



CommunityAction



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

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**Education and Children's Services  
Early Head Start  
Head Start  
Great Start Readiness Program**

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

***Community Action Main Office***

175 Main Street  
Battle Creek, MI 49014  
(269) 965-7766

***Calhoun County ECS Office***

175 Main Street  
Battle Creek, MI 49014  
(269) 965-7766

***Marshall ECS Office***

701 N. Linden Street  
Marshall, MI 49068  
(269) 781-4514

***Albion ECS Office***

1418 Cooper Street  
Albion, MI 49224  
(517) 629-4490



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# What is 2-1-1?

2-1-1 is an easy to remember telephone number that connects callers to information about critical health and human services available in their community. As the number of organizations providing specialized services is on the rise, people find it frustrating and confusing to access community services. 2-1-1 provides a one-stop service for vital information. With just one simple call to 2-1-1 you will have access to **thousands of programs to GIVE HELP or GET HELP!**

## United Way of Greater Battle Creek

Served with a utility shut off, eviction notice, or need help finding clothes?

Do you need child care or emergency shelter?

Whatever your situation or need, 2-1-1 is a three digit number that allows you to find help when you need it. In addition to helping those in need, people who want to give something back to the community by volunteering or making donations can call 2-1-1 and get connected.

Food  
Utilities  
Home Rehabilitation  
Emergency Shelter  
Legal Aid  
Hearing/Visual Aids  
Health Insurance  
Household Goods  
Support Groups  
Dental Care  
Child Care  
Public Assistance

Rent  
Prescriptions  
Home Repair  
Diapers  
Transportation  
Clothing  
Substance Abuse  
Donations  
Literacy  
Medical Care  
Car Seats  
Other needs.

HandsOn Battle Creek mobilizes volunteers and connects people, information and services to build a strong caring community. In response to community needs and through its volunteer programs and 2-1-1 call center, HandsOn Battle Creek is the place in our community where you can give help or get help.

**Give Help – Get Help  
Thousands of Programs, One Call.**



Community Action is a private, non-profit human service organization founded in 1966 as part of former 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**.

Its 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 Transportation Services*, which offers services to, and provides programs for, low- to moderate-income families, including:

- *Major and Minor Home Repair/Rehab*
- *Senior and disabled transportation*
- *Weatherization*

*Emergency 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)*
- *Commodity Food Distribution*
- *Emergency utility, rent assistance*
- *Head Start and Early Head Start Meals*
- *The Emergency Food Assistance Program*

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

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 & Transportation Services**

Housing & Transportation Services provides a variety of programs to qualified residents. These include Weatherization and Home Rehab Services in Barry, Branch, Calhoun and St. Joseph counties. In Calhoun County, Senior and Disabled Transportation are offered. To make an appointment to apply for any of these programs call **(269) 965-7766** or toll free **(877) 422-2726**.

**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 **(269) 965-7766** or **(877) 422-2726** (toll-free) for more information on any of the Emergency and Nutritional Services programs.

## **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 and Head Start for 3-5 year old children. 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 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 SERVICES

## ***EMERGENCY NUMBERS***

My Doctor's Office: \_\_\_\_\_

My Doctor's Home: \_\_\_\_\_

My Local Hospital: \_\_\_\_\_

Any Emergency.....911

National Poison Control Center:.....(800) 222-1222

Child Protective Services .....(269) 966-1331

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.

## **LOCAL AMBULANCE SERVICES**

Emergencies .....911

Life Care Ambulance

330 Hamblin Battle Creek, MI 49015 .....(269) 964-6400  
or .....(269) 964-8026

Marshall Ambulance Service.....(269) 781-9819

## **LOCAL FIRE DEPARTMENTS**

Emergencies .....911

Marshall Fire Fighter .....(269) 781-3922

## **CITY POLICE DEPARTMENTS**

Emergencies .....911

## **COUNTY SHERIFF OFFICE**

Calhoun County .....911

NON-EMERGENCY 269-966-3363

## **STATE POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Calhoun County .....911

NON-EMERGENCY 269-968-6115

# HEALTH SERVICES

## HEALTH CARE – GENERAL (Medicaid)

(Doctors accepting Medicaid are subject to change.)

Cereal City Pediatrics (Mozami Pediatrics)  
2545 Capital Avenue SW *(moving 11/15 to 4520 Beckley Road)*  
Battle Creek, MI 49015 .....(269) 969-8723

Children’s Special Health Care  
190 East Michigan Avenue Suite A-100  
Battle Creek, MI 49014 .....(269) 969-6390

Day One Family Health Care PC  
363 Fremont Suite 203  
Battle Creek, MI 49017 .....(269) 969-6123

Calhoun County Public Health Department  
190 East Michigan  
Battle Creek, MI 49014 .....(269) 969-6370  
*Informs and educates residents about health issues, monitor county health statistics, diagnoses and investigates health problems.*

Community Health Care Connection  
62 E. Michigan Ave.  
Battle Creek, MI 49017 .....(269) 969-6494  
Toll free.....1-866-562-9812  
*For uninsured or underinsured, low income adults in Calhoun County. Offers assistance with medication, dental or other nursing services for Battle Creek and Albion*

Grace Health of Albion  
115 Market Place  
Albion, MI 49224 .....(517) 629-6540



Grace Health  
181 W. Emmett Street  
Battle Creek, MI 49017 .....(269) 965-8866  
*Offers monthly classes on obesity and diabetic support groups*

Dr. Wattles  
1125 E. Michigan  
Battle Creek, MI 49017 .....(269) 969-6014

Fountain Clinic  
111 North Jefferson Suite 1  
Marshall, MI 49068 .....(269) 781-0952

Horace Davis  
1201 E. Broadwell  
Albion, MI 49224 .....(517) 629-3963

Oaklawn Medical Group Albion  
300 B Drive North  
Albion, MI 49224 .....(517) 629-2134

Marshall Medical Associates (Machalka)  
1174 W. Michigan Avenue  
Marshall, MI 49068 .....(269) 781-9867

Thomas Neidlinger  
215 E. Mansion Suite 2A  
Marshall, MI 49068 .....(269) 781-1122

Northside Pediatrics  
265 Fremont  
Battle Creek, MI 49017 .....(269) 962-6221

AIM (Albion Interfaith Ministry)  
114 W. Erie Street  
Albion, MI 49224 .....(517) 629-5260

Planned Parenthood  
2855 Capital Avenue SW  
Battle Creek, MI 49015 .....(269) 964-0885

Historic Northside Family Practice  
327 Capital Avenue N.E.  
Battle Creek, MI 49017 .....(269) 969-6040

Envision Center  
Southwest Children’s Therapy Center  
601 South Shore Dr. Suite 121  
Battle Creek, MI 49014 .....(269) 963-7979  
(All-encompassing Autism treatment facility-housed within Southwest  
Regional Rehabilitation Center)

**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. If you or your child need health insurance contact 211**

**HEALTH CARE – GENERAL (Non-Medicaid)**

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.

**HEALTH CARE – DENTAL (Medicaid)**

(Dentists accepting Medicaid are subject to change.)

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

Lakeview Dental  
2245 W. Columbia  
Battle Creek, MI .....(269) 964-7660

Affordable Family Dental  
5568 Beckley #6  
Battle Creek, MI .....(269) 979-9248

Center for Family Health and Dental  
505 Jackson St.  
Jackson, MI 49201 .....(517) 748-5500

**HEALTH CARE – DENTAL (Non-Medicaid)**

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 –PREGNANCY ISSUES**

Battle Creek Health System  
300 North Avenue  
Battle Creek, MI 49017 .....(269) 966-8000  
Also offers postpartum support group

Calhoun County Crisis Pregnancy Center  
157 E. Columbia  
Battle Creek, MI 49015 .....(269) 963-6206

CityLinC  
70 Calhoun Street  
Battle Creek, MI 49017 .....(269) 969-9181  
Variety of services provided on sliding fee scale.

Department of Public Health  
190 East Michigan  
Battle Creek, MI 49014 .....(269) 969-6370

Maternal Infant Health Program  
600 E. Michigan Ave.  
Albion, MI 49224 .....(517) 629-3497

Oaklawn Hospital Birth Center  
200 N. Madison Street  
Marshall, MI 49068 .....(269) 789-3929  
Offers a variety of classes pertaining to child birthing, breastfeeding,  
postpartum depression, parenting, siblings, prenatal exercise, and grief  
support.

Planned Parenthood  
2855 Capital Avenue SW  
Battle Creek, MI 49015 .....(269) 964-0885

River Ministries and Pregnancy Center  
102 W Michigan Ave  
Marshall, MI 49068 .....(269) 789-9994

Teen Pregnancy Prevention Program (TP3)  
778 W. Columbia  
Battle Creek, MI 49015 .....(269) 965-3247

**HEALTH CARE – OPTICAL (Medicaid)**

(Optical providers accepting Medicaid are subject to change.)  
If you or your child don't have insurance contact 211

Fletcher, James OD  
14915 West Michigan Avenue  
Marshall, MI 49068 .....(269) 781-9863

Hibler, Joseph M. OD (free vision exams for children)  
15865 West Michigan Avenue  
Marshall, MI 49068 .....(269) 781-6644

South Michigan Ophthalmology  
114 W. Erie  
Albion, MI 49224 .....(517) 629-3981

RX Optical  
65 E. Columbia Ave  
Battle Creek, MI 49015 .....(269) 965-5106

Northside Vision Services  
100 North Ave.  
Battle Creek, MI 49017 .....(269) 962-7595

Southwest Michigan Eye Center PC  
3600 Capital Avenue Suite 203  
Battle Creek, MI 49015 .....(269) 979-6383

**HEALTH CARE – OPTICAL (Non-Medicaid)**

America’s Best Contacts and Eyeglasses  
12765 Harper Village Dr. Suite 107  
Battle Creek, MI 49014.....(269)-979-2832  
(If uninsured and unable to get Medicaid provide cheaper exams and glasses)

**HOSPITALS**

Bronson Battle Creek  
300 North Avenue  
Battle Creek, MI 49017 .....(269) 966-8000  
[www.bchealth.com](http://www.bchealth.com)

Bronson Battle Creek offers a variety of support groups. No charge, but donations are appreciated.

Cancer .....269-245-8660

Diabetes .....269-245-8190

Smoking Cessation .....269-245-8438

Borgess Hospital  
1521 Gull Road  
Kalamazoo, MI 49048 .....(269) 226-7000  
[www.borgess.com](http://www.borgess.com)

Bronson Hospital  
601 John St.  
Kalamazoo, MI 49007 .....(269) 341-7654  
www.bronsonhealth.com  
www.bronsonhealth.com/HealthInfo/HealthAnswers  
or call .....(800)-451-6310

Oaklawn Hospital  
200 N. Madison  
Marshall, MI 49068 .....(269) 781-4271  
www.oaklawnhospital.org

Allegiance Health  
205 North East Avenue  
Jackson, MI 49201 .....(517) 788-4800  
Allegiancehealth.org

## **SOCIAL SERVICES**

### ***HELP LINES***

211 services  
When calling from a landline.....211  
When calling from a cell phone..... (269) 565-4159  
Other areas from cell phone .....(800) 250-5628

AIDS Client Services.....(800) 515-3434

American Cancer Society.....(800) 227-2345

American Red Cross  
14600 Beadle Lake Rd  
Battle Creek, MI 49014.....(269) 962-7528

Autism Support Services  
Autism Speaks -- <http://www.autismspeaks.org>  
Global Organization for Autism.....(212) 252-8584  
(New York, NY)

Autism Society of Michigan .....(517) 882-2800  
4606 Croyden Ave.,  
Kalamazoo MI 49006  
[www.asa-kal.org](http://www.asa-kal.org)

\*Support meetings, Project Lifesaver, Resource Information. The mission of the Autism Society of Kalamazoo/Battle Creek connect individuals within the autism spectrum as well as their community with lifelong access to resources and opportunities through advocacy, public awareness, education and research.

Great Lakes Center for Autism  
9616 Portage Rd.  
Portage, MI 49002 .....(269) 250-8200  
[info@autismtreatmentresearch.org](mailto:info@autismtreatmentresearch.org)

ARK for Runaways  
990 W. Kilgore  
Kalamazoo, MI 49008 .....(800) 873-8336

The Beehive search engine—<http://www.thebeehive.org>  
Providing links to services such as: money, health, jobs, housing, school.

Region 3B Area Agency on Aging  
200 West Michigan Ave., Suite 102  
Battle Creek, MI 49017.....(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.

**Calhoun Great Start County Connections  
Great Start Collaborative and Parent Coalition  
475 E Roosevelt Ave**

**Battle Creek 49017..... (269) 660-1606 ext 6143**  
*Serves families with children ages birth to 5 years, living outside of the greater Battle Creek area with Parents As Teachers home visiting, playgroups, Welcome Baby Baskets and free developmental screeners*

**Calhoun Department of Human Services (DHS)  
190 East Michigan Ave.**

**Battle Creek, MI 49014 .....(269) 966-1431**  
*Food Assistance Bridge Card- provides debit care for access to food for low-income households, including seniors. Call or visit DHS office.*

**Center for Disease Control CDC .....(800) AIDS hotline**

**Children's Special Health Care .....(269) 969-6390  
190 East Michigan Avenue Suite A-100  
Battle Creek, MI 49014**



Community Fatherhood Program  
 14600 Beadle Lake Road  
 Battle Creek, MI 49014 .....(269) 282-1340

Domestic Assault Shelter .....(800) 828-2023

Family Support Hotline.....(800) 359-3722

Free Clinics of Michigan.....(888) 877-6769

Kinship Care Support Group  
 Family Adoption and Enrichment Center  
 415 S. 28<sup>th</sup> Street (inside the Westlake Presbyterian Church)  
 Battle Creek, MI 49015.....(269) 660-0448

Latino /Hispanic Community Project  
 165 N. Washington Ave.  
 Battle Creek, MI 49037 .....(269) 660-3830

Legal Services of South Central Michigan  
 123 Territorial St.  
 Battle Creek, MI 49015 .....(269) 965-3951  
 Toll Free.....(800) 688-3951  
 (Intake Tuesday's from 9-11:30 am and 1:30 - 4:00 pm)

Sexual Assault Services of Calhoun County  
 36 W. Michigan  
 Battle Creek, MI 49037 .....(269) 660-3925

Michigan Family Violence Helpline .....(800) 996-6228

Mental Health Crisis Line .....(800) 622-3967

Michigan Department of Civil Rights .....(269)337-3640  
 (Investigates discrimination complaints)

Michigan Medicaid Information .....(800) 642-3195

National Runaway Hotline.....(800) 292-4517

Parent Help Line .....(800) 942-4357

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)

S.A.F.E. Place Crisis Hotline

P.O. Box 199

Battle Creek, MI 49016.....(269) 965-6093

Toll Free.....(888) 664-9832

Salvation Army

400 Capital Ave NE

Battle Creek, MI 49017 .....(269) 963-3640

Sexual Assault Hotline .....(800) 656-4673

Or.....(888) 383-2192

Summit Pointe (24 hour Crisis Hotline) ... (800) 632-5449

24 Hour Victim Advocacy (Rape Crisis) ..(888)383-2192

Social Security Administration

2518 Capital Avenue

Battle Creek, MI .....(269) 962-0910

Toll Free.....(800) 772-1213

Substance Abuse ([www.drughelp.org](http://www.drughelp.org)) ....(800) 662-4357

Welfare Fraud Hotline .....(800) 222-8558

Women's Co-op

2055 East Columbia Ave.

Battle Creek, MI..... (269) 966-8988

Improving the lives for women in Calhoun County

Womancoop@ctsmail.net

# LOCAL AGENCIES

Albion Housing Commission  
1300 Cooper Street  
Albion, MI 49224 .....(517) 629-2511

Battle Creek Housing Commission  
250 Champion  
Battle Creek, MI 49017 .....(269) 965-0591

Charitable Union  
85 Calhoun St  
Battle Creek, MI 49017 .....(269) 964-7234

Fair Housing Center of South West Michigan  
172 W. Van Buren Street  
Battle Creek, MI 49017 .....(269) 276-9100  
Provides information on all types of housing issues, particularly discrimination  
[Irene.moore@fhcswm.org](mailto:Irene.moore@fhcswm.org)

Calhoun County Clerk's Office  
161 East Michigan Avenue  
Battle Creek, MI 49014 .....(269) 969-6908  
(Records, deeds and birth certificates)

Calhoun County Clerk's Office  
315 W Green  
Marshall, MI 49068 .....(269) 781-0966  
(Records, deeds and birth certificates)

Community Action  
Please refer to front cover and pages 2 & 3 for address, phone number  
and explanation of services offered at Calhoun County locations.

## **MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING & GUIDANCE**

### **ARK for Runaways**

990 W. Kilgore

Kalamazoo, MI 49008 .....(800) 873-8336

Regional crisis interventions office for youth 10-17 years old

### **Behavioral Health Care**

363 Fremont St. Suite 300

Battle Creek, MI 49016 .....(269) 969-6108

### **Behavioral Health Resources**

3630 Capital Avenue SW

Battle Creek, MI 49015 .....(800) 632-5449

Crisis Line.....(800) 783-5449

### **Behavioral Health Resources**

105 South Superior Street

Albion, MI 49224 .....(517)-629-5531

### **Child Protective Services**

190 East Michigan Avenue

Battle Creek, MI 49016 .....(269) 966-1331

Nights, Saturday, Sunday, and Holidays

Marshall .....(269) 966-1331

### **CityLinC**

70 Calhoun Street

Battle Creek, MI 49017 .....(269) 969-9181

Provides counseling services on sliding fee scale, along with other services

### **Fieldstone Center (Battle Creek Health System)**

165 N. Washington Ave.

Battle Creek, MI 59017 .....(269) 969-7121

Family and Children Services

778 W. Columbia Ave.

Battle Creek, MI 49015 .....(269) 965-3247

Provides; outpatient Counseling, Foster Care Adoption, In-home counseling, case Management - Mental Health Compass Program, Community Program/Parenting Program.

Substance Abuse Council

140 West Michigan Avenue

Battle Creek, MI 49017 .....(269) 968-4699

Summit Pointe

140 West Michigan Avenue

Battle Creek, MI 49017 .....(269) 966-1460

Offers classes & support groups for chronic illnesses depression, and other topics. Most insurance accepted and a sliding fee scale is available to those without insurance.

**CHILD CARE**

Child Care Resources

268 E. Kilgore Rd. Suite D

Portage, MI 49002.....(269) 962-2525

Toll Free.....(800) 343-3470

Referral to families for child care, training for all providers types  
www.ccr4kids.org

Woodlawn Preschool

1175 W. Territorial St.

Battle Creek, MI 49015.....(269) 963-7334

Woodlawn Preschool #2

765 Upton Ave

Battle Creek, MI 49037.....(269) 841-5881

Take a Break Child Care

415 South 28th Street.

Battle Creek, MI .....(269)-660-0449

Provides respite services to Kinship Care, Adoptive and Foster Care families as well as children with special needs.

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

**EMERGENCY (FOOD, CLOTHING, and SHELTER)**

211 Referral Services  
When calling from a landline.....211  
When calling from a cell phone.....(269) 565-4153  
Other areas from a cell phone.....(800) 250-5628

**EMERGENCY FOOD ASSISTANCE**

AIM (Albion Interfaith Ministries)  
118 West Porter  
Albion, MI 49224 .....(517) 629-5260

Department of Human Services  
(Food Assistance Bridge Card)  
190 E. Michigan  
Battle Creek, MI 49017 .....(269) 966-1284  
(Provides debit care for access to food for low income household including seniors)

**FOOD & NUTRITION**

Department of Human Services  
190 East Michigan Ave.  
Battle Creek, MI 49014 .....(269) 966-1284  
Food Stamps and cash assistance

Women Infants and Children (W.I.C) Dept. of Public Health  
Albion  
101 N. Albion Street  
Albion, MI 49224.....(517) 629-9434  
Toll free.....(866) 303-9436

Battle Creek  
190 E. Michigan Ave, Suite A-100  
Battle Creek, MI 49014.....(269) 969-6860

Marshall  
315 W. Green St. Suite I-600  
Marshall, MI 49068.....(269) 781-0909

**CLOTHING**

Charitable Union  
85 Calhoun  
Battle Creek, MI 49017 .....(269) 964-7234

Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church (Clothes Ministry)  
636 W. Van Buren St  
Battle Creek, MI 49037.....(269) 964-0015  
Hours of Operation: Tuesday & Thursday 10:00 A.M.-1:00  
P.M./Saturdays 10:00 A.M. -5:00 P.M

Overflow Church (Blessed & Be Blessed Ministries)  
3515 W. Michigan Ave.  
Battle Creek, MI  
49017.....(269) 788-0600  
First Saturday of each month 10:00am-12:00pm

Information and Referral Center for  
Battle Creek .....211  
34 West Jackson  
Battle Creek, MI 49017 (cell phone only)....(269) 565-4159  
*Toll Free.....(800) 250-5628*  
*Provides information and referrals to resources and services*

The Haven of Rest Ministries  
11 Green St  
Battle Creek, MI 49014 .....(269) 965-1148  
Homeless mission for men only

In As Much House (Homeless Shelter)

11 Green Street

Battle Creek, MI 49014 .....(269) 660-2945

Women and families in New (WIN) Life Program (transitional housing program)

S.A.F.E. Place Domestic Violence Shelter Battle Creek, MI

Help Line.....(888) 664-9832

Crisis Line .....(269) 965-6093

Gracious Homes

PO Box # 977

Battle Creek, MI 49017 .....(269) 966-2947

(Provides long-term shelter for non-custodial women, referral required)

Sexual Assault Services

36 West Manchester

Battle Creek, MI 49017 .....(269) 660-3925

Toll Free.....(888) 383-2192

Salvation Army (Emergency Services)

400 Capital Ave NE

PO Box 93

Battle Creek, MI 49017 .....(269) 966-4162

**EMPLOYMENT & TRAINING**

Adult Basic Education/GED Completion

77 Capital Avenue NE

Battle Creek, MI 49017 .....(269) 965-9514

See also education

Calhoun Area Career Center

475 E. Roosevelt

Battle Creek, MI 49017 .....(269) 968-2271



Financial Opportunity Center  
15 Capital Ave. NE  
Battle Creek, MI 49017 .....269-964-9455  
Contact -Jerry Mainstone ext.206 *jmainstone@goodwillcmh.org*

Goodwill Industries  
4820 Wayne Road  
Battle Creek, MI 49017 .....(269) 964-9455

Green Path Debt Solutions  
131 East Columbia Suite 112  
Battle Creek, MI 49015  
Toll Free .....(888) 776-6735  
Call to set appointments.

Michigan Works  
135 Hamblin Ave.  
Battle Creek, MI 49017 .....(269) 962-5411

Neighborhood Inc. of Battle Creek  
47 N. Washington Ave.  
Battle Creek, MI 49037 .....(269) 968-1113  
Contact: Yvonne Powell  
*Provide home purchase information, rehab lending consultation, financial fitness and home buyers education, Leadership Development, Community organization*

Senior Community Service Employment Program (AARP)  
135 Hamblin Ave. (Michigan Works Bldg)  
Battle Creek, MI 49017 .....(269) 441-1472  
Or .....(269) 441-1478

Substance Abuse Prevention Services  
300 B Drive North  
P.O. Box 265  
Albion, MI 49224 .....(517) 629-2113

**Wheels to Work**

217 W. Hamblin Ave

Battle Creek, MI 49017 .....(269) 962-9000

Temporary employment opportunities in your area, look in the yellow pages of your local phone book under “Employment Contractors – Temporary Help.” Phone books can be found at local libraries, or call

Toll Free..... (800) 346-4377

**LIBRARIES**

*Most libraries have scheduled events and activities especially for children. Contact your library for more information.*

**Athens Community Library**

106 East Burr Oak Street

Athens, MI 49011 .....(269) 729-4479

**Albion Public Library**

501 S. Superior Street

Albion, MI 49224..... (517) 629-3993

**Bellevue Township Library**

212 N. Main Street

Bellevue, MI 49021 .....(269) 763-3369

**Burlington Township Library**

135 N Elm Street

Burlington, MI 49029..... (517) 765-2702

**Homer Public Library**

141 West Main Street

Homer, MI 49245 .....(517) 568-3450

**Marshall District Library**

124 W. Green Street

Marshall, MI 49068 .....(269) 781-7821

Tekonsha Township Library  
230 S. Church Street  
Tekonsha, MI 49092 .....(517) 767-4769

Willard Public Library  
7 W. Van Buren Street  
Battle Creek, MI 49017 .....(269) 968-8166

Willard Library - Helen Warner Branch  
36 Minges Creek Place  
Battle Creek, MI 49015.....(269) 968-8166  
Ext.600

**ADDITIONAL LITERACY AND LANGUAGE SERVICES**

Battle Creek Y-Center Family Literacy Program  
182 Capital Ave.NE (located in the Y-Center)  
Battle Creek, MI 49017 .....(269) 788-0495

Binda Dyslexia Center  
450 North Ave  
Battle Creek, MI 49017 .....(269) 966-4093

Burma Center  
182 Capital Ave NE  
Battle Creek, MI 49017.....(269) 660-1045

Christ Community Church ESL Class  
3142 Capital Ave SE  
Battle Creek, MI 49015  
Ask for Kevin Cloufe .....(269) 979-2271

Community Literacy Collaborative  
34 W. Jackson, Suite 4B  
Battle Creek, MI 49017 .....(269) 962-9538

English as a Second Language through POBLO  
(St. Paul Lutheran Church)  
349 Capital Ave NE  
Battle Creek, MI 49017  
Ask for Reverend Iqbal .....(269) 968-3055

Imagination Library (free books mailed to your home)  
.....(269) 968-8166

Kids Village (Summer K-5 Reading Program)  
.....(269) 962-5553

Raising a Reader .....(269) 660-1606

Second Baptist Church (After School Literacy Tutoring  
Program)  
485 Washington Ave.  
Battle Creek, MI 49037  
Free Program.....(269) 963-4640

Starr Commonwealth (High School Credit Recovery and  
Remediation)  
155 Garfield Ave.  
Battle Creek, MI 49017.....(269) 968-9287

St. Mark Lutheran Church  
English as a Second Language  
114 Minges Rd.  
Battle Creek, MI 49015  
(Japanese Only).....(269) 964-0401

Sylvan Learning Center  
4625 Beckley Rd.  
Battle Creek, MI 49015 .....(269) 979-0025

Voices (Spanish)  
520 W. Michigan Ave  
Battle Creek, MI 49037.....(269) 841-4111

West Michigan Virtual Academy  
35 Hamblin Ave.  
Battle Creek, MI 49017 .....(269) 441-9463

Story time and playgroups at the following libraries:  
Albion Public Library, Marshall Library, Willard Library.  
See library section for contact info.

In addition, story time/playgroups available at:  
Barnes and Noble .....(269) 979-8060  
Calhoun Intermediate School District Early Childhood  
Programs and Services.....(269) 660-1606 ext. 6143

**FINANCIAL SERVICES**

Advia Credit Union  
(Individual Financial Counseling)  
2550 Capital Ave SW  
Battle Creek, MI 49015 .....(269) 382-9845  
Toll Free.....(844) ADVIACU

Goodwill Industries (Financial Opportunity Center)  
4820 Wyane Rd.  
Battle Creek, MI 49037.....(866) 725-0534

GreenPath Debt Solutions  
131 E Columbia Ave #112  
Battle Creek, MI 49015 .....(269) 963-4575

Guardian Finance and Advocacy Services  
18 W. Michigan Ave #300  
Battle Creek, MI 49017 .....(269) 963-3253  
24 hour service .....(866) 963-3253

Neighborhoods Inc,  
47 N. Washington Ave  
Battle Creek, MI 49037 .....(269) 968-1113

**EDUCATION**

For a complete listing of public schools/private and parochial  
[www.calhounisd.org1you/youisd/areaschool/areaschool](http://www.calhounisd.org1you/youisd/areaschool/areaschool)  
Call .....(269) 781-5141

Albion Public Schools  
1418 Cooper Street  
Albion, MI 49224 .....(517) 629-9166

Athens Area Schools  
515 E. Williams  
Athens, MI 49011..... (269) 729-5421

Battle Creek Public Schools Administration  
3 W. Van Buren  
Battle Creek, MI 49017 .....(269) 965-9500

Bellevue Community Schools  
201 West St.  
Bellevue, MI 49021 .....(269) 763-9432

Calhoun Area Career Center (CACC)  
475 E. Roosevelt  
Battle Creek, MI 49017 .....(269) 968-2271  
Fax .....(269) 968-4344

Calhoun County Community School (Alternative Education)  
15 Arbor Street 49015  
Battle Creek, MI 49014 .....(269) 569-4782  
Fax.....(269) 565-4784

Calhoun Intermediate School District (CISD)  
17111 G Drive North  
Marshall, MI 49068 .....(269) 781-5141

Endeavor Charter Academy  
380 N Helmer Rd  
Springfield, MI 49037 .....(269) 962-9300  
Fax.....(269) 704-6069  
[www.endeavorcharteracademy.org](http://www.endeavorcharteracademy.org)

Harper Creek Community Schools  
7454 B Dr. N.  
Battle Creek, MI 49014 .....(269) 441-6550  
Fax.....(269) 962-6034

Homer Community Schools  
403 S Hillsdale  
Homer, MI 49045 .....(517) 568-4461  
Fax.....(517) 568-7125

Lakeview School District  
15 Arbor Street  
Battle Creek, MI 49015 .....(269) 565-2400  
Fax.....(269) 565-2048

MarLee School District  
21236 H Drive North  
Marshall, MI 49068 .....(269) 781-5412  
Fax.....(269) 781-9471

Marshall Public Schools  
100 E. Green Street  
Marshall, MI 49068 .....(269) 781-1250

Pennfield Schools  
8587 Pennfield Rd.  
Battle Creek, MI 49017 .....(269) 961-9781  
Fax.....(269) 961-9799

Olivet Community Schools  
255 First Street  
Olivet, MI 49076.....(269) 749-2611  
Fax.....(269) 749-9701

Tekonsha Community Schools  
245 South Elm  
Tekonsha, MI 49092 .....(517) 767-4121  
Fax.....(517) 767-3465

Union City Community Schools  
430 St. Joseph  
Union City, MI 49094 .....(517) 741-8091  
Fax.....(517) 741-5205

Urban League  
G.E.D. Preparation  
172 W. Van Buren  
Battle Creek, MI 49017 .....(269) 962-5553

Women's Co-op  
2055 E. Columbia Ave  
Battle Creek, MI 49014 .....(269) 966-8988  
Fax.....(269) 441-4847



## COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY

Davenport University

200 W. Van Buren

Battle Creek, MI 49014 .....(269) 968-6105

Toll Free.....(800) 762-4173

Fax.....(269) 968-0763

Kellogg Community College (KCC)

450 North Avenue

Battle Creek, MI 49017 .....(269) 965-3931

(KCC) Fehsenfeld Center

2950 West M-179 Highway

Hastings, MI 49058 .....(269) 948-9500

(KCC) Grahl Center

125 Seeley St.

Coldwater, MI 49036.....(517) 278-3300

(KCC) Regional Manufacturing Tech. Center

405 Hill Brady Rd.

Battle Creek, MI 49037 .....(269) 965-4137

(KCC) Eastern Academic College

14055 26 Miles Road

Albion, MI 49224 .....(517) 630-8169

Miller College

450 North Ave.

Battle Creek, MI 49017 .....(269) 660-8021

Siena Heights University @ KCC

450 North Ave.

Battle Creek, MI 49017 .....(800) 203-1560

Linda Teafolla-Advisor.....(269) 965-3931Ext. 2950

Fax.....(269) 565-2198

Spring Arbor University  
70 West Michigan Avenue  
Battle Creek, MI 49017 .....(269) 965-2934  
Fax.....(269) 965-2953

Western Michigan University  
Battle Creek Kendall Center  
50 W. Jackson Street  
Battle Creek, MI 49017 .....(269) 965-5380

**OTHER EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES (also see families with special needs)**

Early On (CISD)  
7454B. Drive N  
Battle Creek, MI 49014 .....(269) 660-2732  
Children from birth to 3 years of age [www. earlyon.org](http://www.earlyon.org)  
Toll Free.....(800) 327-5966

Project Find  
408 Jameson  
Battle Creek, MI.....(269) 441-1855  
For children over 3 years old [www.projectfindmichigan.org](http://www.projectfindmichigan.org)  
Toll Free .....(800) 252-0052

Calhoun County Great Start Connections  
475 East Roosevelt Avenue  
Battle Creek, MI 49017  
Phone: 269-660-1606 Ext. 6143

This Crib to Kindergarten focus will support families in providing a safe, nurturing and learning rich environment for their children. School readiness is our primary goal.

All families in Battle Creek may receive services through Early Childhood Connections if they reside in the greater Battle Creek area. Services include home visits, welcome baby baskets, playgroups and Parents As Teachers curriculum.

Calhoun Great Start County Connections  
475 E. Roosevelt Ave.  
Battle Creek, MI 49017 .....(269) 660-1606  
*Play groups, in-home visits, and preschool referrals*

Great Start Parent Coalition  
475 E. Roosevelt Ave.  
Battle Creek, MI 49017.....(269) 660-1606 ext.6144

**TRANSPORTATION**

Battle Creek Transit Public Busing & Tele-Transit -Door to Door  
339 W. Michigan Avenue  
Battle Creek, MI 49017.....(269) 966-3474

Community Health Care Connection –Transportation Assistance Fund  
62 E. Michigan Ave.  
Battle Creek, MI 49017 .....(269) 969-6494  
*Provides assistance with transportation for medical appointments for uninsured and low-income Calhoun County residents*

City Cab  
245 South Ave.  
Battle Creek, MI 49014.....(269) 660-8294

Marshall Dial-A-Ride  
323 W. Michigan Ave  
Marshall, MI 49068.....(269) 781-3975

**YOUTH OPPORTUNITIES**

Big Brothers/Big Sisters of South Central Michigan  
34 W. Jackson Suite 5A  
Battle Creek, MI 49017 .....(269) 964-7117

Boys and Girls Club – Full Blast  
35 W. Hamblin Ave  
Battle Creek, MI 49017 .....(269) 788-9930

Boy Scouts of America  
1791 W. Columbia Suite G  
Battle Creek, MI 49015 .....(269) 962-8513

Community Unlimited Blast Program .....(517) 741-4656

Tekonsha Blast Program.....(517) 767-4123

Homer GAP Program.....(517) 568-4461ext. 1540

Girl Scouts - Calhoun County Regional Center  
18935 15<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Mile Road  
Marshall, MI 49068 .....(269) 781-8720

Wattles Park Men’s Club (year round athletic programs)  
144 S. Wattles Rd.  
Battle Creek, MI 49014. ....(269) 979-4336

**FAMILIES WITH SPECIAL NEEDS**

ARC of Calhoun County  
217 Hamblin Avenue  
Battle Creek, MI 49037 .....(269) 966-2575

Battle Creek Housing Commission  
250 Champion St.  
Battle Creek, MI 49037.....(269) 965-0591 ext.1

Community Inclusive Recreation  
331 Jackson  
Battle Creek, MI 49037 .....(269) 968-8249  
Leisure and social activities primarily for residents of Calhoun County

Doris Klaussen Developmental Center  
408 E Jameson  
Battle Creek, MI 49014 .....(269) 964-9426

Calhoun County Extension Office  
Divorce Support Group  
Smile Program (Start Making It Livable for Everyone)  
.....(269)781-0823  
Support meetings for children and parents locations vary so call for  
dates, times and locations

Social Security Administration  
2518 Capital Avenue SW  
Battle Creek, MI 49015 .....(800) 772-1213  
[www.ssa.gov](http://www.ssa.gov)

Starr Commonwealth Main Campus  
13725 Starr Commonwealth Rd.  
Albion, MI 49224 .....(517) 629-5591  
Toll Free.....(800) 837-5591  
[www.starr.org](http://www.starr.org)

Starr Commonwealth Battle Creek Campus  
155 Garfield Ave.  
Battle Creek, MI 49037 .....(269) 968-9287  
Toll Free.....(800) 225-7529

## **CANCER SERVICES**

- 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
- First Candle National (SIDS)  
(English and Spanish).....(800) 221-7437
- Juvenile Diabetes Foundation.....(800) 223-1138
- National Reye's Syndrome  
Foundation, Inc .....(800) 233-7393
- Tomorrow's Child- Michigan Sudden Infant Death Syndrome  
(SIDS) .....(800) 331-7437
- Spina bifida Association of America  
(English and Spanish).....(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 3<sup>rd</sup> St. NW, Suite 200

Washington, D.C. 20001 .....(202) 387-1968

American Diabetes Association .....(800) 342-2383

American Foundation for

Urologic Diseases .....(888) 491-4673

American Heart Association.....(877) 242-4277

American Heart Association

3940 Peninsular Dr. SE

Grand Rapids, MI .....(616) 285-1888

Toll Free.....(800) 242-8721

American Kidney Fund.....(866) 300-2900

National Kidney Association

260 Leonard NW, Ste. 260

Grand Rapids, MI 49504 .....(616) 458-9520

American Liver Foundation

39 Broadway, Suite 2700

New York, NY 10006 .....(212) 668-1000

Arthritis Foundation

1050 Wilshire Dr. Suite 302

Troy, MI 48084.....(248) 649-2891

Crohn's and Colitis Foundation  
25882 Orchard Lake Rd.  
Farmington Hills, MI 48336 .....(248) 737-0900

American Lung Association.....(800)586-4872

Lupus Foundation Org .....(800) 705-6677

**MENTAL HEALTH**

National Alliance on Mental Illness  
(NAMI) information and helpline.....(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 .....(248) 473-3143

**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



United Cerebral Palsy of Michigan.....(517) 201-1200

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

Children’s Special Healthcare..... (269) 969-6390

Citizens Alliance to Uphold Special Education (CAUSE)  
614 Centurion Dr., Ste. 130  
Lansing, MI 48917.....(800) 221-9105

Deaflink.....(269) 288-0464  
Disability Network .....(269) 345-1516  
Envision Center  
(Autism Spectrum Disorder).....(269) 441-2700  
Michigan Alliance for Families.....(800) 552-4821  
Michigan Protection & Advocacy Service, Inc.  
.....(800) 288-5923

**WOMEN’S HEALTH**

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

This is only a partial list of national health organizations; contact the National Health Information Center (NHIC) at 800-336-4797 for a more complete listing.

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

# 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:

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Contact Number is:

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My State Representative is:

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Contact Number is:

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My County Commissioner is:

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Contact Number is:

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**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.