquent behavior. AMikids is based in Tampa, Florida, and currently comprises 44 programs in 9 states.

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BIG BEND HABITAT FOR HUMANITY INC – Housing **850-574-2288**
<https://www.habitat.org/us-fl/tallahassee/big-bend-hfh>

Big Bend Habitat for Humanity's mission brings people together to build homes, communities, and hope by seeking to put God's love into action. We have been in operation since 1982 and we provide simple decent housing for individuals and families currently living in substandard housing. In addition to meeting income eligibility guidelines, the prospective homeowner is required to complete 400 sweat equity hours prior to homeownership. Building houses for eligible individuals is often accomplished in a cost sharing model, teaming local businesses, churches, civic and professional organizations with the homeowner and Habitat, not only to build a house, but to build relationships and a presence in the community. The ultimate goal is to change lives and our communities through homeownership.

BREHON INSTITUTE FOR FAMILY SERVICES INC- Healthy Families Gadsden **850-320-6144**
<http://www.brehonfamilyservices.org/>

Established by local citizens in 1978, Brehon Family Services offers three programs in four counties: 1) Brehon House (maternity home) in Leon County; 2) Project S.A.F.E. (Support and Family Education) in Madison and Taylor counties; 3) Healthy Families Gadsden and 4) Healthy Families Leon, a voluntary home visiting parent education program designed to prevent child abuse and neglect and improve early learning.

The purpose of these services is to provide transitional housing (Brehon House), personal development, employment skills, and parent education to improve pregnancy outcomes and to stabilize at-risk families (all programs). The goal is to develop self-sufficient families through acquisition of new skills, knowledge and resources.

CAPITAL AREA COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY JNC - Getting Ahead/Staying Ahead -Gadsden
850-875-4250
<http://capitalareacommunityactionagency.com/contact-us/>

Since 1965, Community Action has provided a safety net for our community's poor by helping people in crisis and helping to break a cycle of poverty. We help by paying for utilities or offering rent assistance. Weatherize services making homes more energy efficient. For more than 300 young children from low-income families, Head Start is an incredible preschool program to get students ready for kindergarten while we work with the parents to help them achieve more financial independence.

And, Getting Ahead/Staying Ahead helps clients understand the causes of poverty, set life goals and provide support to help them work out of poverty to a life that is thriving. We have a 50% success rate in moving clients off public assistance.

CENTER FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING OF NORTH FLORIDA INC. DBA Ability 1st - Access to Independence-Gadsden **850-575-9621**
<https://www.ability1st.info/>

The Center for Independent Living of NF, DBA Ability 1st is human services agency providing critical basic needs services for persons with disabilities. We focus on safety net services for the ALICE population and those living at or below federal poverty guidelines. We were incorporated in 1980 and have provided goal-oriented services that are focused on fulfilling our mission: To

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empower people with disabilities to live independently and enhance their quality of life. Ability1st uses a consumer-based model of service delivery where more than 51 % of staff are persons with disabilities.

Our primary services consist of permanent supportive housing, mental health outreach, crime victim support and advocacy, IL skills training, basic needs (accessibility), High School/High Tech-Youth Transition and nursing home diversion. Ability 1st provides the services and supports needed to keep people with disabilities living in their community and avoid unnecessary nursing home placements.

CESC, Inc. - Emergency Services Program (Gadsden County) 850-792-9000

<http://cesctlh.org/>

In April 2015, The Shelter, which operated on the corner of Tennessee and Macomb St. for 26 years, and the neighboring Renaissance Community Center moved into a single building, The Kearney Center, to better meet the needs of its growing population. Less than a year later, the two agencies merged and officially became the Emergency Services program of CESC at The Kearney Center. A nationally recognized, best practice approach of one-stop homeless service center platform has been adopted locally. The Kearney Center experiences growth continuously by partnering with community agencies to offer a host of supportive programs to better meet the diverse needs of this population and help to foster self-sufficiency while preserving dignity. Our goal is to ensure homelessness is rare, brief, and non-recurring in the Tallahassee area. We execute this mission through a variety of projects-each with their own intention and purpose.

EARLY LEARNING CENTER OF THE BIG BEND – Child Care & Tuition Assistance – Gadsden County

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

The ELC was formed in 2002 as a result of the implementation of Florida Statutes calling for the formation of a system of School Readiness coalitions across the state. In 2004, the ELC merged with the Gadsden County School Readiness Coalition to maximize efficiencies and minimize administrative costs. In 2005, the Gadsden & Leon Coalitions absorbed five additional counties creating the Early Learning Coalition of the Big Bend Region, Inc. The ELC administers the School Readiness & Voluntary Prekindergarten programs to seven Big Bend counties connecting over 7,000 children and their families to the early learning program that best meets their needs. Our mission is to provide leadership and advocacy that builds a community where all children are prepared for success in school. The Child Care Tuition Assistance program provides young children the opportunity to be in safe and conducive learning environments that prepare them to enter the school system.

GADSDEN COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS - Senior Volunteer Programs

850-627-9758

The mission of Elder Care Services, Inc. is to improve the quality of life for seniors and their caregivers by providing home-based care and being an advocate for seniors in community affairs. Our programs include Senior Outreach Services, In-Home and Community Based Services, Nutrition Services, Elder Day Stay and Retired Senior Volunteer Programs. Elder Care Services is the unquestioned leader in advocating for and serving a wide spectrum of seniors in the Big Bend area. Since being founded by the Senior Services Planning Council in 1970, providing compassionate care has been a cornerstone of our mission. We are dedicated to meeting the needs of seniors in a comforting environment while fostering their

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independence. We also provide active seniors a way to stay engaged and serve other seniors and at-risk populations. Our model of 5 integrated programs collaborating together, allows us to deliver comprehensive services while maintaining the low administrative costs of a single agency.

LEGAL SERVICES of NORTH FLORIDA INC – Big Bend Medical and Legal Partnership – Gadsden 850-875-9881

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

LSNF is a nonprofit entity established in 1976 to provide civil legal services to eligible residents who could not otherwise afford an attorney. Our coverage area is 16 geographically contiguous counties in the Big Bend and Panhandle. Our Tallahassee office serves Leon, Jefferson, Franklin, and Wakulla Counties. Our Quincy office serves Gadsden County. We primarily serve clients whose income is 200% of the poverty guidelines or lower with issues like work with victims, including domestic violence, sexual violence, human trafficking and other abuse; housing issues, including rental and Homeownership issues; services to those with disabilities; care for the elderly; and consumer issues, including unlawful debt collection, wage garnishment, and tax controversies.

Assistance includes advice, brief service and full/extended representation. LSNF engages in extensive outreach and collaborates with numerous community partners to coordinate a holistic approach to solving our clients' problems.

LIGHTHOUSE of the BIG BEND INC – Employment Readiness Training and Support– Gadsden 850-942-3658

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

LBB is a 501(c)(3) designated nonprofit organization established in 1983. In the eleven counties in its region, LBB offers services in both group and one-on-one settings to help clients attain, regain, or improve their independence. These services are provided at no cost to the client. Services provided by the Lighthouse include early intervention, expanded core curriculum for school-aged children, transition skills, orientation and mobility training, assistive technology training, independent living skills training, and vocational rehabilitation.

All of these skills can vastly improve independence, instill self-confidence, promote safety, and strengthen the individual's overall mental and physical health and well-being.

THE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OF THE BIG BEND INC

Chattahoochee: 850-663-2244

Havana: 850-519-0000

Quincy: 850-656-8100

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

In 1989, Kerr and Downs conducted a household survey for Tallahassee which identified substance abuse, crime and teen pregnancy as the top three social problems facing our community. This in conjunction with increase in violent crime by youth led this group to partner with the Boys & Girls Clubs of America (BGCA) to establish Clubs in the Tallahassee area.

With that, the Boys & Girls Club of the Big Bend was founded in 1992 with a mission to inspire and enable all youth especially those who need us most to realize their full potential as caring adult

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citizens. Over the past 25 years, we have provided services in the area of Character Development, Health & Life Skills, Arts, Sports & Recreation, Education, Career Prep, and Technology. Monday through Friday our program provides after school services between the hours of 3:00- 6:00 pm and summer programming from 7:30 am - 6:00 pm.

THE SALVATION ARMY 850-222-0304

<https://salvationarmyflorida.org/tallahassee/>

Serving in over 132 countries, The Salvation Army is a registered 501(c) (3) non-governmental relief agency. We work to alleviate suffering and help people rebuild their lives. The Salvation Army has been providing programs and services since its inception in 1865, and has been serving locally since 1951, a familiar source of support for residents here. The Salvation Army, an international movement, is an evangelical part of the Universal Christian Church. Its message is based on the bible. Its ministry is motivated by the love of God. Its mission is to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ and to meet human needs in His name without discrimination. Services provided include financial rental and utility assistance, multiple food and congregate feeding services, clothing and shoes, hygiene and infant supplies, character building, music, and camp services for youth, Christmas Assistance for children and senior citizens, Anti -Human Trafficking education, and Emergency Disaster Services.

SECOND HARVEST OF THE BIG BEND INC- Food Bank Operations - Gadsden County 850-562-3033

<https://fightinghunger.org/>

Second Harvest food bank is a nonprofit charity started in 1982 to address the urgent problem of hunger in the community. Our mission is to feed hungry people in the Big Bend and lead the community in the fight to end hunger.

We provide food and other needed items to our collaborative network of 164 partner agencies and other organizations in 17 Florida counties - 11 counties in our Feeding America service area (Calhoun; Franklin; Gadsden; Gulf; Jackson; Jefferson; Leon; Liberty; Madison; Taylor; and Wakulla), plus 6 counties (Columbia; Dixie; Gilchrist; Hamilton; Lafayette; and Suwannee) under agreement with other North Florida food banks.

According to Feeding America's Map the Meal Gap 2018 research study, 134,000 people, including 30,000 children in the Big Bend are food insecure. The unmet need "meal gap" in the Big Bend is about 23 million meals annually. Second Harvest delivers charitable food to Florida's top five most food insecure counties, and 11 of the top 20.

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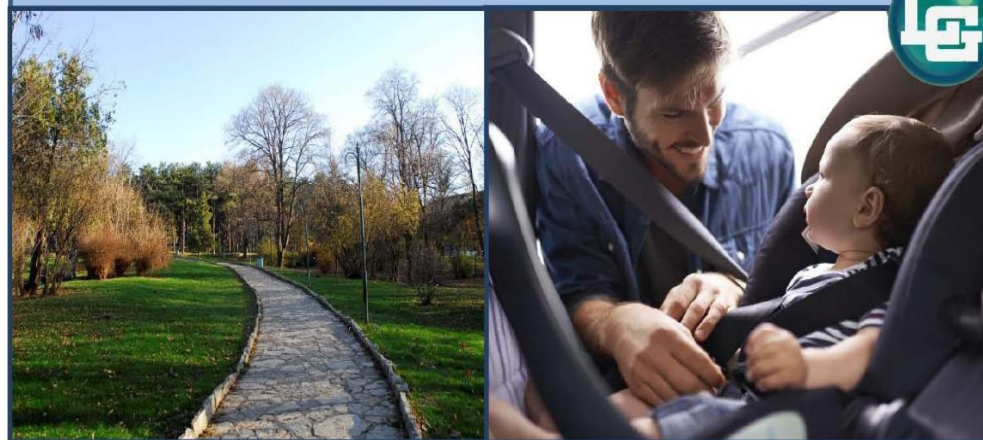


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Purpose

This resources guide was developed by the Leadership Gadsden Class of 2016 students in partnership with our parent organization Leadership Gadsden and Gadsden Community Health Council, Inc. to assist the Gadsden county community in finding available resources in the area. Leadership Gadsden recognizes that the key to the betterment of our community and its health depends on the access to vital information. A need was identified for information on local service agencies, therefore, we made it our goal to empower those organizations with a tool that is readily available to maximize their customer experience by meeting their needs.

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American Lung Association

Address: 20 E Washington St.
Suite Brown
Quincy, FL 32351

Contact Number: (850) 386-2065 ext. 1146

(850) 523-3333,
(800) - LUNGUSE

Website: lung.org

Description of Services:

*Leading organization working to save lives by improving lung health and preventing lung disease, through research, education and advocacy.

AmeriCorps, Gadsden Reads

Address: 35 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd
Quincy, FL 32351

Website: gems.gcps.k12.fl.us

Email Address: hopkinsbe@mail.gcps.k12.fl.us

Hours of Operations: 8am-3:30pm, and after school; Spring Break



Description of Services:

*Tutoring Services, Volunteer Opportunities, AmeriCorps, Volunteer Opportunities, Tutoring Services, Summer School Programs, Special Education, Literacy Programs

*Serves about 300 students in 8 Title One schools in Gadsden County reading below grade level

*Promote literacy and work to improve reading comprehension

*Tutoring and small group readings, summer reading programs

Apalachee Center, Gadsden County Clinic

Address: 79 LaSalle Path
Quincy, FL 32351

Contact Number: (850) 875-2422
(850) 523-3333, (850) 875-2124,
(800) 226-2931

Fax Number: (850) 875-2124

Website: www.apalacheecenter.org

Hours of Operations: 8am-5pm, M-F

Description of Services:

*General Counseling Services, Psychiatric Medication Services, Adolescent/Youth Counseling, Outpatient Mental Health Facilities, Mental Health Evaluation, Case/Care Management, Psychiatric Day Treatment, Psychiatric Case Management

*Outpatient psychiatric services and day treatment for adults ages 18 and over

*Mental health evaluations, case management for adults and school aged children, psychiatric medication management

Big Bend Cares, Inc.

Address: 111 N Madison
Quincy, FL 32351

Contact Number: (850)656-2437

Fax Number: (850) 942-6402

Website: www.bigbendcares.org

Description of Services:

*Education and comprehensive support to people infected with or affected by HIV/Aids, serving Gadsden, Jefferson, Leon, Liberty, Madison, Franklin, Taylor and Wakulla counties.

BoysTown of North Florida

Address: 3555 Commonwealth Blvd
Tallahassee, FL 32303

Contact Number: (850) 575-6422
(850) 270-9368 (ArtTown)

Fax Number: (850) 575-7225



Website: www.boystown.org

Description of Services:

*Child Welfare, Trauma Informed Care, Youth Services, Youth Placements, In-Home Services, Family Services, Foster Placements, Group Home, Preserving Families, Case Management, Community Support, Therapy, Individual Services, Group Services

*State contracted treatment family homes for placement of children in the child welfare system ages 10-17.

*Foster family services for children with special treatment needs in North Florida who are victims of abuse and neglect.

*In-Home Family Services to help support families that are struggling to stay together or are in danger of having a child removed from the home.

*Individualized or Group assistance to help children and families concentrate on restoring their spirit and healing their soul.

Capital City Youth Services - Family Place

Address: 15 W Jefferson St
Quincy, FL 32351

Contact Number: (850) 576-6000
(850) 728-4897; (850) 509-6877

Website: www.ccys.org

Description of Services:

*General Counseling, Adolescent/Youth Counseling, Individual Counseling, Family Counseling, Group Counseling, Mental Health

*Provides up to 12 free individual, family or group counseling sessions to youths ages 6-17 and their families.

Capital Regional Medical Associates, Quincy

Address: 23186 Blue Star Hwy
Quincy, FL 32351

Contact Number: (850) 627-5126

Website: www.capitalregionalmedicalcenter.com

Hours of Operations: 24/7

Description of Services:

*General Medical Care, Emergency Room Care, Gynecology Services, Prenatal Care, Cardiology, Surgery, Podiatry

Capital Regional Medical Center, Gadsden Memorial ER

Address: 23186 Blue Star Hwy
Quincy, FL 32351

Contact Number: (850) 627-5090

Fax Number: (850) 627-5185



Website: www.capitalregionalmedicalcenter.com

Hours of Operations: 24/7

Description of Services:

*Emergency Room Care, Hospitals

*Offering 24/7 emergency care

*Lab and radiology services on-site

*No inpatient beds

Capital Regional Medical Group, Chattahoochee

Address: 409 High St
Chattahoochee, FL 32324

Contact Number: (850) 663-4643

Fax Number: (850) 663-2350

Website: www.capitalregionalmedicalcenter.com

Email Address: Julie.Alday@hcahealthcare.com

Hours of Operations: 8am-5pm, M-F, closed Noon to 1pm

Description of Services:

*Confidential HIV Testing

*Adult health care, gynecology, pregnancy testing, HIV testing

CareerSource, Capital Region, Gadsden County

Address: 1140 W Clark St
Quincy, FL 32351

Contact Number: (850) 875-4040
(850) 922-0023, (850) 413-0315

Fax Number: (850) 875-3324

Website: www.careersourcecapitalregion.com

Hours of Operations: 8am-5pm, M,Tu,Th,F; 9am-5pm, W

Description of Services:

*Job Finding Assistance, Unemployment Insurance, TANF, Ex-Offender Employment Programs, Food Stamps/SNAP, Employment Preparation, Child Care Centers, Medicaid,

*Access to employment-related services in one central location and matching qualified participants with appropriate job opportunities, based on skills and other circumstances

*Center maintains lists of job openings

*Dept of Economic Opportunity: job search and assistance, resume writing classes, employability skills classes, two-year training scholarships

*Welfare Transition: case management services, employment classes, job training and placement, financial assistance for employment-related transportation and child care



*SNAP E&T(food assistance), Temporary cash assistance (TCA, TANF), Medicaid for health care (call for days and times)

*Migrant farm worker program

*Services for youth 16+: test preparation guide, college requirements, financial resources

*Unemployment claims process: www.floridajobs.org

*Businesses offered incentives to hire clients who have been referred

Center for Health Equity, Inc

Address: 231 E Jefferson St
Quincy, FL 32351

Contact Number: (850) 875-4959
(850) 875-5005 other

Fax Number: (850) 875-4945

Website: www.centerforhealthequity.com

Email Address: srdonaldson@centerforhealthequity.com

Hours of Operations: 8:30am-5:30pm, M-F

Description of Services:

*Outreach Programs, Affordable Care Act Information/Counseling, Peer Counseling, Case/Care Management, Childbirth Education

*Assists with the education, enrollment, and outreach in relation to the Affordable Care Act

*Will assist with ACA enrollment by walk-in or appointment

Chattahoochee Police Department

Address: 32 Jefferson St
Chattahoochee, FL 32324

Contact Number: (850) 663-4383
9-1-1 other

Fax Number: (850) 663-4225

Website:
<http://www.cityofchattahoochee.com/citydepartments.html>

Hours of Operations: 24/7

Description of Services:

*Municipal Police

*General law enforcement services in Chattahoochee, Gadsden County

ChristTown Ministries, Inc

Address: 2121 W Jefferson St
Quincy, FL 32351



Contact Number: (850) 627-7181
(850) 557-0155 other (850) 566-6077 other
(850) 509-9061 other

Fax Number: (850) 627-7189

Website: www.Christtown.org

Email Address: bobwells@christtown.org

Hours of Operations: Call

Description of Services:

- *Residential Substance Abuse Treatment Facilities, Homeless Shelter, Transitional Housing/Shelter
- *Christian-based, residency program only for men offering assistance in overcoming drug/alcohol abuse
- *Program has 20 beds; meals, clothing, continuing education, rehabilitation, job placement, and Biblical-based studies on life issues provided
- *Residential homes not wheelchair accessible, but church is
- *Men on psychiatric medication not accepted into program

Communities In Schools of Gadsden County

Address: 216 N Adams St
Quincy, FL 32351

Contact Number: (850) 558-3620

Website: www.cisgadsden.org

Hours of Operations: 8:30am-7pm, M-Th; 9am-3pm, F

Description of Services:

*Juvenile Delinquency Prevention, Substance Abuse Education/Prevention, Volunteer Opportunities, Youth Enrichment Programs, Camps, Extended Day Care, Student Counseling
*Services, Tutoring Services, Truancy Counseling, Literacy Programs, Dropout Programs

*Brings community resources, services, parents, and volunteers into schools to help at-risk students learn, stay in school, and prepare for life

*After school programs at Stewart Elementary and Shanks Middle Schools

*Spring break camp

*Fun 2 Learn Summer Camp

*Tutoring for senior high students needing to re-take the FCAT

Community Cares Outreach

Address: 118 SW 3rd St
Havana, FL 32333

Contact Number: (850) 539-5349

Hours of Operations: Call; Office hours vary; Thrift Shop open 9am-11am, W; 9am-3pm, Sa



Description of Services:

- *General Clothing Provision, Thrift Shops, Clothing, Food Pantries, Household Goods
- *Provides free food, clothing, to anyone in need
- *Thrift shop open 9am-11am, W; and 9am-3pm, Sa
- *Free food is given on Wednesdays and Saturdays between 9am and 11am (clients must be on the list by 10am)
- *Clients may receive food once every 30 days
- *Office hours vary; call for more information

CTD, Big Bend Transit, Gadsden Medicaid Transportation

Address: 305-B Crawford St
Quincy, FL 32351

Contact Number: (850) 627-9958
(800) 983-2435 other

Fax Number: (850) 875-2954

Hours of Operations: 5:30am-7pm, M-F, Office hours,
transportation hours 6am-8pm, M-F, 6am-6pm, Sa, closed Su

Description of Services:

- *Local Transportation, Medicaid
- *Provides non-emergency transportation

*Rides available to destinations in Gadsden and Leon counties

*Extended transportation to Taylor, Jefferson and Madison Counties may be available, but additional fees will apply

*Requests for transportation to medical services given priority

*Persons certified as Transportation Disadvantaged receive reduced rates

*Wheelchair transportation service available at no extra cost, if requested at the time of reservation

*The client's HMO provider makes arrangements for transportation for Medicaid clients by calling Big Bend Transit; the client does NOT make the arrangements with Big Bend Transit directly

*Persons who do not know if they are in a Medicaid HMO should call AHCA, Medicaid Area 2B Field Office: 800-248-2243 or 850-412-4002 to find out

*Persons not in a Medicaid HMO can still use Big Bend Transit, but will have to pay out of pocket

CTD, Big Bend Transit, Gadsden Public Transit

Address: 324 W Crawford St
Quincy, FL 32351

Contact Number: (850) 627-9958
(850) 574-6064 other (800) 983-2435 other

Fax Number: (850) 875-2954



Website: www.bigbendtransit.org/gadsden

Hours of Operations: 5:30am-7pm, M-F, Office hours,
transportation hours: Gadsden Connector, 7am-2pm; Quincy
Shuttle, 7:30 am-2:30 pm; Gadsden Express, 6am-7pm

Description of Services:

- *Medicaid, Local Transportation
- *Provides non-emergency transportation for \$1.00, each way
- *Wheelchair transportation service available
- *Call or view online map for designated stops, routing, and times
- *Riders of the Quincy Shuttle can connect with the Gadsden Connector (Service between Havana and Chattahoochee) at stop #24 or the Gadsden Express (express service to Tallahassee at stops #18, #19, or #24. You will have to pay a separate fare when transferring

Gadsden Connector:

- *Rides available to destinations across Gadsden County
- *Chattahoochee(Kangaroo Express), Greensboro(City Hall), Gretna (City Hall), Quincy(Winn-Dixie), Havana(City Hall)
- *Gadsden Connector stops regularly at the Winn- Dixie in Quincy, where riders can take the Gadsden Express into Tallahassee

Quincy Shuttle:

- *Rides available to destinations at several locations throughout Quincy

*Small route deviations are available, and you can get on or off at other locations along the route

Gadsden Express

- *Rides available from Quincy to Tallahassee and vice versa
- *Stops available in Quincy, Midway, TCC, C.K. Steele Plaza
- *Two Park-and-Ride lots available at the Winn-Dixie in Quincy, or the City Hall in Midway
- * If you use the Gadsden Express to get to and from work at least 3 days per week, you qualify for commuter services of North Florida's Guaranteed ride home program, which provides a free ride home when an emergency arises- Must pre-register with this program, as certain restrictions apply

DCF, Adult Protective Services, Circuit 2

Address: 2383 Phillips Rd, Ste 210
Quincy, FL 32351

Contact Number: (850) 488-0160

Fax Number: (850) 487-2624

Website: www.myflfamilies.com

Hours of Operations: 8am-5pm, M-F

Description of Services:

*In Home Assistance, Home Health Care, Adult Protective Services, Case/Care Management, Medicaid



*Adult protective services provides contacts and referrals to disabled or elderly who have been referred from an adult protective investigation, to prevent further harm from occurring to vulnerable adults who are victims of abuse, neglect and exploitation and to attempt to enable disabled adults to live in the community rather than in more costly residential or nursing home settings

*Community Care for Disabled Adults provides clients with in home services which are based on a sliding scale fee and client must not be eligible for services from any other program

*Home Care for Disabled Adults is for those who live at home and have a full-time, live-in caregiver: case management and a monthly supplement to assist with costs of medication and supplies

*Placement counseling regarding assisted living facilities, adult family care homes and nursing homes

DCF, ESS, Gadsden/Liberty/Jackson/Calhoun

Address: 6 S Key St
Quincy, FL 32351

Contact Number: (850) 778-4045
(850) 747-5453 Admin
(866) 762-2237 Toll-free

Fax Number: (850) 627-6548

Website: www.myflorida.com/accessflorida

Hours of Operations: 8am-5pm, M-F, Most DCF office hours;
Access Line staffed 8am-5pm, M-F (24/7 for automated information)

Description of Services:

*Health Insurance/Dental Coverage, Food Stamps/SNAP, TANF, Medicaid

*Public assistance benefits for persons meeting eligibility guidelines: SNAP (Food Stamps), Temporary cash assistance (TCA, TANF), Medicaid for health care

*Medicaid Share of Cost (aka Medically Needy) for financial assistance to certain low-income individuals and families not qualifying for Medicaid, but unable to pay medical bills; recipients required to pay a portion of medical bills each month before financial assistance available

*Florida Kidcare, health insurance for children at low cost; adults who are former foster youth may be eligible for Medicaid under ACA up to age 26

*Apply either on the web site, a DCF Access Florida office, or a DCF Community Partner site

*After applying, persons can provide or receive important information about their account, either by the website or phone

*Temporary Medicaid card printable from website



DISC Village, Gadsden County Human Services Center

Address: 305-B W Crawford St
Quincy, FL 32351

Contact Number: (850) 627-3599

Fax Number: (850) 875-2938

Website: www.discvillage.com

Email Address: discinfo@discvillage.com

Hours of Operations: 8am-5pm, M-F

Description of Services:

- *General Counseling Services, Substance Abuse Screening, Perinatal Substance Abuse Treatment, Substance Abuse Counseling
- *Outpatient individual and group substance abuse counseling for adults and juveniles, starting at age 13
- *Will accept pregnant and postpartum women and juveniles as first priority with no wait time
- *2-3 week wait time for adults

Farm Service Agency, Gadsden County

Address: 2144 W Jefferson St
Quincy, FL 32351

Contact Number: (800) 243-9912
(850) 973-2205 other (850) 627-6365 admin

Fax Number: (855) 563-2115

Website: www.fsa.usda.gov

Email Address: tammie.miller@fl.usda.gov

Hours of Operations: 8am-4:30pm

Description of Services:

- *Land Conservation, Temporary Financial Assistance, Youth Agricultural Programs, Disaster Relief Services, Emergency Funds
- * Administers farm commodity, crop insurance, credit, environmental, conservation, and emergency assistance programs for farmers and ranchers
- *Provides support for local farmers who cannot get support/ financing with commercial lenders
- *Micro loan limits \$50,000
- *Youth loan program: Children can get up to \$5000 to get started in agriculture business such as crops, livestock, beekeeping

FDVA, Gadsden County Veterans Service Office

Address: 5-B E Jefferson St
Quincy, FL 32351



Contact Number: (850) 875-8661
Fax Number: (850) 875-8792
Website: www.floridavets.org
Email Address: CMoore@gadsgov.net
Hours of Operations: 8am-5pm, M-F

Description of Services:

*Benefits Assistance, Veteran Reintegration Counseling, Student Financial Aid, General Legal Aid, Benefits Assistance

*Florida Department of Veterans Affairs county office

*Assists veterans and dependents in applying for benefits provided by USVA and other federal agencies: pensions, survivor benefits, service-related medical problems; mental health counseling; home loans and specially adapted housing; shelter and counseling for homeless vets; women veterans outreach

*Assists in applying for Florida benefits: Homestead and other tax exemptions, disability benefits, education and tuition breaks, lower license fees and ad valorem taxes during active duty, transportation to medical facilities when necessary

*Provides transportation M-F for veterans to Tallahassee Outpatient Clinic

FL DOH, Gadsden, BCC Program

Address: 278 LaSalle Leffall Dr
Quincy, FL 32351

Contact Number: (850) 875-7200
Website: www.floridahealth.gov/chdGadsden/
Email Address: jana.barfield@flhealth.gov
Hours of Operations: 8am-5pm, M-F
Description of Services:

*Community Clinics, Cancer Detection, Gynecology Services

*Breast & Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program

*Offers eligible women pap smears, clinical breast exams, and referrals for free or low cost mammograms

*Non-eligible women may get clinical breast exam and pap screening through family planning or primary care services at the CHD

FL DOH, Gadsden, FP Waiver

Address: 278 Dr LaSalle Leffall Dr
Quincy, FL 32351

Contact Number: (850) 875-7200
(850) 245-4444 other

Fax Number: (850) 875-7210

Website: www.floridahealth.gov/chdGadsden/

Hours of Operations: 8am-5pm, M-F



Description of Services:

*Medicaid, Community Clinics, Birth Control

*Medicaid Family Planning Waiver (aka Family Planning Medicaid for Today's Woman)

*Special Medicaid waiver extending for up to two years Medicaid coverage for women ages 14-55 who have lost full Medicaid coverage

*Limited to annual physical exams and pap tests, pregnancy tests, and all forms of birth control including outpatient tubal ligations

*Covers STD and colposcopy services if performed within six weeks of the physical exam

* Women with a recent pregnancy automatically enrolled in the program for first year of coverage, must re-apply for second year

* Other women applying should complete application available on-line at <http://www.doh.state.fl.us/family/famplan/waiver.html> and either mail it to mailing address or drop it off at a designated County Health Dept

*Women with Medicaid Share of Cost (Medically Needy) may have Medicaid FP Waiver at the same time

FL DOH, Gadsden, General Health Services

Address: 278 Dr LaSalle Leffall Dr
Quincy, FL 32351

Contact Number: (850) 875-7200

Fax Number: (850) 875-7210

Website: www.floridahealth.gov/chdGadsden

Hours of Operations: 8am-5pm, M-F

Description of Services:

*Prescription Expense Assistance, General Medical Care, Diabetes Screening, Hearing Screening, Confidential HIV Testing, Community Clinics, Sexually Transmitted Disease Screening, Records/Licenses/Permits, Tuberculosis Screening, Diabetes Management Clinic

*School physicals, screening for vision, hearing and diabetes, birth and death certificates, smoking cessation, environmental health services

*Population based outreach program: outreach connecting people without a medical home or insurance to referrals for services available in county

FL DOH, Gadsden, Population Based Services, HIV/AIDS Services

Address: 278 Dr LaSalle Leffall Dr
Quincy, FL 32351

Contact Number: (850) 875-7200

Fax Number: (850) 875-7210

Website: www.floridahealth.gov/chdGadsden/

Email Address: Ronterrius.Clark@flhealth.gov



Hours of Operations: 8am-5pm, M-F

Description of Services:

*Community Clinics / Contact Tracing/Partner Notification / Case/Care Management / Tuberculosis Screening / Confidential HIV Testing / Rapid HIV Tests / Sexually Transmitted Disease Screening / Outreach Programs / AIDS/HIV Prevention Counseling / AIDS Dru

*Confidential HIV testing

*STD testing

*Case management referrals, ADAP

*Education and prevention counseling for groups and individuals

*AIDS 101, AIDS 104, HIV 500, and HIV 501 courses available

*If the client walks into the health department and requests a standard HIV blood test (non-rapid, non-OraSure), they will automatically get a test using 4th generation technology. They can still have a rapid test as well, but it will not be done using 4th generation technology. There should be no additional or increased fee for the 4th generation test

FL DOH, Gadsden, Maternal/Infant Services

Address: 278 Dr LaSalle Leffall Dr
Quincy, FL 32351

Contact Number: (850) 875-7200

Fax Number: (850) 875-7210

Website: www.gadsdenhealth.org

Hours of Operations: 8am-5pm, M-F

Description of Services:

*Gynecology Services / Expectant/New Parent Assistance / Medicaid / Birth Control / Pediatrics / Immunizations / Childbirth Education / Community Clinics / Pregnancy Testing / Prenatal Care

*Pregnancy testing, Presumptive Eligibility for Pregnant Women Medicaid (PEPW), WIC, family planning (birth control)

*DOH, Gadsden does not provide prenatal care; pregnant women are given a list of doctors who accept Medicaid

*For women who can not get Medicaid, some doctors will try to work out a payment plan with possibly reduced fees, or women who have transportation could go to Neighborhood Medical Center in Tallahassee

*Free immunizations for children of all ages

*Pediatric services for children who have Wellcare Medicaid HMO

*Will serve Gadsden and Leon Counties

FL DOH, Gadsden, School Health Services

Address: 278 Dr LaSalle Leffall Dr
Quincy, FL 32351

Contact Number: (850) 251-7085

(850) 875-7200



Fax Number: (850) 875-7210

Website:
www.floridahealth.gov/chdGadsden/Schoolhealth.htm

Email Address: barbara_purnell@doh.state.fl.us

Hours of Operations: 7:30am-4pm, M-F

Description of Services:

*Outpatient Mental Health Facilities / Adolescent/Youth Counseling / Birth Control / Parenting Skills Classes / Community Clinics / Job Finding Assistance / Immunizations / Nutrition Education / Sexually Transmitted Disease Screening / Teen Pregnancy Preve

*Elementary and Middle school services: first aid, medication administration, screenings, dental services, reduce risk-taking behaviors, violence and injury prevention

*High school services: first aid, medication administration, screenings for HIV and STD's, family planning services, job placement assistance, nutrition education, mental health counseling, parent classes, adult education for parents

*Some services and programs require parental consent

FL DOH, Gadsden, WIC

Address: 278 Dr LaSalle Leffall Dr
Quincy, FL 32351

Contact Number: (850) 875-7200
(800) 342-3556

Fax Number: (850) 875-5058

Website: www.floridahealth.gov/chdGadsden/

Hours of Operations: Call for WIC hours, mostly day time but open one evening per week

Description of Services:

*Formula/Baby Food/Breastfeeding Support Programs
WIC/Community Clinics

*Women, Infants, and Children nutrition program

*Supplementary food program for pregnant women, nursing mothers, infants, and children up to age 5

*Nutrition counseling

*Breastfeeding support and consultation

Florida State Hospital (Chattahoochee)

Address: 100 N Main St
Chattahoochee, FL 32324

Contact Number: (850) 663-7001
(850) 663-7536

Fax Number: (850) 663-7303

Website: www.dcf.state.fl.us/institutions/fsh

Hours of Operations: 24/7



Description of Services:

*Residential Treatment Facilities/Inpatient Mental Health Hospitals

*Adult residential psychiatric hospital for persons with severe and persistent mental illness or developmental disabilities to manage symptoms and acquire skills

*Civil clients are 18 years and older, unable to live in less restrictive available alternatives in their communities

*Forensic residents have been charged with crimes and may be Incompetent to Proceed or Not Guilty by Reason of Insanity

FMGT, Golden Leaf Apartments

Address: 122 N Cleveland St
Quincy, FL 32351

Contact Number: (850) 875-4882

Website: <http://goldenleafapts.com>

Email Address: info@flamgt.com

Hours of Operations: 2am-5pm, M-F

Description of Services:

*Low Income/Subsidized Rental Housing

*Privately-owned, federally subsidized or Section 8 one and two-bedroom apartments

*Residents must meet income guidelines and be capable of independent living

*Rent based on 30% of household's annual income

*Waiting list usually 3 to 6 months

Gadsden Association Rehabilitation Center, Inc

Address: 1633A High Bridge Rd
Quincy, FL 32351

Contact Number: (850) 627-9058;
(850)570-2746

Fax Number: (850)627-1065

Website: www.gadsdenarc.com

Email Address: garc@tds.net

Hours of Operations: 8am-4pm, M-F, Day Program; Residential Program, 24/7

Description of Services:

*Home/Community Based Developmental Disabilities Programs
Adult Basic Education/ Job Finding Assistance

*Adult day training and residential services for persons with developmental disabilities; basic adult education and training in social skills, woodshop skills, personal care skills, and community involvement



*Group home residents: personal care and training in everyday living skills

*Community Inclusion Program: companion services to people with developmental disabilities who are living in community

*Supported Employment Training: places persons with disabilities in jobs in the community, providing on-the-job training

Gadsden County Board of County Commissioners

Address: 9 East Jefferson St
Quincy, FL 32351

Contact Number: (850) 875-8650

Fax Number: (850) 875-8655

Website: www.gadsdengov.net

Hours of Operations: 8am-5pm, M-F; Commission Meetings, 1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month at 9am or 6pm

Description of Services:

*Public Officials Offices

*Gadsden County's five County Commissioners elected to represent geographic districts and serve four-year terms under the Commission/Manager form of county government

*County Manager is chief administrative officer under direction of Board of County Commissioners

*Gadsden County's six incorporated cities are governed by a mayor and city council

Gadsden County Chamber of Commerce

Address: 208 N Adams St
Quincy, FL 32351

Contact Number: (850) 627-9231

Fax Number: (850) 875-3299

Website: www.gadsdenfla.com

Email Address: gadsdencc@tds.net

Hours of Operations: 9am-12:30pm and 1:30pm-5pm, M-F

Description of Services:

*Chambers of Commerce/Traveler's Assistance/Tourist Information

*Promotes economic development and tourism in Gadsden County, provides general information about the community, and works to improve the quality of life for its citizens

*Offers small business start-up classes, covering marketing, regulations and strengthening profitability of existing businesses

Gadsden County Clerk of the Circuit Court

Address: 10 E Jefferson St
Quincy, FL 32351



Contact Number: (850) 875-8601
Fax Number: (850) 875-8612
Website: www.gadsdenclerk.com
Email Address: clerkofcourt@gadsdenclerk.com
Hours of Operations: 8:30am-5pm, M-F

Description of Services:

- *Public Officials Offices/County Clerk of Courts Offices/Court Filing Offices/Records/Licenses/Permits
- *Serves Gadsden County residents in filing legal documents associated with home, marriage, divorce, property, and other important legal and court documents
- *Collection/disbursement of court ordered child support and alimony payments
- *Performs over 900 different constitutional and statutory functions
- *No telephone payments accepted; cash, money order, certified check, or credit/debit card acceptable forms of payment
- *Credit/debit card have a surcharge of 3.5% and ID of person presenting card required at time of payment

Gadsden County Emergency Management

Address: 339 E Jefferson St
Quincy, FL 32351
Contact Number: (850) 875-8642

Fax Number: (850) 875-8643
Website: www.gadsdengov.net
Email Address: shawnwood@tds.net
Hours of Operations: 8am-5pm, M-F

Description of Services:

- *Disaster Relief Services/Disaster Management Organization
- *Responsible for coordinating: 1) hurricane preparation classes; 2) safety training for schools & civic organizations; 3) public training information; 4) public assistance after floods, fires, tornadoes, hurricanes and other natural or man made disasters; 5) training government agencies for emergencies; 6) mitigation of hazards

Gadsden County Humane Society

Address: PO Box 1268
Havana, FL 32333
Contact Number: (850) 539-0505
Website: www.gadsdenhumane.org
Email Address: gadsdenhumane@bellsouth.net
Hours of Operations: 9am-5pm, Call for assistance or to adopt a pet

Description of Services:

- *Foster Care/Temporary Shelter for Animals/Animal Rescue



*Does not have a shelter, but animals rescued by volunteers are placed in foster homes until adopted

*Many of the animals available at PetSmart adoption center in Tallahassee on Sunday afternoons every other week

*Call and leave message for more information; will return call by 48 hours

Gadsden County Public Library System

Address: 732 Pat Thomas Pkwy
Quincy, FL 32351-4210

Contact Number: (850) 627-7106

Havana Branch (850) 539-0505
Chattahoochee Branch (850) 663-2707

Fax Number: (850) 627-7775

Website: www.gcpls.org

Hours of Operations: Quincy: 10am-8pm, M-Th; 10am-6pm, F,Sa; Chattahoochee and Havana: 11am-8pm, M,Tu; 11am-6pm, W-F; 10am-3pm, Sa, W; 9am-6pm, Th-F; 9am-Noon, Sa

Description of Services:

*English as a Second Language/Library Services

*Standard library services at 3 locations, a bookmobile, multimedia books, DVD's, large print books, computer/internet access

*Children's services, summer reading program, teen book club, school visits arranged at library and classrooms

*Computer and adult education courses available if funding permits

*Branches: Chattahoochee, Cowen Library, 300 Maple St; Havana, 203 E 5th St

*Staff may point individuals to the correct site who are in need of applying online for Food Stamps, TANF or unemployment, but cannot help them fill out applications

*Direct connection in Quincy library via a video terminal now allows visitors to speak directly with a Social Security employee in Tallahassee; hours start 10am-3pm, M,Tu, Th, F, 10am-Noon Wednesday

*Florida Telecommunications Relay, Inc provides free amplified phone at the libraries to FL citizens deaf, hard of hearing, deaf/blind, and speech impaired at various times; call (800) 222-3448 or (800) 682-8706 to learn times and/or about equipment

Gadsden County Public Library, Literacy Volunteers

Address: 732 Pat Thomas Parkway
Quincy, FL 32351

Contact Number: 850) 627-7106

(850) 539-2844; (850) 662-3329
(850) 663-2707

Fax Number: (850) 627-7775



Website: www.gcpls.org

Email Address: letsreadgadsden@gmail.com

Hours of Operations: Call for available literacy volunteer and ESL class hours

Description of Services:

*Literacy Programs, Parenting Skills Classes, Literacy Programs, GED/High School Equivalency Test Instruction, English as a Second Language

*Literacy instruction and ESL classes for adults 18 and older, taught by volunteers

*Advance scheduling required for services in Chattahoochee at 300 Maple St, Havana at 203 E 5th St, and Greensboro at SR 12 (call for directions)

*New large selection of literature for adult beginners

Gadsden County Schools, 21st Century Program

Address: 1210 Kemp Rd
Havana, FL 32333

Contact Number: (850) 662-2750

Fax Number: (850) 529-2866

Hours of Operations: 8am-3pm, M-F during scheduled summer program days

Description of Services:

*Camps

*Free summer camp for students first through 12th grades from East Gadsden and West Gadsden High Schools, and Greensboro, Chattahoochee, Gretna, Havana Magnet, Stewart Street, James Shanks, and St Johns Schools

*Breakfast, lunch, and transportation provided along with field trips

*Obtain registration forms from home schools

Gadsden County Schools, Adult and Community Education

Address: 201 Martin Luther King Jr Blvd
Quincy, FL 32351

Contact Number: (850) 875-8324

Fax Number: (850) 875-7297

Website: www.gti.gcps.k12.fl.us

Email Address: jacksons@gcpsmail.com

Hours of Operations: 7:30am-4pm, M-F

Description of Services:

*Vocational Education, Special Education, GED/High School Equivalency Test Instruction, Vocational Education, Student Disability Services, Employment Preparation



- *GED preparation and testing
- *Educational programs for adults with disabilities
- *Career and technical programs including business, welding, automotive services, nail and facial technology, barbering and cosmetology, small engine repair

Gadsden County Schools, Exceptional Student Education

Address: 35 Martin Luther King, Jr Blvd
Quincy, FL 32351

Contact Number: (850) 627-9651

Fax Number: (850) 627-5327

Website: www.gcps.k12.fl.us

Email Address: thomass@gcpsmail.com

Hours of Operations: 7:30am-4:30pm, M-F, Office hours

Description of Services:

*Gifted Education, Student Disability Services, Early Intervention for Children With Disabilities/Delays, School Districts, Student Disability Services, Special Education, Gifted Education, Early Intervention for Children With Disabilities/Delays, Preschool

*Provides exceptional student education programs for students ages 3-21 who have disabilities and students who are gifted

*Responsible for providing instruction and related services to students who are eligible for the following exceptional student education (ESE) programs:

*Autism Spectrum Disorder, Deaf/Hard of Hearing, Developmentally Delayed, Dual Sensory Impaired (Deaf-Blind), Emotional/Behavioral Disabilities, Gifted, Homebound or Hospitalized, Intellectual Disabilities, Orthopedically Impaired, Other Health Impaired, Specific Learning Disabilities, Speech or Language Impaired, and Visually Impaired

*Persons with need for physical or occupational therapies may be eligible for services

Gadsden County Sheriff's Office

Address: 339 E Jefferson St
Quincy, FL 32351

Contact Number: (850) 627-9233
(850) 875-8642
911

Fax Number: (850) 875-8881

Website: www.gadssdensheriff.org

Email Address: gcsso@tds.net

Hours of Operations: 24/7



Description of Services:

- *Community Crime Prevention Programs, Sheriff
- *Provides general law enforcement and crime prevention
- *E911 oversees quick response to emergencies
- *Neighborhood Crime Watch
- *Operation Identification to identify stolen property
- *School Resource Officer Program to counsel and mentor students and teachers
- *Teen Court, peer program alternative to prosecution by DJJ
- *Reserve Unit: certified law enforcement officer can receive formal training, volunteer to assist officers on patrol and at special events
- *KISS: Keeping Independent Seniors Safe, contact by volunteers and deputies monthly

Gadsden County SHIP Program

Address: 9 E Jefferson St, Lower Level
Quincy, FL 32351

Contact Number: (850) 875-8659
(850) 875-8654 TDD/TYY

Fax Number: (850) 875-8899

Website: www.gadsgov.net

Email Address: adesilva@gadsgov.net

Hours of Operations: 8am-5pm, M-F

Description of Services:

- *Low Income Home Loans, Home Rehabilitation Programs, Subsidized Home Purchase, Weatherization Programs
- *Facilitate affordable housing by assisting potential home buyers with down payment assistance, closing costs, home buyers education, and credit counseling
- *Emergency and moderate home repair assistance when funding is available; includes repairs to eliminate health and safety hazards and modifications for persons with disabilities
- *Will not rehab mobile homes but may install ramps for persons with disabilities
- *May also help with housing and repairs in the event of a natural disaster

Gadsden County Healthy Start Coalition

Address: 20 E Washington St, Ste E
Quincy, FL 32351

Contact Number: (850) 662-1061
(850) 662-1065; (850) 662-1906

Fax Number: (850) 662-1906

Website: www.gadsgencountyhsc.org



Email Address: contact@gadsdencountyhsc.org

Hours of Operations: 9am-5pm, M-F

Description of Services:

*Programs for Women and Girls

*Community Development and Awareness Efforts

*Educational Workshops & Community Events

*Referrals

Gadsden Senior Services, Inc

Address: 79 LeSalle Leffall Dr
Quincy, FL 32351

Contact Number: (850) 627-9758

Fax Number: (850) 875-4524

Email Address: lmoody@gssinc.org

Hours of Operations: 8am-5pm, M-F

Description of Services:

Utility Service Payment Assistance, Home Delivered Meals, Congregate Meal/Nutrition Site, Friendly Outreach Programs, Care/Case Management, Respite Care, Senior Centers

*Programs for persons ages 60 and older

*Meals on wheels, congregate hot lunch, emergency home energy assistance, legal aid

*Monthly health screening, Alzheimers Disease support, case management, community care for the elderly, Medicaid Waiver assistance, respite care, companionship

*Seniors resource assistance helping seniors, families and caregivers find help

Gadsden Woman to Woman

Address: 231 E Jefferson St
Quincy, FL 32351

Contact Number: (850) 875-4959

(850) 875-5005

Fax Number: (850) 875-4945

Website: www.centerforhealthequity.com

Email Address: srdonaldson@centerforhealthequity.com

Hours of Operations: 8:30am-5:30pm, M-F

Description of Services:

*Outreach, Care/Case Management, Peer Counseling, Childbirth Education

*Outreach maternal child program to assure healthy pregnancies and healthy babies

*Peer support groups for pregnant and parenting women, case management for postpartum women, advocacy,



information/referral, nutritional education, and physical health assessment, and short term counseling

*Education on women's health issues for pregnant women, women of childbearing age and mothers of children age birth to 3 years of age.

*Support group sessions include child care and a snack

Green Meadows Apartments, Ltd

Address: 944 Strong Rd, Unit 37
Quincy, FL 32351

Contact Number: (850) 875-3596

Email Address: greenmeadows944@yahoo.com

Hours of Operations: 9am-2pm, M-R; 8a-1p, F Office hours

Description of Services:

*Low Income/Subsidized Rental Housing

*Government subsidized low income apartments for elderly (62+) and disabled persons; rent adjusted according to income

*Kitchen appliances, handicapped accessibility, central heat and air, monthly pest control, on-site laundry facilities, community room with organized activities

*Some apartments available for non-elderly or disabled, with starting monthly rate of \$479 for one bedroom and \$509 for 2 bedrooms

Gretna Police Department

Address: 120 Beech St
Gretna, FL 32332

Contact Number: (850) 856-5257
(850) 856-9461; 911

Fax Number: (850) 856-9470

Website: www.mygretna.com

Email Address: cdelacruz@mygretna.com

Hours of Operations: 24/7

Description of Services:

*Municipal Police

*General law enforcement and crime prevention services in City of Gretna in Gadsden County

Havana Kiwanis Club, Christmas Food Distribution

Address: 7th Ave
Havana, FL 32333

Contact Number: (850) 539-4300

Email Address: scott@faithfuneralhomes.com

Hours of Operations: Kiwanis Club meets at the Havana Community Center at Noon on Tuesdays



Description of Services:

*Volunteer Opportunities

*Society of business and professional people formed to maintain commercial ethics and as a social and charitable organization

*Provides bags of Christmas food for families in need in the Havana Community

*Call for short screening process

*Giveaway date and time will be announced to those who qualify

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Havana, FL 32333

Contact Number: (850) 539-4300

Email Address: scott@faithfuneralhomes.com

Hours of Operations: Kiwanis Club meets at the Havana Community Center at Noon on Tuesdays

Description of Services:

*Holiday Programs

*Society of business and professional people formed to maintain commercial ethics and as a social and charitable organization

*Provides bags of Christmas food for families in need in the Havana Community

*Call for short screening process

*Giveaway date and time will be announced to those who qualify

Havana Police Department

Address: 121 E 7th Ave
Havana, FL 32333

Contact Number: (850) 539-2800
(850) 539-2801; 911

Fax Number: (850) 539-2810

Website: www.townofhavana.com

Email Address: tsmith4848@bellsouth.net

Hours of Operations: 24/7

Description of Services:

*Municipal Police

*Provides general law enforcement and crime prevention services in city of Havana



Healthy Families, Gadsden, Leon, Brehon Institute

Address: 20-4 RAM Blvd, Ste 4
Midway, FL 32343

Contact Number: (850) 320-6144

Fax Number: (850) 727-5615

Website: www.brehonfamilyservices.org

Email Address: pbanks@brehonfamilyservices.org

Hours of Operations: 8am-5pm, M-F

Description of Services:

*Parent Counseling

*Free home-visiting program for women and infants accepted either prenatally or by newborn's third month; once accepted services may be available for up to 5 years depending on need

*Trained visitors inform parents about child growth and development, what to expect as baby grows, how to promote healthy growth and development, bonding with baby and setting goals for the family

*Linkage to other community services as needed

*Some counties specify that only families in targeted zip codes are eligible; call for more information

Healthy Families, Gadsden, Leon, Brehon Institute

Address: 20-4 RAM Blvd, Ste 4
Midway, FL 32343

Contact Number: (850) 320-6144

Fax Number: (850) 727-5615

Website: www.brehonfamilyservices.org

Email Address: pbanks@brehonfamilyservices.org

Hours of Operations: 8am-5pm, M-F

Description of Services:

*Parenting Skills Classes

*Free home-visiting program for women and infants accepted either prenatally or by newborn's third month; once accepted services may be available for up to 5 years depending on need

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*Linkage to other community services as needed

*Some counties specify that only families in targeted zip codes are eligible; call for more information



Healthy Families, Gadsden, Leon, Brehon Institute

Address: 20-4 RAM Blvd, Ste 4
Midway, FL 32343

Contact Number: (850) 320-6144

Fax Number: (850) 727-5615

Website: www.brehonfamilyservices.org

Email Address: pbanks@brehonfamilyservices.org

Hours of Operations: 8am-5pm, M-F

Description of Services:

*Expectant/New Parent Assistance

*Free home-visiting program for women and infants accepted either prenatally or by newborn's third month; once accepted services may be available for up to 5 years depending on need

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Healthy Start Program

Address: 278 LaSalle Leffall Dr
Quincy, FL 32351

Contact Number: (850) 875-7200

Website: www.gadsdencountyhsc.org/moms

Hours of Operations: 8am-5pm, M-F

Description of Services:

*Pregnancy Counseling

*Statewide program to help women have healthier babies, reduce infant mortality, and improve overall health and development of women and infants

*Local coalitions identify needs, help design care programs, coordinate and monitor outreach and outcomes

*Information and referrals for pregnant women and infants up to age 3

*Specific services offered by Healthy Start may vary by county

*Smoking Cessation and Reduction In Pregnancy Treatment (SCRIPT); program to assist pregnant women in quitting smoking

Investing In Our Youth, Inc

Address: P.O. Box 105
Quincy, FL 32353

Contact Number: (850) 570-2003

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Fax Number: (850) 875-9274

Website: www.investinginouryouth.org

Email Address: almavenisee@aol.com

Hours of Operations: 9am-6pm, M-F

Description of Services:

*Substance Abuse Education/Prevention

*After school programs for girls ages 4-17: social and life skills, sexual abstinence until marriage, mentoring and motivation for African American girls, HIV/AIDS awareness and prevention, substance abuse prevention

*Positive contacts with law enforcement as delinquency prevention

*Summer Camp held M-Th in June and July, educational and recreational activities

Landau, Jeff, PhD, Psychologist

Address: 8 South Main St
Chattahoochee, FL 32324

Contact Number: (850) 663-5043

(850) 875-5867

Fax Number: (850) 663-5043

Email Address: jefflandauphd@fairpoint.net

Hours of Operations: 8am-6pm, Tu,W,Th



Description of Services:

*Substance Abuse Counseling

*Licensed psychologist with over 20 years of counseling experience

*Counseling specialties: marriage and family, individual, couples, stress management, play therapy, hypnotherapy and substance abuse

*Quincy office: 178 Lasalle Leffall Dr, 32351

Learning Alternative Behaviors, LLC, Youth and Family Services

Address: 11 South Calhoun St
Quincy, FL 32351

Contact Number: (850) 394-9026
(850) 627-6220

Fax Number: (850) 627-6229

Website: www.learningalternativebehaviors.com

Email Address: lab@learningalternativebehaviors.com

Hours of Operations: 9am-6pm, M-F

Description of Services:

* Provides Individual, Group, and Family counseling, children ages 6 and up

* Anger management group for youth ages 12-18

*Behavioral and Mental Health Assessments

*Specialization includes child/ adolescent therapy, ADHD, depression, parenting, relationship issues, suicidal ideation, anxiety, coping skills, oppositional defiance, peer relationships, self-esteem, and teen violence

LS, Legal Services of North Florida, Quincy

Address: 121 N Jackson St
Quincy, FL 32351

Contact Number: (850) 875-9881

Fax Number: (850) 875-2008

Website: www.lsnf.org

Email Address: paul@lsnf.org

Hours of Operations: 8:30am-5:15pm, M-Th

Description of Services:

*General Legal Aid, Child Support Assistance/Enforcement, Landlord Tenant Assistance, Mortgage Delinquency and Default Counseling,

*Provides legal services: consumer difficulties, public assistance benefits (SSI, SSID, food stamps and TANF), housing problems (especially evictions and foreclosures), family law in cases of abuse



*Disaster relief services may be provided to persons who have suffered legal problems including those impacted by the Oil Spill

*Will help with filing overdue tax returns throughout the year; additional website address for tax help is www.taxserve.org

*No criminal or traffic violation cases accepted

*Serves low-income persons in Gadsden, Calhoun, Liberty and Jackson counties

Men of Action

Address: PO Box 1526
Quincy, FL 32353

Contact Number: (850) 251-0765
(850) 556-9331

Hours of Operations: No regular office hours

Description of Services:

*Mentoring Programs, Student Financial Aid, Holiday Programs, Youth Enrichment Programs

*Mentoring services to boys between the ages of 4 and 17

*Scholarships and summer basketball programs may be offered

*Assists with community projects

Men of Action, Holiday Toy Drive

Address: PO Box 1526
Quincy, FL 32353

Contact Number: (850) 251-0765

Hours of Operations: Call Presidents cell phone during daytime or early evening hours

Description of Services:

*Student Financial Aid, Volunteer Opportunities, Youth Enrichment Programs, Holiday Programs,

*Men of Action, along with other community agencies collect and distribute toys for Gadsden County resident children, ages 5-14

*Interested parent or guardian should call main number to make a request

*No documentation or in person interview is required

*Distribution day, time and place will be announced to parents who make a request. Agency prefers that toys are picked up from a central location, but Men of Action may deliver toys if transportation is unavailable

Midway Police Department

Address: 50 MLK Blvd
Midway, FL 32343



Contact Number: (850) 574-3057

9-1-1

Website: www.mymidwayfl.com/police

Hours of Operations: 24/7

Description of Services:

*Municipal Police

*General law enforcement services in Midway, Gadsden County

MomCare, Gadsden County HSC

Address: 278 Dr LeSalle Leffall Dr
Quincy, FL 32351

Contact Number: (850) 875-7200

Website: www.gadsdencountyhsc.org

Hours of Operations: 8am-5pm, M-F

Description of Services:

*Expectant/New Parent Assistance, Health Care Referrals, Medicaid

*Maternity Advisors work with pregnant women accepted for Medicaid health insurance

*Help women get medical care and services needed, including: explaining MomCare and the Healthy Start programs

*Help choosing a doctor or midwife for prenatal care; discussing services eligible for and where to obtain services; how to enroll in the

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WIC (Women, Infant, and Children) nutrition program; calling to see how client is doing; how and where to get other prenatal services, including education, classes, counseling, or help from other agencies; and help for special needs; Smoking Cessation and Reduction In Pregnancy Treatment (SCRIPT) program to assist pregnant women in quitting smoking

*Help finding a pediatrician (a doctor for the baby); help finding health insurance for the baby; answering questions client has

*A Maternity Advisor should contact expectant mother within 10 days of receipt of letter of acceptance

Mother Care Network, Inc

Address: 1832 Florida Ave
Quincy, FL 32351-2838

Contact Number: (850) 570-1296

Description of Services:

*Mother Care Network Inc. is a small organization in the home health care services industry located in Quincy, FL. It opened its doors in 2010 and now has \$71,832 in yearly revenue.

North Florida Medical Centers, Jessie Furlow Med Ctr

Address: 1249 Strong Rd
Quincy, FL 32353



Contact Number: (850) 875-9500
Fax Number: (850) 298-6050; (850) 627-2767
Website: www.nfmc.org
Email Address: ppendarvis@nfmc.org
Hours of Operations: 7:30am-Noon, 1pm-5pm, M-F

Description of Services:

- *Gynecology Services, General Counseling Services, Community
- *General family medical care: pediatrics, immunizations, adult care, gynecology, family planning
- *Mental health counseling: grief, stress management, depression, anxiety, substance abuse
- *HIV, STD, and pregnancy testing available only if the person sees a doctor and becomes an established patient
- *Medicare, Medicaid, most insurance accepted; sliding scale discount fees offered based on household income and family size; discount prescription program
- *Free diabetes clinics and classes
- *Affordable Care Act navigator helps with health insurance questions

PAEC, Home Instruction for Parents of Preschool Youngsters/Gadsden

Address: 315 N Key St
Quincy, FL 32351
Contact Number: (850) 345-7296
(850) 875-3806
Hours of Operations: 8:30am-5pm

Description of Services:

- *Tutoring Services, Parent Counseling, Parent Skills Classes, Preschool,
- *An evidence-based education initiative for 3-5 year old children
- *HIPPY provides books, learning activities, and training for parents
- *Home visitors meet with parents in their homes 1 hour a week, for 30 weeks, per program year
- *Parents then spend time with their children using HIPPY books and activity packets
- *Parents attend regularly scheduled group meetings
- *Must be eligible for Medicaid or TANF



PAEC, Migrant Education Program

Address: 315 N Key St
Quincy, FL 32351

Contact Number: (850) 875-3806
(850) 638-6131 other

Fax Number: (850) 627-9489

Website: www.paec.org

Hours of Operations: (Quincy Office) 8am-5:30pm, M-F; (English Classes Only) 6:30pm-9pm, M-Th

Description of Services:

*Computer and Related Technology Classes, Medicaid, Food Stamps/SNAP, English as a Second Language, GED/High School Equivalency Test Instruction, TANF, Migrant Education Programs, Summer School Programs, Health Care Referrals

*Identifies migrant families, specifically with school-age children and assists in registering them for school, providing English classes and health screenings before they enter school

*Assists with meeting basic needs in food, clothing, and social services through referrals to appropriate health and social services

*Nutrition education, early intervention, tutorial and summer programs for school children, and Interpretation and translation services

*GED classes Spanish, computer classes, and child care

*ACCESS Florida Center and Kids Care collaborative partner

Pregnancy Center of Gadsden County

Address: 106 NE 1st st
Havana, FL 32333

Contact Number: (850) 539-1221
(850) 322-4446 other

Hours of Operations: 9am-2pm, M and W; call for appointment at other times

Description of Services:

*Baby Clothing, Maternity Clothing, Pregnancy Counseling, Adoption Information

*Offers free pregnancy testing and assists women in carrying pregnancy to full term

*Faith-based program to assist women and men involved in planned and unplanned pregnancies

*Pregnancy counseling, adoption information, abortion information and recovery, peer mentors

*Maternity and baby clothes available, accept donations of clothing, baby furniture, baby necessities

*Volunteer drivers wanted to transport women for appointments

Quincy Police Department

Address: 399 E Jefferson St
Quincy, FL 32351



Contact Number: (850) 627-7111
9-1-1 other

Fax Number: (850) 875-7335

Website: www.myquincy.net

Email Address: gsapp@myquincy.net

Hours of Operations: 24/7

Description of Services:

- *Municipal Police, Animal Control, Community Crime Prevention Programs, Crime Victim Support
- *General law enforcement and crime prevention services in the city of Quincy
- *Neighborhood Crime Watch program
- *Explorers Program for youth 14-21

Riverside Apartments LLP

Address: 110 W 16th Ave
Havana, FL 32333

Contact Number: (850) 539-5620

Hours of Operations: 8am-Noon, 1pm-5pm, M-F

Description of Services:

- *Low Income/Subsidized Rental Housing

- *Privately owned apartment complex of 50 two and three bedroom units
- *Rent based on income, Section 8 subsidies accepted; utility deposit of \$425 required by city
- *Some modified for handicapped living
- *Heat and air included

Rotary Youth Camp, Inc

Address: Confidential Location
Quincy, FL 32351

Contact Number: (850) 328-0302

Fax Number: (850) 656-7903

Website: www.nfryc.org

Email Address: campryc@gmail.com

Hours of Operations: 2015 Camp Sessions: July 21-27 for ages 12-17; July 30- August 5 for ages 7-12; and July 14-18th for 18+

Description of Services:

- *Camps
- *Free summer camp for physically disabled children between 7-16 located at Camp Wallwood
- *Space for 45 campers; staffed 24/7 by 35 counselors and qualified health professionals able to dispense medication, oversee special



dietary restrictions, and provide immediate response in medical situations

*Swimming, nature programs, fishing, cooking, archery, tent camping, arts and crafts, photography, astronomy, et al

*Sponsored by Rotary Clubs from Leon, Gadsden, Jefferson, Madison, Taylor, and Wakulla counties

Second Judicial Circuit, Gadsden/Liberty Public Defender's Office

Address: 24 N Adams St, Ste 1
Quincy, FL 32351

Contact Number: (850) 627-9241
(850) 606-1000 admin

Fax Number: (850) 875-3718

Website: www.co.leon.fl.us//pd/index.asp

Hours of Operations: 8:30am-4:30pm, M-F; closed Noon-1pm

Description of Services:

*General Legal Aid, Public Defender

*Legal representation in felony and misdemeanor cases, juveniles charged with delinquency and adjudications, mental health commitment cases, and criminal appeals

*Clients must be determined to be indigent in court before Public Defender can begin representation

St Francis Wildlife Association, Inc

Address: 5580 Salem Rd
Quincy, FL 32352

Contact Number: (850) 627-4151
(850) 933-2735 other

Website: www.stfranciswildlife.org

Email Address: tstevenson@stfranciswildlife.org

Hours of Operations: 8:30am-5pm, seven days a week; 24/7 voice mail

Description of Services:

*Animal Rescue, Wildlife Shelters, Sick Animal Care, Wildlife Conservation, Volunteer Opportunities, Pet Food

*Humane services for sick, injured, and orphaned wildlife with the goal of returning each into its natural habitat

*Each animal examined, diagnosed, and treated through an individually tailored program including hospital and veterinary care

*Wild Animals or Wild birds can be taken to Northwood Animal Hospital anytime 24 hours a day, located at 1881 N Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd, or bring to St. Francis Wildlife Center, 4 miles NW of Havana, FL

*If rescuing/ dropping off animal, please put it in a box with air holes, and an old t-shirt

*Please call for assistance before dropping off wild animals; web-site provides information on handling sick or injured animals.



*Training programs available for persons wanting to volunteer

* Educational programs offered upon request

Talquin Electric

Address: 1640 W Jefferson St
Quincy, FL 32351

Contact Number: (850) 627-7651
(850) 627-9666 other (888) 802-1832 other
(850) 878-4414 other (850) 679-8679 other
(850) 926-7422 other (850) 562-0125 other
(850) 893-6853 other

Fax Number: (850) 627-2553

Website: www.talquinelectric.com

Email Address: Billing@TalquinElectric.com

Hours of Operations: 8:30am-5pm, M-F

Description of Services:

*Utility Service Payment Assistance

*Will work with customers with past due utility bills and needing payment plan, on a case-by-case basis

*Customers wishing to request payment plan should contact local billing office or headquarters in Quincy

*DOES NOT provide any direct assistance with utility bills

*TAP program allows customers to donate and help others by choosing to have their account(s) rounded up to the nearest dollar on their monthly utility bill; funds contributed used to assist Talquin Members who cannot pay their utility bill due to job loss, illness, or other crisis circumstances

*Office numbers: Wakulla/Crawfordville (850) 926-7422; Hosford (850) 379-8679; Quincy (850) 627-7651; Lake Jackson (850) 562-0125; Bradfordville (850) 893-6853

*Visit website to pay on-line (no fee charged) or enroll in power outage text messaging notifications:
<http://www.talquinelectric.com/>

TCC, Quincy House

Address: 223 Pat Thomas Parkway
Quincy, FL 32351

Contact Number: (850) 558-3620
(850) 201-8353

Fax Number: (850) 201-8612

Website: <https://www.tcc.fl.edu/college/locations/gadsdencenter>

Email Address: workforce@tcc.fl.edu

Hours of Operations: 8am-5:00pm, M-F



Description of Services:

*Adult Basic Education, Computer and Related Technology Classes, Continuing Education, Employment Preparation, Extended Day Care, GED/High School Equivalency Test Instruction, Job Finding, Assistance, Literacy Programs, Tutoring Services, Youth Enrichment Programs

*Provides family and school support through tutoring, after school and summer enrichment programs at designated elementary and middle schools, spring break camp and field trips

*Adult education, GED classes, non-credit courses, community workshops, and career counseling

TMH, Physician Partners, Quincy

Address: 178 LaSalle Leffall Dr
Quincy, FL 32351

Contact Number: (850) 875-3600

Fax Number: (850) 627-7277

Website: www.tmh.org

Email Address: karen.quigley@tmh.org

Hours of Operations: 8am-5pm, M-F

Description of Services:

*Birth Control, Community Clinics, Confidential HIV Testing, Diabetes Management Clinics, General Medical Care,

Immunizations, Pediatrics, Pregnancy Testing, Sexually Transmitted Disease Screening

*Family and pediatric care, immunizations, pregnancy tests, family planning

*Confidential HIV and STD testing,

*Persons wanting to become a patient must first fill out an application

*New patients seen in about 30 days, ill patients in 1-2 days

TMH, Rehabilitation Centers, Outpatient

Address: 16 W Washington St
Quincy, FL 32351

Contact Number: (850) 875-2035; (850) 431-7122

(850) 674-4300; (850) 926-3490

(850) 997-2511

Fax Number: (850) 875-1200

Website: www.tmh.org

Email Address: julie.allison@tmh.org

Hours of Operations: 8am-5:30pm, M-Th, 8am-Noon, F

Description of Services:

*Developmental Assessment, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, Speech Therapy



*Outpatient facilities providing physical, occupational and speech therapy

*Other diagnostic groups: orthopedic, neurological, athletic training services, workmen's compensation, and developmental delays

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2729 W. Pensacola Street (Main Building), Tallahassee, FL 32304
325 John Knox Road Building B (2nd location), Tallahassee, FL 32303

Phone: (850) 576-5566 **Fax:** (850) 577-0586

Website: www.bigbendhc.org

**For 24-Hour Counseling, Suicide Prevention, Community
Information & Referrals, call the 2-1-1 Big Bend Helpline
which serves all eight counties in the Big Bend area:**

Big Bend Area call 2-1-1

or

850-617-NEED

(850-921-4020 TTY)



Emergency Housing

The Kearney Center: Free lodging & meals for men and women. 2650 Municipal Way
Phone: 792-9000

Capital City Youth Services Emergency & Transitional Shelter: 24 hour short term residential program for runaway & homeless youth ages 10-17; transitional housing for youth in crisis. 2407 Roberts Ave **Phone: 576-6000**

HOPE Community (Big Bend Homeless Coalition): Emergency shelter for 2729 W. Pensacola St. **Phone: 576-5566**

Transitional Housing

Brehon House: Housing and support for homeless, pregnant women ages eighteen or older. Can have one child (three years or younger). Call for information. 1315 Linda Ann Drive
Phone: 656-7110

Westgate Community - Good Samaritan House (Good Samaritan Network): Transitional home for homeless men looking to get back on their feet. Must participate in the program and pay program fees, in addition to giving back to the Community. Apply for services at the CESC 2650 Municipal Way **Phone: 792-9000**

Chelsea House (Good Samaritan Network): Faith-based transitional facility for single women. Call for referral and intake. **Phone: 933-1449 or 329-7512**

ECHO, Inc. Family Services: Transitional housing with supportive services for families with children. **Must be referred by an existing case manager. Call for information.** 1707 S. Gadsden St. **Phone: 224-3246**

HOPE Community (Big Bend Homeless Coalition): Six month transitional housing program for homeless families & single women (no longer taking men). Screenings open at the Homeless Coalition on Tues 9-11:30 at CESC Wed 1-3p Call for more information. 2729 W. Pensacola St. **Phone: 576-5566**

Inn Between Program (Lutheran Social Services): Transitional housing for families with children; can stay up to 24 months. Scattered sites throughout Tallahassee. **Must be referred by a case manager. Phone: 575-4309**

Refuge House: Emergency shelter, transitional housing, rape crisis and overall support for survivors of domestic and sexual violence survivors. 24-hour hotline: **1-800-500-1119 or 681-2111**

Capital City Youth Services Emergency & Transitional Shelter: 24 hour short term residential program for runaway & homeless youth ages 10-17; transitional housing for youth in crisis. 2407 Roberts Ave **Phone: 576-6000**

Veterans Village: A 6 month Transitional Housing Program for homeless veterans (no longer 24 months). Must qualify for VA medical services. 1280 Kissimmee St. Tallahassee, FL 32310 **Phone: 575-3140**

City Walk Urban Mission Transition Home: For men who desire to make the transition from incarceration back into the community. Serves a variety of men, including individuals required to register for sex offenses. **Phone: 528-3909**

Making Miracles Group Home: Transitional Home for homeless, pregnant young women and teens. Call for more details. **Phone: 523-7886 and 727-3304**

Permanent Housing

Home Plate/A Place Called Home (Big Bend Homeless Coalition/Ability 1st): Scattered apartments available for chronically homeless individuals who have a disability. Must be actively working with a case manager. The referral must be completed by a case manager. **Phone: 576-5566 or 575-9621**

Home Place at Balkin (Big Bend Homeless Coalition): Permanent housing for persons with disabilities. Efficiency apartments for \$425/month (approximately 1 mile from a bus line). 1800 Balkin Rd. Tall, FL 32305 **Phone: 575-2868**

Maryland Oaks (Good News Outreach): Housing for single women with children. Rent ranges from \$525 for 2 bedroom and \$625 for 3 bedroom. Will accept Section 8 vouchers. Come into the office to apply. 3103 Bicycle Rd. **Phone: 504-0500**

Mission Oaks (Good News Outreach): Furnished three bedroom Apartments for single men. Includes a private locking room with full use of all common areas. Room rent ranges from \$325-\$450 (including all utilities, with cable). \$100 deposit required. Please call or email for availability. No background checks required. 2929 Mission Rd. **Phone: 727-4987 or mission-oaks@comcast.net**

Tallahassee Housing Authority—Public Housing & Section 8: Federally funded housing program with monthly rent based on total income. Some apartment complexes with rental subsidy built-in, in addition to housing vouchers when available (must get on the waiting list for both). Please call or visit the website to check on the waiting list. 2940 Grady Rd. **Phone: 385-6126**
Website: www.tallha.org

Permanent Housing for Qualified Veterans

Advocates for Veteran Housing (SSVF Program, Big Bend Homeless Coalition): Federally Funded Case Management, Homelessness Prevention & Rapid Rehousing Program for Qualified, low income Veterans. Phone: **597-5595 (Outreach Cell) or 201-9474**

Family Endeavors (Supportive Services for Veteran Families Program or SSVF): Federally funded Prevention & Rapid Rehousing Program for qualified, very low-income veterans 3333 W. Pensacola St., Ste. 210 Phone: **518-1208** Website: www.familyendeavors.org

Home Front (Big Bend Homeless Coalition): Apartment complex housing up to 50 formerly homeless Veterans. Supportive services available through the Veterans Administration and other community groups. Must apply through the VA. 1602 Stuckey Ave. Phone: **574-8000**

Healthcare for Homeless Veterans: Outreach toward housing placement, includes jail outreach. Contact Denna Greene-Corbett: Phone: **521-5767**.

Food and Clothing

The Tallahassee-Leon Shelter: Lunch provided by Good News and Bethel Baptist Church on Monday-Saturday from 11:30am-12:30pm. Dinner is served at 7:30pm. You do not have to stay there to eat. 2650 Municipal Way Phone: **792-9000**

Grace Mission: Dinner before services on Tuesday and Friday evenings, Saturday and Sunday mornings. 305 W. Brevard Phone: **224-3817**

DCF ACCESS Florida Program (SNAP/Food Stamps, etc.): Also includes TANF and Medicaid eligibility. Monday - Friday 8am-5pm Apply online at <https://www.myflorida.com/accessflorida/>, 2810 Sharer Rd, Unit 24. Phone: **921-8476 or 1-866-762-2237**

Salvation Army - food pantry and clothing vouchers: Provides food, clothing, personal hygiene and household items. Other assistance available depending on funds. Open Monday-Thursday 8:00-11:30am and 1pm-4pm. Must have picture ID and social security card. 2410 Allen Rd. (new location) Phone: **222-0304**

ECHO Outreach Ministries Emergency Resources Program: Food pantry, clothing vouchers, household items, and furniture. Monday -Thursday 9:00am-11:30am and 1pm-4:30pm Fri 9am-12pm 1701 S. Gadsden St. Phone: **224-3246**

Catholic Charities: Food: Monday -Thursday from 3:00pm-4:30pm. Must have picture ID and may receive help once every four months. Clothing: Monday-Thursday 9:00am-12:00pm and 1:00pm-4:30pm. 1380 Blountstown Hwy. Phone: **222-2180**

City Walk Urban Mission Thrift Store: Provides clothes and house wares in exchange for vouchers from local agencies. 1351 Thomasville Rd. Phone: **528-3909**

Good News Outreach: Food once a month. Thurs 8am-1pm. 347 Office Plaza Dr. Phone: **412-0016**

Maranatha SDA Church: Food and clothing on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday every month from 6:00pm-7:00pm. 3121 Jim Lee Rd. Phone: **878-7780**

Jacob Chapel Baptist Church: Food pantry available Monday's and Wednesdays from 4:00pm-7:00pm. 2333 Lake Bradford Rd. Phone: **574-3150**

Redeemer's Storehouse-Lake Jackson United Methodist Church: Food Pantry, quarterly hygiene/personal items. 8:30 am—10:30 am 3rd Saturday of the Month 4423 N. Monroe (N. US 27 - up the hill from the Petro Station) Phone: **562-1759**

Calvary United Methodist Church: Free clothing every Monday and the second Saturday of every month 8:30am-12:00pm. 2145 W. Pensacola St. Phone **576-3124**

Drop-In Centers/Outreach

Kearney Center for Comprehensive Emergency Services: Open Monday-Friday from 8:30am-11:30am and 1:00pm-4:30pm. Case management and services available from community providers. Laundry services, storage, phone and computer access, HIV testing, education classes, and medical services are also available. 2650 Municipal Way Phone: **792-9000**

Bill Hanson Community Day Center (next to The Shelter) Open 9am-11:30am and 1pm-4:30pm. Case management services available from community providers. 466 W. Tennessee St. Phone: **224-8448**

Going Places Street Outreach Drop-In Center (CCYS facility): Assistance with employment, food, and independent living skills. Shower and laundry facility available. (Must be under 21) Railroad Square Phone: **274-8689 or 294-6044**

Good Samaritan Chapel and Resource Center: Music, a message of hope, dinner, clothing, groceries, counseling, and accepting requests for various types of assistance. Various Times and Locations Phone: **556-5202** or info@goodsamaritanchapel.org

Mental Health Services (Also see Medical Services)

Apalachee Center, Inc.: 24 hour crisis stabilization, mental health evaluations, medication management, and case management services available. 2634 Capital Circle NE **Phone: 523-3333**

The Homeless Project (Apalachee Center): Case management services for individuals who are homeless and living with a mental illness. Mon-Fri 8am-5pm. 2634 Capital Circle NE Bldg. C **Phone: 523-3301**

Ability1st: Supportive services and assistance with obtaining benefits, peer counseling, housing, and more. Services are for any person living with a disability. Outreach provided throughout the community. Office hours: Monday-Friday at 8am-5pm. 1823 Buford Ct. **Phone: 575-9621**

Bond Community Health Center: In addition to mental health services, offers primary health care, HIV/AIDS prevention & education, participation at health fairs and other community events, nutritional counseling, dental screening and referrals. 1720 South Gadsden St. **Phone: 576-4073**

Neighborhood Medical Center (in Lincoln Neighborhood Center): Sliding fee scale medical clinic providing primary health care for adults. **Call for appointment.** Medicaid/Medipass accepted. See physician for dental referral. Walk-ins: Mon-Fri 8am-11am. 438 W. Brevard Street **Phone: 224-2469**

Veterans Administration: Medical, mental health and substance abuse treatment for qualified U.S. Veterans. Mon-Fri 8am-4:30pm. Mental Health Program Contact Information: 1615 Mahan Center Blvd. **Phone: 521-5767**

Townsend ARC (Addiction Recovery Center): Substance abuse and mental health services evaluation, individual counseling, intensive outpatient programs (IOP), DUI counseling, Probation services. 2898 Mahan Dr., Ste. 6 **Phone: 656-5112**

Substance Abuse Services

Apalachee Center, Inc. 24 hour detox and crisis intervention services. 2634 Capital Circle NE **Phone: 523-3333**

DISC Village: Outpatient treatment services for men, women and teenagers; Inpatient treatment for women and teenagers only. Call for information on substance abuse prevention. 603 N. MLK Blvd **Phone: 561-0717**

DISC Village Adult Residential: Residential treatment program for women seeking to maintain sobriety. Monday-Friday 8am-5pm **Phone: 922-2360 or 561-0717**

Townsend ARC (Addiction Recovery Center): Substance abuse and mental health services evaluation, individual counseling, intensive outpatient programs (IOP), DUI counseling, Probation services. 2898 Mahan Dr., Ste. 6 **Phone: 656-5112**

Woodlands C.A.M.P. (Compulsive Addiction Mending Program): A Christ-centered regeneration program for adult males, eighteen years old or older, with the purpose of providing opportunities for men to learn to take responsibility for their own recovery and adopt a whole lifestyle change. Located off of Highway 20 at the Leon and Liberty County line, right across from Lake Talquin. **Phone: 850-574-2267** www.woodlands-camp-tally.org

Teen Challenge, Tallahassee Men's Center: Christian based men's year long residential recovery program for substance abuse & other life controlling problems. Sliding scale fee; scholarships may be available. 4141 Apalachee Pkwy **Phone: 385-8336**

Starting Point- Lloyd (Jefferson Co.): Residential treatment for men in recovery; must be detoxed first or come out of a controlled environment. Call for screening **Phone: 580-4877**

AA Meetings: Call for times & locations. **Phone: 224-1818**

NA Helpline: Must leave a message and a volunteer will be paged to call you right back. **Phone: 599-2876**

Promise Land Ministries - Crawfordville (Wakulla Co.): Residential treatment program for men. Call for screening. 20 Church Rd. **Phone: 926-3281**

Christ Town Ministries - Quincy (Gadsden Co.): Residential treatment program for men. Call for screening. 2121 W. Jefferson St. **Phone: 566-6077 or 509-9061**

Job Training and Placement

CareerSource Capital Region: Career advising and planning, job leads and placement, employment workshops, on-site recruitment, interviewing and hiring, employer/employee matching, local, state and national labor market information, assistance with customized training, employee layoff assistance. Monday-Friday 8am-5pm 2525 S. Monroe St., Suite 3A **Phone: 617-4500**

Goodwill Prosperity Center: Assist low-income adults in improving their income earning potential and moving toward family sustaining wages. Visitors will receive an evaluation of emergency needs, intensive budget analysis, and development of specific income goals, financial literacy training and ongoing financial guidance on site. Call for an appointment. 300 Mabry Street **Phone: 576-5235**

Vocational Rehabilitation: Provides services to those with physical or mental disabilities, for evaluation, training, and job placement. 1320 Executive Center Dr., Atkins Bldg, Suite 200 **Phone: 245-3430**

Medical Care

Bond Community Health Center: Sliding fee scale medical clinic. Call for appointment. Walk-in hours: *Mon-Fri* 8am-11am, 2pm-4pm, *Wed* and *Thurs* 5pm-7pm, *Sat* 9am-1pm. 1720 South Gadsden **Phone: 576-4073**

Neighborhood Medical Center (in Lincoln Neighborhood Center): Sliding fee scale medical clinic providing primary health care for adults. **Call for appointment.** Medicaid/Medipass accepted. See physician for dental referral. Walk-ins: *Mon-Fri* 8am-11am. 438 W. Brevard Street **Phone: 224-2469**

Veterans Administration: Medical, mental health and substance abuse treatment for qualified U.S. Veterans. Includes Health Care for Homeless Vets Case Manager. Monday-Friday 8am-4:30pm. Medical: 1607 St. James Court **Phone: 878-0191** Mental Health: 1615 Mahan Center Blvd **Phone: 521-5700**

Leon County Health Department: Screening and treatment for TB, STD, and HIV; school physicals and immunizations. Children's dental services (5-18), WIC, Medicaid and social services for pregnant women. Call for appointment *Mon-Fri* 8am-5pm. Clinic hours are *Mon-Thurs* 8am-3pm (doctor), 8am-4pm (nurses), and *Fri* 8am-11am.; 872 W Orange Avenue. **Phone: 606-8150; 2965 Municipal Way Phone: 606-8150; 1515 Old Bainbridge Rd. Phone: 606-8000**

Big Bend Cares: Assistance with medical, dental, housing and other needs for people with HIV or AIDS. Free HIV Testing. **Call for an appointment** 2201 S. Monroe St. **Phone: 656-2437 or 1-800-815-8954**

Legal Services

Legal Services of North Florida: Provides free legal representation to low income individuals people with civil legal problems. Includes issues related to landlord/tenant law, disability claims, back-tax assistance and more. Please call for appointment. 2119 Delta Blvd. **Phone 385-0029**

Law Office of Matt Liebenhaut, PLLC: Helps obtain Social Security and VA benefits for people of all ages and conditions. 1210 E. Park Ave. **Phone: 270-6977**

Social Security Cards and Disability Benefits

Social Security Administration: Monday - Friday 8:30am - 3:00 pm 2002 Old St. Augustine Rd., Building B-12 **Phone: 866-248-2088 or (800) 772-1213**

Ability1st: Supportive services and assistance with obtaining benefits, peer counseling, housing, and more. Services are for any person living with a disability. Outreach provided throughout the community. Office hours: Monday-Friday at 8am-5pm. 1823 Buford Ct. **Phone: 575-9621**

Disability Advocates of North Florida: Supplemental Security, Social Security Disability and Claims Representation. 1114D Thomasville Rd. **Phone: (850) 893-7970**

Education Services

Leon County School Board: Under the McKinney-Vento Act, every school district must designate a liaison for children and youth experiencing homelessness. The purpose of identification is to offer appropriate services to the family, child or youth. The liaison provides assistance with school enrollment, transportation, and support for homeless youth in pre - kindergarten through twelfth grade. **Address:** 3955 West Pensacola Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32304 - **Phone: 850-413-0441 - Fax 850-487-4734**

Leon County Adult and Community Education: GED preparation and testing. www.ace-leon.org. 283 Trojan Trail. **Phone: 922-5343**

Kearney Center for Comprehensive Emergency Services: GED preparation course Monday-Friday 1-3pm. Participants must sign up on Fridays at 1pm for the following week's classes. 2650 Municipal Way **Phone: 792-9000**

Catholic Charities: Provides free money management and budgeting classes on Thursdays from 10:00am-12:00pm. **By appointment only.** 1380 Blountstown Hwy. **Phone: 222-2180**

Financial Assistance

Catholic Charities: Provides emergency assistance for financial, food, past due rent and utility needs. No deposits. Call between 9am - 10am Monday (Leon County) or Tuesday (all other counties). 1380 Blountstown Highway **Phone: 222-2180**

Capital Area Community Action: Emergency motel assistance to homeless families and individuals, rental assistance and Family Self Sufficiency Program helping with multiple emergency and support needs (not all financial). **By Appointment only.** Call Monday-Thursday between 3:45pm-4:45pm to schedule an appointment. Appointments are next day beginning at 10:00am. 309 Office Plaza Drive **Phone: 222-2043**

Family Services

Pregnancy Help and Information Center: Offers aid and assistance to women who are pregnant, believe they might be pregnant, or have young children. Can provide counseling, support, food, clothing and other supplies. 1710 S. Gadsden St. **Phone: 222-7177**

Whole Child Leon: Website that links community services and resources to families with children under the age of 6. The parent must enter information into the site and will be given community resources that are appropriate for the family. **Wholechildleon.org Phone: 414-8344**

Capital City Youth Services (CCYS): Provides outreach and non-residential counseling services to individuals, families, and groups for children between ages 10-17 years. Includes new street outreach team, *Going Places*. Call for more information. 2407 Roberts Ave. **Phone: 576-6000**

Early Learning Coalition (ELC): One stop shop for parents of young children. Services include: subsidized childcare, School Readiness, VPK and a variety of developmental services for children. 1940 N. Monroe St., Ste. 70 **Phone: 385-0504 Childcare resource & referral: 866-973-9030**

Kids, Incorporated: Provides supportive services and education for families and young children. Primarily serves children 0-3 years old and pregnant women. 2326 Centerville Rd. **Phone: 414-9800**

Oasis Center for Women & Girls: Focuses on the empowerment of women and provides counseling, single-mother support, and mother-daughter circles. 317 E. Call St. **Phone: 222-2747**

Women Infants & Children (WIC): Federally funded nutrition program for women, infants, and children. WIC provides the following at no cost: healthy foods, nutrition education, counseling, breastfeeding support, and referrals for healthcare. Any local Health Department. **Phone: 606-8300**

Transportation

StarMetro: Monthly bus passes for low-income people looking for work (once only) or with two medical appointments per month. Must have ID and income verification to qualify. Apply at 555 Appleyard Dr. (also available through many local social service agencies). **Phone 891-5200**

Trinity United Methodist Church Travelers Assistance Program (operated by the CESC): Help with one-way Greyhound bus tickets to reunite families or for permanent employment outside of the state of Florida. Please go to the Kearney Center for Comprehensive Emergency Services (CESC) and ask for the Program Coordinator. CESC: 2650 Municipal Way **Phone: 792-9000**

ECHO Emergency Resources Program: Provides bus passes, goods and services to those needing a helping hand to survive and turn their lives around. Must be referred by a case manager. 1071 S. Gadsden St. **Phone: 224-3246**

Identification

Florida Licensing on Wheels (Flow Mobile): Mobile service for first time licenses, renewals, replacements, ID Cards, etc. Visits the Kearney Center for Comprehensive Emergency Services every first Wednesday of the Month. 2650 Municipal Way **Phone: 792-9000**



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Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

Parents of children with special needs often have many questions as they search for assistance. Navigating the system and finding resources to help your child can often seem overwhelming. Below is a list of frequently asked questions (FAQs) and resources that can answer each question. We hope this information will assist you in meeting the needs of your child and facilitate your active participation in your child's education and healthy development.

1. What is typical development for children birth through 5?

- a. Milestone Moments: Provides developmental milestones for children 0-5 years old. This informative presentation was developed in the Miami area. Please see question #2 for local contact information.
 - i. http://flfcic.fmhi.usf.edu/docs/CONECTAR_Milestones_English.pdf
- b. CDC Learn the Signs: Developmental milestones for children 0-5 years old. Free informational materials for parents.
 - i. <http://www.cdc.gov/NCBDDD/actearly/milestones/index.html>
- c. Zero to Three (0-36 months): Developmental milestones for young children 0-36 months.
 - i. <http://www.zerotothree.org/about-us/areas-of-expertise/free-parent-brochures-and-guides/age-based-handouts.html>

2. Where can I find help for my young child (birth through 5) if I am concerned about development?

- a. Children's Home Society/Early Steps provides a comprehensive system of early intervention services for children 0-3 years of age with a developmental delay or established condition. If you have a concern they can screen your child at no cost.
 - i. http://www.floridahealth.gov/alternatesites/cms-kids/families/early_steps/early_steps.html
- b. FDLRS/Miccosukee Center provides assistance with the screening and evaluation of all children 0-22 years of age, who have or are at risk of developing special or unique needs.
 - i. Child Find phone number: (850) 487-2630; <http://www.fdlrsmicco.org>
- c. The Central Directory number will provide information for finding referral sources in your area.
 - i. (800) 654-4440; <http://www.centraldirectory.org/>

3. What is a Multi-Tiered System of Support (MTSS) and the problem solving /intervention team?

- a. A Parent's Introduction to Exceptional Student Education in Florida (Pages 9-10, 67-73): Children in public schools who have special learning needs because of a disability receive ESE Services. This book explains the ESE process and key ideas in the state and federal laws.
 - i. <http://www.fldoe.org/ese/pdf/ESEParent.pdf>
- b. The Florida's Multi-Tiered System of Supports Parent Resources Website provides visitors with National Tools, Florida's Tools, Videos, and "Myths and Truths" for the MTSS process.
 - i. <http://www.florida-rti.org/parentResources/index.htm>
- c. FDLRS/Miccosukee Parent Services Wiki: This website is continually updated to provide visitors with the most current information. This page will provide you with information concerning the MTSS Process.
 - i. <http://fdlrsmiccoparentservices.wikispaces.com/MTSS-MultiTiered+System+of+Support>

4. What is Exceptional Student Education (ESE) and the ESE Process?

- a. A Parent's Introduction to Exceptional Student Education in Florida (Pages 11-13, 15-17): Children in public schools who have special learning needs because of a disability receive ESE Services. This book explains the ESE process and key ideas in the state and federal laws.
 - i. <http://www.fldoe.org/ese/pdf/ESEParent.pdf>
- b. The Bureau of Exceptional Education and Student Services (BEESS) Resource and Information Center (BRIC) provides parents, educators, and other Floridians with access to information about exceptional student education.
 - i. <http://www.fldoe.org/ese/pdf/ESE2011.pdf>
- c. FDLRS/Miccosukee parent services wiki: What is Exceptional Student Education? Acronyms used in ESE and some Disability Fact Sheets can be found here.
 - i. <http://fdlrsmiccoparentservices.wikispaces.com/Getting+Started+with+ESE>

5. What is an Individual Educational Plan (IEP), and how can family members prepare for an IEP Meeting?

- a. A Parent's Introduction to Exceptional Student Education in Florida (Pages 5, 19-25, 56-60, 87, 121-126): Children in public schools who have special learning needs because of a disability receive ESE Services. This book explains the ESE process and key ideas in the state and federal laws.
 - i. <http://www.fl DOE.org/e se/pdf/ESEParent.pdf>
- b. Getting Ready for Your Child's IEP Meeting. A brochure published by BEESS, in collaboration the Florida PTA that briefly defines the IEP and how to prepare for an IEP meeting.
 - i. <http://www.fl DOE.org/e se/pdf/iep-card.pdf>
- c. Developing Quality Individual Educational Plans: A Guide for Instructional Personnel and Families, published by FLDOE BEESS to provide information that will support the development of quality individual educational plans (IEPs) for students with disabilities.
 - i. <http://www.fl DOE.org/e se/pdf/qualityIEPs.pdf>

6. What are accommodations/modifications and 504 plans?

- a. A Parent's Introduction to Exceptional Student Education in Florida (Pages 22, 118, 124,125): Children in public schools who have special learning needs because of a disability receive ESE Services. This book explains the ESE process and key ideas in the state and federal laws.
 - i. <http://www.fl DOE.org/e se/pdf/ESEParent.pdf>
- b. Guide to Selecting Accommodations (2013): This guide is written to help IEP teams use a Universal Design for Learning (UDL) framework to select, implement and evaluate accommodations.
 - i. <http://www.fl DOE.org/e se/pdf/SelectingAccommodations.pdf>
- c. Guide to Selecting Accommodations for Computer Based Assessment and End of Course Exams: This document is written to assist school based personnel and parents when making decisions about the use of accommodations by students with disabilities on state-wide computer based assessments.
 - i. <http://www.fl DOE.org/e se/pdf/CBTAccomm.pdf>
- d. Accommodations-Assisting Students with Disabilities (2010): This document is written to assist school district personnel and parents when making decisions about the use of accommodations by students with disabilities in instructional situations.
 - i. <http://www.fl DOE.org/e se/pdf/accomm-educator.pdf>

7. Where can I learn about technology and assistive technology supports?

- a. A Parent's Introduction to Exceptional Student Education in Florida (Page 119): Children in public schools who have special learning needs because of a disability receive ESE Services. This book explains the ESE process and key ideas in the state and federal laws.
 - i. <http://www.fldoe.org/ease/pdf/ESEParent.pdf>
- b. Technical Assistance Paper: Assistive Technology (AT) for Students with Disabilities: The purpose of this technical assistance paper (TAP) is to provide information regarding AT as defined in the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act of 2004 (IDEA 2004) and to provide guidance to school district staff for considering, determining the need, and providing assistive technology devices and services.
 - i. <http://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-6801/dps-2013-65.pdf>
- c. Technical Assistance Paper: Accessible Instructional Materials: The purpose of this technical assistance paper (TAP) is to assist school districts in providing access in a timely manner to both appropriate and accessible instructional materials for students with disabilities who cannot read standard print effectively and are therefore unable to meet grade level expectations.
 - i. <http://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-5764/dps-2010-70.pdf>

8. Where can I learn about diploma options and student assessments for my child receiving ESE services?

- a. A Parent's Introduction to Exceptional Student Education in Florida (Page 67): Children in public schools who have special learning needs because of a disability receive ESE Services. This book explains the ESE process and key ideas in the state and federal laws.
 - i. <http://www.fldoe.org/ease/pdf/ESEParent.pdf>
- b. Transition Planning for Students with Disabilities-A Guide for Families (Page 20): Diploma Options and information on FCAT, FCAT 2.0, and End of Course Exams.
 - i. <https://www.fldoe.org/ease/pdf/Transition.pdf>
- c. The Florida Alternate Assessment and Your Child's Scores A brochure to assist families in understanding the Florida Alternate Assessment.
 - i. <http://www.fldoe.org/asp/pdf/Parent-Brochure-English-Web.pdf>
- d. For current information please visit the Florida Department of Education Testing website.
 - i. <http://www.fldoe.org/testing/>

9. What is the transition process for children ages 14-21?

- a. A Parent's Introduction to Exceptional Student Education in Florida (Pages 25, 89): Children in public schools who have special learning needs because of a disability receive ESE Services. This book explains the ESE process and key ideas in the state and federal laws.
 - i. <http://www.fldoe.org/ease/pdf/ESEParent.pdf>
- b. Transition Planning for Students with Disabilities: A Guide for Families is a guide to planning for the successful transition of a student with disabilities from school to adult life.
 - i. <https://www.fldoe.org/ease/pdf/Transition.pdf>
- c. Project 10: Transition Education Network. Project 10 provides information and resources on secondary transition services to students with disabilities in order to improve their academic success and post-school outcomes.
 - i. <http://www.project10.info>

10. Where can family members find out their rights and responsibilities in the ESE process?

- a. A Parent's Introduction to Exceptional Student Education in Florida (Pages 33-50): Children in public schools who have special learning needs because of a disability receive ESE Services. This book explains the ESE process and key ideas in the state and federal laws.
 - i. <http://www.fldoe.org/ease/pdf/ESEParent.pdf>
- b. This is a direct link to the Summary of Procedural Safeguards for Students with Disabilities.
 - i. <http://www.florida-ease.org/atcomp/PDF/ProceduralSafeguardsforParentsofSWD07.pdf>
- c. The link below provides a brief 15 minute video on procedural safeguards.
 - i. <http://idea.ed.gov/explore/view/p/%2Croot%2Cdynamic%2CVideoClips%2C7%2C>

11. What records should I keep?

- a. A Parent's Introduction to Exceptional Student Education in Florida (Pages 51-85): Children in public schools who have special learning needs because of a disability receive ESE Services. This book explains the ESE process and key ideas in the state and federal laws.
 - i. <http://www.fldoe.org/ease/pdf/ESEParent.pdf>
- b. This is a two page brochure on the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA): Information for Parents by the Florida Department of Education.
 - i. <http://www.fldoe.org/ease/pdf/ferpa.pdf>

12. What other options are available for my students besides public school?

- a. The Florida Department of Education, Office of Independent Education & Parental Choice Website offers visitors information on K-12 Scholarship Programs, K-12 Private School Information, K-12 Public School Choice, and K-12 Home Education.
 - i. <https://www.floridaschoolchoice.org>
- b. The Florida Department of Education Virtual Education Website offers visitors information on State Virtual Schools, District Virtual Schools, Charter Virtual Schools, and Blended Learning opportunities. The latest news and resources for virtual education are posted on this page.
 - i. <http://www.fldoe.org/schools/virtual-schools/>

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Florida Disabled Outdoors Association
Florida Inclusion Network (FIN)
National Alliance on Mental Illness, (NAMI), Florida
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Prevent Blindness Florida
Project 10: NW Florida, Region 1
Tallahassee, City Equity and Workforce Development Dept.
TCC, Disability Support Services

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FL DOE, Bureau of Braille and Talking Book Library Services
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Community Action Agency, Head Start Child Development Program
Dick Howser Center for Childhood Services
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Florida's Office of Early Learning
Kids Inc, Early Head Start
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North Florida Child Development, Wakulla, Madison, Liberty
Pediatrics Day Health Center
Tallahassee, City Smith-Williams Service Center
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Whole Child, Jefferson, Taylor, and Madison

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Arc of Florida, Inc.
Arthritis Foundation, Florida Chapter
Autism Research Institute
Autism Society
Autism Speaks
Brain Injury Association of Florida
ChairScholars Foundation, Inc
Children and Adults with Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder (CHADD)
Children's Tumor Foundation
Cystic Fibrosis Foundation
Down Syndrome Association of Tallahassee
Dyslexia Research Institute, Woodland Hall
Epilepsy Association of the Big Bend
First Baptist Church, English/ASL Language Instruction
FL DOE, Bureau of Braille and Talking Book Library Services
FL DOE, Division of Blind Services, District 2
FL DOH, Brain & Spinal Cord Injury Program
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National Alliance on Mental Illness, (NAMI), Florida
National Association/Anorexia Nervosa & Associated Disorders
National Down Syndrome Society Helpline
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Children's Home Society, Early Steps
Children's Home Society, NCD Family Connection
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ChairScholars Foundation, Inc.
Communities In Schools of Gadsden County
Communities In Schools of Leon County
Dick Howser Center for Childhood Services
Dyslexia Research Institute, Woodland Hall
Early Learning Coalition of the Big Bend
FAMU, Center for Disability Access and Resources (CeDAR)
FDLRS, Miccosukee Associate Center
First Baptist Church, English/ASL Language Instruction
FL DOE, BEESS Resource & Information Center
FL DOE, Florida Virtual Campus
FL DOE, McKay Scholarships
Florida Children's Forum
Florida Instructional Materials Center for the Visually Impaired
Florida School for the Deaf & Blind
Florida's Office of Early Learning
Florida's Positive Behavior Support Project
FSU, Adult Learning Evaluation Center
FSU, Art Therapy Program
FSU, Career Center
FSU, Center for Integrating Research and Learning
FSU, Center for Reading Research
FSU, Human Sciences Program
FSU, Learning Systems Institute
FSU, Multidisciplinary Evaluation and Consulting Center
FSU, Psychological and Counseling Services Program
FSU, Special Education Program
FSU, Student Disability Resource Center
Gadsden County Schools, Adult and Community Education
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PACE Center for Girls, Leon County
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Taylor County Schools, Exceptional Student Education
TCC, Disability Support Services
TCC, Flagler College
UF, Florida and Virgin Islands Deaf-Blind Collaborative
UF-IFAS, Gadsden County Cooperative Extension Service
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Ability1st, Center for Independent Living of North FL
Able Trust
ADA National Information Infoline
ALS Association Florida Chapter
American Heart Association, Tallahassee Office
Arc of Florida, Inc.
Autism Research Institute
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FL DOR, Child Support Program
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Florida Directory of Early Childhood Services
Florida Network of Youth and Family Services
Florida Poison Information Center, Jacksonville
Gadsden Woman to Woman
International OCD Foundation
Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation
Kids Get Arthritis Too
Leon County Public Library, Disabilities Assistance
March of Dimes, Big Bend Division
Muscular Dystrophy Association
National Alliance for Hispanic Health Helplines
National Alliance on Mental Illness, (NAMI), Florida
National Association/Anorexia Nervosa & Associated Disorders
National Center For Missing and Exploited Children
National Down Syndrome Society Helpline
National Federation of the Blind, Florida
National HIV/AIDS Perinatal Hotline
National Institute Allergy/Infectious Diseases
National Institute on Deafness/Other Communication Disorders
National Lead Information Center Hotline
National Marrow Donor Program
National Parent Helpline
National Runaway Safeline/CINS/FINS
National Suicide Prevention Lifeline
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Sickle Cell Foundation, Inc.
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American Heart Association, Tallahassee Office
American Red Cross, Health and Safety Services
Arthritis Foundation, Florida Chapter
Autism Research Institute
Bethel Family Counseling and Outreach Center
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Birth Defect Research for Children, Inc.
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Bond-Tallahassee Housing Authority Primary Care Center
Brain Injury Association of Florida
Brehon Institute, Project SAFE, Madison/Taylor
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FL DOH, Jefferson, WIC
FL DOH, Leon, Center for Dental Care and Prevention
FL DOH, Leon, General Health Services
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FL DOH, Taylor, General Health Services
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DISC Village, Adolescent Treatment Center
DISC Village, Civil Citation Program
DISC Village, Gadsden County Human Services Center
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DISC Village, Wakulla County Human Services Center
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Kids Inc, Early Head Start
Lee's Place Grief and Loss Counseling Program
Muscular Dystrophy Association
Nar-Anon Family Groups
National Alliance on Mental Illness, (NAMI), Florida
National Association/Anorexia Nervosa & Associated Disorders
National Parent Helpline
National Runaway Safeline/CINS/FINS
North Florida Spinal Cord Injury Support Group
PACT, Gadsden/Leon Counties
Parent to Parent Support Group
Parents of the Panhandle Information Network
Refuge House, Domestic Violence and Rape Crisis Programs
Sickle Cell Foundation, Inc.
TMH, NeuroScience Center, Brain Injury Support Group
Turn About, Parent Support Group
UF-IFAS, Gadsden County Cooperative Extension Service
UF-IFAS, Jefferson County Cooperative Extension Service
UF-IFAS, Taylor County Cooperative Extension Service
Wakulla County Autism Support Group
Wakulla County Coalition for Youth

Pre-K Programs (3-5)

Dick Howser Center for Childhood Services
Early Learning Coalition of the Big Bend
Florida's Office of Early Learning
Gadsden County Schools, Adult and Community Education
Gadsden County Schools, Exceptional Student Education
Jefferson County Schools, Exceptional Student Education
Leon County Schools, Early Childhood Programs
Leon County Schools, Exceptional Student Education
Leon County Schools, Gretchen Everhart School
North Florida Child Development, Wakulla, Madison, Liberty
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UCF, Technical Assistance and Training System
Wakulla County Schools, Exceptional Student Education

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Bethel AME Church, Sons of Allen
Big Bend Hospice, The Caring Tree Program
Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Big Bend
Boy Scouts of America, Suwannee River Area Council
Boys & Girls Club North Central Florida
Boys & Girls Clubs of the Big Bend
Boys Choir of Tallahassee
Capital Soccer Association
Children's Burn Camp of North Florida, Inc.
Communities In Schools of Gadsden County
Communities In Schools of Leon County
Deliver The Dream
Florida Disabled Outdoors Association
Girl Scout Council of the Florida Panhandle
Leon County Parks and Recreation
Make-A-Wish Foundation/Central and N Florida/Regional Office
Muscular Dystrophy Association
Pyramid, Inc.
Rotary Youth Camp, Inc.
Sickle Cell Foundation, Inc.
Special Olympics Florida, Gadsden County
Special Olympics Florida, Leon County
Special Olympics Florida, Taylor County
Special Olympics Florida, Wakulla County
Tallahassee, City Smith-Williams Service Center
UF-IFAS, Gadsden County Cooperative Extension Service
UF-IFAS, Jefferson County Cooperative Extension Service
UF-IFAS, Leon County 4-H Clubs
UF-IFAS, Taylor County Cooperative Extension Service
UF-IFAS, Wakulla County Extension Office, 4-H

Residential Programs, Housing & Respite Care Programs

ALS Association Florida Chapter
Boys Town North Florida, Continuum of Care
Brehon Institute, Brehon House
Capital City Youth Services, Going Places Street Outreach
Capital City Youth Services, Safe Place Program
Capital City Youth Services, Youth Shelter
Children's Home Society, NCD Tree House Shelter
Florida APD, Northwest Region, Field 1 Office
Florida Baptist Children's Home, Tallahassee
Gadsden Association Rehabilitation Center, Inc.
Leon Advocacy and Resource Center
Lighthouse of the Big Bend, Inc.
National Runaway Safeline/CINS/FINS

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Refuge House, Domestic Violence and Rape Crisis Programs
Ronald McDonald House Charities of Tallahassee, Inc.
United Cerebral Palsy of Tallahassee

Therapy Resources

Ability1st, Center for Independent Living of North FL
Alexander Graham Bell Association/Deaf/Hard of Hearing
Apalachee Center, Children's Outpatient Services
Autism Society
Autism Speaks
Bethel Family Counseling and Outreach Center
Bond Community Health Center, Inc.
Bond-Tallahassee Housing Authority Primary Care Center
Capital City Youth Services, The Family Place
Children's Medical Services, Big Bend Region
Dick Howser Center for Childhood Services
DISC Village, Gadsden County Human Services Center
DISC Village, Juvenile Outpatient Substance Abuse Program
DISC Village, Wakulla County Human Services Center
Florida Network of Youth and Family Services
Florida State Elks Association
FSU, Art Therapy Program
FSU, Center for Autism and Related Disabilities
FSU, First Words Project
FSU, Psychological and Counseling Services Program
FSU, Speech and Hearing Clinic
Halle Martin Foundation
Hands and Hearts for Horses
Healing Transitions Creative Counseling for Children & Families
Muscular Dystrophy Association
Nar-Anon Family Groups
National Runaway Safeline/CINS/FINS
National Suicide Prevention Lifeline
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Turn About, Outpatient Services/Youth/College

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Transportation Resources

Big Bend Transit, Gadsden County
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Capital City Youth Services, Going Places Street Outreach
Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged
National Runaway Safeline/CINS/FINS
Tallahassee, City Dial-A-Ride
Tallahassee, City StarMetro Bus System
Wakulla Senior Citizens Council, Transportation

Tutoring Resources

Bethel AME Church, Daughters of Sarah Allen
Bethel AME Church, Sons of Allen
Communities In Schools of Gadsden County
Communities In Schools of Leon County
Dyslexia Research Institute, Woodland Hall
Griffin Heights Community Center
Homeschool Classroom
Leon Arms Community Center
Tallahassee, City Smith-Williams Service Center

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Able Trust
AmeriCorps
ARC Big Bend
Big Bend Transition Council
CareerSource, Capital Region, Gadsden County
CareerSource, Capital Region, Leon County
CareerSource, Capital Region, Wakulla County
CareerSource, North Florida
ChairScholars Foundation, Inc.
FAMU, Center for Disability Access and Resources (CeDAR)
FL DOE, Division of Blind Services, District 2
FL DOE, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, Area 1
FL DOH, Gadsden, School Health Services
Florida APD, Northwest Region, Field 1 Office
Florida Youth Council
FSU, Adult Learning Evaluation Center
FSU, Career Center
FSU, Student Disability Resource Center
Gadsden Association Rehabilitation Center, Inc.
Gadsden County Schools, Adult and Community Education
Goodwill Industries Big Bend, Big Bend Area Stores
Goodwill Industries Big Bend, Career Training Center
Jefferson County Schools, Adult and Community Education

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Leon Advocacy and Resource Center
Leon County Schools, Adult and Community Education
Leon County Schools, Keys to Exceptional Youth Success
Leon County Schools, Leon's Intensive Training for Employment
Leon County Schools, Lively Transition Program
Leon County Schools, Program for Adults with Disabilities
Lighthouse of the Big Bend, Inc.
Lively Technical Center
North Florida Community College, Student Disability Services
Project 10: NW Florida, Region 1
Pyramid, Inc.
Taylor County Schools
Taylor County Schools, Adult and Community Education
TCC, Disability Support Services
UF-IFAS, Leon County 4-H Clubs
UF-IFAS, Wakulla County Extension Office, 4-H
United Cerebral Palsy of Tallahassee
US Dept of Labor, Job Corps
US Dept of Labor, Office of Disability Employment Policy
VolunteerLEON: Leon County Volunteer Center
Wakulla County Schools, Adult and Community Education
Workshop for Adult Vocational Enrichment, Inc. (WAVE)

2-1-1 Big Bend, Helpline 2-1-1

- *Telephone counseling, suicide prevention and crisis intervention
- *Community information and referrals to more than 1,200 human service agencies and organizations in Big Bend area
- *Available 24/7, 365 days a year
- *Training programs for volunteer counselors held three times each year; interested parties call to receive more information

PO Box 10950

Tallahassee, FL 32302-2950

2-1-1

hotlinedir@211bigbend.org

<http://www.211bigbend.org>

Basic Needs (Food, Clothing, Utilities & Shelter)

AARP Foundation Grandparent Information Center

- *Information and referrals for grandparents in their varying roles (with a special emphasis on grandparents who are raising grandchildren or offering childcare), as well as grandparents facing visitation issues
- *Resources include: searchable on-line database, referrals to services that support grandparents or other relative caregivers, information on grandparent visitation rights, free quarterly newsletter in Spanish and English

601 East St NW

Washington DC 20049

(888) 687-2277

gic@aarp.org

<http://search.aarp.org/browse?Ntt=gandparent%20information>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Ability1st, Center for Independent Living of North FL

*Core services for persons with disabilities and their families: independent living skills training, information and referral to other organizations, peer support, helping individuals learn about laws in order to self-advocate, disaster services

*Other programs: educational workshops for family members, disability awareness workshops, ADA training, beginning and intermediate American Sign Language courses

*Free or low cost wheelchair ramp construction, durable medical equipment loans: wheelchairs, walkers, crutches, shower chairs and medical disposable supplies for low income or indigent persons with disabilities

*Annual Disability Mentoring Day enables students with disabilities to shadow community professional

*Support groups: Recovery Support for persons diagnosed with a mental illness (W, 1:15-2:45pm); SOS, Share our Strengths, Women's support group, W, 1:15-2:30pm; Deaf Meet Up group, 1st F of each month at 7pm at Governor's Square Mall food court

*Smoking Cessation classes: ongoing

1823 Buford Court

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(850) 575-9621

DanMoore@ability1st.info

<http://www.ability1st.info>

Advocacy

Assistive Technology

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Legal/Decision Making Options/Guardianship Resources

Mental Health Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Therapy Resources

Able Trust

*Grant money provided to Florida nonprofit organizations for programs, services, education, training or other activities leading to employment of persons with disabilities

*Public/private foundation established by Legislature to provide Floridians with disabilities fair employment opportunities through grant programs, public awareness and education

3320 Thomasville Rd, Ste 200

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(850) 224-4493

info@abletrust.org

<http://www.abletrust.org>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Access to the Common Core for Exceptional Student Success (ACCESS) Project

*Lesson planning, instructional tools and professional development in the Common Core Standards for teachers to support positive outcomes for students with significant cognitive disabilities taking the Florida Alternate Assessment

325 W Gaines Street, Ste 614

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 245-0475

LaRusso.Randy@brevardschools.org

<http://www.fl DOE.org/ese/>

Florida Department of Education Resources

Accessibility Solutions, Inc.

*Home modifications to meet needs of persons with disabilities: wheelchair ramps, grab bars, bathroom renovations, etc

*Provides equipment and technology for accessibility at an affordable cost

*ASI is also an approved vendor for various support agencies across the Big Bend area

*Program does not have its own funding to provide these services at discounted rates or at no cost

3013 W Tharpe St

Tallahassee, FL 32303-1172

(850) 383-1100

info@homeaccessfl.com

<http://www.homeaccessfl.com>

Assistive Technology

ADA National Information Infoline

*ADA Infoline, a division of the division of the US Department of Justice, provides information about the Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA) for businesses, state and local governments, or individuals about general or specific ADA requirements and standards

*Offers free ADA materials and information about filing a complaint

950 Pennsylvania Ave, NW

Washington DC 20530

(800) 514-0301

<http://www.ada.gov>

Advocacy

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Legal/Decision Making Options/Guardianship Resources

Advanced Driving Systems, Inc.

*Specializes in customized vehicles for persons with disabilities through contracts with the State or direct orders

*May be able to build, convert or order equipment to allow disabled individuals to drive a mechanical vehicle such as a van

*Lifts for loading wheelchairs, small steering device/brakes for those with limitations in the use of legs or arms, reclining lift chairs, power chairs and 3 or 4 wheel scooters are available

662 Capital Circle NE

Tallahassee, FL 32301

(877) 509-2461

ADS99@aol.com

<http://www.advanceddrivingsystems.com>

Assistive Technology

Alexander Graham Bell Assn/Deaf/Hard of Hearing

*Educates regarding childhood hearing loss and importance of early diagnosis and intervention

*Subsidiary: AG Bell Academy for Listening and Spoken Language offers certification for professionals in field

*Maintains listening and spoken language resources website for parents, professionals, and adults with hearing loss

3417 Volta Pl, NW

Washington DC 20007

(202) 337-5220

info@agbell.org

<http://listeningandspokenlanguage.org>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Evaluation Services

Medical & Dental Resources

Therapy Resources

ALS Association Florida Chapter

*Promotes awareness and understanding of ALS (commonly known as Lou Gehrig's Disease) and the work of the ALS Association by providing up-to-date information and education materials to ALS patients, caregivers, researchers and members in the healthcare field

*Information pamphlets, newsletters, research symposiums, and a speakers bureau

*Regional care coordinators may assist with getting needed services

*Available services vary by county; possibilities include health care and insurance advocacy, medical transportation, medical equipment and assistive technology, respite and home care, and support groups

3242 Parkside Center Circle

Tampa, FL 33619

(888) 257-1717

cbright@alsafl.org

<http://www.alsafl.org>

Assistive Technology

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Medical & Dental Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Residential Programs, Housing & Respite Care Programs

Alternate Assessment State Data Collection

*Designed for students whose participation in the general statewide student assessment is not appropriate even with accommodations

325 W Gaines Street, Ste 614

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 245-0475

asanchez@piedradata.com

<http://www.fldoe.org/ese/>

Florida Department of Education Resources

American Heart Association, Tallahassee Office

*Fund raising

*Provides education for healthy life: good nutrition, weight management, stress management

*Quit smoking programs

*Resources for physical activities for adults and children

2851 Remington Green Circle, Ste C

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(800) 275-0448

gsatallahassee@heart.org

<http://www.heart.org>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Medical & Dental Resources

American Red Cross, Health and Safety Services

*Courses: instruction in CPR, first aid, Automatic External Defibrillator (AED), swimming, lifeguard training, responding to emergencies, babysitting, family care-giving, first aid for dogs and cats, plus instructor development for professional rescuer training

*Registration: on line or through national toll-free number

1115 Easterwood Dr

Tallahassee, FL 32311

(866) 943-9010

Sandy.Grguric-Santos@redcross.org

<http://www.tallyredcross.org>

Medical & Dental Resources

AmeriCorps

*Recruits volunteers for one year service in areas of education, public safety, human and environmental needs

*Receive a living allowance and/or an educational award to help finance college, vocational training or to pay back student loans

*Full and part-time positions available throughout the United States

*Persons with physical, developmental or other disabilities are actively recruited

*Senior Corps offers opportunities for seniors to get involved

3165 McCrory Place, Ste 115

Orlando, FL 32803

(407) 648-6117

fl@cns.gov

<http://www.americorps.gov>

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Apalachee Center, Children's Outpatient Services

*Community based service for children and adolescents at-risk for psychiatric hospitalization providing in-home family therapy designed to help promote the child's recovery and to reduce the risk of behavioral and emotional distress

*Services may include: developing conflict resolution strategies; improving coping skills for all family members; formulating behavior management strategies; raising self-esteem; enhancing communication and social skills

2634 Capital Circle NE, Bldg C

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(850) 523-3333

<http://www.apalacheecenter.org>

Mental Health Resources

Therapy Resources

Apalachee Center, Gadsden County Clinic

*Outpatient psychiatric services and day treatment for adults ages 18 and over and for school age children

*Mental health evaluations, case management, psychiatric medication management

79 LaSalle Path

Quincy, FL 32351

(850) 875-2422

<http://www.apalacheecenter.org>

Mental Health Resources

Apalachee Center, Jefferson County Clinic

*Mental health evaluations, case management, medication management, outpatient psychiatric services and day treatment for adults ages 18 and over, mainly targeting persons with severe and persistent mental illness or persons having a mental health crisis

*Anyone seeking mental health services encouraged to call, but individual, group and family therapy are often not available, depending on contracts and other factors

*Children and teens ages 6-17, needing mental health evaluations, medication or case management and counselors may have them available in school system

1996 S Jefferson St

Monticello, FL 32344-9733

(800) 226-2931

<http://www.apalacheecenter.org>

Mental Health Resources

Apalachee Center, Leon County Outpatient Services

*Serves persons age six and older who suffer from major mental illness and meet clinical criteria

*Provides mental health evaluations, medication management, case management, outpatient individual mental health therapy, psychosocial rehabilitation services (social rehabilitation and basic living skills training), co-occurring disorder treatment, day treatment and referrals

*Program no longer accepts new clients without Medicaid, Medicare, or other insurance, unless they meet clinical eligibility criteria or have first been admitted to one of their inpatient units (PATH, Detox, or Eastside Psychiatric Hospital); accepts most insurance

*Geropsychiatric Unit, self-contained facility, accommodates older patients and their psychiatric needs

2634-C Capital Circle NE

Tallahassee, FL 32308-4106

(800) 226-2931

caloniep@apalacheecenter.org

<http://www.apalacheecenter.org>

Mental Health Resources

Apalachee Center, Taylor County Clinic

*Provides mental health evaluations, mental health case management, medication management, outpatient psychiatric services and day treatment for adults ages 18 and over

*Some services for children and teens ages 5-17 available

1421 S Old Dixie Hwy

Perry, FL 32348

(800) 226-2931

<http://www.apalacheecenter.org>

Mental Health Resources

Apalachee Center, Wakulla County Clinic

*Mental health evaluations, mental health case management, medication management, outpatient psychiatric services and therapy for school aged children and adults ages 18 and over

43 Oak St

Crawfordville, FL 32327

(800) 226-2931

april@apalacheecenter.org

<http://www.apalacheecenter.org>

Mental Health Resources

ARC Big Bend

*Adult day training for developmentally disabled adults and students in high school transition programs

*Supported employment

*Employment Services for the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation

122 SW Commerce Dr

Madison, FL 32341

(850) 973-4614

tressler@arc-pds.org

<http://www.arc-pds.org>

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Arc of Florida, Inc.

*Statewide organization which provides information and referral on any issue relating to developmental and intellectual disabilities

*Does not provide direct services

2898 Mahan Dr, Ste 1

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(800) 226-1155

info@arcflorida.org

<http://www.arcflorida.org>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Arthritis Foundation, Florida Chapter

*Patient education and referrals; Public Medical Information Forum, free literature

*Life Improvement Series offers aquatic, exercise, and self-help programs to increase mobility, reduce pain and stiffness, and decrease physician visits

14499 N Dale Mabry Hwy, Ste 139

Tampa, FL 33618

(800) 850-9455

scuellar@arthritis.org

<http://www.arthritis.org>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Medical & Dental Resources

Auditory-Oral Education Grant

*Funding for services at auditory-oral education programs, as defined in section 1002.391, Florida Statutes (F.S.), to attending Florida students who are deaf or hard of hearing

325 W Gaines Street, Ste 614

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 245-0475

Leanne.Grillot@fldoe.org

<http://www.fldoe.org/ese/>

Florida Department of Education Resources

Autism Research Institute

*Conducts research and disseminates the results on the causes of autism and on methods of preventing, diagnosing and treating autism and other severe behavioral disorders of childhood

*Research based information is provided to parents, caretakers and professionals

*Most questions can be answered through agency's web site

*Persons who call will usually have to leave a message, which will be returned

4182 Adams Ave

San Diego, CA 92116

(866) 366-3361

<http://www.autism.com>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Medical & Dental Resources

Autism Society

*Information and referral for anyone looking for help with autism

*Trained staff helps identify local and alternative resources

*Website resources: federal, state and local agencies; professionals, education, medical service providers; support systems, and research facilities

4340 East-West Hwy, Ste 350

Bethesda, MD 20814

(800) 328-8476

<http://www.autism-society.org>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Therapy Resources

Autism Speaks

*Autism Response Team helps families with an autistic child or person with advice on where to start looking for trained assistance, learning the signs, knowing your child's rights, local assistance

*Parent support, staying informed, transition to adulthood, adult services

*Princeton, NJ office: 1060 State Rd, 2nd Fl, 08540

1 East 33rd St, 4th Fl

New York, NY 10016

(888) 288-4762

familyservices@autismspeaks.org

<http://www.autismspeaks.org>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Therapy Resources

Bethel AME Church, Daughters of Sarah Allen

*Mentoring program for girls in 3rd, 4th, or 5th grade to initially join the program; after joining they may continue to receive services through high school years

*Various support services, leadership development, tutoring, and many social, fun activities

501 W Orange Ave

Tallahassee, FL 32310

(850) 576-7501

lbethelamec@aol.com

<http://www.bethelame1865.org>

Recreational Resources & Camps

Tutoring Resources

Bethel AME Church, Sons of Allen

*Mentoring African-American males (8-16) while participating in character-building activities and learning from positive role models

*Goals: to improve academic achievement, instill self-determination and to transmit racial pride, knowledge of culture and history and its significance to contemporary living

*Parental Empowerment and Enrichment Program assists parents in understanding youth and developing a closer, stronger relationship, and learning how to handle difficult situations

501 W Orange Ave

Tallahassee, FL 32310

(850) 576-7501

lbethelamec@aol.com

<http://www.bethelame1865.org>

Recreational Resources & Camps

Tutoring Resources

Bethel Family Counseling and Outreach Center

*aka Bethel Family Life Center

*Individual, family and group counseling

*Psychiatric services, medication management, substance abuse counseling, anger management and parenting education services

*Open to anyone 6 years old and up; no previous diagnosis required

471 W Tennessee St

Tallahassee, FL 32301

(850) 577-1780

bfcoc@betheltally.org

<http://www.betheltally.org>

Medical & Dental Resources

Mental Health Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Therapy Resources

Big Bend Hospice, The Caring Tree Program

*Helps young people grieving the anticipated death or death of a loved one; loss does not have to be recent for youth to benefit

*Outreach providing limited number of school-based grief support groups, monthly Children and Teen Nights at Big Bend Hospice, and two annual youth bereavement camps: Camp Woe-Be-Gone, one day camp for youth ages 6-12 held each spring; Teen Woe-Be-Gone, held each fall, one day retreat to meet the special needs of grieving teens

*All services available for Leon County; limited services available for Gadsden, Franklin, Jefferson, Liberty, Madison, Taylor, and Wakulla Counties youth

1723 Mahan Center Blvd

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(800) 772-5862

pam@bigbendhospice.org

<http://www.bigbendhospice.org>

Mental Health Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Recreational Resources & Camps

Big Bend Rural Health Network, CORE

*Providing health education, active living and screening services to persons and areas out of the main stream

*CORE (Challenging Obstacles Require Effort) offers free weekly exercise classes to anyone including mental and physically challenged youth at the Big Bend Early Learning Coalition; many referrals from CMS and pediatricians offices

325 John Knox Rd, Bld M, S 200

Tallahassee, FL 32303

(850) 224-1177

mevers@bigbendahec.org

<http://www.bigbendruralhealthnetwork.org>

Evaluation Services

Medical & Dental Resources

Big Bend Transit, Gadsden County

- *Provides non-emergency transportation
 - *Rides available to destinations in Gadsden and Leon counties
 - *Extended transportation to Taylor, Jefferson and Madison Counties may be available, but additional fees will apply
 - *Requests for transportation to medical services given priority
 - *Transportation Disadvantaged listed citizens receive reduced rates
 - *Wheelchair transportation service available at no extra cost, if requested at the time of reservation.
 - *Due to changes in Medicaid a person must be in a Medicaid HMO to receive free transportation from Big Bend Transit. If the person does not know if they are in a Medicaid HMO, they should call the AHCA, Medicaid Area 2B Field Office: 800-248-2243 or 850-412-4002. If the person is not in a Medicaid HMO s/he can still use Big Bend Transit, but they will have to pay out of pocket.
- 305-B Crawford St
Quincy, FL 32351
(850) 627-9958
Transportation Resources

Big Bend Transit, Jefferson, Madison, Taylor Counties

- *Non-emergency transportation for any trip purpose to destinations in Madison, Jefferson, Taylor and Leon Counties; extended transportation to Gadsden County may be available through coordination with Gadsden branch of Big Bend Transit for an additional fee
 - *Requests for transportation to medical services given priority and should be made as far in advance as possible; wheelchair transportation service at no additional cost, if requested at time of reservation
 - *Persons listed as Transportation Disadvantaged receive lower fees after application process to receive designation
 - *New Medicaid recipients should fill out an application with local transit office as soon as possible, in order to be registered in system; need request transportation to Medicaid related appointments by 72 hours (3 days) in advance
 - *All others should call one day in advance, by 2pm
 - *Due to changes in Medicaid a person must be in a Medicaid HMO to receive free transportation from Big Bend Transit. If the person does not know if they are in a Medicaid HMO, they should call the AHCA, Medicaid Area 2B Field Office: 800-248-2243 or 850-412-4002. If the person is not in a Medicaid HMO s/he can still use Big Bend Transit, but they will have to pay out of pocket.
- 290 W Dogwood St
Monticello, FL 32344
(850) 997-1323
Transportation Resources

Big Bend Transit, Leon County

- *Non-emergency transportation for any trip purpose; persons on Transportation Disadvantaged List receive lower rates
- *Requests for transportation to medical services given priority; wheelchair transportation service available at no additional cost, if requested at time of reservation
- *New Medicaid recipients should fill out an application with Medicaid Transportation Request Line as soon as possible, in order to be registered in system
- *Once registered, Medicaid recipients need to arrange transportation to Medicaid related appointments by 72 hours in advance
- *All other transportation requests must be made one business day in advance, by 2pm
- *Due to changes in Medicaid a person must be in a Medicaid HMO to receive free transportation from Big Bend Transit. If the person does not know if they are in a Medicaid HMO, they should call the AHCA, Medicaid Area 2B Field Office: 800-248-2243 or 850-412-4002. If the person is not in a Medicaid HMO s/he can still use Big Bend Transit, but they will have to pay out of pocket.

2201 Eisenhower St

Tallahassee, FL 32310

(800) 983-2435

Transportation Resources

Big Bend Transit, Medicaid Transportation

- *Supervises and provides non-emergency medical transportation within a five county area for Medicaid clients to and from Medicaid compensable medical services; wheelchair and stretcher service available
- *New Medicaid recipients should call phone number for their county to fill out an application as soon as possible, in order to be registered in the system
- *Under Medicaid rules, clients should call to arrange transportation by 2pm at least 72 hours (3 days) before appointment, not including weekends
- *Emergency transportation NOT available
- *After hours transportation does includes hospital or emergency room discharge and urgent care services
- *Due to changes in Medicaid a person must be in a Medicaid HMO to receive free transportation from Big Bend Transit. If the person does not know if they are in a Medicaid HMO, they should call the AHCA, Medicaid Area 2B Field Office: 800-248-2243 or 850-412-4002. If the person is not in a Medicaid HMO s/he can still use Big Bend Transit, but they will have to pay out of pocket.

2201 Eisenhower St

Tallahassee, FL 32310

(850) 891-5199

Transportation Resources

Big Bend Transition Council

*Group of school district personnel, local agencies, service providers, parents and students who come together to coordinate transition services in the Big Bend area for youth with disabilities, ages 11-22

*Transition for students with disabilities is the process of getting ready to move from school to adult life, which takes place over a period of several years

*Parents and other interested persons may contact the council to be emailed a 37 page Transition Resource Guide for Students With Disabilities

2757 W Pensacola St, #9

Tallahassee, FL 32304

(850) 487-7160

deckertm@leonschools.net

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Big Bend

*Helps children ages 6-17 through professionally supported, one-to-one mentoring relationships between an adult volunteer and a child whose circumstances demonstrate the need for additional adult support

565 E Tennessee St

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(850) 386-6002

info@bigbendmentoring.org

<http://www.bbbsbigbend.org>

Recreational Resources & Camps

Birth Defect Research for Children, Inc.

*Provides parents and expectant parents with information about birth defects and support services for children and families

*Parent-matching program links families who have children with similar birth defects

*Sponsors the National Birth Defect Registry, a research project that studies associations between birth defects and exposures to radiation, medication, alcohol, smoking, chemicals, pesticides, lead, mercury, and other environmental toxins

976 Lake Baldwin Lane, Ste 104

Orlando, FL 32814

(407) 895-0802

staff@birthdefects.org

<http://www.birthdefects.org>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Medical & Dental Resources

Bond Community Health Center, Inc.

- *Comprehensive adult, adolescent and pediatric health care services, immunizations
- *Pregnancy testing, prenatal care, family planning; pregnant women applying for Medicaid referred to CHD to qualify for PEPW
- *HIV confidential and Rapid testing, primary care for HIV+ patients
- *Adults' and children's dental clinic; pharmacy services in-house
- *Mental health evaluations and counseling, psychiatric medications, and substance abuse counseling
- *Appointments preferred; walk-ins first-come-first-serve during scheduled hours

1720 S Gadsden St
Tallahassee, FL 32301
(850) 576-4073

bondchc@comcast.net

<http://www.bondchc.com>

Medical & Dental Resources

Mental Health Resources

Therapy Resources

Bond-Tallahassee Housing Authority Primary Care Center

- *Family medicine, dental screenings, pediatrics, immunizations
- *Pregnancy testing, PEPW, prenatal care, gynecology, family planning/birth control
- *Confidential HIV testing and STD testing
- *Mental health and substance abuse counseling
- *Diabetes care and education
- *Assistance applying for Medicaid and help filling out other social service related forms

1704 Joe Louis St
Tallahassee, FL 32304
(850) 391-4799

bduncan@bondchc.com

<http://www.bondchc.com>

Medical & Dental Resources

Mental Health Resources

Therapy Resources

Bookshare

- *Online library of digital books for people with print disabilities

480 S California Ave
Palo Alto, CA 94306
(650) 475-1066

<https://www.bookshare.org>

Assistive Technology

Boy Scouts of America, Suwannee River Area Council

- *Instills in young people principles of integrity, character, responsibility, and leadership, preparing them to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes
- *Cub Scouts: boys first grade through fifth grade (or 7, 8, 9, and 10 years of age)
- *Boy Scout: boys fifth grade, or who are 11 through 17 years old
- *Venturing: positive experiences to help young people mature and to prepare them to become responsible and caring adults for young men and women who are 14 (and have completed the eighth grade) through 20 years of age
- *Exploring: Career education program for young men and women who are 14 (and have completed the eighth grade) or 15 through 20 years old
- *Life that offers associated programs to schools and other community organizations

2032 Thomasville Rd

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(888) 272-4269

kkilduff@suwanneeriver.net

<http://www.suwanneeriver.net>

Recreational Resources & Camps

Boys & Girls Club North Central Florida

- *After school programs for arts, sports, fitness, recreation, education and career development, character and leadership development, life skills
- *Health education regarding alcohol, tobacco and other drug prevention
- *Children do not have to live in Taylor County to attend
- *Breakfast, lunch, and snack during summer and school breaks; snack during school year
- *Three locations: Veterans Park, 918 N Washington St, Perry; Jerkins at 1201 Martin Luther King Ave, Perry; and 1209 1st Ave, SE, Steinhatchee

918 N Washington St

Perry, FL 32348

(850) 584-8448

emily_ketring@bgcncfl.org

<http://www.bgcncfl.org>

Before & After School Programs

Recreational Resources & Camps

Boys & Girls Clubs of the Big Bend

- *Programs develop qualities in youth ages 5 to 18 to become responsible citizens and leaders through personal and educational development, outdoor and environmental education, citizen and leadership development, cultural enrichment, health and physical education and social recreation
- *All backgrounds accepted; special consideration for youth from disadvantaged circumstances
- *Locations in Leon County; Gadsden County: Havana, Chattahoochee

306 Laura Lee Ave

Tallahassee, FL 32301

(850) 656-8100

tflury@bgcbb.org

<http://www.bgcbb.org>

Before & After School Programs

Recreational Resources & Camps

Boys Choir of Tallahassee

*Outreach program for males ages 8-18, living in neighborhoods with limited social and economic opportunities

*Choir promotes habits, attitudes, and values consistent with physical, mental and social well-being of its members, helps to create a support network for members and offers a means of social, musical and recreational expression

723 W Orange Ave

Tallahassee, FL 32310

(850) 528-2403

boyschoirtlh@yahoo.com

<http://www.boyschoirtallahassee.com>

Recreational Resources & Camps

Boys Town North Florida, Continuum of Care

*Four-level continuum of care for at-risk boys and girls, ages 0-17:

*Family Home Treatment Program: Residential long-term care in homes with specially trained "parents" for ages 10-17

*Foster home care for children in need of more attention and services than traditional foster care for ages 0-17

*Family support services take place in home working with whole families to help provide them with tools, training, and other services, focuses on prevention, rather than intervention, and usually does not involve children receiving continual direct care outside home or direct treatment being provided in family's home

*In-Home Family Program: family-centered, skill-based intervention for families in or near crisis situation and have child experiencing significant problems and are at risk of having child removed from home

*Length and intensity of all interventions vary, depending on family's situation and referral source

3555 Commonwealth Blvd

Tallahassee, FL 32303

(800) 448-3000

<http://www.boystownnorthflorida.org>

Residential Programs, Housing & Respite Care Programs

Brain Injury Association of Florida

*Assists individuals with brain injury and their families by linking to available community resources

*Provides educational presentations to the public

*Toll free number refers callers to closest office for services in their area

1637 Metropolitan Blvd

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(800) 992-3442

info@biaf.org

<http://www.byyourside.org>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Medical & Dental Resources

Brehon Institute, Brehon House

- *Transitional housing for homeless pregnant women, 18 and older; no women with criminal background allowed
- *Pre and postnatal education, infant care training, case management
- *Career counseling, encouragement to continue schooling, assistance in finding permanent housing
- *Children under 2 may live with mothers in home
- *Waiting period may be several months

1315 Linda Ann Dr

Tallahassee, FL 32301

(850) 656-7110

sorear@brehonfamilyservices.org

<http://www.brehonfamilyservices.org>

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Residential Programs, Housing & Respite Care Programs

Brehon Institute, Project SAFE, Madison/Taylor

- *In-home visiting service to assist at-risk pregnant women and families with children under age 18 by visiting case management and parent education on weekly basis
- *Promotes healthy birth outcomes, positive parenting skills and/or job skills, knowledge of available services, independence, personal goals, and family unity
- *Can serve family 3 to 6 months

PO Box 721

Madison, FL 32341

(850) 673-8335

sorear@brehonfamilyservices.org

<http://www.brehonfamilyservices.org>

Medical & Dental Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Camelot Community Care, Inc.

- *Therapeutic counseling program facilitating permanent placement of foster children in stable environment through treatment in community home setting
- *Emphasis on assisting children to accomplish appropriate developmental tasks
- *Inpatient and outpatient counseling services for non-foster care children ages 3-17 who have various types of Medicaid

1000 W Tharpe St, Ste 7

Tallahassee, FL 32303

(850) 561-8060

kellis@camelotcommunitycare.org

<http://www.camelotcommunitycare.org>

Early Intervention Programs (Birth-3)

Mental Health Resources

Capital City Youth Services, Going Places Street Outreach

*Outreach services for youth (11 to 21) on the streets: housing, shelter, tents and/or tarps for living outdoors

*Help with employment, financial aid, ID acquisition, food stamps, bus tickets home if not from local area, calls home for safe and well notification

*Medicaid, health and dental care, prescriptions, pregnancy and STD testing, substance abuse and mental health counseling

*Access program where Safe Place signs placed; when seeing table, banner or vehicle with Going Places logo displayed where youth hang out, often at Renaissance Center, Lake Ella, community centers

2407 Roberts Ave

Tallahassee, FL 32310

(850) 576-6000

taylor.biro@ccys.org

<http://www.ccys.org>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Medical & Dental Resources

Mental Health Resources

Residential Programs, Housing & Respite Care Programs

Transportation Resources

Capital City Youth Services, Safe Place Program

*Organizations display black and yellow "Safe Place" sign have staff who have received training to assist troubled youth or runaways

*Staff are prepared to contact Capital City Youth Services or other organizations as needed and provide a safe place for children and adolescents to wait until other services can be arranged

*Transportation to Capital City Youth Services shelter is available from any Safe Place site

*If youth is a runaway, parents will be notified

*Safe Place Sites in Leon County: Capital City Youth Services; Tallahassee Fire Departments (14 locations); Tallahassee Parks and Recreation Community Centers (6 locations); Tallahassee Police Department; Leon County Sheriff's Department; Star Metro Buses; The Florida State Capitol Building (The Capitol Police); Department of Juvenile Justice Headquarters; Department of Transportation; The Florida Network of Youth and Family Services; FDLE; Capital Health Plan and Starbucks (3 locations)

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Tallahassee, FL 32310

(850) 576-6000

nancy.hillger@ccys.org

<http://www.ccys.org>

Residential Programs, Housing & Respite Care Programs

Capital City Youth Services, The Family Place

*CCYS helps youth and families resolve crises, through prevention and early intervention services

*Outpatient individual, group, and family counseling, case management, and referral services to families with at-risk school aged children in eight county Big Bend area

2407 Roberts Ave

Tallahassee, FL 32310

(850) 576-6000

cindy@ccys.org

<http://www.ccys.org>

Legal/Decision Making Options/Guardianship Resources

Mental Health Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Therapy Resources

Capital City Youth Services, Youth Shelter

*Safe short-term shelter for youth ages 10-17

*Encourages child and family to set and meet goals to be able to resolve family conflicts and live civilly together

2407 Roberts Ave

Tallahassee, FL 32310

(850) 576-6000

kevin@ccys.org

<http://www.ccys.org>

Residential Programs, Housing & Respite Care Programs

Capital Regional Medical Group, Crawfordville

*Family practice, gynecological services, HIV testing

*Pediatrics (2 years and up), immunizations

2382 Crawfordville Hwy, Ste C

Crawfordville, FL 32326

(850) 926-6363

Kimberly.austin@hcahealthcare.com

<http://www.hca.com>

Medical & Dental Resources

Capital Soccer Association

*TOPSoccer, The Outreach Program for Soccer provides soccer games for ages 5 to about 16 years who are mentally and physically challenged and with various capabilities

*Youth play ball with peers and volunteer buddies who adapt game "to ability of the kids so every child is a winner with success measured in smiles not goals"

*Accept wheelchair bound, use balls with rattles for visually impaired and have other helpful devices as needed

*Schedules games in spring and fall at Morningside Field, 1560 Pedrick Rd, each Friday 5:30pm (7 sessions)

*Parent, guardian or designated adult must be present for every practice or game for safety reasons

PO Box 10813

Tallahassee, FL 32302

(850) 764-2255

info@capitalsoccer.info

<http://www.capitalsoccer.info>

Recreational Resources & Camps

CareerSource, Capital Region, Gadsden County

*Access to employment-related services in one central location and matching qualified participants with appropriate job opportunities, based on skills and other circumstances

*Center maintains lists of job openings

*Welfare Transition: case management services, employment classes, job training and placement, financial assistance for employment-related transportation and child care

*Migrant farm worker program

*Services for youth 16+: test preparation guide, college requirements, financial resources

*Dept of Economic Opportunity: job search and assistance, resume writing classes, employability skills classes, two-year training scholarships

*Agency for Workforce Innovation: unemployment compensation, veteran's services

*Businesses offered incentives to hire clients who have been referred

1140 W Clark St

Quincy, FL 32351

(850) 922-0023

wfp@careersourcecapitalregion.com

<http://www.careersourcecapitalregion.com>

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

CareerSource, Capital Region, Leon County

- *Access to employment-related services in one central location and matching qualified participants with appropriate job opportunities, based on skills and other circumstances
- *Center maintains list of job openings
- *Ex-offender employment program
- *Welfare Transition: case management services, employment classes, job training and placement, financial assistance for employment-related transportation and child care
- *Workforce Investment Act/Program: job search and assistance, resume writing classes, employability skills classes, two-year training scholarships
- *Dept of Economic Opportunity: unemployment compensation, veteran's services
- *School readiness program for childcare resource and referrals
- *Services for youth 16+: test preparation guide, college requirements, financial resources
- *Businesses offered incentives to hire clients who have been referred

2525 S Monroe St, Ste 3-A

Tallahassee, FL 32301

(850) 922-0023

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<http://www.careersourcecapitalregion.com>

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

CareerSource, Capital Region, Wakulla County

- *Access to employment-related services in one central location; matching qualified participants with appropriate jobs, based on skills and other circumstances; maintaining list of job openings
- *Welfare Transition: case management services, employment classes, job training and placement, financial assistance for employment-related transportation and child care
- *Workforce Investment Act/Program: job search and assistance, resume writing classes, employability skills classes, two-year training scholarships
- *Services for youth 16+: test preparation guide, college requirements, financial resources
- *Agency for Workforce Innovation: unemployment compensation, veteran's services
- *School Readiness Program for child care resource and referrals
- *Businesses offered incentives to hire clients who have been referred

3278 Crawfordville Hwy, Unit G

Crawfordville, FL 32327

(850) 926-0980

wfp@careersourcecapitalregion.com

<http://www.careersourcecapitalregion.com>

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

CareerSource, North Florida

- *Access to employment services and DCF Access Florida computer application process in one central location in Madison County
- *Center improves employment skills through job aptitude and interest assessment, resume writing and interviewing skills, computer access
- *Employment information and help regarding job openings and other related services
- *Helps local businesses find qualified employees
- *Computer assistance available to help anyone wanting to apply for DCF services: Medicaid, Food Stamps, and Temporary Cash Assistance (aka TCA or TANF)

705 E Base St

Madison, FL 32340

(850) 973-9675

jenningsa@nfwdb.org

<http://www.nfwdb.org>

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Catholic Charities, NWFLT, Counseling Services

- *Individual and family (non-couple) counseling for children, adolescents, adults, elderly, persons with disabilities
- *Areas include depression/anxiety, parenting, anger management, grief/loss, domestic violence, physical, verbal and sexual abuse, self-esteem, assertiveness, stress management, crisis counseling, mental health assessments, and more
- *Persons needing specialized services will be referred to other resources
- *Payment based on sliding scale fee, no insurance accepted
- *Some job finding assistance

1380 Blountstown Hwy

Tallahassee, FL 32304

(850) 222-2180

harrisk@cc.ptdiocese.org

<http://www.catholiccharitiesnwfl.org>

Mental Health Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Centers for Autism and Related Disabilities (CARD)

- *Located at seven state universities to provide community-based information and consultation to individuals with autism spectrum disorders and related disabilities, their families, and school districts

325 W Gaines Street, Ste 614

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 245-0475

Anne.Bozik@fldoe.org

<http://florida-card.org/>

Florida Department of Education Resources

ChairScholars Foundation, Inc.

*Florida program offers eligible 7th to 11th grade students with a serious physical disability tuition for college or vocational school with Florida Prepaid Tuition Scholarships; mentors provided; must sign contract to stay drug and crime-free, have at least B average, be enrolled in school's Free or Reduced Lunch Program, be enrolled in a Florida public school

*National program offers significantly, physically challenged high school seniors up to \$20,000 to attend college or university of choice with several qualifications (see web site)

16101 Carencia Lane
Odessa, FL 33556-3278
(888) 926-0544

programs@chairscholars.org

<http://www.chairscholars.org>

Disability Specific Programs & Services
Educational Programs & Services
Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Childhelp National Child Abuse Hotline

*Confidential hotline offers crisis counseling, information, literature, and referrals to emergency, social service, and support resources

*Staffed by professional crisis counselors who can provide assistance in 170 languages through interpreters

*Serves US, its territories, and Canada 24/7

4350 E Camelback Rd
Phoenix, AZ 85018
(800) 422-4453

mfingerman@childhelp.org

<http://www.childhelp.org>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services
Mental Health Resources

Children and Adults with Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder (CHADD)

*Educates, advocates, and supports research

*Health information specialist will provide a personalized response to on-line questions

*Training, conferences, on-line webinars, magazine, newsletters

4601 Presidents Dr, Ste 300
Lanham, MD 20706
(800) 233-4050

<http://www.chadd.org>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Children's Burn Camp of North Florida, Inc.

- *Annual week-long camp for children, ages 6-18, burn survivors
- *Camp counselors mainly firefighters from Tallahassee Fire Department, Shands Burn Unit, Jacksonville Fire/Rescue Department, Alachua County Fire/ Rescue and Panama City area firefighters
- *Camp held one week each year in July
- *Check on line or call for date and how to apply

PO Box 368

Tallahassee, FL 32302

(850) 509-6200

tallahasseeburncamp@comcast.net

<http://www.campamigo.com>

Recreational Resources & Camps

Children's Home Society, Early Steps

- *Multidisciplinary screening and evaluation for children ages birth-3 who have or are suspected of having developmental delays or disabilities
- *Referred to internal and contracted providers for direct intervention services and treatment

1801 Miccosukee Commons Dr

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(850) 921-0330

dina.snider@chsfl.org

<http://www.chsfl.org>

Early Intervention Programs (Birth-3)

Evaluation Services

Children's Home Society, NCD Family Connection

- *Program works with children ages 3-18 using family centered counseling
- *Counselors specialize in childhood development and attachment issues, family relational dynamics, adoption issues, and behavioral issues
- *SATP, Sexual Abuse Treatment Program provides individual and group treatment to child victims of sexual abuse and their non-offending caregivers
- *Psychiatric Services provides mental health evaluations and medication management

1801 Miccosukee Commons Dr

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(850) 921-0772

Dixie.Casford@chsfl.org

<http://www.chsfl.org>

Early Intervention Programs (Birth-3)

Mental Health Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Children's Home Society, NCD Tree House Shelter

- *Program of the Children's Home Society that Big Bend Community-Based Care uses to place abused and/or neglected children, ages 2-11, referred by DCF
- *Provides food, clothing, health services, counseling and recreation in a safe family environment
- *Children must be referred by DCF; does not take self-referrals

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Tallahassee, FL 32308

(850) 921-0772

richard.ivison@chsfl.org

<http://www.chsfl.org>

Mental Health Resources

Residential Programs, Housing & Respite Care Programs

Children's Medical Services, Big Bend Region

- *Medical services for children (birth-21) with special health care needs, meeting family income guidelines; some income exceptions based on need
- *Evaluation, assessment, pediatrics, care coordination, and specialty programs
- *Includes immune compromised children

2390 Phillips Rd

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(800) 226-2604

joni.hollis@flhealth.gov

<http://www.cmskidsproviders.com>

Early Intervention Programs (Birth-3)

Medical & Dental Resources

Therapy Resources

Children's Medical Services, Parenting Education

- *Free parenting education classes targeting parents not eligible for other programs, but all parents in the community are welcome
- *Classes are relevant to parents of any children ages 18 months to 18 years
- *Focus is to learn positive and effective parenting tools that can enhance the positive behavior of children and strengthen family relationships
- *Classes last six weeks, two hours per session and are usually held two times per year
- *Number of participants is kept small so that everyone may be involved

4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin A06

Tallahassee, FL 32399-1701

(850) 487-2604

<http://www.doh.state.fl.us/cms>

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Children's Mental Health Line

*Referrals for DCF Northwest Region callers on behalf of children or adolescents needing referrals, crisis intervention, mental health or substance abuse counseling

PO Box 10950

Tallahassee, FL 32302-2950

(877) 211-7005

hotlinedir@211bigbend.org

<http://www.211bigbend.org>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Mental Health Resources

Children's Registry and Information System (CHRIS)

*Responsible for the development and maintenance of the official State of Florida database for tracking preschool children with disabilities served under Part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA)

325 W Gaines Street, Ste 614

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 245-0475

cdelgado@umiami.edu

<http://www.chris.miami.edu/>

Florida Department of Education Resources

Children's Tumor Foundation

*Support research and development of treatment and cures for neurofibromatosis and its variations

*Provide accurate and current information to patients, families and medical field

*Assist in development of clinical centers and best practices

*Expand public awareness and encourage financial support

95 Pine St, 16th FL

New York, NY 10005

(800) 323-7938

info@ctf.org

<http://www.ctf.org>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Medical & Dental Resources

Communication/Autism Navigator

*Collection of web-based tools and courses developed to bridge the gap between science and community practice. Each tool or course is designed to increase the capacity of healthcare providers, early intervention providers, educators, and families to improve outcomes of children with autism spectrum disorder

325 W Gaines Street, Ste 614

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 245-0475

Anne.Bozik@fldoe.org

<http://www.fldoe.org/ese/>

Florida Department of Education Resources

Communities In Schools of Gadsden County

*Brings community resources, services, parents, and volunteers into schools to help at-risk students learn, stay in school, and prepare for life

*After school programs at Stewart Elementary and Shanks Middle Schools

*Spring break camp

*Fun 2 Learn Summer Camp

*Tutoring for senior high students needing to re-take the FCAT

216 N Adams St

Quincy, FL 32351

(850) 201-9757

<http://www.cisgadsden.org>

Before & After School Programs

Educational Programs & Services

Recreational Resources & Camps

Tutoring Resources

Communities In Schools of Leon County

*Brings community resources, services, parents, and volunteers into schools to help at-risk students learn, stay in school, and prepare for life

*Supports young people in coping with various problems affecting ability to succeed in school

*Addresses critical issues such as school attendance, literacy, behavior management, self-esteem, substance abuse, and juvenile crime

444 Appleyard Dr, Bldg 11, Ste 298

Tallahassee, FL 32304

(850) 201-9762

webbs@cisleon.org

<http://www.cisleon.org>

Before & After School Programs

Educational Programs & Services

Recreational Resources & Camps

Tutoring Resources

Community Action Agency, Head Start Child Development Program

*Child development and child care program for low-income families to prepare children ages 3-5 to enter the primary grades

*Program includes education, health services, parent involvement, social services, and special needs services

*Breakfast, lunch, morning and afternoon snacks served each day

*There is often a waiting list

*There are six Head Start locations in Leon County, two in Franklin County, and one in Jefferson County. Call main number for information on all locations.

309 Office Plaza Dr

Tallahassee, FL 32301

(850) 201-2050

laurie.leiner@CACAAINC.org

<http://www.cacaainc.org>

Before & After School Programs

Compassionate Friends, Inc.

*Support, understanding and hope to bereaved parents, siblings, and grandparents who have suffered loss of a child regardless of age or cause

*National office: local chapter referrals to 650+ community chapters across the United States, resource packets, conferences and special programs, on-line support

PO Box 3696

Oak Brook, IL 60522-3696

(877) 969-0010

nationaloffice@compassionatefriends.org

<http://www.compassionatefriends.org>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Mental Health Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Compassionate Friends, Tallahassee Chapter

*Offers support and understanding to bereaved parents, grandparents, and siblings who have lost a child through miscarriage, stillbirth, up through adults of any age for any reason

*Support group meets 7-8:45pm, second Monday of each month at St Stephen's Lutheran Church in Tallahassee

*Following additional numbers are for telephone support: Sudden Illness, Sheila at 385-1251; AIDS, Suicide, or Homicide, Agnes at 942-6354; Automobile Accident, Janice at 894-0803 and Becky at 509-3303

2198 N Meridian Rd

Tallahassee, FL 32303

(877) 969-0010

tcfot@yahoo.com

<https://sites.google.com/site/thecompassionatefriendsoftlh/>

Mental Health Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Critical Initiatives in Visual Impairment Project (CIVI)

*Teacher training that addresses the critical shortage of highly qualified personnel; effective practices in braille instruction; and the effective use of residual vision for learning by using low vision devices

325 W Gaines Street, Ste 614

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 245-0475

slewis@fsu.edu

<http://www.careersinblindness.com>

Florida Department of Education Resources

Cystic Fibrosis Foundation

*Information, referrals, and linkage to specialized care and caregivers for cystic fibrosis patients

*Fund-raiser for research and advocacy

8383 Baymeadow Rd, Ste 9

Jacksonville, FL 32256

(800) 344-4823

<http://www.cff.org/Chapters/nfl/>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Medical & Dental Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Daniel Statewide Inpatient Psychiatric Program (SIPP)

*Statewide Inpatient Psychiatric Program (SIPP) serves boys and girls, ages 5-17, needing an increased level of residential care due to emotional and/or behavioral functioning difficulties

*Program (about 180 days or less) designed to assist residents in stabilizing behavior in therapeutic environment while receiving psychotherapeutic interventions

*Suitable for both foster and parent custody children

3725 Belfort Rd

Jacksonville, FL 32216

(904) 296-1055

info@danielkids.org

<http://www.danielkids.org>

Mental Health Resources

Deliver The Dream

*Holds monthly three-day retreats for families experiencing serious illness or crisis, may be child or parent

*May include cancer, autism, mood disorder, spina bifida, MS or other debilitating situation

*Up to 15 families invited to one of the retreat locations to relax, enjoy time together, make new friendships and create support groups with other families dealing with same problem

*May be referred by healthcare partner

3223 NW 10th Terr, Ste 602

Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33309

(888) 687-3732

contact@deliverthedream.org

<http://www.deliverthedream.org>

Recreational Resources & Camps

Dick Howser Center for Childhood Services

*Programs for children ages 6 weeks to 6 years

*Early intervention and therapies for children exhibiting development delays or disabilities, including speech, physical, and occupational therapy

*Early childhood education, school readiness VPK, childcare and preschool for typical peers or siblings, before and after school programs and summer programs

240 Mabry St

Tallahassee, FL 32304

(850) 574-3906

ksineath@goodwillbigbend.com

<http://www.dickhowser.org>

Before & After School Programs

Early Intervention Programs (Birth-3)

Educational Programs & Services

Pre-K Programs (3-5)

Therapy Resources

Disability Rights Florida

*Advocacy for persons with disabilities

*Information and referrals

*Investigates complaints of abuse, neglect and rights violations

*Negotiation and mediation support

*Equal access to public and private venues

2728 Centerview Dr, Ste 102

Tallahassee, FL 32301-5092

(800) 342-0823

info@disabilityrightsflorida.org

<http://www.disabilityrightsflorida.org>

Advocacy

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Legal/Decision Making Options/Guardianship Resources

DISC Village, Adolescent Treatment Center

- *Residential substance dependence treatment center for adolescent males
- *Applicants must be at least 14 years old, be completely detoxed if medically necessary, and be willing to conform to program rules
- *Clinical assessment, treatment planning, case management, individual counseling, group therapy, life skills classes, discharge planning
- *Continuing care after discharge helps clients transition back to living in community
- *Vocational assessment; all clients are enrolled in school or GED classes
- *Referrals to program by parents/guardians, DJJ, or DCF for treatment generally entail a six month commitment and six months of aftercare

2967 Natural Bridge Rd
Tallahassee, FL 32305
(850) 410-2900
discinfo@discvillage.com
<http://www.discvillage.com>
Mental Health Resources

DISC Village, Civil Citation Program

- *Program seeks to divert first time juvenile misdemeanor offenders from Juvenile Justice system through early intervention, counseling, education and other community resources
- *Eligibility is based on current offense, prior delinquency history, law enforcement officer discretion, and willingness of the youth and their parent/guardian to participate
- *Must complete community service hours and can be ordered to complete other sanctions

3333 W Pensacola St, Ste 400
Tallahassee, FL 32304
(850) 575-4025
lsberry@discvillage.com
<http://www.discvillage.com>
Legal/Decision Making Options/Guardianship Resources
Mental Health Resources

DISC Village, Gadsden County Human Services Center

- *Outpatient individual and group substance abuse counseling for adults and juveniles, starting at age 13
- *Will accept pregnant and postpartum women and juveniles as first priority with no wait time
- *2-3 week wait time for adults

305-B W Crawford St
Quincy, FL 32351
(850) 627-3599
discinfo@discvillage.com
<http://www.discvillage.com>
Mental Health Resources
Therapy Resources

DISC Village, Juvenile Outpatient Substance Abuse Program

- *Outpatient substance abuse treatment facility for teens between the ages of 12-18
- *Provides assessment, drug testing, individual and family therapy, family support groups, anger management, case management, random urinalysis, and follow-up care
- *Family involvement required
- *Average length of treatment is 3-5 months
- *Juvenile outpatient services are also available in Wakulla and Gadsden Counties

536 Appleyard Dr

Tallahassee, FL 32304

(850) 575-4025

lsherry@discvillage.com

<http://www.discvillage.com>

Mental Health Resources

Therapy Resources

DISC Village, Wakulla County Human Services Center

- *Outpatient individual and group substance abuse counseling for adults and juveniles
- *Confidential HIV testing available for anyone in the general public

85 High Dr

Crawfordville, FL 32326

(850) 926-2452

discinfo@discvillage.com

<http://www.discvillage.com>

Mental Health Resources

Therapy Resources

Down Syndrome Association of Tallahassee

- *Provide information, education, support and resources to families who have children with Down Syndrome
- *Host social gatherings for support and Down Syndrome Buddy Walk
- *Give financial support to community groups offering resources to individuals with Down Syndrome
- *Provide scholarships to families for education, recreational and medical purposes

2910 Kerry Forest Pkwy, D4-212

Tallahassee, FL 32309

(850) 385-4722

president@dstallahassee.org

<http://www.dsataallahassee.org>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Medical & Dental Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Dyslexia Research Institute, Woodland Hall

- *Assists children, adults and families to better understand learning differences and provide avenues to developing full potential
- *Offers educational counseling, diagnostic testing, tutorial services, parent workshops, adult support group, tutoring of adults
- *Operates full-time school (Woodland Hall Academy) and summer school
- *No student uses medication to control AD/HD

5246 Centerville Rd
Tallahassee, FL 32309
(850) 893-2216

DRI@dyslexia-add.org

<http://www.dyslexia-add.org>

Disability Specific Programs & Services
Educational Programs & Services
Tutoring Resources

Early Learning Coalition of the Big Bend

- *Child Care Resource and Referral: names and addresses available on-line and by phone
- *School Readiness: guidelines for and help with qualifying for child care financial assistance
- *Voluntary Pre-kindergarten: approved list of providers
- *Trained counselors can assist callers in choosing programs that best fit their child's and family's needs

*Gadsden: 233 E Jefferson St, Quincy, 32351, 8am-6pm, M-Th; Jefferson: 1255 W Washington St, Monticello, 32344, 8am-5pm, W; Madison: 309 SW Range Ave, Madison, 32340, 8am-6pm, M, W; Taylor, 318 N Clark St, Perry, 32347, 8am-5:30pm, Tu, Th; Liberty and Wakulla, 3278 Crawfordville Hwy, Ste G, Crawfordville, 32327, 8am-6pm, M, Tu, Th;

*Parents can register for VPK here: <https://vpkcp.floridaearlylearning.com/>

1940 N Monroe Street, Ste 70
Tallahassee, FL 32303
(866) 973-9030

dcomer@elcbigbend.org

<http://www.elcbigbend.org>

Before & After School Programs
Educational Programs & Services
Pre-K Programs (3-5)

Educational Interpreters Project (EI)

- *Initiative to improve the skills of K-12 interpreters and transliterators working with students who are deaf or hard of hearing

325 W Gaines Street, Ste 614
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400
(850) 245-0475

len.roberson@unf.edu

<http://www.interpreterproject.org/>

Florida Department of Education Resources

Epilepsy Association of the Big Bend

*Sponsors medical services for financially needy persons with seizure disorders

*Services: physicians visits, diagnostic tests, emergency medications, education, support groups, case management

*Educational programs for professionals and the public available

1215 Lee Ave, Ste M-4

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(866) 778-4583

epilepsyassoc@epilepsyassoc.org

<http://www.epilepsyassoc.org>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Medical & Dental Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Exceptional Children of Taylor County

*Support group for parents/guardians with special needs children ranging from physical development, neurological, and behavior disorders

*Meets at Java Connection, Ellis Rd, Perry Tu, 4pm and W, 9am. Times and days are subject to change.

Confidential Location, Call

Perry, FL 32347

(850) 672-9142

angela@thewalkersonline.com

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/411248775612771/>

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Exceptional Student Education Parent Survey Project

*Provides support to the Florida Department of Education in meeting the requirements of Indicator 8 of the State Performance Plan

325 W Gaines Street, Ste 614

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 245-0475

elbaum@miami.edu

http://www.education.miami.edu/organization/organizations_Detail.asp?Organization_ID=124

Florida Department of Education Resources

Exceptional Student Education Tuition Support Project (ESE Tuition Support)

*Financial support to paraprofessionals enrolled in special education pre-service training programs, to ESE teachers earning an endorsement in autism, prekindergarten disabilities or severe/profound disabilities, and to speech-language teachers earning a master's degree in speech/language pathology

325 W Gaines Street, Ste 614

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 245-0475

juliannwoods@gmail.com

<http://www.florida-ese.org/tuitionsupport/>

Florida Department of Education Resources

Family Cafe

*Information and referral resource for individuals with disabilities and their families

*Maintains network of state agencies, non-profit organizations and other service providers that serve the disabled

*Organizes annual statewide disabilities networking and information conference

*Produces annual Question and Answer publication that answers questions related to disabilities

519 N Gadsden St

Tallahassee, FL 32301

(850) 224-4670

info@familycafe.net

<http://www.familycafe.net>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Florida Department of Education Resources

Family Care Council Florida, Area 2

*Advocates for individuals with specific intellectual/physical disabilities: mental retardation, spina bifida, autism, cerebral palsy, Down Syndrome, and Prader-Willi Syndrome working with Agency for Persons With Disabilities

*Gives self-advocates a voice in policies and decisions

4030 Esplanade Way, Ste 280

Tallahassee, FL 32399

(850) 487-1992

familycarecounciltally@gmail.com

<http://www.fccflorida.org>

Advocacy

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Family Health Line

- *Supportive counseling, information and referrals: family planning, pregnancy, infants and toddlers
- *Assist with substance abuse concerns related to pregnancy, including referrals to treatment centers that accept pregnant women
- *Primarily refers callers to low-cost prenatal or pediatric medical care and directs callers toward various financial resources: Medicaid, WIC, Food Stamps and the TANF Program
- *Follow-up services offered to ensure callers receive appropriate assistance
- *Free packet of information with educational materials regarding family planning, pregnancy, infants and toddlers available upon request in English or Spanish

PO Box 10950

Tallahassee, FL 32302-2950

(800) 451-2229

familyhealth@211bigbend.org

<http://www.211bigbend.org>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Family Network on Disabilities of Florida (FND)

- *National network for individuals of all ages at-risk, have disabilities or special needs, their families, concerned citizens and professionals in the field
- *Family network for ages birth to 26 years
- *Health information for Florida families, Family STAR (Support, Training, Assistance and Resources) funded by HHS to help families make informed decisions about their children's health
- *Assist with trusts for future care of children
- *Sponsors Jan La Belle Scholarship Program to provide a financial resource to individuals with disabilities who desire to pursue their personal and career goals through attendance at a postsecondary institution

2196 Main St, Ste K

Dunedin, FL 34698

(800) 825-5736

fnd@fndusa.org

<http://www.fndusa.org>

Advocacy

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

FAMU, Center for Disability Access and Resources (CeDAR)

- *Works with faculty and staff to provide academic support services and accommodations both in and out of the classroom
- *Primary advocate for students with disabilities
- *Educates students with disabilities about their legal rights and responsibilities
- *Promotes self-determination so that all students with disabilities have equal access to educational opportunities and achieving their academic and personal goals

Florida A & M University

Tallahassee, FL 32307

(850) 599-3180

cedar@famu.edu

<http://www.famu.edu/cedar>

Educational Programs & Services

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

FDLRS (Florida Diagnostic and Learning Resources System), Associate Centers

- *Provide diagnostic and instructional support services to district exceptional student education programs and families of students with exceptionalities statewide

325 W Gaines Street, Ste 614

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 245-0475

Anne.Glass@fldoe.org

<http://www.fdlrs.org>

Florida Department of Education Resources

FDLRS, Miccosukee Associate Center

- *Child Find assists in locating, identifying, and obtaining services for children birth-21 years with developmental delays, suspected delays, and/or special learning needs
- *Provides information and assistance to parents
- *Provides diagnostic and instruction support to schools for appropriate educational programs

3955 W Pensacola St

Tallahassee, FL 32304

(850) 487-2630

mcraec@leonschools.net

<http://www.fdlrs.leon.k12.fl.us/>

Assistive Technology

Early Intervention Programs (Birth-3)

Educational Programs & Services

Evaluation Services

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

FDLRS, Multidisciplinary Educational Service Centers (MDC)

*Network of five regional Multidisciplinary Educational Services Centers provide multidisciplinary diagnostic evaluations for pre-school and school-aged children with complex academic, medical, emotional and/or behavioral need

*Provides technical assistance and consultation services to families, school and community agencies and pre-service and in-service training

325 W Gaines Street, Ste 614

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 245-0475

Anne.Bozik@fldoe.org

<http://www.fdlrs.org>

Florida Department of Education Resources

Federation of Families of Florida

*Community level coalition and training for social, emotional, developmental and behavioral wellbeing of young children and their families in the Gadsden and Leon County area

*Provides parent support groups, educational opportunities for parents and caregivers and direct support for parents with children in any aspect including IEP (Individualized Education Programs) support, resource linking and peer mentorship

*Grass roots organization that is run by parents and youth for parents and youth

Confidential Location, Call

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 570-0413

Jill@flfamilies.net

Mental Health Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

First Baptist Church, English/ASL Language Instruction

*Offers the following courses: 1) Prepare for TOEFL (Test of English as Foreign Language); 2) Conversational English for Internationals; 3) Citizenship classes

*Free beginner American Sign Language instruction: Su afternoons. Each student will need to purchase a copy of "A Basic Course in American Sign Language" by Humphries, Padden, and O'Rourke.

108 W College Ave

Tallahassee, FL 32301

(850) 222-5470

marty@fbctlh.org

<http://www.fbctlh.org>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Educational Programs & Services

FL DCF, ESS/ACCESS, Gadsden/Liberty/Jackson/Calhoun

- *Public assistance benefits for persons meeting eligibility guidelines: SNAP (Food Stamps), Temporary cash assistance (TCA, TANF), Medicaid for health care
- *Medicaid Share of Cost (aka Medically Needy) for financial assistance to certain low-income individuals and families not qualifying for Medicaid, but unable to pay medical bills; recipients required to pay a portion of medical bills each month before financial assistance available
- *Florida Kidcare, health insurance for children at low cost; adults who are former foster youth may be eligible for Medicaid under ACA up to age 26
- *Apply either on the web site, a DCF Access Florida office, or a DCF Community Partner site
- *After applying, persons can provide or receive important information about their account, either by the website or phone
- *Temporary Medicaid card printable from website

6 S Key St

Quincy, FL 32351

(866) 762-2237

<http://www.myflorida.com/accessflorida>

Medical & Dental Resources

FL DCF, ESS/ACCESS, Jefferson Community Partner Site

- *Office is a DCF, Community Partner Site, and provides all the same services as any other DCF, Access Florida office
- *Public assistance benefits for persons meeting eligibility guidelines: SNAP (Food Stamps), Temporary cash assistance (TCA, TANF), Medicaid for health care
- *Medicaid Share of Cost (aka Medically Needy) for financial assistance to certain low-income individuals and families not qualifying for Medicaid, but unable to pay medical bills; recipients required to pay a portion of medical bills each month before financial assistance available
- *Florida Kidcare, health insurance for children at low cost; adults who are former foster youth may be eligible for Medicaid under ACA up to age 26
- *Apply either on the web site, a DCF Access Florida office, or a DCF Community Partner site
- *After applying, persons can provide or receive important information about their account, either by the website or phone
- *Temporary Medicaid card printable from website

2729 W Washington Hwy

Monticello, FL 32344

(866) 762-2237

<http://www.myflorida.com/accessflorida>

Medical & Dental Resources

FL DCF, ESS/ACCESS, Leon Community Partner Site

*Office is a DCF, Community Partner Site, and provides all the same services as any other DCF, Access Florida office

*Public assistance benefits for persons meeting eligibility guidelines: SNAP (Food Stamps), Temporary cash assistance (TCA, TANF), Medicaid for health care

*Medicaid Share of Cost (aka Medically Needy) for financial assistance to certain low-income individuals and families not qualifying for Medicaid, but unable to pay medical bills; recipients required to pay a portion of medical bills each month before financial assistance available

*Florida Kidcare, health insurance for children at low cost; adults who are former foster youth may be eligible for Medicaid under ACA up to age 26

*Apply either on the web site, a DCF Access Florida office, or a DCF Community Partner site

*After applying, persons can provide or receive important information about their account, either by the website or phone

*Temporary Medicaid card printable from website

1707 S Gadsden St
Tallahassee, FL 32301

(866) 762-2237

<http://www.myflorida.com/accessflorida>

Medical & Dental Resources

FL DCF, ESS/ACCESS, Leon/Wakulla Counties

*Office located at 2810 Sharer Rd, Unit 24 (next to Movies 8)

*Will serve persons from Leon, Wakulla, Gadsden, and Jefferson Counties

*Public assistance benefits for persons meeting eligibility guidelines: SNAP (Food Stamps), Temporary cash assistance (TCA, TANF), Medicaid for health care

*Medicaid Share of Cost (aka Medically Needy) for financial assistance to certain low-income individuals and families not qualifying for Medicaid, but unable to pay medical bills; recipients required to pay a portion of medical bills each month before financial assistance available

*Florida Kidcare, health insurance for children at low cost; adults who are former foster youth may be eligible for Medicaid under ACA up to age 26

*Apply either on the web site, a DCF Access Florida office, or a DCF Community Partner site

*After applying, persons can provide or receive important information about their account, either by the website or phone

*Temporary Medicaid card printable from website

2810 Sharer Road, Unit 24
Tallahassee, FL 32399

(866) 762-2237

<http://www.myflorida.com/accessflorida>

Medical & Dental Resources

FL DCF, ESS/ACCESS, Taylor Community Partner Sites

*DCF, Access Florida case worker assists people in applying for DCF benefits at the Taylor County Public Library on Tuesdays, 9am-4pm, and at the Suwannee River Economic Council on Thursdays, 9am-4pm

*Call site to confirm date and time before going

*Public assistance benefits for persons meeting eligibility guidelines: SNAP (Food Stamps), Temporary cash assistance (TCA, TANF), Medicaid for health care

*Medicaid Share of Cost (aka Medically Needy) for financial assistance to certain low-income individuals and families not qualifying for Medicaid, but unable to pay medical bills; recipients required to pay a portion of medical bills each month before financial assistance available

*Florida Kidcare, health insurance for children at low cost; adults who are former foster youth may be eligible for Medicaid under ACA up to age 26

*Apply either on the web site, a DCF Access Florida office, or a DCF Community Partner site

*After applying, persons can provide or receive important information about their account, either by the website or phone

*Temporary Medicaid card printable from website

403 N Washington St

Perry, FL 32347

(866) 762-2237

Heather_Austin@dcf.state.fl.us

<http://www.myflorida.com/accessflorida>

Medical & Dental Resources

FL DOE, BEESS Resource & Information Center

*Information for exceptional student education: early intervention, student services, behavior management, juvenile justice education and other alternative programs

*Call or see website: www.fldoe.org/ese/clehome.asp

325 W Gaines St, Rm 614

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 245-0477

BRIC@fldoe.org

<http://www.fldoe.org/ese/clerhome.asp>

Educational Programs & Services

FL DOE, Bureau of Braille and Talking Book Library Services

- *Information and reading materials for Florida residents unable to use standard print because of visual, physical, or reading disability
- *Reading materials sent to and from customers via postage-free mail; services provided at no charge
- *Currently more than two million books in Braille and recorded formats available for loan
- *Materials in Spanish available
- *Alternate method available through Braille and Audible Reading Download (BARD)
- *Call or apply on-line and place requests electronically

421 Platt St
Daytona Beach, FL 32114-2804
(800) 226-6075

susan.roberts@dbf.fldoe.org
<http://dbf.myflorida.com/library>

Assistive Technology
Disability Specific Programs & Services
Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

FL DOE, Division of Blind Services, District 2

- *Services for legally blind persons, or those with an illness which could cause blindness
- *Children birth to 5: parent education, counseling, mobility training, social, sensory and cognitive development
- *School age children: family counseling, case management, educational experience and information
- *Youth at least 14: school to work programs involving daily living skills, self advocacy, and work experience
- *Adults (16-65): rehabilitation, counseling, medical assistance, vocational rehabilitation and job placement
- *Seniors (65+): diagnosis, non-vocational rehabilitation, counseling and daily living skills training
- *Some services based on economic need
- *Braille and Talking Book Library services available
- *Referrals to community services when available

1320 Executive Center Dr
Tallahassee, FL 32399
(800) 672-7038

ana.saintfort@dbf.doe.state.fl.us
<http://dbf.myflorida.com>

Disability Specific Programs & Services
Mental Health Resources
Vocational & Young Adult Programs

FL DOE, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, Area 1

- *Serves persons with physical or mental disabilities that interfere with their ability to work
- *Prepares clients for employment by offering: medical, psychological and work evaluation assessment; follow-up and assistance with accommodations; counseling, guidance, career planning, job coaching, and assistive technology; limited on-the-job training, post-secondary education at colleges, universities, technical and vocational schools
- *Toll-free number can provide referrals to vocational rehabilitation offices anywhere in Florida

1320 Executive Center Dr, Atkins Bldg, Ste 200

Tallahassee, FL 32301-5011

(800) 451-4327

allison.gill@vr.fldoe.org

<http://www.rehabworks.org>

Mental Health Resources

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

FL DOE, Florida Virtual Campus

- *Support for distance learners and institutions offering online courses and degrees
 - *Online academic advising services to help students identify requirements of chosen degree
 - *Variety of tools used by staff at college and university libraries to provide services to students and faculties
 - *Online access to library holdings of all Florida public colleges and universities, including electronic resources: full-text journals, databases, and eBooks
 - Support and training for college and university students and staff using the services of FLVC
- Other offices: Gainesville, 5830 NW 39th Ave, 32606; Tampa, 3702 Spectrum BL, UTC 135-A, 33612

1753 W Paul Dirac Dr

Tallahassee, FL 32310

(852) 922-6044

<http://www.flvc.org>

Educational Programs & Services

FL DOE, McKay Scholarships

- *Parents of students with disabilities may apply for scholarship to send child to best educational setting, public or private
- *Eligibility requirements: individual education plan in place, attended public school or FL School for the Deaf and the Blind previously, had specialize instructional services under VPK, or be dependent child of US Armed Forces member transferred to FL due to permanent change of station orders (see web site for specifics on eligibility)

325 W Gaines St, Ste 1044

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(800) 447-1636

<http://www.floridaschoolchoice.org>

Educational Programs & Services

FL DOH, Brain & Spinal Cord Injury Program

*Case management, rehabilitation, transitional living, assistive technology, home and vehicle modifications, and resource referral services for those with or affected by brain or spinal cord injuries

4052 Bald Cypress Way

Tallahassee, FL 32399

(850) 245-4444

health@flhealth.gov

<http://www.floridahealth.gov/diseases-and-conditions/brain-and-spinal-cord-injuries/index.html>

Assistive Technology

Disability Specific Programs & Services

FL DOH, Brain & Spinal Cord Injury Registry

*Provides all eligible residents who sustain a traumatic brain or spinal cord injury the opportunity to obtain the necessary services that will enable them to return to an appropriate level of functioning

4052 Bald Cypress Way

Tallahassee, FL 32399

(800) 342-0778

health@flhealth.gov

<http://www.floridahealth.gov/diseases-and-conditions/brain-and-spinal-cord-injuries/index.html>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

FL DOH, Gadsden, General Health Services

*School physicals, screening for vision, hearing and diabetes, birth and death certificates, smoking cessation, environmental health services

*Community Nurse Program: outreach connecting people without a medical home or insurance to referrals for services available in county

*Dental care for children and adults at Quincy and Chattahoochee locations

*Chattahoochee office location: 680 Maple Street, Chattahoochee. Gretna office location:

14678 Main St, Gretna

278 Dr LaSalle Leffall Dr

Quincy, FL 32351

(850) 875-7200

aaron_kissler@doh.state.fl.us

<http://www.gadsdenhealth.org>

Medical & Dental Resources

FL DOH, Gadsden, Maternal/Infant Services

*Pregnancy testing, Presumptive Eligibility for Pregnant Women Medicaid (PEPW), prenatal care, WIC, family planning (birth control)

*Pregnant women may apply for PEPW at the CHD, even if planning to receive prenatal care elsewhere

*Pediatric services restricted to immunizations (free) and well-baby check up at 2 weeks

*Will serve Gadsden and Leon Counties

278 Dr LaSalle Leffall Dr

Quincy, FL 32351

(850) 875-7200

<http://www.gadsdenhealth.org>

Medical & Dental Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

FL DOH, Gadsden, School Health Services

*Elementary and Middle school services: first aid, medication administration, screenings, dental services, reduce risk-taking behaviors, violence and injury prevention

*High school services: first aid, medication administration, screenings for HIV and STD's, family planning services, job placement assistance, nutrition education, mental health counseling, parent classes, adult education for parents

*Some services and programs require parental consent

278 Dr LaSalle Leffall Dr

Quincy, FL 32351

(850) 251-7085

barbara_purnell@doh.state.fl.us

<http://www.gadsdenhealth.org/Schoolhealth.htm>

Mental Health Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

FL DOH, Jefferson, General Health Services

*General medical care, school physicals, immunizations for children and adults, birth and death certificates, prescription assistance program, smoking cessation, environmental health services

*Dental care for Medicaid eligible children ages 2-20

1255 W Washington St

Monticello, FL 32344

(850) 342-0170

jeffersonchd@doh.state.fl.us

<http://www.healthyjefferson.org>

Medical & Dental Resources

FL DOH, Jefferson, Maternal/Infant Services

- *Pregnancy testing, prenatal care, WIC, family planning (birth control)
- *Does not offer Presumptive Eligibility for Medicaid (PEPW), but will help pregnant women apply for Medicaid if they plan to get their prenatal care there.
- *Pediatric services include immunizations (free), well-baby care, and pediatric care for ages 3 and older
- *Childbirth education and pregnancy support group open to anyone

1255 W Washington St
Monticello, FL 32344
(850) 342-0170

jeffersonchd@doh.state.fl.us
<http://www.healthyjefferson.org/>

Medical & Dental Resources
Parent Information, Training & Support Group

FL DOH, Jefferson, WIC

- *Women, Infants, and Children nutrition program
- *Supplementary food program for pregnant women, nursing mothers, infants, and children up to age 5
- *Nutrition counseling
- *Breastfeeding support and consultation

1255 W Washington St
Monticello, FL 32344
(800) 416-4123

jeffersonchd@doh.state.fl.us
<http://www.healthyjefferson.org/>

Medical & Dental Resources

FL DOH, Leon, Center for Dental Care and Prevention

- *Pediatric and prenatal dental clinic, treating children ages 5 to 20, and pregnant women enrolled in Healthy Start program
- *Services: emergency care, exams, x-rays, preventative dental education, cleanings, fluoride treatments, sealants, fillings, and extractions
- *Dental health presentations available to schools and community
- *Brush for Baby program provides pregnant women enrolled in Healthy Start program with free dental appointments and home dental care kits

912 Railroad Ave
Tallahassee, FL 32310
(850) 606-8400

<http://www.co.leon.fl.us/lchd/index.asp>

Medical & Dental Resources

FL DOH, Leon, General Health Services

- *Diabetes screening and insulin program
- *Birth and death certificates
- *Smoking cessation
- *Nursing Assessment for Communicable Diseases
- *Environmental Health
- *Four locations; call to find out which location offers needed services
- *The "Molar Express" Pediatric Dental Clinic is located at 912 Railroad Ave.

872 W Orange Ave
Tallahassee, FL 32304
(850) 606-8150

<http://www.co.leon.fl.us/lcphu>

Medical & Dental Resources

FL DOH, Leon, Maternal/Infant Services

- *Pregnancy testing, screening for pregnancy Medicaid (PEPW), WIC, family planning (birth control)
- *Does not provide prenatal care; pregnant women referred to local doctors and clinics that either accept Medicaid or offer a sliding scale fee or payment plan
- *Infant and child immunizations; no pediatric care
- *Other location: 872 W Orange Ave, 32310

1515 Old Bainbridge Rd
Tallahassee, FL 32303
(850) 606-8050

<http://www.leoncountyfl.gov/lchd>

Medical & Dental Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

FL DOH, Leon, WIC

- *Women, Infants, and Children nutrition program
- *Supplementary food program for pregnant women, nursing mothers, infants, and children up to age 5
- *Nutrition counseling
- *Breastfeeding support and consultation
- *WIC also offered at other locations in Leon County; call for information

1515 Old Bainbridge Rd
Tallahassee, FL 32303
(800) 416-4123

<http://www.co.leon.fl.us/lcphu>

Medical & Dental Resources

FL DOH, Taylor, Dental Clinic

*Dental clinic treating children age 1 to 20 years and pregnant women of any age enrolled in the Healthy Start program, as well as pregnant women of any age receiving prenatal care at the CHD

1215 N Peacock Ave

Perry, FL 32347

(850) 584-5087

<http://www.doh.state.fl.us/chdTaylor>

Medical & Dental Resources

FL DOH, Taylor, General Health Services

*Birth and death certificates, smoking cessation, environmental health services, immunizations for all ages

*No general medical care

1215 N Peacock Ave

Perry, FL 32347

(850) 584-5087

Patricia_Buhler@doh.state.fl.us

<http://www.doh.state.fl.us/chdtaylor>

Medical & Dental Resources

FL DOH, Taylor, Maternal/Infant Services

*Pregnancy testing, financial screening including PEPW, prenatal care, WIC, family planning

*Pregnant women may apply for PEPW even if planning to receive prenatal care elsewhere

*Pediatric services consist of immunizations and limited well-baby care

*Childbirth Education classes available to anyone in the community

1215 N Peacock Ave

Perry, FL 32347

(850) 584-5087

patricia.buhler@flhealth.gov

<http://www.doh.state.fl.us/chdtaylor>

Medical & Dental Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

FL DOH, Taylor, WIC

- *Women, Infants, and Children nutrition program
- *Supplementary food program for pregnant women, nursing mothers, infants, and children up to age 5
- *Nutrition counseling
- *Breastfeeding support and consultation
- *Car seats are available for a fee of \$10 to individuals that qualify and attend a car seat safety program

1215 N Peacock Ave

Perry, FL 32347

(800) 416-4123

Holly_Kirsch@doh.state.fl.us

<http://www.doh.state.fl.us/chdtaylor>

Medical & Dental Resources

FL DOH, Wakulla, General Health Services

- *Free childhood immunizations, low cost adult immunizations, and women's health care
- *Diabetes screening, smoking cessation help, tuberculosis screening and treatment
- *Dental services for children up to age 20 for which Medicaid is accepted
- *Environmental health services including animal bites and mosquito control
- *Vital records office for birth and death certificates

48 Oak St

Crawfordville, FL 32327

(850) 926-0400

Sherry_Bramblett@doh.state.fl.us

<http://www.mywchd.com>

Medical & Dental Resources

FL DOH, Wakulla, Maternal/Infant Services

- *Pregnancy testing, PEPW, prenatal care, WIC, family planning
- *Pregnant women may apply for PEPW at the CHD even if seeking prenatal care elsewhere
- *Pregnant women not Medicaid eligible are offered a sliding scale fee
- *Pediatric care is limited to free immunizations
- *Free childbirth education, car seat installation and parenting support group

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(850) 926-0400

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<http://www.mywchd.com>

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*Breastfeeding support and consultation

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(800) 416-4123

<http://www.mywchd.com>

Medical & Dental Resources

FL DOR, Child Support Program

*Assistance in locating missing parents, establishing legal paternity, obtaining and enforcing child support and medical support orders, making payments and most other aspects of child support

*Program cooperates with other states and countries when needed

*Web site offers further information and self-service access for program customers

1208 Hays St

Tallahassee, FL 32301

(877) 769-0251

<http://www.myflorida.com/dor/childsupport>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Legal/Decision Making Options/Guardianship Resources

Florida Abuse Hotline, DCF

*Centralized hotline responsible for receiving reports alleging abuse, neglect and/or exploitation of children under 18, the elderly, or disabled, institutionalized or vulnerable adults as mandated in Chapters 39 and 415 of the Florida Statutes

*Call-takers assess information and take reports when warranted 24/7

*Reports transmitted to DCF staff in local counties for investigation

*Any person who knows or has reasonable cause to suspect that a child under 18, aged person, disabled or institutionalized adult is abused, neglected, or exploited is mandated by Chapter 415 of the Florida Statutes to report such information to the Florida Abuse Hotline

Confidential Location, Call

Tallahassee, FL 32399

(800) 962-2873

<http://www.myflfamilies.com>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Florida Alliance for Assistive Services and Technology, Inc. (FAAST)

- *Promotes access, awareness and advocacy for assistive technology devices along with services for clients with disabilities, family members, caregivers, providers and agencies
- *Offers assistive technology device loan programs; reutilization, refurbishing and recycling of equipment programs
- *Offers skills training and assistance, demonstrations and assessment
- *Provides business loans for Floridians with disabilities

3333 W Pensacola Street, Bldg 100, Ste 140

Tallahassee, FL 32304

(888) 788-9216

faast@faast.org

<http://www.faast.org>

Advocacy

Assistive Technology

Florida APD, Benefits Information Resources Network

- *Assists persons with disabilities to earn money, build assets and still maintain certain benefits
- *Consortium of state agencies who assist disabled workers to more effectively manage their benefits

2639 N Monroe St, Ste 100-B

Tallahassee, FL 32399-2949

(866) 273-2273

Lynne_Daw@apd.state.fl.us

<http://apd.myflorida.com/employment/fbirn.htm>

Legal/Decision Making Options/Guardianship Resources

Florida APD, Northwest Region, Field 1 Office

- *Florida Agency for Persons with Disabilities
- *Assists persons with designated developmental/physical disabilities in living, learning, and working in their communities through local resources and case management
- *Identifies needs for support and services
- *Florida designated disabilities: mental retardation, spina bifida, autism, cerebral palsy, Down Syndrome, and Prader-Willi Syndrome

4030 Esplanade Way, Ste 280

Tallahassee, FL 32399-2949

(866) 273-2273

Lynne_Daw@apd.state.fl.us

<http://apd.myflorida.com>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Mental Health Resources

Residential Programs, Housing & Respite Care Programs

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Florida Baptist Children's Home, Tallahassee

*Residential care for school age children through age 18

*Foster care placement for ages birth to 18

*Adoption services including counseling and placement

*Counseling to children and families in the program

8415 Buck Lake Rd

Tallahassee, FL 32317

(850) 878-1458

tallahassee.fl@fbchomes.org

<http://www.fbchomes.org>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Residential Programs, Housing & Respite Care Programs

Florida Children's Forum

*TEACH Early Childhood Scholarships for early childhood care educators

*WAGES provides education-based salary supplements to early childhood teachers working with children ages birth to five

*Help for enrichment programs for students in high-poverty area schools

2807 Remington Green Circle

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(888) 352-4453

<http://www.fcform.org>

Educational Programs & Services

Florida Cleft Palate-Craniofacial Association, Inc.

*Association provides education, encourages research, promotes rehabilitation and public interest for children and adults with cleft palate, cleft lip and other craniofacial anomalies

*Refers parents to partnership of Children's Medical Services and the University of Florida Craniofacial Center

*Contact information matching families and professionals closest their community

*Education about care and feeding for children with anomaly

PO Box 1171

Oldsmar, FL 34677

(877) 411-2883

<http://www.floridacleft.org>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Medical & Dental Resources

Mental Health Resources

Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged

*Information and referral for transportation disadvantaged persons who are unable to obtain their own transportation due to income, disability, age, or other extenuating circumstances

*Also assists consumers with resolving local problems or concerns

*Community Transportation Coordinator Contacts by County may be found by calling or visiting the website

2740 Centerview Dr, Ste 1A

Tallahassee, FL 32301

(800) 983-2435

steven.holmes@dot.state.fl.us

<http://www.dot.state.fl.us/ctd>

Advocacy

Transportation Resources

Florida Developmental Disabilities Council, Inc.

*Provides federal funding for projects to help individuals and families dealing with disabilities statewide

*Projects may be proposed/accepted by individuals, private and government agencies, school districts, and other groups

*Not a direct service provider

124 Marriott Dr, Ste 203

Tallahassee, FL 32301-2981

(888) 488-8633

fddc@fddc.org

<http://www.fddc.org>

Advocacy

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Florida Directory of Early Childhood Services

*Statewide resource and referral system for young children with disabilities and special health care needs

*Provides information about a wide variety of disability and health care services available in communities throughout Florida

*Services include: 1) community services (advocacy, public awareness); 2) counseling (child, family); 3) diagnosis and evaluation (developmental); 4) early intervention services (home instruction, infant stimulation); 5) equipment (medical, mobility aids); 6) medical services (doctors, intensive care); 7) special education (private and public schools); 8) support groups (parent, emotional); 9) support services (home health care, respite care); 10) therapy (physical, speech); 11) training on disability issues (inclusion).

*Calls to the toll free number will be transferred electronically to local Early Steps agencies, Florida Diagnostic Learning Resources System (FDLRS), and Early Learning Coalitions in the caller's local community

2807 Remington Green Circle

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(800) 654-4440

lalong@centraldirectory.org

<http://www.centraldirectory.org/>

Early Intervention Programs (Birth-3)

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Florida Disabled Outdoors Association

*Information and education about therapeutic value of recreation, promoting participation in leisure activities, developing accessible outdoor recreational facilities and programs, and advocating for inclusion in all sports, recreation and leisure opportunities

*Free Recreation Resource Referral Network, www.fdoa.org/rrd, available to everyone allowing searches for accessible inclusive programs and services, products, destinations, and events throughout Florida

*Search counties for specific types of recreation

*RAPAD (Recreational Activity Program for Adults with Disabilities) program for adults in Leon, Wakulla, and Gadsden counties, designed to stimulate and educate persons with disabilities with opportunities in sports, recreation and leisure

*Miracle Sports program provides access to athletics for people of all abilities. Baseball, football, basketball and other games are adapted so that anyone can participate. Games are played at Messer Park in Tallahassee.

2475 Apalachee Pkwy, Ste 205

Tallahassee, FL 32301

(850) 201-2944

info@fdoa.org

<http://www.fdoa.org>

Advocacy

Recreational Resources & Camps

Florida Inclusion Network (FIN)

*Learning opportunities, consultation, information, and support to educators, families, and community members resulting in the inclusion of all students

*Provides information and support for the implementation of inclusive education best practices for educators and parents of disabled children

355 N Monroe St, Ste B

Tallahassee, FL 32301

(888) 232-0421

ssandvoss@contactfin.com

<http://www.floridainclusionnetwork.com>

Advocacy

Florida Department of Education Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Florida Instructional Materials Center for the Visually Impaired (FIMC-VI)

*Statewide resource to assist schools in obtaining specialized materials for students with visual impairments

*Serves students with visual impairments enrolled in Florida's public and private schools and teachers in those schools, both exceptional student educators and regular educators, who work with visually impaired students

4210 West Bay Villa Ave

Tampa, FL 33611

(813) 837-7826

FloridaBrailleChallenge@gmail.com

<http://www.fimcvi.org/>

Assistive Technology

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Educational Programs & Services

Florida KidCare

*Offers affordable, low-cost health insurance for eligible, uninsured children birth through age 18 (coverage ends when child turns 19); payments may be \$15 or \$20 per month; full pay option for eligible households with high incomes or non-citizens

*Covered services: doctor visits, immunizations, dental care, prescriptions, hospital, surgery, vision and hearing care, mental health, preexisting conditions

*Offers several ways for monthly premiums to be paid: child who is a member of a federally recognized America Indian or Alaskan Native tribe may qualify for no-cost

*Four parts: MediKids (ages 1-4), Florida Healthy Kids (ages 5-18), Children's Medical Services Network (CMSN) for children with special health care needs and Medicaid for children; KidCare will determine which program child may be eligible for based on age, family income and any special health care needs

*For more information, visit and apply online at www.floridakidcare.org or call to request an Application

661 E Jefferson St

Tallahassee, FL 32301

(888) 540-5437

<http://www.floridakidcare.org>

Medical & Dental Resources

Florida Network of Youth and Family Services

*Statewide agency provides information and referrals for both children/teens (10 and older) and/or parents who are in crisis

*Serves as information and referral resource for CINS/FINS (Children in Need of Services/Families in Need of Services) and other agencies for families with a child persistently beyond the reasonable and lawful control of parents or guardians

*Refers homeless, runaway and troubled youth to shelters, respite care, and other helping agencies

*Website has a great deal of information related to parents and youth in crisis, such as Parent Options (legal and otherwise) for ungovernable children, and legal rights for youth

*Advocates for agencies which serve homeless, runaway and troubled youth

2850 Pablo Ave

Tallahassee, FL 32308-4211

(850) 922-4324

Info@floridanetwork.org

<http://www.floridanetwork.org>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Therapy Resources

Florida Poison Information Center, Jacksonville

*24-hour poison emergency treatment and information hotline for the public and health care professionals

655 W 8th St, Box C23

Jacksonville, FL 32209

(800) 222-1222

<http://www.fpicjax.org>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Florida Relay Service, 7-1-1

*Communications link for Deaf, Hard of Hearing, Deaf/Blind, or Speech Disabled

*Distributes telephone equipment: volume control telephones that amplify, TTY's, Braille TTY's, voice carry over phones, Large Visual Display, audible ring signalers, tactile ring signalers, and visual ring signalers

*For repair or replacement, contact, FTIRI

*Various numbers used for disability-related equipment that communicates with standard equipment

*Customer Profile/Relay enables AT&T to speed up calling; call Customer Service

1820 E Park Ave, Ste 101

Tallahassee, FL 32301

7-1-1

customercare@ftri.org

<http://www.ftri.org>

Assistive Technology

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Florida School for the Deaf & Blind

*Pre-school through 12th grade for eligible hearing-impaired and visually-impaired public school students

*Health care; speech, audiology, mental health, occupational and physical therapies

*Free tuition for eligible Florida residents

*Awards standard and special diplomas; prepares graduates for professional careers and trades

*Over 70% of graduating class continue education at colleges, universities, and technical training centers

207 N San Marco Ave
St Augustine, FL 32084
(800) 344-3732

dayc@fsdb.k12.fl.us

<http://www.fsdb.k12.fl.us>

Disability Specific Programs & Services
Educational Programs & Services

Florida State Elks Association

*Provides weekly therapy services for children either unable to go to such services or where there is an absence of services

*23 mobile units cover most of Florida

*Offers scholarships to college students working to be a therapist

*Summer camp open to all children, small fee; last week for children of military and veteran parents

24175 SE Hwy 450
Umatilla, FL 32784
(800) 523-1673

<http://www.floridaelks.org>

Disability Specific Programs & Services
Therapy Resources

Florida Therapy Services, Inc.

*Outpatient mental health services in the Big Bend area and other Florida Panhandle Counties for children, adolescents, and adults of all ages

*Includes Board Certified Psychiatrists, Licensed Clinical Social Workers, Licensed Mental Health Counselors, and Licensed Marriage and Family Therapists

*Offers psychiatric services, medication management, therapeutic behavioral services, individual, parent, and family therapy

1834-A Jaclif Ct
Tallahassee, FL 32308
(877) 234-5351

tallahassee@flatherapy.com

<http://www.flatherapy.com>

Mental Health Resources
Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Florida Youth Council

*Group of youth and emerging leaders (15-30 years old) with disabilities or special health care needs

*Peer groups geared toward getting young people involved in self-advocacy, peer mentoring, and other activities

*Offers leadership and participation opportunities for youth, including an Annual Youth Summit, an electronic and print newsletter, and social networking

1332 N Duval St

Tallahassee, FL 32303

(888) 309-2233

abrown@familycafe.net

<http://www.floridayouthcouncil.com>

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Florida's Office of Early Learning

*Serves entire state of Florida by providing information and referrals to the Early Steps program that covers the caller's county

*Early Steps is the point of entry for families looking for childcare and school readiness programs including VPK, Pre-K, Head Start, Early Head Start and Subsidized Child Care

*Trained counselors can assist callers in choosing programs that best fit their child's and family's needs

*Parents can register for VPK here: <https://vpkcp.floridaearlylearning.com/>

250 Marriott Dr

Tallahassee, FL 32399

(866) 357-3239

oel_comments@oel.myflorida.com

<http://www.floridaearlylearning.com>

Before & After School Programs

Early Intervention Programs (Birth-3)

Educational Programs & Services

Pre-K Programs (3-5)

Florida's Positive Behavior Support Project

*Provides resources for teaching and learning skills, and focusing on positive behaviors

*Assists with creating effective intervention plans that will impede problem behaviors, teach new skills, and create support systems for the student

13301 Bruce B Downs Blvd

Tampa, FL 33612

(813) 974-6440

flpbs@fmhi.usf.edu

<http://flpbs.fmhi.usf.edu>

Educational Programs & Services

FSU, Adult Learning Evaluation Center

*Psycho-educational evaluations for college age students and adults with possible learning disability or Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder

*Individual ADHD coaching and academic consultation available

2207 Stone Bldg

Tallahassee, FL 32306-4410

(850) 644-3611

coe-alec@fsu.edu

<http://www.epls.fsu.edu/alec>

Educational Programs & Services

Evaluation Services

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

FSU, Art Therapy Program

*Uses art to explore feelings, manage behavior and addictions, develop social skills, reduce anxiety, and increase self-esteem that improves a client's ability to function or state of well-being

1043 William Johnston Building

Tallahassee, FL 32306

(850) 645-2926

mrosal@fsu.edu

<http://arted.fsu.edu/Programs/Art-Therapy>

Educational Programs & Services

Therapy Resources

FSU, Career Center

*Helps individuals meet career planning and job hunting needs, assisting in career decision-making, exploring information on occupations, majors, and future education

*Job interview preparation, resume writing assistance

*Internships, cooperative education and placement services

*Appointments not necessary, but can be made by calling or visiting the office

*Open to the community, not just FSU students

100 S Woodward Ave

Tallahassee, FL 32306-4162

(850) 644-6431

mhoover@fsu.edu

<http://www.career.fsu.edu>

Educational Programs & Services

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

FSU, Center for Autism and Related Disabilities

*Makes phone/email contacts, home-based consultation, site visits, meetings, links families to community supports, and implements ideas from training sessions

*Eligibility: any age individual with autism, pervasive developmental disorders, autistic-like behavior, dual sensory impairments, and sensory impairments with other handicapping conditions; cannot duplicate services of other state and local agencies

*Provides consults related to autism for schools, vocational programs, and other agencies; professionals in field

*Other locations: Panama City at Liberty Square, 2611-A West 23rd , 32405 and Pensacola at 5190 Bayou Blvd, 32503

1940 N Monroe St, Ste 72

Tallahassee, FL 32303

(800) 769-7926

amy.wetherby@med.fsu.edu

<http://autism.fsu.edu>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Therapy Resources

FSU, Center for Integrating Research and Learning

*Located at National High Magnetic Field Laboratory, supporting educational programming at all levels: K-12, technical, undergraduate, graduate and postdoctoral

*Educational resources and research available for community, teachers, and students

*Student education: internships for exceptional students, summer camps: SciGirls, Energy and mixed gender

*Teachers: research experience, summer outreach, tours, classroom materials, curricula guides, workshops

*Community: tours, open houses, activities

1800 E Paul Dirac Dr

Tallahassee, FL 32310

(850) 644-4707

hughes@magnet.fsu.edu

<http://www.magnet.fsu.edu/education>

Educational Programs & Services

FSU, Center for Reading Research

*Conducts research related to early education, student intervention, student assessment, struggling readers, diagnostic assessment systems, and more

2010 Levy Avenue, Ste 100

Tallahassee, FL 32310

(850) 644-9352

bfoorman@fcrr.org

<http://www.fcrr.org/>

Educational Programs & Services

FSU, First Words Project

*Early identification program to screen communication development of children from 9 to 18 months of age

*Focus on developmental language skills, autism spectrum and communication delays

*Individualized evaluations

*Parent and provider assistance and workshops

1940 N Monroe St, Ste 72

Tallahassee, FL 32303

(850) 488-5780

amy.wetherby@med.fsu.edu

<http://firstwords.fsu.edu>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Early Intervention Programs (Birth-3)

Therapy Resources

FSU, Human Sciences Program

*Offers undergraduate and graduate programs in Family and Child Sciences; Nutrition, Food, and Exercise Sciences; and Retail Merchandising and Product Development

*Students may offer some public services through student course work

120 Convocation Way

Tallahassee, FL 32306

(850) 644-1281

<http://www.chs.fsu.edu>

Educational Programs & Services

FSU, Learning Systems Institute

*Conducts research related to improving learning and human performance, on the job, in the classroom, on the field or at home

C4600 University Center

Tallahassee, FL 32306

(850) 644-2570

llang@fsu.edu

<http://www.lsi.fsu.edu>

Educational Programs & Services

FSU, Multidisciplinary Evaluation and Consulting Center

*Serves pre-school and school-aged children who are experiencing severe and/or complex academic, medical, and/or behavioral/emotional problems

*Children are referred by twenty school districts in the Florida Panhandle, Children's Medical Services, and other agencies

*Diagnostic evaluations and therapeutic recommendation are made

715 West Gaines St

Tallahassee, FL 32306

(850) 644-2222

mdcinfo@csu.fsu.edu

<http://csu.fsu.edu/index.php?clickLink=mcenter>

Educational Programs & Services

Evaluation Services

Mental Health Resources

FSU, Psychological and Counseling Services Program

*Offers undergraduate and graduate programs in career counseling, mental health counseling, and school psychology

1114 W Call Street

Tallahassee, FL 32306-4303

(850) 644-4593

<http://www.coe.fsu.edu/Current-Students/Departments/Educational-Psychology-and-Learning->

Educational Programs & Services

Therapy Resources

FSU, Special Education Program

*Offers undergraduate and graduate programs in special education, and for students with exceptionalities

*Advocates and offers information for students with disabilities

G113 Stone Building

Tallahassee, FL 32306-4167

(850) 645-8316

jmcdowell@fsu.edu

<http://www.coe.fsu.edu/Current-Students/Departments/School-of-Teacher-Education->

Educational Programs & Services

FSU, Speech and Hearing Clinic

- *Serves children and adults with speech, language, and hearing problems
- *Evaluation and therapy are available for articulation disorders, language delay, language learning disorders, stuttering, language differences due to region, ethnic origin, or second language, memory and language disorders related to trauma, voice disorders, disorders of speech and language due to neurological damage or disease, augmentative and alternative communication disorders, rehabilitation after a laryngectomy, hearing testing, hearing aid testing and fitting, habilitation and rehabilitation of hearing impaired

201 W Bloxham, Warren Bldg
Tallahassee, FL 32306
(850) 644-2238

<http://www.fsu.edu>

Disability Specific Programs & Services
Evaluation Services
Medical & Dental Resources
Therapy Resources

FSU, Student Disability Resource Center

- *Works with faculty and staff to provide academic support services and accommodations both in and out of the classroom
- *Primary advocate for students with disabilities
- *Educates students with disabilities about their legal rights and responsibilities
- *Promotes self-determination so that all students with disabilities have equal access to educational opportunities and achieving their academic and personal goals

874 Traditions Way, 108 SSB
Tallahassee, FL 32306-4167
(850) 644-9566

sdrc@admin.fsu.edu

<http://www.disabilitycenter.fsu.edu/>

Educational Programs & Services
Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Gadsden Association Rehabilitation Center, Inc.

*Adult day training and residential services for persons with developmental disabilities; basic adult education and training in social skills, woodshop skills, personal care skills, and community involvement

*Group home residents: personal care and training in everyday living skills

*Community Inclusion Program: companion services to people with developmental disabilities who are living in community

*Supported Employment Training: places persons with disabilities in jobs in the community, providing on-the-job training

1633A High Bridge Rd

Quincy, FL 32351

(850) 627-9058

garc@tds.net

<http://www.gadsdenarc.com>

Residential Programs, Housing & Respite Care Programs

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Gadsden County Schools, Adult and Community Education

*GED preparation and testing

*Educational programs for adults with disabilities

*Career and technical programs including business, welding, automotive services, nail and facial technology, barbering and cosmetology, small engine repair

201 Martin Luther King Jr Blvd

Quincy, FL 32351

(850) 875-8324

rackleyd@gcpsmail.com

<http://www.gti.gcps.k12.fl.us>

Educational Programs & Services

Pre-K Programs (3-5)

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Gadsden County Schools, Exceptional Student Education

*Provides exceptional student education programs for students ages 3-21 who have disabilities and students who are gifted

*Responsible for providing instruction and related services to students who are eligible for the following exceptional student education (ESE) programs:

*Autism Spectrum Disorder, Deaf/Hard of Hearing, Developmentally Delayed, Dual Sensory Impaired (Deaf-Blind), Emotional/Behavioral Disabilities, Gifted, Homebound or Hospitalized, Intellectual Disabilities, Orthopedically Impaired, Other Health Impaired, Specific Learning Disabilities, Speech or Language Impaired, and Visually Impaired

*Persons with need for physical or occupational therapies may be eligible for services

35 Martin Luther King, Jr Blvd

Quincy, FL 32351

(850) 627-9651

thomass@gcpsmail.com

<http://www.gcps.k12.fl.us>

Early Intervention Programs (Birth-3)

Educational Programs & Services

Pre-K Programs (3-5)

Gadsden Woman to Woman

*Outreach maternal child program to assure healthy pregnancies and healthy babies

*Peer support groups for pregnant and parenting women, case management for postpartum women, advocacy, information/referral, nutritional education, and physical health assessment, and short term counseling

*Education on women's health issues for pregnant women, women of childbearing age and mothers of children age birth to 3 years of age.

*Support group sessions include child care and a snack

231 E Jefferson St

Quincy, FL 32351

(850) 875-4959

srdonaldson@centerforhealthequity.com

<http://www.centerforhealthequity.com>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Girl Scout Council of the Florida Panhandle

- *Informal educational organization and social program for girls under adult leadership
- *Activities are geared to grade levels starting at Daisies (K-1st), Brownies (2nd-3rd), Juniors (4th-5th), Cadettes (6th-8th), Seniors (9th-10th) and Ambassadors (11th-12th) and are designed to help to build confidence, character and courage through decision-making and leadership skills
- *Council serves more than 4,000 girls, and 2,000 adult volunteers in all Panhandle counties: service centers in Panama City at 1515 St Andrews Blvd, 32405 and Pensacola at 4585 Isabella Ingram Dr, 32504

250 Pinewood Dr
Tallahassee, FL 32303
(800) 876-9704

info@gscfp.org

<http://www.gscfp.org>

Recreational Resources & Camps

Goodwill Industries Big Bend, Big Bend Area Stores

- *Stores offer used and recycled clothing, household items, furniture and small appliances at discount prices
- *Used and recycled clothing paid for by the pound in Good Cents Store
- *Accept authorized vouchers for disaster relief
- *Other locations: 2309 Apalachee Pkwy, 32301; Tallahassee Mall, 2578 N Monroe St, 32303; 2729 Capital Circle, NW, 32308; 6810 Thomasville Rd, 32312; 15072 US Hwy 19 S, Thomasville, GA 31792, (229) 226-2465; 1602 Shotwell St, Bainbridge, GA 39819, (229) 246-5035

2551 W Pensacola St
Tallahassee, FL 32304
(850) 576-7145

aspyrison@goodwillbigbend.com

<http://www.goodwillbigbend.com>

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Goodwill Industries Big Bend, Career Training Center

- *Free career development training and life skills classes serving anyone 16 and up; clients do not have to have disabilities or special needs
- *ESOL, adult basic education and GED classes
- *Resume coaching, interviews and clothing choices; job placement; may also assist with clothing once a job is obtained
- *Computer lab offering self-directed courses in Microsoft programs; financial management classes
- *Computer class orientation held every Wednesday, 10am to noon

300 Mabry St
Tallahassee, FL 32304
(800) 770-4922

daustin@goodwillbigbend.com

<http://www.goodwillbigbend.com>

Assistive Technology

Educational Programs & Services

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Grandparents As Parents (GaP)

*Serving Grandparents as Parents (or other family members raising a relative's child regardless of age or income)

*Support groups, educational programs, speakers, family outings, legal services, health screenings, advocacy, information and referral, and social connections to other families in similar situations

1400 N Monroe St

Tallahassee, FL 32312

(850) 891-4027

karen.boebinger@talgov.com

<http://www.talgov.com>

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Griffin Heights Community Center

*Tutoring/homework help (Success Maker reading and math)

*Other extracurricular activities

1010 Basin St

Tallahassee, FL 32304

(850) 224-1314

Tutoring Resources

Guardians ad Litem Program

*Protects rights and advocates for best interests of child involved in dependency court proceeding by recruiting attorneys and other volunteers to serve as guardians ad litem

*Ensures financial, health, educational and social needs being met

1920 Thomasville Rd, Ste 208

Tallahassee, FL 32303

(850) 606-1200

deborah.moore@gal.fl.gov

<http://www.guardianadlitem2.org>

Legal/Decision Making Options/Guardianship Resources

Guardians ad Litem Program, Madison/Taylor Counties

*Protects rights and advocates for best interests of child involved in dependency court proceeding by recruiting attorneys and other volunteers to serve as guardians ad litem

*Ensures financial, health, educational and social needs being met

213 E Howard St

Live Oak, FL 32064

(850) 584-2159

http://guardianadlitem.org/partners_c3.asp#map

Legal/Decision Making Options/Guardianship Resources

Guiding Eyes for the Blind

- *Provides trained guide dogs to be matched with a blind student to become a "guide dog team"
- *Increase a blind person's mobility, independence, and self confidence
- *Also provides dogs that are trained to provide safety for children with autism, to keep them from bolting and to become a therapeutic element in the child's life

611 Granite Springs Rd
Yorktown Heights, NY 10598
(800) 942-0149

admissions@guidingeyes.org
<http://www.guidingeyes.org>

Assistive Technology
Disability Specific Programs & Services

Hadley School for the Blind

- *Distance education school that offers more than 100 free courses in a variety of media formats: braille, large print, audio, and online, according to student's needs
- *Four program areas: high school, family education, adult continuing education and Hadley School for Professional Studies for professionals and paraprofessionals in the visually impaired field
- *One of the largest educators of braille

700 Elm St
Winnetka, IL 60093-2554
(800) 323-4238

info@hadley.edu
<http://www.hadley.edu>

Disability Specific Programs & Services
Educational Programs & Services

Halle Martin Foundation

- *Operation Healthy Kids: educates and supports children and families affected by Autism Spectrum Disorder
- *Operation Parent Rescue: offers emotional support through one-on-one appointments
- *Educational and financial assistance

2295 Pasco St Suite 207
Tallahassee, FL 32310
(850) 294-0592

info@hallemartinfoundation.org
<http://www.hallemartinfoundation.org>

Disability Specific Programs & Services
Mental Health Resources
Parent Information, Training & Support Group
Therapy Resources

Hands and Hearts for Horses

- *Offers activities in both therapeutic riding and hippotherapy
- *Brings together horses, disabled and disadvantaged children and adults, volunteers, and professionals to address impairments, functional limitations and disabilities in persons with special needs
- *Therapeutic riding and/or hippotherapy is appropriate for most people with disabilities including: Autism, Cerebral Palsy, ADD, Muscular Dystrophy, Multiple Sclerosis, Paralysis, Amputations, Down Syndrome and Stress Disorders

3824 Lower Cairo Road

Thomasville, GA 31792

(229) 551-0086

info@handsandheartsforhorses.com

<http://www.handsandheartsforhorses.com>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Therapy Resources

Healing Transitions Creative Counseling for Children & Families

- *Counseling and therapy services focusing on children and teens ages 2 and older: play and art therapy, sex abuse counseling, anger management, adoption and foster care counseling
- *Family therapy, marriage counseling, domestic violence counseling, substance abuse evaluation and counseling, individual counseling
- *Parenting classes; therapeutic visitation, home and school-based services

322 McDaniel St

Tallahassee, FL 32303

(850) 877-4228

contact@healing-transitions.com

<http://www.healing-transitions.com>

Mental Health Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Therapy Resources

Healthy Families, Gadsden, Brehon Institute

- *Community-based, voluntary home visiting program to enable children to grow up healthy, safe, and nurtured
- *Family Support workers offer support, provide information about child growth and development, share positive parenting skills, help parents learn ways to deal with everyday stress, connect families with other community services that might be helpful
- *Referrals accepted: self, Healthy Start, medical providers, community organizations, and others
- *Intensity of services based on family's needs
- *Eligibility: accepted either prenatally or by infant's third month; once in, services available for up to 5 years
- *Some counties require that families live in targeted zip codes to be eligible
- *Specific services offered by Healthy Families may vary by county

20-4 RAM Blvd

Midway, FL 32343

(850) 875-4442

pbanks@brehonfamilyservices.org

<http://www.brehonfamilyservices.org>

Medical & Dental Resources

Healthy Families, Leon, Brehon Institute

- *Community-based, voluntary home visiting program to enable children to grow up healthy, safe, and nurtured
- *Family Support workers offer support, provide information about child growth and development, share positive parenting skills, help parents learn ways to deal with everyday stress, connect families with other community services that might be helpful
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1315 Linda Ann Dr

Tallahassee, FL 32301

(850) 656-7110

pbanks@brehonfamilyservices.org

<http://www.brehonfamilyservices.org>

Medical & Dental Resources

Hear Now

- *Provides eligible low-income individuals with hearing aids, call to discuss eligibility
- *Applicant must have exhausted other available resources and not have means to acquire needed hearing devices
- *After initial phone screening, persons likely to be eligible must pay an application fee of \$125 or \$250 for two hearing aids
- *Accept recycle donated hearing aids

6700 Washington Ave S

Eden Prairie, MN 55344

(800) 328-8602

hearnow@starkey.com

<http://www.starkeyhearingfoundation.org>

Assistive Technology

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Homeschool Classroom

- *Private tutoring/guidance for home-schooled children who need supervision during the day
- *Also tutors public school students after school

2908 Lakeshore Dr

Tallahassee, FL 32312

(850) 329-7684

covington.cynthia@gmail.com

www.tutoringbycynthia.com

Educational Programs & Services

Tutoring Resources

Institute for Small and Rural Districts

- *Provides training and technical assistance to support students with disabilities and their families across a network of 35 small and rural Florida school districts
- *Assistance with Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA 2004) regulations and the Florida State Performance Plan (SPP)

Ft. Clark Middle School

Gainesville, FL 32606

(352) 333-2831

speismrf@gm.sbac.edu

<http://www3.nefec.org/isrd>

Educational Programs & Services

Institute for Small and Rural Districts (ISRD)

*Improves outcomes for students with disabilities in the thirty-four small and rural school districts through staff development, information dissemination, technical assistance, product development, and support for district initiatives

325 W Gaines Street, Ste 614

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 245-0475

speismrf@gm.sbac.edu

<http://www.nefec.org/isrd/>

Florida Department of Education Resources

International OCD Foundation

*Organization made up of people with OCD and related disorders, their families, friends, professional, and others

*Callers may visit web site or call for information about treatment and support groups

*Educates public and professionals about OCD; advocates and lobbies for OCD community and related disorders

*Supports research into causes of, and effective treatments for OCD and related disorders

*Seeks to improve access to resources for people with OCD and their families

18 Tremont St

Boston, MA 02108

(617) 973-5801

info@iocdf.org

<http://www.iocdf.org>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Jefferson County Schools, Adult and Community Education

*GED preparation and testing

*Educational programs for adults with disabilities

575 S Water St

Monticello, FL 32344

(850) 342-0100

sherman.stroman@jeffersonschooldistrict.org

<http://www.jeffersonschooldistrict.org>

Educational Programs & Services

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Jefferson County Schools, Exceptional Student Education

*Provides exceptional student education programs for students ages 3-21 who have disabilities and students who are gifted

*Responsible for providing instruction and related services to students who are eligible for the following exceptional student education (ESE) programs:

*Autism Spectrum Disorder, Deaf/Hard of Hearing, Developmentally Delayed, Dual Sensory Impaired (Deaf-Blind), Emotional/Behavioral Disabilities, Gifted, Homebound or Hospitalized, Intellectual Disabilities, Orthopedically Impaired, Other Health Impaired, Specific Learning Disabilities, Speech or Language Impaired, and Visually Impaired

*Persons with need for physical or occupational therapies may be eligible for services

575 S Water St

Monticello, FL 32344

(850) 342-0100

kay.collins@jeffersonschoolsdistrict.org

<http://www.jeffersonschoolsdistrict.org>

Early Intervention Programs (Birth-3)

Educational Programs & Services

Pre-K Programs (3-5)

Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation

*Provides information about living with Type 1 diabetes

*Questions answered on-line or by phone

*Promotes national fund-raising campaign for search for cure for Type 1 diabetes and its complications

*North Florida Chapter: 9700 Phillips Hwy, Ste 106, Jacksonville, 32256

26 Broadway, 14th Floor

New York, NY 10004

(800) 533-2873

info@jdrf.org

<http://www.jdrf.org>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Kids Get Arthritis Too

*Family education programs on children's arthritis and managing daily life

*Free literature and information

*Finding a pediatric rheumatologist

*Camps, conferences and events

*Funding research

1330 W Peachtree St, Ste 100

Atlanta, GA 30309

(404) 965-7685

ampalmer@arthritis.org

<http://www.arthritis.org>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Medical & Dental Resources

Kids Inc., Early Head Start

*Child development programs along with child care at six centers in Leon, Jefferson and Madison counties serving low income infants and toddlers from 6 weeks to 3 years of age, including children with developmental delays

*Developmental assessment screenings, individualized curriculum

*Dental and medical screenings

*Two meals and snack each day

*Parent education and support services; parents asked to complete a family goal plan

*Family members encouraged to attend parent meetings and volunteer in their child's classroom

*Free services to eligible families, minimal parent fees required for extended care

*Pre-natal services: group socializations

*Male Involvement Program

*Locations: 3 in Tallahassee: Parkway EHS, 1410 E Indianhead Dr, 32301, Budd Bell ELC, 306 Laura Lee Ave, 32301, Brandon's Place @ Lincoln Neighborhood Ctr, 438 W Brevard St, 32301; Jefferson County: 395 E Washington St, Monticello, 32344; 2 in Madison, 500 NW Haynes St, Madison and 1344 SW Grand St, Greenville, 32331

*6 hours of care is paid for; wrap-around care is based on a sliding scale

2326 Centerville Rd

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(850) 414-9800

info@kidsincorporated.org

<http://www.kidsincorporated.org>

Before & After School Programs

Early Intervention Programs (Birth-3)

Medical & Dental Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Lauren's Kids

*Awareness and education related to the prevention of childhood sexual abuse through development of resources and promotion of these resources to school districts and the public

325 W Gaines Street, Ste 614

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 245-0475

Lauren@LaurensKids.org

<http://LaurensKids.org>

Florida Department of Education Resources

Learning Ally, Learning through Listening

*Provides audiobooks, including school textbooks, to the disabled, parents, families, and educators

777 Glades Rd, Bldg 49

Boca Raton, FL 33431

(800) 221-4792

<https://www.learningally.org/state-landing-pages/florida/>

Assistive Technology

Educational Programs & Services

Learning through Listening Project (LtL)

- *Digital audio textbooks and equipment to students who cannot read standard print due to visual, perceptual, physical, or learning disabilities
- *Facilitates support services and training to administrators, teachers, parents, and students on the use of this technology provided by Learning Ally (formerly Recording for the Blind and Dyslexic)

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Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 245-0475

gseeley-joose@learningally.com

<http://www.learningally.org/florida/>

Florida Department of Education Resources

Lee's Place Grief and Loss Counseling Program

- *Provides individual and family grief and loss counseling to anyone four years and older, on a sliding scale fee basis
- *Specializes in grief, loss, and trauma such as suicide, death, divorce, abandonment, plus issues regarding foster care children, adoptees, families of incarcerated persons and other life transitions
- *Parents or caretakers are seen before children
- *Support groups are available when 4 or more people request it

216 Lake Ella Dr

Tallahassee, FL 32303

(850) 841-7733

brenda@leesplace.org

<http://www.leesplace.org>

Mental Health Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Legal Services of North Florida, Legal Advice Hotline

- *Offers advice and counsel over phone to eligible callers in areas of law: consumer, public assistance benefits (SSI, SSID, food stamps and TANF), landlord/tenant problems (especially evictions), wills/estates, probate, debt/collections and bankruptcy
- *Family law assistance: abuse, divorce, child custody and support, visitation, paternity, and name change
- *Disaster relief services may be provided to persons who have suffered legal problems as a result of tropical storms
- *No criminal or traffic violation cases handled
- *Calls answered by volunteers; if volunteer is not immediately available, callers should leave a message and will be called back to determine if they are eligible
- *After that, an attorney will call them; following telephone conference, clients may be sent letters confirming advice given, along with written materials pertaining to particular legal problems
- *Tallahassee office serves Leon, Jefferson, Franklin, and Wakulla Counties
- *Additional website address for tax help: www.taxserve.org
- *Will serve military personnel and their families who have been, or are now, or are in process of, going to Iraq or Afghanistan

2119 Delta Blvd
Tallahassee, FL 32303
(850) 385-0029
carolyn@lsnf.org
<http://www.lsnf.org/hotline.htm>
Legal/Decision Making Options/Guardianship Resources

Legal Services of North Florida, Quincy

- *Provides legal services: consumer difficulties, public assistance benefits (SSI, SSID, food stamps and TANF), housing problems (especially evictions and foreclosures), family law in cases of abuse
- *Disaster relief services may be provided to persons who have suffered legal problems including those impacted by the Oil Spill
- *Will help with filing overdue tax returns throughout the year; additional website address for tax help is www.taxserve.org
- *No criminal or traffic violation cases accepted
- *Serves low-income persons in Gadsden, Calhoun, Liberty and Jackson counties

121 N Jackson St
Quincy, FL 32351
(850) 875-9881
paul@lsnf.org
<http://www.lsnf.org>
Legal/Decision Making Options/Guardianship Resources

Legal Services of North Florida, Tallahassee

*Deals with civil cases: consumer problems, public assistance benefits (SSI, SSID, food stamps and TANF), landlord/tenant difficulties (especially evictions), and family law assistance in cases of abuse

*Will help with filing overdue tax returns throughout the year; additional website address for tax help is www.taxserve.org

*No criminal or traffic violation cases accepted

*Disaster relief services may be provided to persons who have suffered legal problems as a result of tropical storms

*Tallahassee office serves Leon, Jefferson, Franklin, and Wakulla Counties

2119 Delta Blvd
Tallahassee, FL 32303
(850) 385-9007

javan@lsnf.org

<http://www.lsnf.org>

Legal/Decision Making Options/Guardianship Resources

Leon Advocacy and Resource Center

*Four primary programs to enable people with developmental disabilities to participate in community life

*Residential: seven group homes with specialized living services and supported living counselors on call 24 hours per day

*Supported Employment: training and assistance to both employee and employer during sustained employment

*Supported Living: training and assistance to live in and maintain a home or apartment of participants' choosing; may include: personal hygiene and grooming skills, household chores, meal preparation, shopping, personal finances, and social and adaptive skills; some participants also receive services of paid roommate (In Home Supports) who provides personal care

*Community Training and Other supports: transportation, companion, community inclusion, and trial competency training

*LARC also works with Leon County Schools' Exceptional Student Education program to provide vocational training so students can find and maintain competitive employment

*Branch in Taylor County serves clients; call LARC office for referral

*Offers Kiwanis Aktion Club program, a service club for people with disabilities

1949 Commonwealth Lane

Tallahassee, FL 32303

(850) 422-0355

info@leonarc.com

<http://www.leonarc.com>

Residential Programs, Housing & Respite Care Programs

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Leon Arms Community Center

*Tutoring/homework help (Success Maker reading and math)

*Other extracurricular activities

2502 B Holton St

Tallahassee, FL 32310

(850) 576-7308

Before & After School Programs

Tutoring Resources

Leon County Office/Intervention & Detention Alternatives

*Probation, Supervised Pre-Trial Release, and Drug and Alcohol Testing

*Various conditions may be imposed, one of which is often community service

*Liaises with State Attorney, Public Defender, law enforcement, and Court

*Reports to Court regarding compliance or non-compliance of individual participants

301 S Monroe St, Rm 441

Tallahassee, FL 32301

(850) 606-5600

HunterW@leoncountyfl.gov

<http://www.leoncountyfl.gov>

Legal/Decision Making Options/Guardianship Resources

Leon County Parks and Recreation

*Responsible for oversight, monitoring, maintenance and coordination of Leon County parks, greenways, community centers, campgrounds, boating facilities, and large environmental areas

*Provides athletic fields for Little League, Pop Warner football and TOP of Florida soccer programs

*Organizes the Challenger League division of Little League baseball for mentally and physically challenged youths; accommodates participants ages 5 through 18 (or through the completion of high school)

2280 Miccosukee Rd

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(850) 606-1470

davisle@leoncountyfl.gov

<http://www.leoncountyfl.gov>

Recreational Resources & Camps

Leon County Public Library, Disabilities Assistance

- *Assistance for persons with disabilities in using library materials
- *For mobility-related disabilities, Main Library and branch libraries are wheelchair accessible and have manual wheelchairs available
- *Bookmobile not wheelchair accessible, but library staff can assist patrons unable to use stairs
- *Assistance also available for people with hearing, speech, or vision impairments
- *Branch Office Numbers: Lake Jackson, (850) 606-2850; Northeast Branch, (850) 606-2800; Eastside Branch, (850) 606-2750; Dr B L Perry, Jr Branch, (850) 606-2950; Fort Braden Branch, (850) 606-2900; Woodville Branch (850) 606-2925

200 W Park Ave
Tallahassee, FL 32301
(850) 606-2665

hohmeisterc@leoncountyfl.gov
<http://www.leoncountylibrary.gov>

Assistive Technology
Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Leon County Schools, Adult and Community Education

- *Classroom programs for persons 16 and older: literacy, GED classes and testing, high school credits for some courses
- *For adults 18 and over: educational programs for disabled and elderly
- *Some courses are available online

283 Trojan Trail
Tallahassee, FL 32311
(850) 922-5343

browningr@leonschools.net
<http://www.ace-leon.org>

Educational Programs & Services
Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Leon County Schools, Dropout Prevention/Alternative Education

- *Improve attendance and academic success for students not fitting in traditional educational settings
- *Individual Academic Improvement Plan for each student
- *Partners: Leon School Volunteers, Partners in Excellent, School to Work, Communities in Schools

2757 W Pensacola St
Tallahassee, FL 32304
(850) 487-7185

hannar@leonschools.net
<http://www.leon.k12.fl.us>

Educational Programs & Services

Leon County Schools, Early Childhood Programs

- *Directs Pre-K Exceptional Student Education for Leon County
- *Directs public Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten program for Leon County
- *Parents may call for names, numbers and addresses of schools offering program
- *Child care center located at program for children 4 weeks to 5 years of age

500 N Appleyard Dr

Tallahassee, FL 32304

(850) 922-2099

fletcher@leonschools.net

<http://www.leon.k12.fl.us>

Before & After School Programs

Educational Programs & Services

Pre-K Programs (3-5)

Leon County Schools, Education for Homeless Children and Youth

- *Provides school enrollment assistance, tutoring, supplies, and referrals for homeless Leon County students in pre-kindergarten through grade 12

3955 West Pensacola St

Tallahassee, FL 32304

(850) 413-0441

hightower@leonschools.net

<http://www.leonschools.net>

Educational Programs & Services

Leon County Schools, Exceptional Student Education

- *Offers specialized educational services for infants, children, and adults with exceptional needs
- *Birth to 3 years, families of infants and very young children may be provided with services of parent-infant teacher to assist parents in meeting needs of child; preschool services may also be provided
- *3 to 5 years, provides developmentally appropriate educational programs at settings such as private child care centers and Leon County schools
- *Kindergarten to grade 12 and Adult and Community Education: provides instruction and related services based on individual needs of students
- *Educational and psychological testing services provided to public school students for purposes of identifying exceptional educational needs as defined by State of Florida: Autism Spectrum Disorder, Deaf/Hard of Hearing, Developmentally Delayed, Dual Sensory Impaired (Deaf-Blind), Emotional/Behavioral Disabilities, Gifted, Homebound or Hospitalized, Intellectual Disabilities, Orthopedically Impaired, Other Health Impaired, Specific Learning Disabilities, Speech or Language Impaired, and Visually Impaired
- *Persons with need for physical or occupational therapies may be eligible for services

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Tallahassee, FL 32304

(850) 922-2099

fletcher@leonschools.net

<http://www.leonschools.net>

Early Intervention Programs (Birth-3)

Educational Programs & Services

Pre-K Programs (3-5)

Leon County Schools, Gretchen Everhart School

- *Education for students with developmental disabilities ages 3-22
- *Classroom instruction, physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy, vision and hearing resource instruction
- *Early childhood programs for students with developmental delays, 3 to 5 years and early intervention classes for 4 year olds
- *Students participate in the Special Olympics each year

2750 Mission Rd

Tallahassee, FL 32304

(850) 488-5785

floydj@leonschools.net

<http://www2.everhart.leon.k12.fl.us>

Educational Programs & Services

Pre-K Programs (3-5)

Leon County Schools, Hearing Impaired Program

- *Provides educational programming and support services to hearing impaired students in Leon, Gadsden, Madison, Wakulla, Jefferson, and Taylor counties
- *Continuum of services is provided, depending on individual needs, extending from full-time placement in a special class for hearing impaired students to full-time placement in a mainstream class with consultation
- *Special assistance may be provided by a teacher certified in Hearing Disabilities, an audiologist, a speech language pathologist, an interpreter, a note taker, or by the fitting of amplification equipment

2757 W Pensacola St, ESE

Tallahassee, FL 32304

(850) 487-7160

deckertm@leonschools.net

<http://www.es.e.leon.k12.fl.us>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Educational Programs & Services

Leon County Schools, Keys to Exceptional Youth Success

- *Offers high school students with disabilities in the community scholarships for access to academic, vocational or other post-secondary learning opportunities
- *Promotes lifelong learning support, research advocacy and public awareness
- *Student must have documented disability and Individual Education Plan
- *Complete application (on-line) and mail to The Foundation for Leon County Schools, Attn: KEYS Scholarship, Lisa Miller, 2757 W Pensacola St, Tallahassee, FL 32304

2757 W Pensacola St

Tallahassee, FL 32304

(850) 487-7881

<http://www.keysscholarships.org/contactus.htm>

<http://www.keysscholarships.org>

Educational Programs & Services

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Leon County Schools, Leon's Intensive Training for Employment

- *Comprehensive four year career development program for high school exceptional students working toward special diploma
- *Seamless transition to post-school opportunities
- *Preparation for working environment and work ethics training

2757 W Pensacola St, Bldg 9

Tallahassee, FL 32304

(850) 487-7160

lewist@leonschools.net

<http://www.e.se.leon.k12.fl.us>

Educational Programs & Services

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Leon County Schools, Lively Transition Program

- *Vocational education for adults and high school students; assists in exploring career options and transitioning to employment; financial aid

500 N Appleyard Dr

Tallahassee, FL 32304

(850) 487-7560

bloomquistb@leonschools.net

<http://livelytech.com/ese/>

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Leon County Schools, Pace Secondary School

- *Serves students with emotional problems who receive individualized educational programming, behavioral diagnostics and treatment
- *Offers parent support, referral services for counseling and other assessments as needed
- *Cooperative effort between Leon County Schools and Apalachee Center for Human Services

3413 Zillah St

Tallahassee, FL 32305

(850) 488-8927

blackwellr@leonschools.net

<http://www.pace.leon.k12.fl.us>

Educational Programs & Services

Leon County Schools, Program for Adults with Disabilities

- *Adult basic education specifically for adults with disabilities
- *Classroom instruction on academic subjects (reading and math)
- *Daily living skills, self-care, socialization, and job readiness
- *No transportation provided by school district

283 Trojan Trail

Tallahassee, FL 32311

(850) 922-5343

browningr@leonschools.net

<http://www.ace-leon.org>

Educational Programs & Services

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Leon County Schools, SAIL High School

- *Innovative magnet school of 300+ students looking for an alternative high school experience
- *Academic classes, dual enrollment college courses, and many creative arts electives, interactive learning, creative expression, and community involvement
- *Any Leon County high school student eligible to apply; enrollment subject to a waiting list process

2006 Jackson Bluff Road

Tallahassee, FL 32304

(850) 488-2468

sail@mail.leon.k12.fl.us

<http://www.sail.leon.k12.fl.us>

Educational Programs & Services

Lighthouse of the Big Bend, Inc.

- *Free early intervention services for children ages birth to 5 and also to persons ages 14 and over who are blind or visually impaired in 11 counties in Big Bend
- *Counseling for clients and families, personal and public advocacy, information and referral, independent living skills training, employment skills, orientation and mobility training, Braille training, assistive technology, and computer training
- *High school students served after school and evening during school year, with a day long program offered during summer

3071 Highland Oaks Terrace

Tallahassee, FL 32301

(888) 827-6033

info@lighthousebigbend.org

<http://www.lighthousebigbend.org>

Assistive Technology

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Early Intervention Programs (Birth-3)

Residential Programs, Housing & Respite Care Programs

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Lively Technical Center

*Vocational education for adults and high school students; assists in exploring career options; financial aid

*Most programs taught on individual basis, enabling students to progress according to abilities, rather than set time line

*Lecture classes, computer-assisted instruction, audio-visual instruction, hands-on learning opportunities, one-on-one instruction, internships, externships, cooperative education/on-the-job training, and apprenticeship training available

*Daytime and evening courses offered; evening courses are limited

500 N Appleyard Dr

Tallahassee, FL 32304

(850) 487-7555

hildebrandtw@leonschools.net

<http://www.livelytech.com>

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Locks of Love

*Non-profit providing hairpieces to children 21 years and younger suffering from any type of medical hair loss

*Custom-fitted hair prosthetics free of charge or on a sliding scale to children whose families meet Board of Directors guidelines

*Accepts donated hair: minimum of 10 inches, bundled in a ponytail or braid, mailed clean and dry with donor's name and address

234 Southern Blvd

West Palm Beach, FL 33405

(888) 896-1588

info@locksoflove.org

<http://www.locksoflove.org>

Assistive Technology

Make-A-Wish Foundation/Central and N Florida/Regional Office

*Attempts to grant wishes of children with life-threatening medical conditions to enrich their lives

1020 N Orlando Ave, Ste 100

Maitland, FL 32751

(407) 622-4673

info@wishcentral.org

<http://www.wishcentral.org>

Recreational Resources & Camps

March of Dimes, Big Bend Division

- *Works to insure healthy birth for every baby and to prevent birth defects and infant mortality
- *Educational materials: prenatal care, birth issues, STD's, AIDS, perinatal substance abuse, prematurity, pre-pregnancy care, nutrition and maternal illness; statistics in Florida (birth weight and pregnancy); referrals regarding birth defects and prematurity
- *Three satellite offices: Big Bend, in Tallahassee; Gateway in Pensacola: 5625 Dixie Dr, Ste 3, 32505 and Gulf Coast in Panama City: 2809 W 15th St, Ste 102

1990 Village Green Way, Ste 3
Tallahassee, FL 32308-1532
(850) 422-3152

lwetherington@marchofdimes.com

<http://www.marchofdimes.com>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Measuring Outcomes for Preschool Children with Disabilities

- *Provides support to the Florida Department of Education in meeting the requirements of Indicator 7 of the State Performance Plan under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act. Indicator 7 relates to outcomes of children ages birth through five who have participated in early intervention and/or preschool special education services

325 W Gaines Street, Ste 614
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400
(850) 245-0475

elbaum@miami.edu

<http://www.fldoe.org/ese/>

Florida Department of Education Resources

Medicaid Area 2B Field Office, AHCA

- *Lists health care providers accepting Medicaid and Medipass in area
- *Helps navigate Medicaid and Medipass healthcare system (referrals, policies, billing, etc.)
- *Medicaid Options Choice Counseling for new Medicaid enrollees

2727 Mahan Dr, Bldg 2, 3rd Fl, Mail Stop 42
Tallahassee, FL 32308
(800) 248-2243

area2Bmedicaidhelp@ahca.myflorida.com

<http://www.mymedicaid-florida.com>

Medical & Dental Resources

Multiagency Network for Students with Emotional /Behavioral Disabilities (SEDNET)

- *Facilitates the creation of a comprehensive "system of care" for high-risk students and students with emotional/behavioral disabilities and their families

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Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400
(850) 245-0475

kjagus@mail.usf.edu

<http://www.sednetfl.info>

Florida Department of Education Resources

Muscular Dystrophy Association

- *Referrals for diagnosis and medical management for persons with neuro-muscular disorders
- *Orthopedic equipment, wheelchairs, physical and occupational therapy, plus information and referral regarding neuro-muscular disorders, support groups and recreational opportunities
- *One week summer camp for children with muscular dystrophy ages 6-17 offered in various locations

1574-B Village Square Blvd
Tallahassee, FL 32309
(850) 681-6763

LDonoho@mdusa.org
<http://www.mdausa.org>

Assistive Technology
Disability Specific Programs & Services
Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services
Parent Information, Training & Support Group
Recreational Resources & Camps
Therapy Resources

Nar-Anon Family Groups

- *Faith-based 12-step program and group meetings for those who are affected by others' addiction or substance abuse

Confidential Location, Call
(888) 947-8885

naranonflinfo@verizon.net
<http://naranonfl.org>

Parent Information, Training & Support Group
Therapy Resources

National Alliance for Hispanic Health Helplines

- *Su Familia: bilingual, toll-free helpline that assists Hispanic families to get basic health information on wide range of topics
- *Offers referrals for callers to local health providers and federally supported programs
- *Hispanic Prenatal Helpline can assist in referring to culturally and linguistically proficient provider in their community
- *Comprehensive bilingual prenatal guide, plus numerous fact sheets on all aspects of prenatal care, available to both consumers and providers

1501 Sixteenth St NW
Washington DC 20036-1401
(866) 783-2645

sufamilia@hispanichealth.org
<http://www.hispanichealth.org>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services
Medical & Dental Resources

National Alliance on Mental Illness, (NAMI), Florida

*Advocacy, information and referral, education, support groups and training for families of persons with mentally illness, along with peer training, throughout the state

*12 week training program teaches family members coping skills for dealing with loved ones with mental illness

*Lending library offering DVD's and written materials

*Education and training available for agencies and other interested groups

3333 W Pensacola St, Ste 220

Tallahassee, FL 32304

(850) 671-4445

info@namiflorida.org

<http://www.namiflorida.org>

Advocacy

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Mental Health Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

National Association/Anorexia Nervosa & Associated Disorders

*Helpline for those struggling with eating disorders, including anorexia, bulimia, and binge-eating

*Referrals to support groups and health care professionals

*Education and prevention programs to promote self-acceptance and healthy lifestyles

*Information about health insurance discrimination and legislation

PO Box 640

Naperville, IL 60566

(630) 577-1330

anadhelp@anad.org

<http://www.anad.org>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Medical & Dental Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

National Center For Missing and Exploited Children

*National and international clearinghouse and resource center for finding missing and exploited children; assists parents, citizens, law enforcement and social service agencies with technical assistance, information and referral

*Call or use web site to report a missing child after contacting law enforcement, child sighting, child pornography or suspected child sexual exploitation or human trafficking involving a child

*Offer ways to protect a child including child ID kits, information about internet predators and sex offenders, Amber Alert and relevant information; brochures available

*Florida parents may call FDLE's Missing Children Information Clearinghouse at (850) 410-8585 or access its web site: www.fdle.state.fl.us

699 Prince St
Alexandria, VA 22314
(800) 843-5678

<http://www.missingkids.com>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

National Down Syndrome Society Helpline

*Information and referral related to Down Syndrome questions and needs, ranging from expectant and new parents through adolescents and adulthood

*Call or visit website

666 Broadway
New York, NY 10012
(800) 221-4602

info@ndss.org

<http://www.ndss.org>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Medical & Dental Resources

National Federation of the Blind, Florida

*Offers information about NFB programs: demonstration center for adaptive technology, scholarships, library, talking digital library for on-line news, children's science camps, Braille literacy and reading clubs, improvement in lives of aging seniors, how family support is vital for young children

*Tracks legislation and advocates

504 S Armenia Ave, Ste 1319B
Tampa, FL 33609
(888) 282-5972

danjhicks@yahoo.Com

<http://www.nfbflorida.org>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Medical & Dental Resources

National HIV/AIDS Perinatal Hotline

*Perinatal HIV Consultation/Referral Service provides free 24-hour clinical consultation and advice on treating HIV-infected pregnant women and their infants, checking indications and interpretations of rapid and standard HIV testing in pregnancy

*Available 24 hours a day to not only answer health care providers questions and help solve emergent perinatal HIV issues, but also to assist clinicians in linking HIV-infected pregnant women and HIV-exposed infants to most appropriate care

*Callers referred to national network of education, training and consultation services available from their regional AIDS Education and Training Centers (AETCs)

1001 Potrero Ave, Bldg 20, Ward 22

San Francisco, CA 94110

(888) 448-8765

rgoldschmidt@nccc.ucsf.edu

http://www.nccc.ucsf.edu/about_nccc/perinatal_hotline/

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Medical & Dental Resources

National Institute Allergy/Infectious Diseases

*Conducts and supports research to understand, treat and prevent allergic, immunologic and infectious diseases

*HIV and other clinical trials available in some areas

*Offers information on many diseases such as those associated with HIV/AIDS and other STDs, asthma and allergies, radiation exposure, genetics and transplants, tropical illness, and minority and women's health

*Data available on drug research and vaccine development

6610 Rockledge Dr, MSC6612

Bethesda, MD 20892-6612

(866) 284-4107

ocpostoffice@niaid.nih.gov

<http://www.niaid.nih.gov>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Medical & Dental Resources

National Institute on Deafness/Other Communication Disorders

*Conducts and supports research on normal and disordered senses of hearing, balance, taste, smell, voice, speech and language

*Health Information and news of clinical studies for individuals, parents, educators, and health care providers

(800) 241-1055

nidcdinfo@nidcd.nih.gov

<http://www.nidcd.nih.gov>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Medical & Dental Resources

National Lead Information Center Hotline

*Provides the general public and professionals with information about lead paint hazards and prevention

*Call to receive a general information packet, to order other documents, or for detailed information or questions

*800-424-LEAD

422 S Clinton Ave

Rochester, NY 14620

(800) 424-5323

epahotline@abvi-goodwill.com

<http://www.epa.gov/lead>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Medical & Dental Resources

National Marrow Donor Program

*Offers patients who do not have suitable family donors a single point of access for all three types of stem cell use in transplantation: marrow, peripheral blood, and umbilical cord blood to combat leukemia, aplastic anemia, and certain immune system and genetic disorders

*Manages large registry of volunteer donors, including more than 42,000 cord blood units; matches donors to patients

*Provides support for patients, physicians and studies for improving outcomes of stem cell transplants and innovative stem cell therapies

3001 Broadway St NE, Ste 100

Minneapolis, MN 55413

(800) 627-7692

cfleming@nmdp.org

<http://www.marrow.org>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Medical & Dental Resources

National Organization for Rare Disorders, Inc.

*NORD: federation of voluntary health organizations dedicated to helping people with rare "orphan" diseases and assisting organizations that serve them

*Committed to identification, treatment, and cure of rare disorders through programs of education, advocacy, research, and service

*Administers medication assistance programs to help uninsured or under-insured individuals in securing life-saving or life-sustaining medications

55 Kenosia Ave

Danbury, CT 06810

(800) 999-6673

orphan@rarediseases.org

<http://www.rarediseases.org>

Medical & Dental Resources

Mental Health Resources

National Parent Helpline

- *Emotional support and problem-solving strategies
- *Connects parents to local resources and services through national database

250 W 1st, Ste 250
Claremont, CA 91711
(855) 427-2736

<http://www.nationalparenthelpline.org>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services
Parent Information, Training & Support Group

National Runaway Safeline/CINS/FINS

- *24-hour hotline counseling for runaway youth or those considering running away, their families and friends; crisis intervention; information and referral; message delivery; conference calls
- *Safe Place locations of local youth service agency or shelter
- *Free bus rides home to qualified youth (12-20 who call the hotline) via Greyhound's Home Free program; conference call and follow-up services to help facilitate the transition
- *Shelters, law enforcement or social service agencies can contact the National Runaway Safe Line to secure services for a child
- *Bullying information and response
- *Information and referral resource for the CINS/FINS (Children in Need of Services/Families in Need of Services) for families with a child habitually truant from school, runs away, or persistently beyond the reasonable and lawful control of parents or guardians
- *Qualified children and families provided: intake and assessment, crisis and general counseling targeted toward family stabilization, networking with other agencies to provide needed services, case management, and temporary shelter when needed; interested callers should ask specifically for the CINS/FINS program

3080 N Lincoln Ave
Chicago, IL 60657
(800) 786-2929

info@1800runaway.org

<http://www.1800runaway.org>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services
Legal/Decision Making Options/Guardianship Resources
Parent Information, Training & Support Group
Residential Programs, Housing & Respite Care Programs
Therapy Resources
Transportation Resources

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline

*24-hour, toll-free, confidential suicide prevention hotline available to anyone in suicidal crisis or emotional distress

*Call is routed to nearest crisis center in national network of more than 140 crisis centers

*National network of local crisis centers provide crisis counseling and mental health referrals day and night

50 Broadway, 19th Floor

New York, NY 10004

(888) 628-9454

jdraper@mhaofnyc.org

<http://www.suicidepreventionlifeline.org>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Therapy Resources

Neighborhood Medical Center

*General medical care for adults and children, immunizations, pregnancy tests, birth control, prenatal care, gynecology, dental care for adults

*Confidential HIV and STD testing

*Mammograms available for patients through a mammogram bus that visits the medical center

*Mental Health Enrichment Program: psychiatric assessments and medication, individual and group counseling, substance abuse counseling and mental health case management

*Specialty care: cardiology, eye care, dermatology, orthopedics, chronic disease management and other services

*Serves low-income, uninsured, underinsured and homeless individuals; in-house low-cost FAMU pharmacy

*Conducts community outreach and health screenings in underserved and non-served areas

*Other branches: Smith-Williams Center, 2295 Pasco St, Tallahassee, 32310, 8:30am-6pm, M, Tu, W, F, 8:30am-8-pm, Th; and Havana, 604 East 5th Ave, 32333, 8:30am-5pm, M-F
438 W Brevard St

Tallahassee, FL 32301

(850) 224-2469

ojones@neighborhoodmedicalcenter.org

<http://www.neighborhoodmedicalcenter.org>

Medical & Dental Resources

Mental Health Resources

Therapy Resources

North Florida Child Development, Wakulla, Madison, Liberty

*Child care resource and referral, Head Start, Volunteer Pre-Kindergarten, and school readiness in Wakulla, Madison, and Liberty Counties

*Disabilities services for children diagnosed as having special needs

*Tuition assistance on sliding scale available for families meeting qualifications

87 Andrew Hargrett St

Crawfordville, FL 32326

(850) 639-5080

smcgill@floridachildren.org

<http://www.floridachildren.org>

Before & After School Programs

Educational Programs & Services

Pre-K Programs (3-5)

North Florida Community College, Student Disability Services

*Works with faculty and staff to provide academic support services and accommodations both in and out of the classroom

*Primary advocate for students with disabilities

*Educates students with disabilities about their legal rights and responsibilities

*Promotes self-determination so that all students with disabilities have equal access to educational opportunities and achieving their academic and personal goals

325 NW Turner Davis Dr

Madison, FL 32340

(850) 973-1683

studentdisabilityservices@nfcc.edu

<http://www.nfcc.edu>

Educational Programs & Services

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

North Florida Medical Centers, Jessie Furlow Med Center

*General family medical care: pediatrics, immunizations, adult care, gynecology, family planning

*Mental health counseling: grief, stress management, depression, anxiety, substance abuse

*HIV, STD, and pregnancy testing available only if the person sees a doctor and becomes an established patient

*Medicare, Medicaid, most insurance accepted; sliding scale discount fees offered based on household income and family size; discount prescription program

*Free diabetes clinics and classes

1249 Strong Rd

Quincy, FL 32353

(850) 875-9500

pendarvis@nfmc.org

<http://www.nfmc.org>

Medical & Dental Resources

Mental Health Resources

North Florida Medical Centers, Taylor Dental Center

*Family dental care

*Accepting Medicaid, most other insurance and offering sliding scale

409 E Ash St

Perry, FL 32347

(850) 223-2578

ppendarvis@nfmc.org

<http://www.nfmc.org>

Medical & Dental Resources

North Florida Medical Centers, Taylor Medical Center

*General family medical care: pediatrics, immunizations, adult care, gynecology, family planning

*HIV, STD, and pregnancy testing available only if the person sees a doctor and becomes an established patient

*Counseling assessment and referral, eligibility assistance

*Medicare, Medicaid, most insurance accepted; sliding scale discount fees offered based on household income and family size; discount prescription program

402 E Ash St

Perry, FL 32348

(850) 838-2030

ppendarvis@nfmc.org

<http://www.nfmc.org>

Medical & Dental Resources

Mental Health Resources

North Florida Medical Centers, Tri-County Family Health Care

*General family medical care: pediatrics, immunizations, adult care, gynecology, family planning

*HIV, STD, and pregnancy testing available only if the person sees a doctor and becomes an established patient

*Mental health counseling: grief, stress management, depression, anxiety, substance abuse

*Medicare, Medicaid, most insurance accepted; sliding scale discount fees offered based on household income and family size; discount prescription program

193 NW US 221

GreenvilleFL32331

(850) 948-2840

ppendarvis@nfmc.org

<http://www.nfmc.org>

Medical & Dental Resources

Mental Health Resources

North Florida Medical Centers, Wakulla Medical Center

*General family medical care: pediatrics, immunizations, adult care, gynecology, family planning

*HIV, STD, and pregnancy testing available only if the person sees a doctor and becomes an established patient

*Mental health counseling: grief, stress management, depression, anxiety, substance abuse

*Medicare, Medicaid, most insurance accepted; sliding scale discount fees offered based on household income and family size; discount prescription program

1328 Coastal Highway

Panacea, FL 32346

(850) 984-4735

ppendarvis@nfmc.org

<http://www.nfmc.org>

Medical & Dental Resources

Mental Health Resources

North Florida Spinal Cord Injury Support Group

*Provides a forum to discuss educational, civic, and social issues for individuals with spinal cord injuries and for those affected by it

1675 Riggins Rd

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(850) 656-4800

elizabeth.barranco@healthsouth.com

<http://www.healthsouthtallahassee.com>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Outreach Services for the Blind/Visually impaired and the Deaf/Hard-of-Hearing (OSBD)

*Support services to school district personnel, parents and families of children who are deaf or hard of hearing, or blind or visually impaired. Services include training, information, referral services, and student assessments.

325 W Gaines Street, Ste 614

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 245-0475

hollingswoc@fsdb.k12.fl.us

http://www.fsdb.k12.fl.us/?page_id=597

Florida Department of Education Resources

PACE Center for Girls, Leon County

- *Drop-out prevention alternative school for girls 11-18
- *Encourages skills to become independent, self-reliant, and economically self-supporting
- *Individual counseling, parent/caretaker involvement, work closely with schools, set individualized goals, and teach life management skills
- *Students volunteer in community
- *3 years of case management monitoring after program completion

1344 Cross Creek Circle
Tallahassee, FL 32301-3677
(850) 241-0241
kelly.otte@pacecenter.org
<http://www.pacecenter.org/leon>
Educational Programs & Services

PACT, Gadsden/Leon Counties

- *Community level coalition and training for social, emotional, developmental and behavioral wellbeing of young children and their families in the Gadsden and Leon County area
- *Brings together the families of young children with the agencies and providers who provide community based services to provide a mental health continuum of care

Confidential Location, Call
(850) 570-0413
JLCJLC69@gmail.com
Mental Health Resources
Parent Information, Training & Support Group

PAEC, Migrant Education Program

- *Identifies migrant families, specifically with school-age children and assists in registering them for school, providing English classes and health screenings before they enter school
- *Assists with meeting basic needs in food, clothing, and social services through referrals to appropriate health and social services
- *Nutrition education, early intervention, tutorial and summer programs for school children, and Interpretation and translation services
- *GED classes Spanish, computer classes, and child care
- *ACCESS Florida Center and Kids Care collaborative partner

315 N Key St
Quincy, FL 32351
(850) 875-3806
pounceym@paec.org
<http://www.paec.org>
Educational Programs & Services
Medical & Dental Resources

Parent to Parent Support Group

*Provides information, educational training, support and emergency assistance to families with students having disabilities and/or special needs

*Other services: advocacy, mentoring by supportive person having same special need, family support training, community referrals

Confidential Location, Call

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(850) 487-7135

heronc@leonschools.net

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Parents Educating Parents in the Community (PEP)

*PEP provides information, training, and support to parents of children with disabilities in select isolated, rural areas of Florida

325 W Gaines Street, Ste 614

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 245-0475

elida@fndfl.org

<http://www.fndfl.org/programs/pep-parents-educating-parents-in-the-community.aspx>

Florida Department of Education Resources

Parents of the Panhandle Information Network

*Provides individuals and families information to have full access to family-driven support, education, information, resources, and advocacy for families in the Florida Panhandle

*Serves families of children with disabilities, ages birth through 26, who have a full range of disabilities

2196 Main St, Ste K

Dunedin, FL 34698

(800) 825-5736

popin@fndfl.org

<http://www.fndfl.org>

Advocacy

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Partners in Communication (PIC)

- *Qualified and certified professional American Sign Language interpreters trained in interpreting with confidentiality, credentialed
- *Reduced rate contracts available for frequent users (monthly or more)
- *Interpreting services for individuals, groups, businesses and agencies
- *24-hour interpreting services for medical and law enforcement needs
- *Sign language instruction; speakers for subjects: The Deaf Culture; ASL; When and How to use interpreters properly; Interpreter Roles and Responsibilities; Codes of Ethics applicable to different settings; ADA consultation

PO Box 15454

Tallahassee, FL 32317-5454

(850) 556-4235

RequestPIC@embarqmail.com

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Partnership for Effective Programs for Students with Autism (PEPSA)

- *The Statewide Centers for Autism and Related Disabilities (CARD) staff join together in partnership with Florida educators to provide training and technical assistance in developing a plan for implementing innovative and effective practices in the school environment

325 W Gaines Street, Ste 614

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 245-0475

dcasella@fmhi.usf.edu

<http://doepartnership.usf.edu/>

Florida Department of Education Resources

Pediatrics Day Health Center

- *Provides day care with skilled nursing for children who are medically challenged
- *Case management, coordination of information between family and physician, caters to specific nutrition, socialization
- *Specialized transportation services

1236 Bountstown Hwy

Tallahassee, FL 32304

(850) 704-3920

npaquette@pediatriakids.com

<http://www.pediatriakids.com>

Before & After School Programs

Personnel Development Support Project (PDSP)

*Technical support for multimedia products, including databases, websites, online courses, and other electronic and print materials that support the implementation of BEESS initiatives. Also provides leadership to the State Personnel Development project through collaboration with state universities and colleges.

325 W Gaines Street, Ste 614

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 245-0475

lezlie@fcim.org

<http://www.florida-ese.org/personneldevelopment/index.aspx>

Florida Department of Education Resources

Positive Behavior Support: Multi-tiered System of Supports (PBS: MTSS)

*Committed to building the capacity of school districts so they may better assist schools to develop effective discipline, social skills teaching, and behavior support strategies for all students

*Supports district-wide implementation of an integrated (academic and behavior) data-based problem-solving system supported through technology

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Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 245-0475

kincaid@fmhi.usf.edu

<http://flpbs.fmhi.usf.edu>

Florida Department of Education Resources

Prevent Blindness Florida

*Provides awareness for eye health and safety, public policy and adequate funding for initiatives that prevent blindness and preserve sight

*Promotes screenings to identify children with lazy eye and other problems and for older persons threatened by glaucoma and other serious vision problems

*Supports research to find cures for vision defects

800 Second Ave, S, Ste 390

St Petersburg, FL 33701

(813) 874-2020

lbailey@preventblindnessfl.org

<http://www.preventblindnessflorida.org>

Advocacy

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Medical & Dental Resources

Problem Solving & Response to Intervention Project

*Facilitate and inform implementation of a Problem Solving and Response to Intervention (PS/RTI) model in the state

*Training, technical assistance, and support across the state with special education and disabilities instruction

4202 E Fowler Ave

Tampa, FL 33620

(813) 974-9472

batsche@usf.edu

<http://www.floridarti.usf.edu>

Educational Programs & Services

Problem Solving and Response to Intervention State Project (PS/RtI)

*Facilitates the implementation of the problem-solving and response to intervention (PS-RtI) framework to improve academic and behavior outcomes statewide for ALL students, with a particular focus on at-risk general and special education students, and supports the Regional Teams that implement Florida's Differentiated Accountability Plan.

*Works to support district-wide implementation of an integrated (academic/behavior/technology) data-based problem-solving system facilitated through the use of the District Action Planning and Problem-Solving Process.

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Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 245-0475

Batsche@usf.edu

<http://www.floridarti.usf.edu/index.html>

Florida Department of Education Resources

Progressive Pediatric Developmental Center

*Education: enrichment programs; summer camps (3-12); after school programs; intensive instruction in daily living skills; private school specializing in individualized education

*Occupational therapy: motor skills including handwriting; sensory, oral, environmental, play and socialization skills

*Therapies: physical, speech, occupational, art, music

*Child care including infants and toddlers, preschool, VPK

1725 Hermitage Blvd

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(850) 325-6301

Beth@progressivepediatric.org

<http://www.progressivepediatric.org>

Early Intervention Programs (Birth-3)

Educational Programs & Services

Therapy Resources

Project 10: NW Florida, Region 1

*Gateway information network for transition services for youth with disabilities for Northwest Florida

*Helps school districts in providing planning, training, research, and technical assistance for transition services in secondary schools

*Works collaboratively with other agencies, non-profits and families

*Funded by DOE's Bureau of Exceptional Education and Student Services

140 7th Ave S, SVB 108

St Petersburg, FL 33701

(850) 294-8973

tllewis@usfsp.edu

<http://www.project10.info>

Advocacy

Educational Programs & Services

Florida Department of Education Resources

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Pyramid, Inc.

*Unique arts program for adults with developmental disabilities, offering a full range of visual and performing arts, catering to each student's level of ability and interest

*Other courses: computer and literacy training, peer counseling and skill-development classes, physical/nutritional and behavioral assistance

1910 Commonwealth Ln

Tallahassee, FL 32303

(850) 513-1733

myon@pyramidinc.org

<http://www.pyramidinc.org>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Educational Programs & Services

Recreational Resources & Camps

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Refuge House, Domestic Violence and Rape Crisis Programs

*Emergency safe shelters for battered women and children; transitional housing; counseling, support groups and case management; special activities to help children recover; safe shelter services for men individually arranged

*Outreach: individual and group counseling for women and children in shelter and in outreach offices; information and referral to other services needed, support groups for all

*Legal advocacy: PADVI (The Program to Assist with Domestic Violence Injunctions) available in Leon County; explains injunction progress, assists with paperwork, provides court accompaniment, counseling and referrals for legal assistance; located in Leon County Courthouse, Room 336; open M-F 9am-5pm; call 577-4480

*Under agreement with Tallahassee-Leon County Animal Shelter, pets of families entering shelter may be kept at center for two weeks at no charge unless they need vaccinations; should stay need to be longer, each case assessed individually

Confidential Location, Call

Tallahassee, FL 32316

(800) 500-1119

receptionist@refugehouse.com

<http://www.refugehouse.com>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Residential Programs, Housing & Respite Care Programs

Resource Materials and Technology Center for the Deaf/Hard of Hearing (RMTC-D/HH)

*Offers technical assistance regarding screenings and curriculum; policy direction; and advocacy for the parents and teachers of students birth to 22 who are deaf/hard of hearing or blind/visually impaired

207 N San Marco Ave

St Augustine, FL 32084

(800) 344-3732

c.hollingsworth@rmtcosbd.org

<http://rmtcosbd.org/>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Educational Programs & Services

Ronald McDonald House Charities of Tallahassee, Inc.

*"Home Away From Home" for families of children being treated in Tallahassee area medical facilities

*No restrictions, all eligible if child in area medical facility

*Lodging, meals and laundry facilities provided

*Contributions needed and welcome

*Volunteers appreciated

712 E 7th Ave

Tallahassee, FL 32303

(850) 222-1706

kanderson@rmhctallahassee.org

<http://www.rmhctallahassee.org>

Residential Programs, Housing & Respite Care Programs

Rotary Youth Camp, Inc.

*Free summer camp for physically disabled children ages 7-16 located at Camp Wallwood

*Space for 45 campers; staffed 24/7 by 35 counselors and qualified health professionals able to dispense medication, oversee special dietary restrictions, and provide immediate response in medical situations

*Swimming, nature programs, fishing, cooking, archery, tent camping, arts and crafts, photography, astronomy, et al

*Sponsored by Rotary Clubs from Leon, Gadsden, Jefferson, Madison, Taylor, and Wakulla counties

Confidential Location, Call

Quincy, FL 32351

(850) 656-7921

leslie@nfryc.org

<http://www.nfryc.org>

Recreational Resources & Camps

SEDNET 2B

*Multi-agency network for severely emotionally disturbed children, youth, and those at risk of emotional disturbance

*Provides mental health consultation to Department of Children and Families, facilitates the coordination of services across agencies

*Assists parents/caregivers in navigating schools and children's mental health systems

12926 NW CR12

Bristol, FL 32321

(850) 643-2275

teresa.yancey@lcsbonline.org

<http://www.lcsbonline.org/service-grants/sednet-region-2b>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Legal/Decision Making Options/Guardianship Resources

Mental Health Resources

Sickle Cell Foundation, Inc.

- *Sickle cell screenings free of charge
- *Counseling (by appointment) for persons with sickle cell disease
- *Financial assistance for prescription medicines relating to sickle cell
- *Transportation to medical centers
- *Summer camps for children with sickle cell disease
- *Peer Support Group meetings held each month; call for times and locations

1336 Vickers Rd

Tallahassee, FL 32303-3041

(877) 271-9998

sicklecellfoundation@gmail.com

<http://www.sicklecellfoundation.org>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Medical & Dental Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Recreational Resources & Camps

Social Security Administration, Big Bend Area

- *Processes applications for Social Security and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) disability payments
- *Provides assistance with all areas relating to SSA/SSI and processes all requests for original or duplicate Social Security cards
- *Before calling a branch office, call the Toll-Free Information Number
- *Have Social Security Number ready
- *"Ticket to Work" offers employment services to persons with disabilities

2002 Old St Augustine Rd, Bldg B-12

Tallahassee, FL 32301

(800) 772-1213

<http://www.socialsecurity.gov>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Legal/Decision Making Options/Guardianship Resources

Special Olympics Florida, Gadsden County

- *Provides sports training and athletic competition year-round for persons with intellectual or other developmental disabilities, ages 8 and up
- *Coaching and volunteer opportunities available

1915 Don Wickham Dr

Clermont, FL 34711

(850) 264-9901

Recreational Resources & Camps

Special Olympics Florida, Leon County

*Provides sports training and athletic competition year-round for persons with intellectual or other developmental disabilities, ages 8 and up

*Coaching and volunteer opportunities available

2898-1 Mahan Dr

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(850) 597-9265

melbajacobs@specialolympicsleon.org

<http://www.specialolympicsleon.org>

Recreational Resources & Camps

Special Olympics Florida, Taylor County

*Provides sports training and athletic competition year-round for persons with intellectual or other developmental disabilities, ages 8 and up

*Coaching and volunteer opportunities available

219 Cypress Rd

Perry, FL 32348

(850) 672-9921

Recreational Resources & Camps

Special Olympics Florida, Wakulla County

*Provides sports training and athletic competition year-round for persons with intellectual or other developmental disabilities, ages 8 and up

*Coaching and volunteer opportunities available

3237 Coastal Hwy

Crawfordville, FL 32327

(850) 926-7125

Patricia.Bodiford@wcsb.us

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Wakulla-County-Special-Olympics/101638302699>

Recreational Resources & Camps

State Personnel Development Grant (SPDG)

*Builds capacity to increase school completion rates of students with disabilities, through the provision of professional development to support and scale-up existing research-based practices, develop capacity for use of evidence-based dropout prevention strategies, and enlist parental support of these research-based practices

325 W Gaines Street, Ste 614

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 245-0475

Zoe.Mahoney@fldoe.org

<http://www.fldoe.org/ese/>

Florida Department of Education Resources

Student Support Services Project (SSS)

*Facilitates the development of critical support services Programs so that observable and measurable indicators of success are achieved. This is accomplished through the provision of technical assistance, training, research, resource development, and policy development and interpretation to local and state educators and parents.

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(850) 245-0475

Heather.Diamond@fldoe.org

<http://sss.usf.edu/>

Florida Department of Education Resources

Tallahassee Bar, Legal Aid Foundation

*Pro Se program (self-representation without a lawyer): offers assistance with family law programs by appointment only, nominal fee based on income

*Pro Bono program (free legal services of a lawyer): to Leon County residents, with a civil case: family law, divorce and alimony, child support and custody, paternity, stepparent adoption, guardianship, bankruptcy, landlord/tenant issues, employment issues, discrimination, property disputes, wills, money disputes over purchases; clients must be at 125% of federal poverty level or below; client responsible for any filing fees

*Volunteer attorneys; most are members of Tallahassee Bar Association (TBA) and all are members of the Florida Bar

301 S Monroe St, Ste 108

Tallahassee, FL 32302

(850) 222-3292

capecej@tallahasseebar.org

<http://www.tallahasseebar.org>

Legal/Decision Making Options/Guardianship Resources

Tallahassee Lions Club

*Service club that collects, recycles, and donates eyeglasses and hearing aids for those in need

*Resources to help with hearing aids are very limited

*Other services include: testing and help for macular degeneration, cataract surgery, dogs for visually impaired persons, dogs for hearing impaired persons, eye and tissue banks, and a camp for visually impaired children

*Collects used printer cartridges and turns depleted cartridges into cash to help fund services

PO Box 133

Tallahassee, FL 32302

(850) 997-1754

royjunecampbell@aol.com

<http://tallahassee.lionwap.org>

Assistive Technology

Tallahassee Pediatric Foundation, Primary Care Program

*24/7 pediatric primary medical care and management by participating physicians for children up to age 21 years on Medicaid and CMS

*Registered Nurses as Nurse Case Managers assist patients and parents in receiving appropriate access to care

*Case managers follow-up, teach, refer, and support patients and families as needed

1126-A Lee Ave

Tallahassee, FL 32303

(850) 488-7935

Elizabeth.Spice@flhealth.gov

Medical & Dental Resources

Tallahassee, City Dial-A-Ride

*Provides curb-side transportation for disabled and elderly persons (60 or older) to any Tallahassee location

*Disabled riders must be certified under ADA guidelines to obtain Dial-A-Ride services

*Certification forms available from StarMetro or most local disability service agencies

*Elderly riders who qualify may become certified as disabled themselves, avoiding refusal of transportation when disabled rider is given priority provided by law

*Riders may be accompanied by certified personal care attendants

555 Appleyard Dr

Tallahassee, FL 32304

(850) 891-5199

starmetro-customerservice@talgov.com

<http://www.talgov.com/starmetro/>

Transportation Resources

Tallahassee, City Equity and Workforce Development Dept.

*Oversees city compliance and practical implementation of applicable laws and regulations as mandated by Title VII of Civil Rights Act and Americans with Disabilities (ADA) Act

*Handles race relations problems and fair housing complaints

*Implements training courses for employees of both city and outside companies or agencies that enhance leadership skills and team building

*Develops targeted equal opportunity programs

300 S Adams St

Tallahassee, FL 32301

(850) 891-8290

tremaine.hughes@talgov.com

<http://talgov.com>

Advocacy

Legal/Decision Making Options/Guardianship Resources

Tallahassee, City Smith-Williams Service Center

*Elder Care Senior Meal Site program for senior citizens, offering arts, crafts, and Bible studies from 9am-1pm; senior computer programs, 9am-10pm, M-F

*After School Enrichment and Tutorial Program, 2:30pm-5:30pm, M-F

*Boys Scouts

*Girls' mentoring program for middle and high school girls in summer

*Summer Enrichment Camp, M-F, 8am-5pm, for K-5

*Clothes closet

*Computers dedicated for use in applying for Access Florida benefits: Medicaid, Food Stamps, also job applications

*Site for health care by Neighborhood Medical Services, 8:30am-6pm, M, T, W, F and 8:30am - 8pm, Th

2295 Pasco St

Tallahassee, FL 32310

(850) 891-1860

franklin.holmes@talgov.com

<http://www.talgov.com/parks/cc/smith.cfm>

Before & After School Programs

Recreational Resources & Camps

Tutoring Resources

Tallahassee, City StarMetro Bus System

*City-operated public bus system

*Call or visit website for more information on bus routes and schedules

*31 day "Star Card" may be purchased online by credit card for \$43.75, with an option of an automatic monthly re-load for \$40.75

*Cash only reduced rates for persons with disabilities, seniors 60+, persons with a Medicare card, or youth under 18 or still in high school: 60 cents per ride, \$7.50 for seven day unlimited pass

*No charge to FSU, FAMU, or TCC students with valid student ID, or infants carried in arms

*Cash only regular rates: \$1.25 per ride, \$3 for one day unlimited pass, \$10 for seven day unlimited pass, \$38 for 31 day unlimited pass

*Passes for more than one day must be purchased at either CK Steele Plaza, central station located on the corner of West Tennessee and Adams St., Or main office at 555 Appleyard Dr

*Individuals seeking employment can apply for one free pass to one job interview. Must apply at main office. Same week service, only a photo ID required, only one pass per lifetime, not for each job interview

*Passengers without passes must have exact change when boarding bus

555 Appleyard Dr

Tallahassee, FL 32304

(850) 891-5200

<http://www.talgov.com/starmetro>

Transportation Resources

Taylor County Schools

- *Education resources for students (K-12) in Perry and surrounding areas
- *Head Start, Pre-K and Taylor Technical Institute part of school system
- *TTI: vocational and adult basic education through employment training, career advancement, GED instruction

318 N Clark Street

Perry, FL 32347

(850) 838-2500

paul.dyal@taylor.k12.fl.us

<http://www.taylor.k12.fl.us>

Pre-K Programs (3-5)

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Taylor County Schools, Adult and Community Education

- *GED preparation and testing, adult literacy, adult remediation
- *Academic programs for adults with disabilities
- *Career and technical programs including welding, cosmetology, administrative office specialist, medical administrative assistant, electrical, industrial machinery maintenance and repair, Millwright and PC support

3233 S Byron Butler Pkwy

Perry, FL 32348

(850) 838-2545

judy.johnson@taylor.k12.fl.us

<http://www.taylor.k12.fl.us>

Educational Programs & Services

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Taylor County Schools, Exceptional Student Education

- *Provides exceptional student education programs for students ages 3-21 who have disabilities and students who are gifted
- *Responsible for providing instruction and related services to students who are eligible for the following exceptional student education (ESE) programs:
 - *Autism Spectrum Disorder, Deaf/Hard of Hearing, Developmentally Delayed, Dual Sensory Impaired (Deaf-Blind), Emotional/Behavioral Disabilities, Gifted, Homebound or Hospitalized, Intellectual Disabilities, Orthopedically Impaired, Other Health Impaired, Specific Learning Disabilities, Speech or Language Impaired, and Visually Impaired
- *Persons with need for physical or occupational therapies may be eligible for services

318 N Clark Street

Perry, FL 32347

(850) 838-2536

ramona.patrick@taylor.k12.fl.us

<http://www.taylor.k12.fl.us>

Early Intervention Programs (Birth-3)

Educational Programs & Services

Pre-K Programs (3-5)

TCC, Dental Hygiene Clinic

*Students in the dental hygiene program provide dental screenings, x-rays, and cleanings to the general public at reduced rates

*No restorative or surgical procedures

*Students from any educational facility of any age are eligible for the student discount

444 Appleyard Dr, Rm DH 100

Tallahassee, FL 32304-2895

(850) 201-8247

wagnerv@tcc.fl.edu

<http://www.tcc.fl.edu/dental>

Medical & Dental Resources

TCC, Disability Support Services

*Works with faculty and staff to provide academic support services and accommodations both in and out of the classroom

*Primary advocate for students with disabilities

*Educates students with disabilities about their legal rights and responsibilities

*Promotes self-determination so that all students with disabilities have equal access to educational opportunities and achieving their academic and personal goals

Student Union, Rm 172

Tallahassee, FL 32304

(850) 201-8430

dss@tcc.fl.edu

<http://www.tcc.fl.edu/dss>

Advocacy

Educational Programs & Services

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

TCC, Flagler College

*Bachelor of Arts programs in Accounting, Business Administration, Elementary Education, and Elementary Education/Exceptional Student Education on the campus of Tallahassee Community College

444 Appleyard Dr

Tallahassee, FL 32304-2895

(850) 201-8070

chandlej@tcc.fl.edu

<https://www.tcc.fl.edu/Current/UniversityPartners/FlaglerCollege/Pages/default.aspx>

Educational Programs & Services

Technical Assistance and Training System for Programs Serving Young Children with Disabilities (TATS)

*Statewide system of technical assistance and training that promotes high quality programs which lead to and support positive outcomes for prekindergarten children with disabilities and their families

325 W Gaines Street, Ste 614

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 245-0475

Sandra.Smith@ucf.edu

<http://tats.ucf.edu>

Florida Department of Education Resources

Technology and Learning Connections, Region 1

*Part of Florida's Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS) through the Problem Solving/Response to Intervention Project at the University of South Florida assisting disabled students, Accessible Instructional Materials, Universal Design for Learning

*Services support the local development of classrooms for all students based on the Florida Standards in a multi-tiered system of supports

753 West Blvd

Chipley, FL 32428

(850) 638-6131

judyypeacock@usf.edu

<http://www.tlc-mtss.com>

Assistive Technology

TMH, Family Medicine Residency Program

*Comprehensive medical care, preventive services treating all family members

*Family planning, pregnancy testing, prenatal care, labor and delivery, pediatric care, geriatric care

*HIV and STD testing

*Care provided by physician faculty, family medicine residents and certified nurse midwives

1301 Hodges Dr

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(800) 492-4892

FPRP@tmh.org

<http://www.tmh.org/residency>

Medical & Dental Resources

TMH, Family Medicine, Monticello

*Family care, gynecology, pregnancy tests, family planning/birth control

*Pediatric care, immunizations

*Confidential HIV and STD testing

*New patients seen in about 30 days, ill patients in 1-2 days

1549 Jefferson St

Monticello, FL 32344

(850) 997-0707

<http://www.tmh.org>

Medical & Dental Resources

TMH, Family Medicine, Quincy

*Family and pediatric care, immunizations, pregnancy tests, family planning

*Confidential HIV and STD testing

178 LaSalle Leffall Dr

Quincy, FL 32351

(850) 875-3600

info@tmh.org

<http://www.tmh.org>

Medical & Dental Resources

TMH, Family Medicine, Wakulla

*Family and pediatric care, immunizations, pregnancy tests, family planning

*Confidential HIV and STD testing

*New patients seen in about 30 days, ill patients in 1-2 days

15 Council Moore Rd

Crawfordville, FL 32327

(850) 926-7105

info@tmh.org

<http://www.tmh.org>

Medical & Dental Resources

TMH, FSU Medical Music Therapy

*Weekly developmental music group for infants and toddlers, and their parents and caregivers, designed to help infants develop language, motor, and cognitive skills through interactive music activities

*Partnership with FSU and TMH

1300 Miccosukee Rd

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(850) 431-7468

Miriam.Hillmer@tmh.org

<http://www.tmh.org/womenChildren.cfm?id=1106&fr=true>

Therapy Resources

TMH, NeuroScience Center, Brain Injury Support Group

*Support, education and updates on new research for persons with brain injuries and their families

*Meeting: 7:30pm, 2nd M of each month in Conference Rm A (cafeteria) of TMH

1401 Centerville Rd, Ste 504

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(800) 662-4278

<http://www.tmh.org>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Turn About, Intensive Outpatient Program (IOP)

*Minimum 21-week program for middle and high school students, ages 12-17, who are experiencing behavioral and/or substance abuse problems

*Program meets every day after school for approximately 3 hours, during which time youth participate in individual, family, and group counseling

*Counselors work closely with the young person and his or her family to prevent or eliminate adolescent substance abuse, improve self-esteem, create effective discipline, and improve family communication

*Currently serving all of Leon County high and middle schools, four elementary schools

2771 Miccosukee Rd

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(850) 671-1920

info@turnabout.org

<http://www.turnabout.org>

Legal/Decision Making Options/Guardianship Resources

Mental Health Resources

Turn About, Outpatient Services/Youth/College

*Outpatient counseling for children, adolescents and young adults, ages 5-24 experiencing problems including but not limited to: substance abuse, behavioral problems, poor school attendance, depression, anxiety, anger and family issues

*Family counseling also available

*Youth often referred by schools, the court system, DCF and other agencies, but self referrals welcome

*Individual counseling for college students: substance abuse, trauma, high academic stress

2771 Miccosukee Rd

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(850) 671-1920

info@turnabout.org

<http://www.turnabout.org>

Mental Health Resources

Therapy Resources

Turn About, Parent Support Group

- *Free and open to any parent of a pre-adolescent/adolescent
- *Group discusses challenges and successes in parenting children who are in crisis or struggling behaviorally, academically, socially, etc
- *One hour meetings take place 2nd and 4th Monday of each month at 5:30 pm
- *Call or fill out Contact Form on web site to inform office if planning to attend

2771 Miccosukee Rd
Tallahassee, FL 32308
(850) 671-1920

<http://www.turnabout.org>

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Turn About, Professional Training and Community Presentations

- *Free community presentations and professional training to schools, churches, community centers, health care professionals, parent groups, youth groups, and any organization interested in adolescent substance abuse and/or violence prevention
- *Workshops specifically tailored to needs of participants
- *Training topics: Substance Use and the Adolescent; Violence Prevention and Intervention; Signs and Symptoms of Use; Drugs 101: What Everyone Needs to Know about Teen Drug Use; and Violence Prevention 101: What Everyone Needs to Know about Teen Violence

2771 Miccosukee Rd
Tallahassee, FL 32308
(850) 671-1920

info@turnabout.org

<http://www.turnabout.org>

Mental Health Resources

Turn About, School Suspension, Intervention, Victim Response

- *Programs for Leon County Schools:
- *SSP - Alternative for students who would like to reduce the length of school suspension from ten to five days, consists of a brief evaluation along with substance abuse education; confidential and school will only receive letters to confirm the student's participation and completion of program
- *SIP - Free on-site assessment and referrals for students with attendance, behavioral or substance abuse problems who are referred anonymously
- *Child Victim Rapid Response (CVRR) offers early identification, intervention, professional therapy, advocacy and victim compensation assistance to youth who are victims of and/or witnesses to violence; free on-site counseling provided to children who have been abused, bullied or neglected and their families; adults with trauma problems may be counseled in office

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Tallahassee, FL 32308
(850) 671-1920

info@turnabout.org

<http://www.turnabout.org>

Legal/Decision Making Options/Guardianship Resources
Mental Health Resources

UCF, Technical Assistance and Training System

*Statewide resource which supports programs serving prekindergarten children with disabilities by providing technical assistance and training.

*Primary recipients of services are coordinators for programs serving prekindergarten (Pre-K) children with disabilities in each of Florida's 67 school districts. TATS also works with school district early childhood partners such as Head Start, community child care programs, Early Learning Coalitions which oversee Voluntary Prekindergarten (VPK) programs, and Early Steps.

4000 Central Florida Blvd

Orlando, FL 32816

(850) 297-2239

tats-fsu@ucf.edu

<http://www.tats.ucf.edu>

Early Intervention Programs (Birth-3)

Pre-K Programs (3-5)

UF, Florida and Virgin Islands Deaf-Blind Collaborative

*Promotes the full inclusion and participation of persons with deaf-blindness as active members of their communities.

*Builds the capacity of families, schools, districts, and teams by providing training and disseminating information on sensory loss, multiple disabilities, and best practices.

PO Box 100234

Gainesville, FL 32610

(800) 667-4052

shellyv@ufl.edu

<http://deafblind.ufl.edu>

Educational Programs & Services

Medical & Dental Resources

UF-IFAS, Gadsden County Cooperative Extension Service

*Up-to-date information about food safety, nutrition and health, human development, parent education, family resource (debt) management

*Latest data on natural resources, wildlife conservation, horticulture, forestry, agriculture, marine industries, coastal issues, and aquaculture

*4-H youth development

*Newspaper columns, newsletters, phone calls, workshops, and seminars

2140 W Jefferson St

Quincy, FL 32351

(850) 875-7255

hgg@ufl.edu

<http://gadsden.ifas.ufl.edu>

Educational Programs & Services

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Recreational Resources & Camps

UF-IFAS, Jefferson County Cooperative Extension Service

*Up-to-date information about food safety, nutrition and health, human development, parent education, family resource (debt) management

*Latest data on natural resources, wildlife conservation, horticulture, forestry, agriculture, marine industries, coastal issues, and aquaculture

*4-H youth development

*Newspaper columns, newsletters, phone calls, workshops, and seminars

2729 W Washington Hwy

Monticello, FL 32344

(850) 342-0187

jefferson@mail.ifas.ufl.edu

<http://jefferson.ifas.ufl.edu>

Educational Programs & Services

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Recreational Resources & Camps

UF-IFAS, Leon County 4-H Clubs

*Educational programs for young people: citizenship, clothing, marine, foods, health, recreation, leadership, agriculture, horticulture, natural resources, animals, photography, and forestry

*Sleep-away camp held for one week in summer

615 Paul Russell Rd

Tallahassee, FL 32301

(850) 606-5204

bostonm@leoncountyfl.gov

<http://leon.ifas.ufl.edu>

Recreational Resources & Camps

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

UF-IFAS, Taylor County Cooperative Extension Service

*Up-to-date information about food safety, nutrition and health, human development, parent education, family resource (debt) management

*Latest data on natural resources, wildlife conservation, horticulture, forestry, agriculture, marine industries, coastal issues, and aquaculture

*4-H youth development

*Newspaper columns, newsletters, phone calls, workshops, and seminars

203 Forest Park Dr

Perry, FL 32347

(850) 838-3508

cbolson@ufl.edu

<http://taylor.ifas.ufl.edu>

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Recreational Resources & Camps

UF-IFAS, Wakulla County Extension Office, 4-H

- *Learn by doing" experiences for youth from ages 5 to18 to provide positive relationships, acquire knowledge, develop life skills and form attitudes to become self-directed adults
- *Diversity of project areas ranging from agriculture to rocketry, mostly delivered by trained volunteer leaders
- *One-week sleep-away camp held each summer

84 Cedar Avenue
Crawfordville, FL 32327-2063
(850) 926-3931

sjkraeft@ufl.edu

<http://wakulla.ifas.ufl.edu>

Recreational Resources & Camps
Vocational & Young Adult Programs

United Cerebral Palsy of Tallahassee

- *Non-profit advancing independence of people with developmental disabilities by obtaining services available to them
- *LIFELINKS - three adult centers that emphasize the development of work and daily living skills
- *Therapy services
- *Behavior analysis and counseling

1830 Buford Court
Tallahassee, FL 32308
(850) 878-2141

jdormann@sunrisegroup.org

<http://www.unitedcerebralpalsy.com>

Disability Specific Programs & Services
Medical & Dental Resources
Residential Programs, Housing & Respite Care Programs
Vocational & Young Adult Programs

US Dept of Health and Human Services Health Resources and Services

- *Searchable website that lists health centers within a zip code, city, or address

1101 Wootton Pkwy, Ste LL100
Rockville, MD 20852
(877) 464-4772

CallCenter@hrsa.gov

http://findahealthcenter.hrsa.gov/Search_HCC.aspx

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services
Medical & Dental Resources

US Dept of Labor, Job Corps

*Offers tuition-free training and other career development services to at-risk young women and men, ages 16 to 24, to prepare them for successful careers

*A career development training approach integrates academic, vocational, employability skills and social competencies through a combination of classroom, and practical learning experiences

*Job Corps centers are located nationwide, with five (5) locations in Florida; persons living in the Big Bend area should contact the Gainesville or Jacksonville center; actual work site location will depend on area of study

200 Constitution Ave, NW N4463

Washington DC 20210

(800) 733-5627

<http://www.jobcorps.gov>

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

US Dept of Labor, Office of Disability Employment Policy

*Job Accommodation Network (JAN) offers free, expert, and confidential guidance for persons with disabilities and employers on work related issues

*Topics include workplace accommodations, the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), self-employment / entrepreneurship opportunities, and many other issues related to persons with disabilities and employment

200 Constitution Ave, NW

Washington DC 20210

(800) 526-7234

jan@askjan.org

<http://www.askjan.org>

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Volunteer Health Services Program, Regions 1&2

*Increases access to medical care for uninsured Floridians lacking financial resources

*Regional coordinators work with private and public volunteer health providers, CHD's, Children's Medical Services, and other health services

*Have extensive knowledge of services available in counties covered

221 Hospital Way

Ft. Walton Beach, FL 32548

(850) 833-9233

jerry_moellenkamp@doh.state.fl.us

<http://doh.state.fl.us/workforce/vhs/>

Medical & Dental Resources

VolunteerLEON: Leon County Volunteer Center

- *Key resource on volunteerism for individuals, non-profit agencies, government, faith communities and other civic groups connecting people with local volunteer programs
- *Internship programs available
- *Participates in strategic initiatives that mobilize volunteers from all sectors: disaster planning and response
- *Volunteer Connection (online recruitment database for service opportunities at more than 395 programs), Leon County Mentoring Initiative, Project LEAD (county employee volunteer program), and the Leon County Library Volunteer Program
- *Interested persons may apply on web site using a self matching database, or call to request an application and additional information

918 Railroad Ave

Tallahassee, FL 32310

(850) 606-1970

volunteerleon@leoncountyfl.gov

<http://www.volunteerleon.org>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

VSA Florida

- *Statewide support network responsible for the implementation of arts programs to ensure inclusion, learning and success through the arts for students with disabilities

325 W Gaines Street, Ste 614

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 245-0475

mwinters@usf.edu

<http://www.vsafl.org/>

Florida Department of Education Resources

Wakulla County Autism Support Group

- *Support group for any individual with a family member or student who has autism spectrum disorder
- *Meets first Tu of each month at the Wakulla County Library

Confidential Location, Call

Crawfordville, FL 32327

(850) 933-2316

worrillc@yahoo.com

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Wakulla County Coalition for Youth

*Provides website of information for parents and youth to prevent and reduce substance abuse, violence, delinquency, school drop-out, and problems of depression, anxiety, and risky sexual behavior among youth

*Publishes resource directory of programs and services available in Wakulla County

PO Box 1688

Crawfordville, FL 32326-1688

(850) 926-3526

Campbell.Gail@gmail.com

<http://www.wakullacoalition.net>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Mental Health Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Wakulla County Schools, Adult and Community Education

*GED preparation and testing

*Educational programs for adults with disabilities

*Certified Nursing Assistant program

126 High Dr

Crawfordville, FL 32327

(850) 926-2151

william.walker@wcsb.us

<http://www.wakullaschooldistrict.org>

Educational Programs & Services

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Wakulla County Schools, Exceptional Student Education

*Provides exceptional student education programs for students ages 3-21 who have disabilities and students who are gifted

*Responsible for providing instruction and related services to students who are eligible for the following exceptional student education (ESE) programs:

*Autism Spectrum Disorder, Deaf/Hard of Hearing, Developmentally Delayed, Dual Sensory Impaired (Deaf-Blind), Emotional/Behavioral Disabilities, Gifted, Homebound or Hospitalized, Intellectual Disabilities, Orthopedically Impaired, Other Health Impaired, Specific Learning Disabilities, Speech or Language Impaired, and Visually Impaired

*Persons with need for physical or occupational therapies may be eligible for services

69 Arran Rd

Crawfordville, FL 32327

(850) 926-0065

tanya.english@wcsb.us

<http://www.wakullaschooldistrict.org>

Early Intervention Programs (Birth-3)

Educational Programs & Services

Pre-K Programs (3-5)

Wakulla Senior Citizens Council, Transportation

*Non-emergency transportation for anyone of any age in need: Medicaid recipients, seniors and other persons who qualify as "Transportation Disadvantaged" due to disability, low-income, age or other extenuating circumstances

*Trips available to Wakulla and Leon Counties, but individuals may request transportation outside these areas in special circumstances

*Reservations for all riders should be made 72 hours in advance

*Wheelchair and stretcher transportation available; stretcher transportation requests should be made 4 days in advance

*New Medicaid recipients call the office as soon as possible to be registered in system

33 Michael Dr

Crawfordville, FL 32327

(850) 926-5921

Transportation Resources

Whole Child Leon

*Assists families in identifying mental and physical needs of their young children

*Connects families with appropriate service providers; parents or guardians fill out Connection, on-line, and create a family plan based on their needs

*Encourages service providers to build collaborative networks

*Identifies service gaps in communities

725 S Calhoun St

Tallahassee, FL 32301

(850) 487-7316

wholechildleon@gmail.com

<http://www.wholechildleon.org>

Basic Needs (Food, Clothing, Utilities & Shelter)

Before & After School Programs

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Medical & Dental Resources

Whole Child, Jefferson, Taylor, and Madison

- *Web-based listing of community programs serving young children and families; parents/guardians may access information by calling or making appointment
- *Advisor available to assist parents or guardians fill out on-line profile of child (up to 5 years of age) noting his/her needs
- *Program lists resources; system matches child/family to community services; upon request by parent or guardian, profile forwarded to selected agencies dealing with needs indicated
- *Agency contacts parents who decide how to move forward in getting help

1336 SW Grand St
GreenvilleFL32331

(850) 253-5355

tbell@healthystartjmt.org

<http://www.wholechildtricity.com>

Basic Needs (Food, Clothing, Utilities & Shelter)

Before & After School Programs

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Medical & Dental Resources

Wholistic Wellness Center, NFEDC

- *Offers food pantry when food is available, 1pm-3pm, the last Thursday of the month; callers are urged to call the program prior to attending since it will not be open if there are no food donations, and to add their name to a notification list
- *Nutrition education, free blood pressure and diabetes screenings, weight management consultations when nurse is available; fitness equipment available in center
- *During summer months (June - Aug), youth food program serves approximately 1000 lunch meals daily to school age students and persons with disabilities at various sites throughout county

1006 W 4th St

Quincy, FL 32351

(850) 856-5025

bossnfedc@gmail.com

<http://www.nfedconline.org>

Medical & Dental Resources

Wigs for Kids

*Provides hair replacement solutions for children, under 18, affected by hair loss due to alopecia, chemotherapy, burns, and other medical conditions; unable to fully finance a hairpiece after checking all possible resources; must be referred by a medical professional (verified through the Patient Application)

*No cost to child/family

*Donated hair must be clean, dry, minimum length of 10-12 inches, in braids or ponytails; can not be colored or permed or have any other chemical treatments; can be cut at local salon, placed in plastic bag and mailed to address listed

*Donation of one dollar with each ponytail helps offset costs involved in administration, processing and production

24231 Center Ridge Rd

Westlake, OH 44145-4211

(440) 333-4433

info@wigsforkids.org

<http://www.wigsforkids.org>

Assistive Technology

Working With the Experts (WWE)

*Professional development opportunities for school-based speech-language professionals, occupational and physical therapy professionals, teachers of students with visual impairments, and teachers of students who are deaf or hard-of-hearing

*Free to all registered participants and provides a way for school-based practitioners to earn continuing education units (CEUs)

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Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 245-0475

msulliva@fgcu.edu

<http://www.flwwe.net/>

Florida Department of Education Resources

Workshop for Adult Vocational Enrichment, Inc. (WAVE)

*Providing teens and adults with developmental disabilities monthly social activities, music therapy, performing chorus, and life skills training

*SERVICES ARE NOT PROVIDED ON SITE

*Life skills training, First Presbyterian Church, W and Th, 9:30am-3:30pm

*Music therapy, Gretchen Everhart School, W, 4pm-5pm

2898 Mahan Dr, Ste 1

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(850) 412-9279

wavefriends@hotmail.com

<http://www.waveonline.org>

Mental Health Resources

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

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