



CommunityAction



Serving Barry, Branch, Calhoun, and St. Joseph Counties since 1966

**Education and Children's Services
Head Start
Early Head Start
Head Start/ GSRP**

**BARRY COUNTY
Community Resource Guide
2015-2016**

Barry County ECS Offices

**Barry County
Community Action
Office**
231 S. Broadway
Hastings, MI 49058
(269) 948-4260

10085 S. M-43 Hwy
Delton, MI 49046
(269) 623-4461

2049 N. Broadway
Hastings, MI 49058
(269) 945-1920

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Contact 2-1-1 for Assistance



Landline phone: 2-1-1

Calling from a cell phone dial: 616-459-2255

Long distance/Toll-Free: 1-800-887-1107

About 2-1-1

United Way's 2-1-1 is a **FREE** information and referral service hotline available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

United Way's 2-1-1 provides a central resource for local community services and information. Rather than multiplying resources and expense through maintaining various hotlines and making it more difficult for people in need to find information, 2-1-1 provides a quick, easy-to-remember way to access community information. Heart of West Michigan United Way's 2-1-1 call center was accredited in 2005, meaning it meets the highest standards in informational and referral services. The 2-1-1 database is updated daily as changes in local services and resources occur. If you see information in our database that is incorrect, please email us.

Advancing the COMMON GOOD

Barry County United Way is working to advance the common good by focusing on education, income and health. These are the building blocks for a good life – a quality education that leads to a stable job, enough income to support a family through retirement, and good health. Your contribution goes farther with Barry County United Way thanks to the Florence Tyden Groos Endowment Fund that specifically covers the administration and management expenses.

100% of your contribution is utilized for local programs.

When you partner with Barry County United Way, you will become part of a bigger solution – investing in local programs that improve the lives of people here in our community. Our vision for Barry County in the next ten years is bold:

- Youth achieving their full potential
- Families achieving well-being and success
- Senior adults finding support and maintaining their independence
- Addressing urgent and emerging needs

We invite you to be a part of the change. Together, united, we can inspire hope and create opportunities for a better tomorrow. **That's what it means to LIVE UNITED. LIVE UNITED GIVE. ADVOCATE. VOLUNTEER.TM**

Barry County United Way creates opportunities by focusing on the building blocks for a strong community.

EDUCATION

HELPING YOUTH ACHIEVE THEIR FULL POTENTIAL

- Providing mentoring programs for at-risk youth
- Partnering with schools and parents to improve truancy rates
- Providing leadership and lifestyle skills

INCOME

ADDRESSING URGENT AND EMERGING NEEDS

- Supporting basic needs while increasing financial education
- Providing food assistance, therefore increasing the dollars available for utilities, medication, etc.
- Increasing affordable housing for families

HEALTH

SUPPORTING FAMILIES TO ACHIEVE WELL BEING AND SUCCESS & ASSISTING

SENIOR ADULTS FIND SUPPORT AND MAINTAIN INDEPENDENCE

- Reducing substance abuse, child abuse and domestic violence
- Partnering to provide health services for seniors
- Increasing health education and preventive care

By engaging youth in positive experiences we are able to help youth reach their full potential.

For every \$1 contribution, we are able to provide 78 lbs. of food worth \$117. Meals on Wheels and Senior Friendship Centers have proven to keep senior or homebound individuals healthy and independent so they can remain in their own homes.

2-1-1 resources, such as our Pocket Guide to local services, are available for distribution. Please email us or call 2-1-1 for information on ordering.
Heart of West Michigan United Way 118 Commerce Ave. SW, Grand Rapids, MI 49503 Telephone: 616.459.6281 | Fax: 616.459.8460



Community Action is a private, non-profit human service organization founded in 1966 as part of then President Johnson's anti-poverty initiatives. The agency's mission statement is "to help people achieve and maintain independence." Community Action:

- **Provides** responsive and supportive **services** to the community.
- **Cares** for each person individually with **dignity** and **respect**.
- **Resolves** and prevents problems through immediate **action**.

Our vision is as an organization with strong social service programming in which individuals can develop their potential for self-sufficiency and personal well-being. Community Action's mission is carried out through numerous programs, in three major areas, including:

Housing and Support Services, which offers services to, and provides programs for, low- to moderate-income families, including:

- *Major and Minor Home Repair/Rehab*
- *Weatherization*
- *Emergency fuel, utility, rent assistance*
- *Senior and disabled transportation*

Food and Nutritional Services, which provides meal assistance for people age sixty and over and food for low-to moderate-income individuals:

- *Home Delivered Meals (Branch County Only)*
- *Congregate Dining Centers (Branch County Only)*
- *Supplemental Food Distribution*

Education and Children's Services, which seeks to meet the educational and family development needs of children and their families through the following programs:

- *Head Start*
- *Great Start Readiness Program*
- *Foster Grandparent Program*
- *Early Head Start*

Each of the programs mentioned above are described in more detail below. **For more information or to see if you qualify for any of these programs, call (269) 965-7766 or toll free (877) 422-2726.**

Housing & Support Services

Housing & Support Services provides a variety of programs to help in need. These include, weatherization, emergency utility assistance, and homeless prevention in Barry, Branch, Calhoun and St. Joseph counties. In St. Joseph County this department offers major home repair, and, in Calhoun County only, major and minor home repair as well as senior and disabled transportation. Please call to make an appointment to apply for any of these programs. Telephone numbers for each of the Housing and Support Services offices are as follows:

Barry, Branch, Calhoun, and St. Joseph counties, call our toll free number (877) 442-2726.

Emergency and Nutritional Services

The Commodity Supplemental Food Program provides seniors 60 years of age and older with nutritious food. Food is distributed eight times per year, and should provide 12-15 days of complete, balanced meals. Applicants must be 60 years of age or older, and have income at or below 130 percent of poverty. Another food distribution program, The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP), is available on a quarterly basis for those 18 years and older. Income guidelines for TEFAP are at or below 200 percent of poverty.

In addition, Community Action provides Congregate Meals for persons over age 60 at many senior dining centers along with Home Delivered Meals (often referred to as "Meals on Wheels") in Branch County. Call (517) 279-9325 in Branch County.

Education and Children's Services

Education and Children's Services (ECS) Mission Statement: With the involvement of the community, we strive to enhance the self-dignity and self-worth of the children and families that we serve.

ECS Philosophy: Give all children an equal opportunity to achieve success. Families, staff and the community are included as active partners in the success of children and the program. For all children to be successful, families need support in achieving their goals.

Education and Children's Services includes Early Head Start for pregnant women, infants and toddlers 0-3 years old, Head Start for 3-5 year old children, and Great Start Readiness Program (GSRP) for 4-5 year old children. All of these are free programs to prepare children to enter Kindergarten, and are offered in Barry, Calhoun and St. Joseph counties. The program's Fatherhood and Male Involvement initiative encourages father figures to engage with their Head Start and GSRP children. The department also hosts the Foster Grandparent Program, where seniors mentor children in schools and childcare settings in these counties as well as in Branch county. Call (877)-KIDS-577 (877-543-7577) for information on any of these programs.

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

My Doctor's Office:

My Doctor's Home:

My Local Hospital:

Any Emergency: 911

Non-Emergency line: (269) 948-4800

National Poison Control: _____(800) 222-1222

Automatically connects you to poison control office in your State.

For your safety, and the safety of your family, please check now to see which ambulance service, fire department, and police department serves your area. Do not guess this information, especially in rural areas.

HEALTH SERVICES

HEALTH CARE – GENERAL (Medicaid)
(Doctors accepting Medicaid are subject to change.)

Barry County Health Department
330 W Woodlawn Ave.
Hastings, MI 49058 269) 945-9516
(Includes the Well Child Clinic)

Barry County Hospice
450 Meadow Run Drive, Suite 200
Hastings, MI 49058 (269) 948-8452

Bright Start Pediatrics
1761 W. M-43 Hwy Suite 2
Hastings, MI 49058 (269) 818-0070

Children's Special Health Care
330 W. Woodlawn Ave
Hastings, MI 49058 (269) 945-9516

Grace Health
181 W. Emmett Street
Battle Creek, MI 49017 (269) 965-8866

Asthma and Allergy
1233 20th Street, NW, Suite 402
Washington, D.C. 20036 (202) 466-7643
www.aafa.org (800) 7ASTHMA

Delton Medical
Dr. Joseph Roth
11320 S. M-43 Hwy
P.O. Box 675
Delton, MI 49046 (269) 623-5521

Southside Pediatrics
300 Meadow Run Drive
Hastings, MI 49058 (269) 818-1020

NOTE: The State of Michigan has a program to provide additional health care services to children not receiving Medicaid. Families must complete an application and meet income guidelines to receive services.
Contact your ECS office for more information.

HEALTH CARE – GENERAL

Barry Eaton Health Connections
350 W. Woodlawn
Hastings, MI 49058 1-800-553-2565

For physicians in your area, look in the yellow pages of your local phone book under "Physicians." Phone books can be found at local libraries, or can be ordered by calling (800) 346-4377.

Free Health Clinic
1230 E. State Street
Hastings, MI 49058(269) 945-4444

HEALTH CARE- Dental (Healthy Kids- Delta Dental)

HASTINGS

Stacey Garrison
1675 S. M-37 Hwy.
Hastings, MI 49058(269) 948-8525

Glenn Hahn
1235 W. State Street
Hastings, MI 49058(269) 948-8029

Nancy McClear
1127 W. State Street
Hastings, MI 49058(269) 948-8166

Delta Dental(800) 482-8915

Delton Family Dental Care
Neil Bueker
10123 S. M-43 Hwy Suite C
Delton, MI 49046(269) 623-4059

Hastings Family Dental
Gregory Randall
212 W. State Rd
Hastings, MI 49058(269) 948-6684

Paul Sweetland
518 W. Apple Street
Hastings, MI 49058(269) 945-3372

Gole Dental Group
121 W. Woodlawn Ave.
Hastings, MI 49058(269) 948-2244

Christopher Tomczyk
220 W. Colfax
Hastings, MI 49058(269) 945-5656

MIDDLEVILLE

Southpoint Dental
Dr. Michael Castleman DDS
4710 N. M-37 HWY.
Middleville, MI 49333.....(269) 795-7916

NASHVILLE

Brad Masse
730 S. M-66
Nashville, MI 49073.....(517) 852-9150

SHELBYVILLE

Gun Lake Family Dentistry
(Dr. Rezema)
12334 Marsh Road
Shelbyville, MI 49344(269) 672-7734

OTHER AREAS

Jason Corradini
8634 N. 32nd
Richland, MI 49083(269) 629-7156

Dr. Robert C. Payne
1179 E. Paris Ave Ste #130
Grand Rapids, MI 49546(616) 942-9840

Robin Vaughan
9041 N. Rodgers Court SE
Caledonia, MI 49316(616) 891-8931

Eaton County Dental Clinic
623 Court House Drive
Charlotte, MI 48813.....(877) 733-7651
(Accepts Medicaid and uses sliding fee scale for those who don't have Medicaid or insurance. Available to Barry County residents.)

University of Michigan School of Dentistry
1011 N. University Ave.
Ann Arbor, MI(734) 763-6933

For dentists in your area, look in the yellow pages of your local phone book under "Dentists." Phone books can be found at local libraries, or can be ordered by calling (800) 346-4377.

HEALTH CARE – EAR, NOSE AND THROAT

(Doctors under this heading are only seeing Medicaid patients if they are referred by their family physician.)

Constance Brown Hearing & Speech Center
1634 Gull Road
Kalamazoo, MI 49001(269) 343-2601

Allan Goldstein
363 Freemont
Battle Creek, MI 49017.....(269) 969-6111

Michael Nosanov
1761 W. M-43 Hwy.
Hastings, MI 49058(269) 945-3888

HEALTH CARE – PREGNANCY ISSUES

Delton Women Center
503 S. Grove St
Delton, MI 49046.....(269) 623-4061

Alpha Women’s Center
136 E. State Street
Hastings, MI 49058(269) 948-9013

Barry County Health Department
330 W. Woodlawn Ave.
Hastings, MI 49058(269) 945-9516

Calhoun County Crisis Pregnancy Center
157 E. Columbia
Battle Creek, MI 49014.....(269) 963-6206

Planned Parenthood
693 Capital Avenue SW
Battle Creek, MI 49015.....(269) 964-0885

HEALTH CARE – OPTICAL (Medicaid)

Caledonia Vision Center
9809 Cherry Valley (M-37)
Caledonia, MI 49316(616) 891-2020

Northland Optical
1510 N. Broadway
Hastings, MI 49058(269) 945-2192

Advance Eye Care Professionals
915 W. Green Street Suite 101
Hastings, MI 49058(269) 945-3866

HEALTH CARE – OPTICAL (Non-Medicaid)

RX Optical
803 W. State Street
Hastings, MI 49058(269) 945-9724

For optical providers in your area, look in the yellow pages of your local phone book under “Opticians” or “Optometrists.” Phone books can be found at local libraries, or can be ordered by calling (800) 346-4377.

HOSPITALS

Bronson Battle Creek
300 North Avenue
Battle Creek, MI 49017.....(269) 966-8000

Borgess Hospital
1521 Gull Road
Kalamazoo, MI 49001(269) 226-7000

Bronson Hospital
601 John Street
Kalamazoo, MI 49007(269) 341-7654

Southwest Rehab Hospital
393 E. Roosevelt
Battle Creek, MI 49017.....(269) 965-3206

Pennock Hospital
1009 W. Green
Hastings, MI 49058(269) 945-3451

Saint Mary’s Health Care
200 Jefferson Ave. SE
Grand Rapids, MI 49503(616) 685-5000

HOME HEALTH CARE

Adult Placement/Home Help Services.....(269) 948-3200

Barry Community Hospice.....(269) 948-8452

Pennock Hospice(269) 945-3451

SOCIAL SERVICES

Department of Human Services of Barry County

430 Barfield Dr.

Hastings, MI 49058(269) 948-3200

HELP LINES

AIDS Hotline.....(800) 872-2437

AIDS Client Services(800) 515-3434

AIDS/HIV Testing & Counseling.....(269) 945-9516

Alcohol Crisis Hotline(800) 819-5690

Alcohol Information Line.....(800) 663-1441

American Cancer Society.....(800) 465-5244

American Heart Association(800) 242-8721

ARK for Runaways

990 W. Kilgore

Kalamazoo, MI 49008(800) 873-8336

Better Business Bureau.....(866) 463-9222

Cocaine Hotline.....(800) 262-2463

Consumer Resource Advisory Council.....(800) 292-5680

(Provides assistance to low-income consumers, holds workshops on consumer issues, handles consumer complaints, gives referrals, and conducts surveys.)

Eating Disorder Hotline(314) 588-1683

Fair Housing & Equal Opportunity Office.....(313) 226-7900 ext. 8037

(Provides information on all types of housing problems, particularly discrimination.)

Family Support Hotline(800) 359-3722

Family Violence Hotline.....(800) 799-7233

Food Bank of South Central Michigan.....(269) 964-3663

Free Clinics of Michigan (Health Care).....(269) 344-0044

HOPE Line(800) 784-2433

(Mental health concerns)

Lifeline Telephone Assistance Program.....(800) 621 8650

Medicaid Hotline.....(800) 292-2550
 Mental Health Crisis Line(800) 622-3967
 Michigan Department of Civil Rights(313) 256-2663
 (Investigates discrimination complaints.)
 Michigan Protection and Advocacy Service(800) 288-5923
 National Child Abuse Hotline.....(800) 422-4453
 National Hotline for Missing Children(800) 843-5678
 National Runaway Hotline(800) 292-4517
 (800) 621-4000
 Parent Help Line(800) 942-HELP
 Product Safety Commission(800) 638-2772
 (Receives reports on injuries or fatalities related to hazardous products: and
 evaluates the safety of products sold to consumers.)
 Rape Crisis Line(800) 656-4673
 Sexual Assault Hotline(800) 828-2023
 Social Security Administration.....(800) 772-1213
 Spouse Abuse Hotline.....(800) 829-1122
 Welfare Fraud Hotline(800) 222-8558

LOCAL AGENCIES
(By Type of Service Provided)

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

- American Red Cross
1050 Fuller Ave. NE
Grand Rapids, MI 49503(616) 456-8661
- Adult & Child Protective Services(269) 948-3233
- Adult & Senior Health Services(269) 945-9516
- Barry County Commission on Aging.....(269) 948-4856
- Barry County United Way & Volunteer Center
231 S. Broadway
Hastings, MI 49058(269) 945-4010
- Big Brothers/Big Sisters(269) 945-9545 x153
- Child Abuse Prevention Council of Barry County
430 Barfield Dr.
Hastings, MI 49058(269) 948-3264
- Citizens Alliance to Uphold Special Education- (CAUSE)
5668 Okemos Rd
Lansing, MI 48917..... (517) 886-9167
(800) 221-9105
- Community Action Barry County
Please refer to front cover and pages 2 & 3 for address, phone number and
explanation of services offered at Barry County locations.
- Family Mentoring Network
430 Barfield
Hastings, MI 49058(269) 945-4010
- Kinship Care Program
Barry County Commission on Aging
320 W. Woodlawn Ave.
Hastings, MI 49058(269) 948-4856
- Region 3B Area Agency on Aging
200 West Michigan Ave., Suite 102
Battle Creek, MI 49017.....Local call center (269) 966-2450
Toll Free.....(800) 626-6719
Community Services.....(269) 441-0924

Also housed in the Burnham Brook Center are:

CentraCare (or PACE), Senior Health Partners, Senior Behavioral Health, and The Fitness Loft

Region 3B Area Agency on Aging maintains resource information about the full range of human service providers in the community.

Senior Ride Program

Case/Care Management

Elder Abuse Reporting

Waiver Agent

Information & Referral

Activities of Daily Living Assessment

Medicare Information/Counseling - MMAP

Senior Project Fresh

Senior Housing Information & Referral

Aging and Disability Resource Center

Residential Living Options

TCARE-Tailored Caregiver Assessment and Referral.

MSU Extension (4H).....(269) 945-1388

Salvation Army.....(269) 966-4162

COUNSELING & GUIDANCE

Alcoholics Anonymous

Private phone.....(800) 559-9503

Barry County Department of Mental Health

915 W. Green Street

Hastings, MI 49058(269) 948-8041

(Provides a range of mental health services tailored to meet the needs of persons who experience psychological difficulties.)

Barry County Healthy Families

330 W. Woodlawn Ave.

Hastings, MI 49058(269) 945-9516

Barry County Substance Abuse

206 W. Court St Ste. 104

Hastings, MI 49058(269) 945-1387

Psychological Consultants of Michigan, P.C.

1127 West State Street

Hastings, MI 49058(269)-945-4367

Comprehensive Psychological & Chemical Dependency Resources Directions to this and other locations on website at:

www.psycmi.com for referrals to any of our locations call: (800) 261-8850 Ext. 40:

For additional information call (800)261-8850 Ext. 0 or E-mail us at:

pcm@psycmi.com there are offices in Battle Creek, Kalamazoo and Albion.

Borgess Health Alliance (24hr access line).....(269) 226-8000

The Ark.....(800) 873-8336
BCHS - Fieldstone Hospital
Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Health
Battle Creek, MI 49017.....(800) 582-1900

Children's Advocacy Center-Kalamazoo.....(269) 343-1651
(Formerly Guidance Clinic)

Habitat for Humanity
1135 Enterprise Dr
Hastings, MI 49058(269) 948-9939

Pine Rest Hospital
9090 S. Rodgers
Hastings, MI 49058(800) 678-5500
Hospital provides mental health in patient treatment and out-patient counseling services

Protective Services (Adult and Child Abuse and Neglect)
430 Barfield Dr.
Hastings, MI 49058
Reporting number(855) 444-3911

Narcotics Anonymous(800) 230-4085

CHILD CARE

Barry County YMCA
2055 Iroquois Trail
Hastings, MI 49058(269) 945- 4574

Barry County Department Human Services (DHS)
430 Barfield
Hastings, MI 49058(269) 948 3200
Daycare financial assistance & Resource information

Michigan 4C Association
839 Centennial Way
Lansing, Michigan 48917(517) 351-4171
Or(800) 950- 4171

Child Care Resources
3304 Mindy Lane
Kalamazoo, MI 49001(800) 343-3470
Or(269) 948-3255

For more childcare providers in your area, also look in the yellow pages of local phone book under "Child Care." Phone books can be found at local libraries, or can be ordered by calling (800) 346-4377

Preschool

Milestone Child Development Center
1150 W. M-43 Highway
Hastings, MI 49058(269) 945-5855

Delton Community Preschool
327 N. Grove St.
Delton, MI 49046.....(269) 623-9218

Education Station
420 Misty Ridge Drive
Middleville, MI 49333.....(269) 795-9055

Barry County Christian Preschool
2999 McKeown Road
Hastings, MI 49058(269) 948-2151
4 year olds only

Noah's Ark
405 N. M-37
Hastings, MI 49058(269) 945-5463

T-K Kiddie Campus Community Education
3885 Bender Road
Middleville, MI 49333.....(269) 795-5434

Barry ISD GSRP
519 E Grant St.
Hastings, MI 49058(269) 945-6151

Gun Lake Community Church Preschool
12200 Chief Nooday Road
Wayland, MI 49348(269) 795 7903
Hours: Mon - Fri 6:30 am - 6:30 pm

EMERGENCY FOOD, CLOTHING, and SHELTER

Barry County Department of Human Services
430 Barfield Dr.
Hastings, MI 49058(269) 948-3200

Love Inc. of Barry County
305 S. Michigan Avenue
Hastings, MI 49058(269) 948-9555
(Referrals and emergency needs.)

Salvation Army(616) 459-3433
.....(269) 966-4160

Tri-County Labor(269) 962-2185

EMERGENCY SHELTER

Sylvia’s Place
Administrative Office
128 Hubbard St. Allegan, MI 49010
(Emergency Shelter)(269) 673-8700

Green Gables Haven
Hastings, MI 49058(269) 945-4777

S.A.F.E. Place - Main Office
P.O. Box 199
Battle Creek, MI 49016.....(269) 965-6093

Domestic Violence Shelter Siren Eaton Shelter - Main Office
245 S. Cochran
Charlotte, MI 48813.....(517) 543-0748
Domestic Violence Shelter

Michigan State University
Safe Place - Main Office
G-55 Wilson Hall East
Lansing, MI 48825.....(517) 355-1100
Domestic Violence Shelter

Eve INC - Domestic Violence Shelter
P.O. Box 14149
Lansing, MI 48901.....(517) 372-5572
24 hours crisis line and shelter information

Homeless Shelter

Siren Eaton Shelter - Main Office
245 S. Cochran
Charlotte, MI 48813.....(517) 543-0748
Homeless Shelter

Haven House
121 Whitehills Dr.
East Lansing, MI 48823.....(517) 337-2731
Mel Trotter Ministries --- Homeless Shelter
225 Commerce Ave SW
Grand Rapids, MI 49503(616) 454-8249

Kalamazoo Gospel Mission- Main Office
448 N. Burdick St.
Kalamazoo, MI 49007(269) 345-2974
Homeless Shelter

Advent House Ministries -- Main Office
743 N. Martin Luther King Blvd.
Lansing, MI 48915.....(517) 485-4722
Weekend Day Shelter

City Rescue Mission of Lansing -- Family Center for homeless
women, children and men.
607 E. Michigan Ave.
Lansing, MI 48912.....517) 485-0145
Emergency Overnight Homeless Shelter
831 N. Sycamore St.
Lansing, MI 48906.....(517) 482-2099

Shelters for Runaways

Catholic Family Services -- ARK for Youth
990 West Kilgore
Kalamazoo, MI 49008
Runaway Shelter.....(800) 873-8336

Sexual Assault Shelters

Relief after Violent Encounters Owosso Counseling Office
200 W. Exchange St.
Owosso, MI 48867
Domestic Violence Shelter and Hotline(989) 723-9716

Relief After Violent Encounters (RAVE)
216 N. Clinton Ave.
St. Johns, MI 48879
Domestic Violence Shelter and Hotline(989) 224-4662

Transitional Housing for Men

City Rescue Mission of Lansing
607 East Michigan Ave.
Lansing, MI 48912
Victory Center for men(517) 485-0145

Lansing Teen Challenge -- Main Office
510 W. Willow Lansing, MI 48906 (1-Year live in).....(517) 484-6050

Loaves and Fishes Ministries- Transitional Home for Single Men
Luke's House
831 N. Sycamore St. Lansing, MI.....(517) 482-2099

Transitional Housing for Women with Children

Catholic Social Services of Lansing/Saint Vincent Home
Ballantine Stepping Stones
825 N. Pennsylvania
Lansing, MI 48906.....(517) 485-464

Loaves and Fishes Ministries
Zacchaeus House
831 N. Sycamore St.
Lansing, MI 48906
Transitional Home for Women with children.....(517) 482-2099

FOOD ASSISTANCE

Barry County Commission on Aging – Main Office
320 W. Woodlawn Ave
Hastings, MI 49058
Congregate Meals.....(269) 948-4856

Barry County Commission on Aging
Delton Friendship Center
503 S. Grove St. #43
Delton, MI 49046
Congregate Meals.....(269) 623-5400

Barry County Commission on Aging
Eagles
125 N. Main St.
Woodland, MI 48897
Congregate Meals.....(269) 367-4041

Emergency Food

Angel Food Ministries
Gun Lake Community Church.....(269) 795-7903

Church of Nazarene.....(269) 945-9734

Barry and Eaton District Health Department
330 W. Woodlawn Ave.
Hastings, MI 49058
Women, Infants and Children (WIC).....(269) 945-9516

Emergency Service Providers

600 S. Cochran
Charlotte, MI 48813
Emergency Food.....(517) 541-2010

Helping Hands Love
600 S. Cochran
Charlotte, MI 48813
Food Pantries.....(517) 543-8737

Love Inc. of Barry County
305 S. Michigan
Hastings, MI 49058
Emergency Food Clearinghouse(269) 948-9555

Share the Light Soup Kitchen
Tues. 5-6:30 PM
First United Methodist Church
209 Green St. Hastings MI(269) 945-9574

Other Food Pantries:

Orangeville Baptist Church.....(269) 664-4377

Our Lady of Great Oaks(269) 721-8929

Manna's Market.....(269) 838-5887

St. Ambrose Church(269) 623-5345

Thornapple Valley Church.....(269) 948-2549

Lakewood Community Church(269) 374-3117

Housing Assistance

Housing Services for Eaton County
319 S. Cochran Ave.
Charlotte, MI 48813
Homeless Prevention Services(517) 541-1180

Greenpath Debt Solutions (Housing Counseling)
612 S. Creyts Rd. Suite C
Lansing, MI 48917.....(517) 321-5836

Advent House Ministries -Westminster Presbyterian Church
743 N. Martin Luther King Blvd
Lansing, MI 48915
Housing down payment assistance(517) 485-4722

Lansing Individual Development Account (IDA) Program
Housing Rehabilitation Assistance/Weatherization
316 N. Capitol Ave.
Lansing, MI 48933.....(517) 483-4040

Franklin Street Community Housing Corporation
618 Seymour Ave.
Lansing, MI 48906
Housing Down Payment Assistance.....(517) 482-8708

Eaton County Community Services (Chester Township)
1370 N. Clinton Trail
Charlotte, MI 48813
Weatherization(517) 543-5465

Urban Options
Weatherization & Energy Analysis - (Energy Fitness Program)
405 Grove St. East
Lansing, MI 48823.....(517) 337-0422

Capital Area Community Services
Lansing Service Center (Weatherization)
1301 Rensen
Lansing, MI 48910.....(517) 393-7077

Michigan State Housing Development Authority
Home Improvement Loans State Office
735 E. Michigan Ave. P.O. Box 30044
Lansing, MI 48909.....(517) 335-0918

Transportation Assistance

Eaton County Etran - Main Office
916 E. Packard Hwy.
Charlotte, MI 48813.....(517) 543-4087

Barry County Transit Main Office
1216 W. State St. Hastings, MI 49058
Transportation Services(269) 948-8098

Utility Assistance

Barry County Commission On Aging
320 W. Woodlawn Ave.
Hastings, MI 49058(269) 948-4856

Barry County Department of Human Services (DHS)
430 Barfield Dr.
Hastings, MI 49058(269) 948-3200

Calhoun County Office Department of Human Services (DHS)
190 E. Michigan Ave.
Battle Creek, MI 49016
Utility Bill Assistance(269) 966-1284

Salvation Army -- Calhoun Social Services Site
400 NE. Capital Ave
Battle Creek, MI 49017
Emergency Services.....(269) 963-3640

Eaton County Community Services
Chester Township
1370 N. Clinton Trail Charlotte, MI 48813
Emergency Services(517) 543-5465

Eaton County Office Department of Human Services (DHS)
1050 Independence Blvd.
Charlotte, MI 48813
Utility Bill Assistance(517) 543-0860

Barry County Office Department of Human Services (DHS)
430 Barfield Dr.
Hastings, MI 49058
Utility Bill Assistance(269) 948-3200

EMPLOYMENT & TRAINING

Community Education
520 W. South Street
Hastings, MI 49058(269) 948-4414

Barry County Cooperative MSU Extension-Provides Nutrition Education
206 W. Court Street
Hastings, MI 49058(269) 948-4862

Michigan Works
535 W. Woodlawn
Hastings, MI 49058(269) 945-9545

Michigan Rehabilitation Services(877) 901-9189

Foundation for Behavioral Resources
1611 S. Hanover Street
Hastings, MI 49058(269) 945-0229

Manpower
127 N. Market St.
Hastings, MI 49058(269) 948-3000

LEGAL ASSISTANCE

Barry County Family Court
220 W. Court Street
Hastings, MI 49058(269) 945-1390

Barry County Juvenile Court
220 W. Court Street
Hastings, MI 49058(269) 945-1286

Dispute Resolution Services--Griffith Place
1200 S. Westnedge
Kalamazoo, MI 49008(800) 873-7658

Friend of the Court
102 S. Broadway
Hastings, MI 49058(269) 945-1283

Legal Aide
Shelhorn Building
3490 Belle Chase Way, #50
Lansing, MI 48911(269) 394-3121
Lawyer Referral Service.....(800)-968-0044 or (800) 968-0738

Personal Protection Orders(269) 945-1285

Wraparound(269) 945-1386

LIBRARIES

Delton District Library
330 N. Grove Street
P.O. Box 155
Delton, MI 49046(269) 623-8040

Dowling Public Library
1765 E. Dowling
Dowling, MI 49050.....(269) 721-3743

Freeport District Library
209 S. State Street
Freeport, MI 49325.....(616) 765-5181

Hastings Public Library
227 E. State Street
Hastings, MI 49058(269) 945-4263

Putnam Public Library
327 N. Main
Nashville, MI 49073.....(517) 852-9723

Thornapple Kellogg School & Community
3573 Bender Rd.
Middleville, MI 49333.....(269) 795-5434

SCHOOLS

Barry Intermediate School (Also Early On Program)
535 W. Woodlawn
Hastings, MI 49058(269) 945-9545

Bellevue Community School
201 W. Bellevue
Bellevue, MI 49021.....(269) 763-9435

Central Elementary (Hastings)
509 S. Broadway
Hastings, MI 49058(269) 948-4423

Delton Kellogg Elementary
327 N. Grove
Delton, MI 49046.....(269) 623-9275

Gilkey Elementary
707 S. Woodham
Plainwell, MI 49080(269) 685-2424

Hastings Community Education and Recreation
520 W. South St
Hastings, MI 49058(269) 948-4414

Kellogg School (Gull Lake)
9594 N. 40th Street
Hickory Corners, MI 49060.....(269) 488-5070

Maple Valley Schools
251 Fuller Street
Nashville, MI 49073.....(517) 852-9468

Martin Elementary
1556 Chalmers
Martin, MI 49070(269) 672-7253

McFall Elementary
509 W. Main
Middleville, MI 49333.....(269) 795-3637

Northeastern Elementary
519 E. Grant Street
Hastings, MI 49058(269) 948-4421

North Pennfield Elementary
7422 Poorman Rd.
Battle Creek, MI 49017.....(269) 961-9797

Page Elementary
3675 Bender Road
Middleville, MI 49333.....(269) 795-7944

Purdy Elementary
6510 Purdy Drive
Battle Creek, MI 49017.....(269) 961-9795

Southeastern Elementary
1300 S. East Street
Hastings, MI 49058(269) 948-4419

Star School
1900 Starr School Road
Hastings, MI 49058(269) 948-4442

Lee Elementary School
840 W. Main
Middleville, MI 49333.....(269) 795-9747

West Elementary
812 Washington Boulevard
Lake Odessa, MI 48849(616) 374-8842

Lakewood Public Schools
223 W. Broadway St
Woodlawn, MI 48897.....(269) 367-4935

YOUTH OPPORTUNITIES

YMCA Youth Council.....(269) 945-4574

Youth Services Bureau
220 W. Court Street
Hastings, MI 49058(269) 945-1384

NATIONAL HEALTH ORGANIZATIONS *toll free 1-800 numbers*

Unless otherwise noted) this is only a partial list of national health organizations. For a more complete listing, contact the

National Health Information Center (NHIC)336-4797

CANCER

American Cancer Society.....(269) 349-8719

American Institute for Cancer Research.....(800) 843-8114

Leukemia Society of America (LSA).....(800) 955-4572

National Cancer Institute, Cancer Information Services
(CIS).....(800) 422-6237

Skin Cancer Foundation (SCF)(800) 754-6490

CHILDREN'S HEALTH

- American SIDS Institute(800) 232-7437
- Cystic Fibrosis Foundation (CFF).....(800) 344-4823
- Juvenile Diabetes Foundation(800) 223-1138
- National Reye's Syndrome Foundation, Inc(800) 233-7393
- Spina bifida Association of America(800) 621-3141

INTERNAL MEDICINE

- AIDS Hotline(800) 872-2437
- CDC info Hotline(800) 232-4636
- American Association on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (AAIDD)
501 3rd St. NW, Suite 200
Washington, D.C. 20001(202) 387-1968
- American Diabetes Association.....(800) 342-2383
- American Urological Association Foundation(888) 491-4673
- American Heart Association
3940 Peninsular Dr. SE
Grand Rapids, MI(616) 285-1888
Or(800) 242-8721
- American Kidney Fund
6110 Executive Blvd.
Rockville, MI(866) 300-2900
- National Kidney Fund
260 Leonard NW, Ste 260
Grand Rapids, MI 49504(616) 458-9520
- American Liver Foundation, Hepatitis Hotline
39 Broadway, Suite 2700
New York, NY 10006.....(212) 668-1000
- American Lung Association.....(800) LUNGUSA
- Crohn's and Colitis Foundation of America, Inc
25882 Orchard Lake Rd.
Farmington Hills, MI 48336(248) 737-0900
- Lupus Foundation(800) 705-6677

MENTAL HEALTH

- National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI)(800) 950-6264

NAMI, Michigan Branch.....(517) 485-4049

National Down Syndrome Society(800) 221-4602

Mental Health of America Crisis Line(800) 273-TALK
 Mental Health Association of Michigan
 27655 Middlebelt Rd, Suite 170
 Farmington Hills, MI 48334

NEUROLOGY

Alzheimer’s Association(800) 272-3900

Christopher and Dana Reeve Foundation(800) 225-0292

American Parkinson’s Disease Association(800) 223-2732

Epilepsy Foundation of America.....(800) 332-1000

Michigan Chapter(800) 377-6226

United Cerebral Palsy Association (UCPA).....(800) 872-5827

Huntington’s Disease Society of America.....(800) 345-4372

Michigan Chapter(800) 909-0073

National Head Injury Foundation, Family Helpline(800) 444-6443

National Headache Foundation.....(888) NHF-5552

National Multiple Sclerosis Society.....(800) 344-4867

PATIENT CARE

Medic Alert Foundation US(800) 432-5378

National Hospice Organization.....(800) 658-8898

Shriner’s Hospital Referral Line.....(800) 237-5055

Visiting Nurse Association of America.....(800) 426-2547

PHYSICAL DISABILITIES/SPECIAL NEEDS

American Council of the Blind, National
 Legislative Hotline(800) 424-8666

National Easter Seal Society.....(800) 221-6827
 C.A.U.S.E.
 (Citizens Alliance to Uphold Special Education).....(800) 221-9105

WOMEN'S HEALTH

Y-ME National Organization for Breast Cancer
Information Support Program(800) 221-2141

NOTE: *This general information is not intended to replace the advice of a medical professional as it relates to your specific situation.*

GOVERNMENT

Mailing for All State Senators:
Michigan Senate-State Capitol Bldg.
P.O. Box 30036
Lansing, MI 48909-7536

Mailing for All State Representatives:
House of Representative – State Capitol Bldg.
P.O. Box 30014
Lansing, MI 48909-7514

EXAMPLE:

My State Senator is

Contact Number is: _____

My State Representative is

Contact Number is: _____

My County Commissioner is:

Contact Number is: _____

Letter Writing Tips:

1. Make certain that your letter is timely-write when the legislation is pending in committee.
2. Keep your letters short and state your views clearly.
3. Identify bills by titles and number, or popular title e.g.: "the Whistleblower's Act."
4. Avoid threats. Be reasonable and constructive.
5. State reason for your position. Tell how the issues will affect you, your business-or its effect upon your Community or State.
6. Address your letter properly: know the legislator's full name and correct spelling.