Community Resource Guide

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Our Mission:
To promote and protect the health and safety of the community.

This guide is intended to provide ready access to a variety of community resources to better serve the people of Columbia County
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Adoption Services

Adoption Choice
700 Rayovac Rd, Suite 115, Madison WI, 53711
By Appointment
(608) 244-7805
800-236-7863 Toll Free
800-255-6305 Birth Parent – Toll Free (24/7)
Email: info@adoptionchoiceinc.org
http://www.adoptionchoiceinc.org

Adoptions of Wisconsin
450 South Yellowstone Drive
Madison, WI  53719
(608) 821-8220
(608) 445-7794 Alternate Birth Parent Line
(after hours)
Email: info@adoptionofwisconsin.com
www.adoptionofwisconsin.com

Catholic Charities
702 South High Point Road, Suite 105
Madison WI  53719
800-236-4673; 608-258-7506 after hours
number for current clients
Email: ccharities@ccmadison.org
http://www.catholiccharitiesofmadison.org

Catholic Charities
Post Adoption Resource Center
Questions about adoption, adoption related events; Your adoption did not have to occur through Catholic Charities in order to receive services.
(608)826-8010
M-F 8:30 – 4:30pm
Email: postadoption@ccmadison.org

Children’s Hospital of Wisconsin
Community Services
Baraboo Community Services Office
203 Fourth Street
Baraboo, WI  53913
(608) 356-3019
9:30 – 5:00pm M-F

Lutheran Social Services of Wisconsin and Upper Michigan
6314 Odana Rd, Madison, WI  53719
(608) 277-0610
http://www.lsswis.org/LSS/Programs-Services/Adoption

Wiadopt
Information and resources for families interested in adoption and birth parents interested in learning about making an adoption plan for their child.
http://wiadopt.org/

Children’s Hospital of Wisconsin

Serving all ages as well as for families of all faiths and backgrounds find each other. Services include: Pregnancy Counseling, Adoption, Post Adoption and Waiting Families.

Wisconsin Department of Children and Families
1 West Wilson Street Room 527
Madison, WI  53708
(608) 264-6838
https://dcf.wisconsin.gov/adoption/assistance
Affordable Care Act

Coverage for Individuals & Families
https://www.healthcare.gov/
Questions? – Available 24/7
800-318-2596
TTY: 1-855-889-4325

Coverage for Small businesses
(50 or fewer employees)
SHOP Marketplace
Monday through Friday – 9am to 5pm EST
800-706-7893
TTY: 1-800-706-7915

Local Help with the Marketplace
For the most current list of local help:
www.coveringwi.org

Columbus Community Hospital
1515 Park Street
Columbus, WI 53925
(920) 623-2200

Ho Chunk Health Care Center
S2845 Whiteeagle Rd
Baraboo, WI 53913
(715) 284-9851

JSV Insurance – Hannah
746 South Main
Columbus, WI 53925
(608) 575-1177

Montello Public Library
128 Lake Court
Montello, WI 53949
(608) 297-7544

Ethem Everhard Memorial Library
117 East Third Street
Westfield, WI 53964
(608) 296-2544

Hope House of South Central WI, Inc.
720 Ash Street
Baraboo, WI 53913
(608) 356-7500

St. Clare Hospital
707 Fourteenth St.
Baraboo, WI 53913
(608) 356-1334

Sauk County Department of Human Services
505 Broadway
Baraboo, WI 53913
(608) 355-4200
Child Care/Early Childhood Education

4-C’s
5 Odana Court, Madison, WI
800-750-5437
Help in finding childcare or training as a childcare provider. If interested in certified or licensed daycare, call 608-271-9181 and ask for a referral. All referrals are free.
Email: info@4-C.org
http://www.4-c.org

Child Enhancement Center
(920) 348-5135 ext. 181
Amanda Swisher Director
Email: amanda.swisher@cambria-frieslandschools.org
http://www.cf.k12.wi.us/families/child-enhancement-center.cfm
Mon – Fri 5:30am – 6:00pm
Cambria Friesland School District Child Care
For children 6 weeks to 12 years old

Columbia County Birth to 3 Program
P.O. Box 136, Portage, WI 53901
(608) 742-9231 Bonnie Erickson-Service Coordinator
The Birth to 3 Program is a home-based service to assist families in supporting their child’s development. If you are concerned about the way a child is developing, please contact the Birth to 3 Program to discuss your concerns. A staff member would be happy to set up a time to complete a developmental screening and discuss possible service options.

Columbus Club House
Columbus Middle School
400 S. Dickason Blvd., Columbus, WI 53925
(920) 623-4449
www.columbusclubhouse.org
Before and after school program for children from 5K through 6th grade.
Summer program 6:00 am to 6:00pm.

Family Resource Center
2946 Red Fox Run, Portage, WI 53901
(608) 742-8482
www.renewalunlimited.net
Provides service to all families who have children ages 0-5. Services include playgroups, field trips, workshops, home visiting, parenting classes, toy and resource lending library and more. Follow pregnant mothers and their children to age 5.

Head Start & Early Head Start
Renewal Unlimited
2900 Red Fox Run, Portage, WI 53901
(608) 742-5329
www.renewalunlimited.net
Classroom or in-home services for 0-3 (Early Head Start) and 3-5 year-olds (Head Start) with classrooms in Columbus, Portage, and surrounding counties.
Counseling

24-Hour Emergency Crisis Hotline
888-552-6642
Immediate crisis services for people having thoughts of suicide
Crisis Text line: 741741

Advocacy & Benefits Counseling for Health
(800) 585-4222  (608) 261-6938 ext. 200
32 N. Bassett St., Madison, WI 53703-2606
Provides initial health benefits advocacy services to people under age 60. In certain situations, legal services are provided free or on a sliding fee scale for lower income families.

Al-Anon Meetings
888-425-2666
Call for times and locations of meetings in Columbia County
Email: drdistrict9@area61afg.org district representative
www.area61afg.org

Alateen
866-425-2666
http://www.area61afg.org/what-is-anon/what-is-alateen/
http://al-anon.info/MeetingSearch/AlateenMeetings.aspx
to find an al-anon meeting

Alcohol and Drug Referral Line
800-821-4357

Alcoholics Anonymous (AA)
(608) 222-8989
Call for times and locations of meetings in Columbia County
www.aamadisonwi.org

Aspen Family Counseling
(608) 742-5020
2639 New Pinery Road, Suite 1
Portage, WI 53901
www.aspenfamilycounseling.com

Brain Injury & Stroke Support Group
(608)745-9055 Kayla
2815 New Pinery Road, Portage, WI 53901
3rd Tuesday of each month; 4:00 – 5:00pm
Wellness Center
Divine Savior Healthcare, Suite 4

Breastfeeding Workshop
Divine Savior Healthcare
(608) 745-5607 to register or for more information
Free workshop introducing parents-to-be about the latest information on breastfeeding. Topics include proper techniques, what to expect and the benefits of breastfeeding in today’s world.

Columbia County Comprehensive Community Services (CCS)
111 East Mullett Street, Portage WI 53901
(608) 742-9227
CCS assists persons with mental health or substance abuse concerns to identify what he/she needs in order to help increase their ability and enhance their connection to natural supports and community resources.

Between Friends
Chicago, IL 60660
1-800-603-HELP (4357)
Building a community without domestic violence.
www.betweenfriendschicago.org

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Journey Mental Health
1440 E. Wisconsin, Portage, WI 53901
(608) 745-9720
CSP (through Journey Mental Health) provides community based services to adults with severe and persistent mental illness (such as schizophrenia, major depression or bipolar disorder).

Disaster Distress Helpline
800-985-5990
It’s common to feel anxious after incidents of mass violence. You’re not alone. https://www.samhsa.gov/find-help/disaster-distress-helpline

Foundations Counseling Center LLC (In-home counseling)
(608) 424-9100
619 River St., Suite F, Belleville, WI 53508
www.foundationscc.com

Hope House
Office 720 Ash St, PO Box 557, Baraboo, WI 53913
(608) 356-9123
(608) 356-7500
Mon-Fri 8:00am-4:30pm
Toll Free: 800-584-6790 24-Hour Confidential Helpline
www.hopehousescw.org
Provides shelter and advocacy (e.g. counseling, safety planning, legal assistance, and support groups) to people affected by domestic violence and sexual assault and provides education to community members on these issues in Columbia, Sauk, Marquette, Adams, and Juneau counties.

Compass Counseling
1508 New Pinery Rd., Portage, WI 53901
(608) 745-4900
www.compasscounseling.info

Crisis Text Hotline
741741

Domestic Violence Support Group
608-356-7500
Call to find out location.

Drug and Alcohol Treatment
888-928-5278
Rosecrance offers inpatient and outpatient substance use disorder and mental health issues treatment. Rockford, IL http://www.rosecrance.org/

Grief Support Group
(608) 697-0645 Jeri Sutter for dates/times

Journey Mental Health Center
1440 E. Wisconsin Street, Portage, WI 53901
(608) 745-9720
www.journeymhc.org

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Living with Cancer Support Group
(608) 742-2281
United Methodist Church
1804 New Pinery Road
Portage, WI 53901
3rd Monday of each month, 7:00 pm
Lutheran Counseling and Family Services of Wisconsin (LCFS) is a non-profit, state licensed outpatient mental health care agency and adoption service provider.  
800-291-4513  
www.lcfswi.org

Military One Source  
Wisconsin Military OneSource Co.  
(800) 342-9647  
www.militaryonesource.mil  
A source of information for military personnel and their families, active or inactive.

Multiple Sclerosis Support Group  
(608) 566-1272 Karen  
Divine Savior Healthcare Classroom C  
10:00am – 12:00pm, 3rd Saturday of the month.

National Child Abuse Hotline  
800-4-A-CHILD  
(800) 442-4453

National Hope Line Network  
Suicide & Crisis Hotline  
800-442-HOPE; 800-442-4673  
National network hotline for people in crisis and having thoughts of suicide

National Institute of Mental Health Resource Center  
866-615-6464  
Provides information and literature on mental illness for professionals and the general public  
www.nimh.nih.gov

Narcotics Anonymous—Scenic Bluff Area  
866-590-2648  
Meeting locations:  
https://scenicbluffsarea.org

MARC (Medication Assistance, Recovery and Coordination)  
111 East Mullett St, Portage, WI 53901  
888-552-6642 – Application & Support  
MARC is a collaborative program developed to provide an innovative approach to treating heroin and opioid prescription drug addiction. The MARC Program will facilitate referrals to medication-assisted treatment, as well as ongoing case management services with heroin and opiate addiction.

Mommy and Me Connections  
(608) 745-5696  
Divine Savior Healthcare Classroom C  
10:30am on the 1st Monday of the month  
Support group for all mothers, breastfeeding or not, as an opportunity to connect with one another, listen to one another’s stories, and build relationships with other mothers in the community.

National Domestic Violence Hotline  
800-799-SAFE (7233)  
800-787-3224 (TDD)

National Youth Crisis Hotline  
800-442-HOPE  
800-442-4673  
TEXT: 741741
Pauquette Center for Psychological Services
Portage:
(608) 742-5518
2901 Hunters Trail; Portage, WI 53901

Columbus:
(920) 623-5578
1343 Park Avenue, Columbus, WI 53925
Email: info@pauquette.com
www.pauquette.com

SAMHSA’s National Helpline/Referral Service
800-662-HELP (4357)
www.samhsa.gov
Free, confidential, 24/7, 365-day-a-year treatment referral and information service (in English and Spanish) for individuals and families facing mental and/or substance use disorders. Can link the caller to a variety of hotlines that provide treatment referrals 24 hours a day.

Samaritan Counseling Center of Southern WI
Water Tower Place
5900 Monona Dr. Suite 100, Monona, WI
(608) 663-0763
http://samaritancounselingcenterwi.org/
The Samaritan Counseling Center is a Non-Profit Counseling Center in the Madison, WI area that specializes in Spiritually Integrated Counseling.

Suicide Prevention Lifeline
(800) 273-TALK (8255)

Suicide Loss Support Group
Divine Savoir Hospital
2817 New Pinery Rd Classroom C
Portage, WI 53901
(608) 697-0374
1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month
5:30 to 6:30 pm Suicide Prevention Lifeline
800-273-TALK (8255)

Tobacco Free Columbia/Dane County Coalition (TFCDC)
210 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd., Room 507
Madison, WI 53703
(608) 242-6297
Contact: Ryan Sheahan, e-mail: rsheahan@publichealthmdc.com
TFCDC collaborates with schools on youth prevention, provides organizations with tobacco and nicotine education, and assists property owners with creating smoke-free housing policies.

Tellurian
Main Campus
300 Femrite Drive,
Madison, WI
(608) 222-7311
(877) 661-9051 Tollfree
Sauk County Clinic
414 West Broadway, Ste 101
Baraboo, WI 53913
(608) 477-4003
http://tellurian.org/
Tellurian UCAN, Inc. is a not-for profit agency that provides a wide array of human services. Services address problems relating to substance abuse and addictions, mental illness, and homelessness.

Veterans Mental Health/AODA Support Group
112 East Edgewater Street, Portage WI 53901

Transitions Behavioral Health, LLC
(In-home counseling)
317 DeWitt Street
Portage, WI 53901
(608) 745-1751
www.tbhlcc.com
Warmline
(608) 422-2383
(608) 264-5342
Third Wednesday of each month – 11:00-1:00 p.m.
Types of services available include: group counseling, employment guidance, family/marital counseling and sexual trauma counseling. Services are confidential to all veterans, no co-pays required, counselors have master’s degrees and are also veterans themselves.

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112 East Edgewater Street, Portage WI 53901
(608) 264-5342
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Wisconsin Poison Center
800-222-1222
www.wisconsinpoison.org

Need someone to talk to? The Warmline is answered by people who have experienced mental health and/or substance use issues and are trained to support people during tough times.
Hours: M-F 4pm – 10pm; Saturday and Sunday 2pm – 10pm

Wisconsin Council on Problem Gambling
1585 Allouez Ave, Green Bay, WI 54311
800-GAMBLE-5 / 800-426-2535 (24 hours/day)
TEXT: 920-888-HELP
The Wisconsin Council on Problem Gambling provides resources, public awareness and education on problem and pathological gambling disorders while maintaining strict neutrality on the issue of legalized gambling.

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Crisis Programs

24-Hour Emergency Crisis Hotline
888-552-6642
Immediate help and crisis services for people dealing with a Mental Health or AODA Crisis, or having thoughts of suicide.

Hope House
Office 720 Ash St., PO Box 557, Baraboo, WI 53913
(608) 356-9123
(608) 356-7500
Mon-Fri 8:00am-4:30pm
Toll Free: 800-584-6790 24-Hour Confidential Helpline
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American Red Cross
4860 Sheboygan Ave., Madison, WI 53705
877-618-6628
(608) 232-5819
http://www.redcross.org/local/wisconsin/chapters/southwest
Responds to disasters such as fire, flood, and tornado, providing relief (food, clothing, emergency shelter, and personal items, including essential household furnishings, medical supplies, and eyeglasses) to individuals and families, and recruits volunteers.

Lodi – Reach Out Lodi Community Store
610 Clark Street, Lodi WI 53555
(608) 592-4592
www.reachoutlodi.org
Open by appointment Mon, Tues, and Thurs from 9:00 – 3:30 and Sat from 8:30 – 11:00.
Provides FREE assistance to families and individuals in crisis to meet their basic living needs. Products include food, personal essentials, household cleaning supplies, school supplies and clothing for men, women and children.

National Hope Line Network
Suicide & Crisis Hotline
800-442-HOPE (4673)
National network hotline for people in crisis and having thoughts of suicide

National Youth Crisis Hotline
800-442-HOPE; 800-442-4673
TEXT: 741741
Pregnancy Resource Center
306 W. Cook St.
Portage, WI 53901
800-705-4710
portageprc@yahoo.com
http://portagewiprc.com
Offers free pregnancy testing, adoption information and referrals, baby clothing, supplies, counseling and pregnancy education. Promotes life and adoption.

Veterans Crisis Hotline
800-273-8255 (TALK)

Veterans Mental Health/AODA Support Group
112 East Edgewater Street, Portage WI 53901
(608) 264-5342
Third Wednesday of each month
11:00-1:00 p.m.
Types of services available include: group counseling, employment guidance, family/marital counseling and sexual trauma counseling. Services are confidential to all veterans, no co-pays required, counselors have master’s degrees and are also veterans themselves.

Runaway and Youth Services (RAYS)
Lutheran Social Services of Wisconsin and Upper Michigan
24-Hour Hotline: 855-577-7297
(608) 355-4103
https://www.lsswis.org/LSS/Programs-Services/Housing-Homelessness/Teen-Runaway-Homelessness-Programs
A program for youth with runaway and/or other at-risk behaviors and their families; short-term counseling and referrals provided to any youth age 11-17, and the family.
Dental – Free or Low Cost Services

Access Community Health Center: Sun Prairie
1270 W. Main Street, Sun Prairie, WI 53590
(608) 825-7100
Accepts Columbia County MA. Oral Surgeon for patients. Sliding fee for uninsured.

Family Health La Clinica
Beaver Dam
207 S. University Ave., Beaver Dam, WI 53916
(920) 356-5012
http://www.famhealth.com
Participants of Medical Assistance or BadgerCare

Familia Dental
3003 E Washington Ave., Madison, WI 53704
(608) 244-8050; (888) 988-4066
http://www.familiadental.com
Participants of Medical Assistance or BadgerCare

Family Health La Clinica
Wautoma
400 South Townline Road, Wautoma, WI 54982
(920) 787-5514
http://famhealth.com
Participants of Medical Assistance or BadgerCare, Insured, Low-Income (Uninsured). Affordable Care Program.

Free or Reduced Fee Dental Services
https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/guide/freedental.htm

Madison College Dental Clinic
1705 Hoffman Street, Room 151
Madison, WI 53704
(608) 258-2400
Offering cleaning and x-rays with dental hygiene students. Appointments are available fall and spring semesters, on Monday, Wednesday or Friday from 7:30am to 12:00pm.

Madison Dental Initiative
630 E Washington Ave, Madison WI 53703
(608) 665-2752
www.mdidental.org
Individuals must have NO private dental insurance (BadgerCare, Medicaid accepted). Family incomes must be below 200% Federal Poverty Level.

Marshfield Clinic
Black River Falls Dental Clinic
N6571 Lumberjack Guy Road
Black River Falls, WI 54615
(715) 670-0400
Serves all patients, regardless of ability to pay or insurance status. Those who lack access to dental care are given priority.

Marquette University School of Dentistry Clinic
1801 W. Wisconsin Ave., Milwaukee, WI 53233
(414) 288-6790
All patients accepted including MA and Title XIX, Low-Income (uninsured); 13 years and older for general clinic. Must pass through the screening process. Pediatric clinic available.
Mauston Dental Center
880 Herriot Drive, Mauston, WI 53948
(608) 847-6700
http://www.famhealth.com
Participants of Medical Assistance or BadgerCare, Forward Health, Low-Income (uninsured), or Insured.

St. Ann Center for Intergenerational Care
2450 W. North Ave, Milwaukee, WI 53205
(414) 210-2450
www.stanncenter.org/clinic
Hours M, T, Th & F 8:00 – 5:00
For children and adults with disabilities who cannot be treated in a standard dental clinic because of expense or lack of accessibility. Referral from a Doctor or Dentist required.

Seals-On-Wheels
www.sealsonwheelswisconsin.com
Free dental health program for Pre-K through 12th grade that visits schools throughout Columbia County providing dental screenings, cleanings, fluoride varnish and sealants. Contact your child’s school to find out more.

Poynette School District Dental Program – Brighter Smiles
608-635-4347 Dave Fischer ext. 201
Vicki Sukowski ext. 314 or Gabe Morton ext. 334
Services provided to qualified students in the Poynette School District.

St. Vincent de Paul Dental Clinic
1906 North Street, Prairie du Sac, WI 53578
(608) 644-0504 ext. 10 or 12
http://www.stvdpdental.com
Residents of Sauk and Columbia Counties. Low Income (<200% Poverty Level) Uninsured, and participants of Badger Care and Medical Assistance. Application required. (608-742-9227).
Domestic Violence

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Chicago, IL 60660
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National Domestic Violence Hotline
800-799-SAFE (7233)
800-787-3224 (TDD)

PAVE
800-775-3785
920-344-0123 Crisis Texting Line
Domestic violence and sexual assault support group serving Dodge County
http://www.peopleagainstaviolentenvironment.com/

Pregnancy Resource Center
306 W. Cook St.
Portage, WI 53901
800-705-4710
portageprc@yahoo.com
http://portagewiprc.com
Offers free pregnancy testing, adoption information and referrals, baby clothing, supplies, counseling and pregnancy education. Promotes life and adoption.

Domestic Abuse Services
Ho-Chunk Nation Social Services
888-343-8190
Domestic Abuse Services available: Emergency shelter, emergency transportation, information, childcare assistance, advocacy, education, support groups.

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Employment and Training

Access to Independence
3810 Milwaukee St, Madison, WI 53714
800-362-9877
(608) 242-8484 ext 228
www.accesstoind.org/
Provides resources, services and advocacy for people with any type of disability and of any age. Available at the ADRC of Columbia County the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month, 1-3pm.

Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR)
2875 Village Road, Suite 200, Portage, WI 53901
(608) 742-6250
Provides employment services to people with disabilities to obtain, maintain and improve their employment.

Employment Resources Inc.
2701 International Lane #210
Madison, WI 53704
(608) 246-3444
www.eri-wi.org
Employment Resources, Inc. (ER) is a private, non-profit organization located in Madison, Wisconsin. Since 1990 our mission has been to increase employment opportunities for people with disabilities.

Greater Wisconsin Agency on Aging Resources (GWAAR)
(866) 813-0974
1414 MacArthur Road, Suite A, Madison, WI 53714
Specializes in service workers age 55+
info@gwaar.org
http://gwaar.org

Central Wisconsin Community Action Council (CWCAC)
203 DeWitt St., Portage, WI 53901
(608) 742-3320
www.cwcac.org
9:00 am – 5:30 pm Monday – Wednesday. Closed Thursday and Friday
Get Smart: Skills Enhancement Program
Business and Economic Development: Micro-loans for start-up businesses to qualified applicants.

Emergency Assistance EA
Forward Services Corporation FSC
2875 Village Road, Suite 200, Portage, WI 53901
(608) 742-1089
FSC offers Emergency Assistance (EA). EA can cover costs for impending homelessness, homelessness, disaster relief, or energy crisis.

FoodShare Employment and Training (FSET)
Forward Services Corporation
2875 Village Road, Suite 200
Portage, WI 53901
(608) 742-1089
FSET is a voluntary, no-cost program that helps Foodshare members build their job skills and find jobs.

Job Access Loans (JAL)
Forward Services Corporation / W2
608-742-1089
Short-term, interest-free loans that are intended to meet immediate and discrete expenses related to obtaining or maintaining employment.
Job Corps
800-733-5627
www.jobcorps.gov
Free education and training program for young men and women between ages of 16 and 24. They will learn a trade and earn a GED at a residential campus.

Military One Source
Wisconsin Military OneSource Co.
(800) 342-9647
www.militaryonesource.mil
A source of information for military personnel and their families, active or inactive.

Portage Public Library
253 W. Edgewater St., Portage 53901
(608) 742-4959
Hours: Mon-Thurs 9-8:30; Fri 9-6; Sat 10-4
Sat hours between Memorial Day & Labor Day are 9-2
Job search assistance and resume writing help available.
Free one-on-one appointment

QTI Group (Qualitemps)
311 E. Wisconsin St. Suite 106
Portage, WI 53901
(608) 742-7800
Temporary employment agency

Senior Community Service Employment Program
608-286-1059 Bonita Platta
www.ser-national.org
BPlatta@ser-national.org
6320 Monona Dr. Suite #309, Monona, WI 53716
Federal Title V/Senior Community Service Employment Program
Servicing individuals that are 55 plus get training so that they can become job ready and move into unsubsidized employment.

Madison College (formerly MATC)
Portage Campus
330 Collins St., Portage, WI 53901
(608) 745-3100
Adult study center for GED: (608) 745-3110
http://madisoncollege.edu/portage-campus
Career Counseling available

Northwoods Inc. of Wisconsin
N6510 U.S. Highway 51 PO Box 357, Portage, WI 53901
(608) 742-7114
Northwoods Inc. is a private, non-profit organization which provides meaningful programs and services that maintain individuals and families in the least restrictive setting and assists them to reach their maximum potential of development and independence within an integrated community environment. Services include vocational training and placement, elderly and frail in-home support, day service programming, and independent living and family parenting/support/mentoring.

REM WI CORE DAY SERVICES
412 East Slifer Street, Portage, WI 53901
608-745-0585 ext 15
M-F 8 – 4
REM CORE is contracted with the Wisconsin Division of Vocational Rehabilitation as experienced Supported Employment Providers. REM CORE also works with individuals who are not participants of the Division of Vocational Rehabilitations program but are seeking community based employment and job coaching supports.
REM CORE Supported Employment Providers assist individuals with: creating professional resumes, cover letters, employment applications, job searches, new hire placement papers, and onsite guided job coaching supports.
Tools for Tomorrow
Madison Area Technical College
2125 Commercial Ave., Madison, WI 53705
(608) 745-3100
toolsfortomorrow@madisoncollege.edu
This program is designed to help women obtain training and employment in skilled trade and technical areas, including apprenticeships.

Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development – Veteran’s Services
1819 Aberg Ave., Suite C, Madison, WI 53704
(608)242-4900
https://dwd.wisconsin.gov/veterans/
Provides job search assistance to eligible veterans.

Wisconsin Job Center
(608) 355-3140
(888)258-9966
www.jobcenterofwisconsin.com
Resource rooms with access to job postings, internet, telephone fax machine, copy machine, and information about writing resumes and cover letters, completing employment applications, interviewing, and finding employment opportunities.

Dane County Job Center
1819 Aberg Ave., Madison, WI 53704
(608) 242-4900

Sauk County Job Center/WorkSmart Workforce
505 Broadway, Rm 232, Baraboo, WI 53913
(608) 355-4810

UMOS – Beaver Dam
135 S. Spring Street, Beaver Dam, WI 53916
(920) 356-0690
A non-profit advocacy organization which provides programs and services which improve the employment, educational, health and housing opportunities of under-served populations.

Wisconsin Fresh Start / AmeriCorps
Renewal Unlimited, Inc.
2930 Red Fox Run, Portage, WI 53901
(608) 742-1516 OR 800-344-7543
At-risk youth ages 17-24 construct or rehabilitate a single-family home for a modest wage while studying for HSED/GED. Income eligibility requirement.

Wisconsin Works (W-2)
Forward Services Corporation
2875 Village Road, Suite 200, Portage, WI 53901
(608) 742-1089
W-2 provides employment preparation services, case management, and cash assistance to eligible families.

WISE Program
Wisconsin Senior Employment Program
1819 Aberg Avenue, Suite C, Madison
(608) 242-4897
The WISE Program provides unemployed older adults who are 55 years of age and older with training and part-time, paid work experience in community service organizations.
Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act
Sauk County Job Center
505 Broadway Room 232, Baraboo, WI 53901
(608) 355-4810
Provides employment and training services to limited income adults (must meet income eligibility requirement) and be a dislocated workers.

Work Smart Access Point of Service
Work Smart Access Point of Service locations offer free access to computers/Internet for job searching.

MATC-Portage
330 Collins St., Portage, WI 53913
(608) 745-3100

WorkSmart Workforce
505 Broadway, Rm 232, Baraboo, WI 53913
(608) 355-4810
Family Resources and Services

Access to Independence, Inc.  ("ATI")
3810 Milwaukee St, Madison, WI  53714
800-362-9877
(608) 242-8484 ext 228
www.accesstoind.org/
Provides resources, services and advocacy for people with any type of disability and of any age. Available at the ADRC of Columbia County the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month, 1-3pm.

Alzheimer’s and Dementia Alliance of Wisconsin
Columbia/Sauk Regional Office
2825 Hunters Trail, Portage, WI  53901
888-308-6251
(608) 742-9055
Columbia/Sauk Regional Office
2825 Hunters Trail, Portage, WI  53901
http://www.alzwisc.org/
Dementia specific agency providing a variety of services for caregivers and individuals with dementia.

Alzheimer’s Family and Caregiver Support Program (AFCSP)
Columbia County ADRC
111 East Mullett Street, Portage, WI  53901
(608) 742-9233
(888) 742-9233
www.co.columbia.wi.us/columbiacounty/adrc
Program is designed to support families caring for a person with Alzheimer’s disease or other dementia in their home.

Aging and Disability Resource Center of Columbia County (ADRC)
111 East Mullett Street
Portage, WI 53901
(608) 742-9233
8:00 am --4:30 pm Monday-Friday
A place where all adults of all incomes and with any need may find information and resources. See www.co.columbia.wi.us for more details about the ADRC, which is in the Department of Health and Human Services.

Boy Scouts of America
(608) 273-1005
Madison WI
https://www.scouting.org/
One of the nation’s largest and most prominent values-based youth development organization, providing programs for your people that build character.

Central Wisconsin Community Action Council, Inc. (CWCAC)
203 DeWitt St., Portage, WI  53901
(608) 742-3320
www.cwcac.org
9:00 am – 5:30 pm Monday – Wednesday.
Closed Thursday and Friday
Helping individuals manage their benefit money to meet their needs and assure them a better quality of life. Programs: Representative Payee Services, Conservatorships, Trustee Services and Federal Fiduciary.

Columbia County Connects Coalition
626 E. Slifer St., Portage, WI 53901
(608) 745-5400 Rick Raatz
Provides information on drugs and alcohol to parents and community members. Offers Juvenile Underage Drinking Offender classes.

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University of Wisconsin – Extension
112 E. Edgewater St., Room 212,
Portage, WI 53901
(608) 742-9680
**4-H Youth Development**
(608)742-9680
4-H Program Assistants: Jennifer Evans (608) 742-9687 jennifer.evans@ces.uwex.edu
Pat Wagner (608)742-9685 pat.wagner@ces.uwex.edu
Provide youth, Kindergarten through 1 year past High School (K-13) with opportunities to explore their world through focused projects and activities.

**Agriculture and Natural Resources**
(608)742-9682
George Koepp; George.koepp@ces.uwex.edu
Agriculture and Natural Resources Extension aims to make Wisconsin agriculture strong and competitive while conserving and protecting natural resources.

**Community Development**
(608)742-9683
Kathleen Haas; kathleen.haas@ces.uwex.edu
Teams up with the community to address challenges and maximize opportunities for growth.

**Family Living**
(608)742-9680
Strengthens families by helping adults be better parents, manage money wisely and handle life’s stress and changes.

**Wisconsin Nutrition Education Program (WNEP)/FoodWise**
Wisconsin Education Program Coordinator
(608)742-9693
Caitlin Richardson; caitlin.richardson@ces.uwex.edu
WNEP/FoodWise helps low-income families eat better, keep food safe, and stretch their food dollars. Open to those who receive or are eligible to receive FoodShare.

**Communications Innovations**
2927 S. Fish Hatchery Rd., Fitchburg, 53711
(608) 819-6394
info@communicationinnovations.com
www.communicationinnovations.com
Provides a comprehensive support system for individuals with special needs and their families through the highest quality services available.

**Dementia Support Group**
Columbus Community Hospital
1515 Park Ave., Columbus, WI 53925
888-308-6251 or (608)742-9055 Janet Wiegel
2nd Thurs of each month from 10 am – 11:30 am

**Family Resource Center**
2946 Red Fox Run, Portage, WI 53901
(608) 742-8482 Warmline: 1-800-325-5505
Provides a variety of family services, including scheduled playgroups, parenting support and information series, workshops, and family visiting program. Staff is available to answer questions or provide resources to help families. All services are free.

**Family Voices**
(608) 220-9598
Barbara Katz
Family Voices of Wisconsin is a statewide network of families who have children with special health care needs and disabilities and those who work on their behalf. The focus of our work is health care access, coverage and supports and services for children with special needs.

**Girl Scouts of Badgerland Council**
800-236-2710
www.gsbadgerland.org
Provides field trips, community service opportunities, recreation for girls K-12th grade.
Head Start & Early Head Start
(608) 742-5329
Renewal Unlimited
2900 Red Fox Run, Portage, WI 53901
Classroom and/or in-home programs for 3-5 year olds and pre-natal to 3 year old.

Kindred Kids
(608) 438-5844
951 W. James St., Columbus, WI 53925
www.kindredkids.org
Non-profit organization that provides lending library of toys and resale store for gently used children’s clothing and toys.

Lodi – Reach Out Lodi Community Store
610 Clark Street, Lodi WI 53555
(608) 592-4592
www.reachoutlodi.org
Open by appointment Mon, Tues, and Thurs from 9:00 – 3:30 and Sat from 8:30 – 11:00.
Provides FREE assistance to families and individuals in crisis to meet their basic living needs. Products include food, personal essentials, household cleaning supplies, school supplies and clothing for men, women and children.

Kids Wisconsin
(920) 296-0341
Mary Weinheimer
www.kidswi.org
Keeping Individuals with disabilities served.

Memory Café
(608) 742-9055 Janet Wiegel
janet.wiegel@alzwisc.org
4th Wednesday of each month from 1-3pm @ Portage Public Library
Anyone with memory challenges, mild cognitive impairment, early Alzheimer’s/dementia can come to socialize and enjoy refreshments and a program or activity chosen by the group.
No charge. Donations welcome.

Mommy and Me Connections
Divine Savior Healthcare Conference Room C
(608) 745-5696
10:30am on the 1st Monday of the month
Support group for all mothers, breastfeeding or not, as an opportunity to connect with one another, listen to one another’s stories, and build relationships with other mothers in the community.

Military One Source
Wisconsin Military OneSource Co.
(800) 342-9647
www.militaryonesource.mil
A source of information for military personnel and their families, active or inactive.

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PACAP
(Portage-Area Community Assistance Program)
108 E. Pleasant St., Portage, WI 53901
(608) 742-7687
A stream-lined approach to community assistance initiatives between River Haven, St. Vincent de Paul (Portage) St. John’s Lutheran Church Portage, the local clergy fund and the local United Way.
**Portage Caregivers Support Group**  
Portage Public Library  
(608) 742-9055 Janet Wiegel  
janet.wiegel@alzwisc.org  
1st Monday of the month 1:00 – 2:30

**Tax Assistance Program**  
(608) 742-9233 or 1-888-742-9233  
Offers tax preparation assistance to middle to low income taxpayers during tax season.  
Priority is given to individuals age 60 and older.

**REM WI**  
412 East Slifer Street, Portage, WI 53901  
608-745-0585 ext. 10  
M-F 8 – 4  
REM WI is contracted with many area Family Care funding sources to provide community based options to individuals with intellectual and mental disabilities. REM WI strives to provide individuals and their providers many opportunities to help increase and maintain independence within the least restrictive community based settings. Services that are offered and provided by REM WI in community settings are: Residential Living, Respite, Day Service and Supported Employment.
Food Pantries and Nutrition Programs

2nd Harvest Mobile Food Pantries
Open to any WI resident. No ID’s needed. Bring your own carts/baskets.

Portage
Columbia Co. Fairgrounds
Intersection of Griffith St/Superior St.
2nd Monday of every month, 10:30.

Pardeeville
St. Mary’s Church
318 S. Main St.
4th Monday of every month, 3:30pm

Bridgepoint Mission Center
Bridgepoint Mission Center,
1009 Stand Rock Rd. (near Rocky Rococo’s)
Wisconsin Dells, WI 53965
No Income requirements.
3rd Wednesday, 5:00pm to 7:00pm

Central Wisconsin
Community Action Council (CWCAC)
Food Pantry Director/Coordinator
(608) 697-4612

Columbus Nutrition Site
Columbus Senior Center
125 N. Dickason Blvd., Columbus, WI 53925
(920) 763-2124
Place your order by noon the day prior.
Monday – Friday, 9:00-12:30 p.m.
Lunch served at 11:30 a.m.

Community Gardens
Community Gardens provide a small plot of land for a nominal fee to people who want to grow some of their own food.
Cambria: Cheryl Schwark (920) 763-2332
Columbus: Laura (920) 623-4558
Poynette: Curtis 9608)635-2627
Portage: Charles (608)742-7644
Lodi: Bill Welch (608) 843-392

Backpack Program
Portage School District
Providing weekend meals to children in need.
Contact: (608) 742-8545 ext. 1219 Elizabeth Hansen hansene@portage.k12.wi.us
https://sites.google.com/portage.k12.wi.us/portage-community-schools-back/home

Blessings in a Back Pack
Poynette School District
Providing weekend meals to children in need.
Contact: (608) 635-4347 Vicki Sukowski ext. 314 or Gabe Morton ext. 334

Cambria Community Bread Basket Food Pantry
First Presbyterian Church
121 W. Florence St., Cambria, WI 53923
Serves residents of Cambria School District; Open Thursdays 3:00-5:00PM or by appt.
Call: Joanne Sanderson at (920) 348-5568,
Jan Williams (920) 348-5048 or Joanne Vaughan (920)296-2452.

Columbus/Fall River Food Pantry
Columbus Area Senior Center
125 N. Dickason Blvd., Columbus, WI 53925
(920) 763-2124
Place your order by noon the day prior.
Monday – Friday, 9:00-12:30 p.m.
Lunch served at 11:30 a.m.

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Poynette: Curtis 9608)635-2627
Portage: Charles (608)742-7644
Lodi: Bill Welch (608) 843-392
Crossroads Pantry
132A S. Ludington St., Columbus, WI 53925
Can receive food twice a month, and personal hygiene products once a month.
Closed if Columbus Schools are closed.
(920) 350-0011 – messages are checked throughout each day
Hours: Monday - 4:30-6:30; Thursday - 9:00-11:00; 1st & 3rd Saturdays - 9:00-11:00

Lodi Nutrition Site - Temporarily Closed

Neighbors in Constant Care Foundation (NICC)
Serves residents in Columbus/Fall River School Districts;
(920) 623-5540, (920) 623-4772, or (920) 623-4722 Credit mediation, housing, food assistance, school supplies, or referral to other resources.

Pardeeville Nutrition Site
Angie Cox Library
119 N Main Street
Pardeeville, WI 53954
(608) 429-4962 Place your order by noon the day prior for a meal the following day.
Monday – Friday 9:30 am – 12:30 pm
Lunch served at 11:30 a.m.
Hours: Mon and Wed 11-noon;
Thurs 5-6pm

Prairie Pride Pantry
United Methodist Church
103 Reagles St., Arlington, WI 53911
(608) 697-5880
Serves residents of Arlington and Poynette and Towns of Dekorra, Hampton, and Leed

Food Share (formerly food stamps)
Columbia County Health and Human Services
111 East Mullett St., Portage, WI 53901
Check your eligibility or apply for Food Share, health care or other services on line at www.access.wisconsin.gov;
or call 1-(888)794-5556.
Lost FoodShare Card: (877) 415-5164

Lodi – Reach Out Lodi Community Store
610 Clark St., Lodi WI 53555
(608) 592-4592
www.reachoutlodi.org
Open by appointment Mon, Tues, and Thurs from 9:00 – 3:30 and Sat from 8:30 – 11:00.
Provides FREE assistance to families and individuals in crisis to meet their basic living needs. Products include food, personal essentials, household cleaning supplies, school supplies and clothing for men, women and children.

Portage Food Pantry
405 E Howard St., Portage, WI 53901
Serves income eligible residents of Portage Community School District; must provide ID
(608) 742-3774
Hours: Mon and Wed 11-noon; Thurs 5-6pm

Portage Nutrition Site
111 East Mullett Street
Meeting Room 1
(608) 742-8726 Place your order by noon the day prior for a meal the following day.
Monday – Friday 9:00 a.m. – 12:30p.m.,
Lunch served at 11:30 a.m.

Poynette Area Community Food Pantry
Village Hall/Nutrition Site
106 S. Main St.
Poynette, WI 53955
Serves residents of Poynette School District
Hours: Tues 1-3 pm and Thurs 5-7pm;
If there is a 5th Tues/Thurs pantry is closed.

Poynette Nutrition Site
Village Hall; 106 S Main Street, Poynette
(608) 635-2122 ext. 435 Place your order by noon the day prior for a meal the next day.
Monday-Friday 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Lunch served at 11:30 a.m.
Randolph Food Pantry
702 N. High St., Randolph, WI 53956
Serves Randolph area; call church secretary, afternoons (920) 326-3821; call ahead, preferably before the weekend
Hours: Tuesday 1-3pm

St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry
1311 W. Wisconsin St., Portage WI 53901
(608) 742-5513
ID and Proof of Residency Required. Must provide your own bags.
M-Th & Sat. 9-5; F 9-8

Senior Farmers’ Market Nutrition Program
$25 in vouchers to spend on fresh fruits and vegetables at farmer’s markets and participating farm stands, for age 60 and over meeting income eligibility guidelines.
Call Columbia County Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) (608) 742-9233 for details.

Senior Nutrition Program
Age 60 and their spouses. No income or asset limits. Place your order by noon the day prior to the date you wish to have your meal. Meals are served at 11:30am at sites in, Columbus, Lodi (temporarily closed), Pardeeville, Portage, Poynette. Home delivered meals to homebound seniors who can’t prepare daily meals. For more information, call: the ADRC at (608) 742-9219.

Sharing Supper
Bartels Middle School
2505 New Pinery Rd., Portage, WI 53901
Share a FREE Meal. All are welcome. Kid’s Corner Activities. Information booths. Last Monday of each month. 5:00 – 6:00pm.

Rio Area Food Pantry
Rio Community Center
104 Lincoln Ave., Rio, WI 53960
Serves income eligible residents living within the school districts of: Cambria-Friesland, Doylestown, Ostego & Rio. ID required.
Call John Atkinson (608) 429-3728
Hours: 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Mondays: 10am-noon; 4th Monday – 5-6pm

School Lunch Program
Free or reduced price school lunch to eligible families. Some schools also offer breakfast. Contact your school district for details.

Seasonal Farmers’ Markets
Cambria Farmer’s Market
Tarrant Park
May-Oct; Wednesdays 4-7pm
Fall River Area Farm & Flea Market
100 Savanna Road
May – Oct; Saturdays, 8am-12:30pm
Lodi Valley Farmer’s Market
902 N. Main
May – Oct; Fridays 2-6pm
Portage Farmer’s Market
May – Oct; Thursday, Noon-5pm; Commerce Plaza (Corner of State Roads 16&33)
Poynette Area Farmer’s Market
May – Sept; Saturdays, 8am-11am; Pauquette Park, 106 S. Main St.
Wisconsin Dells Farmer’s Market
W15344 Waubeek Rd. (Thunder Valley)
May – Oct; Sundays, 9am-1pm
Wisconsin Dells Downtown Market
200 Lacrosse St.
May-Sept; Sundays 9am – 1pm
Stepping Stone Food Pantry
New Hope Community Church
1199 N US Hwy 51, Poynette
(608)635-3880
Must meet income eligibility. Delivery available. 1st and 3rd Friday of the month; 8-10AM and 6-7:30 PM (by appointment only)

Wisconsin Dells Community Food Pantry
Community Action Building
1000 Hwy 13, Wisconsin Dells, WI 53965
Serves residents of Wisconsin Dells School District; Contact Holly Weber for assistance
(608) 697-4612
Hours: Tues: 9am-noon; Thurs: 1-4pm

Wyocena Community Helping Hands Pantry
165 E. Dodge St., Wyocena, WI 53969
Serves residents of Pardeeville School District based on income eligibility.
Open 1st, 2nd and 3rd weeks of the month.
Hours: Mon-Wed 10-noon; closed holidays.

UWEX FoodWIse Education Program
(608) 742-9693
FoodWIse helps families eat better, keep food safe, and stretch their food dollars. Open to those who receive or who are eligible to receive FoodShare.

WIC
(Women, Infants, Children Nutrition Program)
111 East Mullett St., Portage, WI 53901
Provides food vouchers, farmer’s market vouchers, and nutrition information to keep pregnant and breastfeeding women, infants, and children under 5 years healthy and strong.
Income eligibility requirement. 608) 742-9254
Government Offices

More information regarding each Columbia County Department may be found at www.co.columbia.wi.us. To find out if you may be eligible for a government benefit program, visit www.access.wisconsin.gov.

**Columbia County Administration**
112 E. Edgewater St.
Portage, WI 53901
Building Hours: 8:00 – 4:30 M-F
Houses:
Accounting (608) 742-9645
Buildings and Grounds (608)742-9609
Corporation Counsel (608) 742-9612
County Clerk (608) 742-9654
Human Resources (608) 742-9667
Land and Water Conservation (608) 742-9670
Land Information (608) 742-9616
Management Information Services (608)742-9626
Planning and Zoning (608) 742-9660
Register of Deeds (608) 742-9677
Treasurer (608) 742-9613
UW Extension (608) 742-9680
Veterans Office (608) 742-9618

**Columbia County Courthouse**
400 DeWitt St.
Portage, WI 53901
Building Hours: 8:00 – 4:30 M-F
Houses:
Child Support Office (608) 742-9610
Circuit Courts I (608) 742-9619
Circuit Court II (608) 742-9653
Circuit Court III (608) 742-9633
Clerk of Courts (608) 742-2191
Court Commissioner (608) 742-9841
District Attorney (608) 742-9650
Register In Probate (608) 742-9636

**Columbia County Highway & Transportation**
338 Old Highway 16 West
Wyocena, WI 53969
(608) 429-2136

**Columbia County Jail/Huber Center**
403 Jackson St.
Portage, WI 53901
Houses:
Jail (608) 742-4166 ext. 2238
Huber Center (608) 742-4166 ext. 1330

**Columbia County Department of Health and Human Services**
PO Box 136
111 East Mullett Street,
Portage, WI 53901
(608) 742-9227
Administers FoodShare, ChildCare and Medical Assistance Programs; Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) nutrition program; Free immunizations to qualifying families; well-baby programs; child protection services; Aging and Disability Resource Center, Behavioral Health Programs, and Adult Protective Services.

**Columbia County Law Enforcement Center**
711 East Cook Street
Portage, WI 53901
Houses:
Sheriff Department (608) 742-4166
Medical Examiner (608) 742-4166 ext. 1320
Emergency Management (608) 742-4166 ext. 1308
Columbia County Recycling and Waste Processing Facility
W7465 Hwy 16
Pardeeville, WI 53954
(608) 742-6651

Lost Quest Card or Food Share Card
877-415-5164

Probation and Parole Office
260 Eastridge Drive, Suite 2
Portage, WI 53901
(608) 742-4020
M-F, 7:45 – 4:30

State of Wisconsin
Wisconsin.gov
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Unemployment Compensation
608-232-0678
For faster services call on the following days:
Last digit of SSN ending in: 0-2 Monday
Last digit of SSN ending in: 3-6 Tuesday
Last digit of SSN ending in: 7-9 Wednesday
Any: Thursday and Friday
ALL unemployment claims taken over the phone or online. No local office. To apply online:
https://my.unemployment.wisconsin.gov

Department of Transportation,
Division of Motor Vehicles,
Driver Licensing & Testing
260 Eastridge Drive, Portage, WI 53901
7am-5pm, Tuesdays and Thursdays
www.dot.state.wi.us/drivers/index.htm
To check driver’s license status:
https://trust.dot.state.wi.us/occsin/occsinservlet?whoami=statusp1

Social Security Administration
2875 Village Rd., Suite 100, Portage, WI 53901
800-772-1213 (7:00am – 7:00 pm)
888-875-1681 Local office
9:00am - 4:00pm Mon, Tues, Thurs & Fri
9:00am - 12:00pm Wed
Administers Social Security retirement, survivors, and disability benefits, and handles Medicare. Also administers the Supplemental Security Income (SSI) program, which provides basic income to people who are 65 or older, disabled, or blind, and have limited income and resources. Most Social Security business can be conducted by telephone, from receiving general information to applying for a Social Security card or benefits.

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Healthcare-Free or Low Cost Services

Advocacy & Benefits Counseling for Health
(800) 585-4222  (608) 261-6938 ext. 200
32 N. Bassett St., Madison, WI 53703-2606
Provides initial health benefits advocacy services
to people under age 60. In certain situations,
legal services are provided free or on a sliding
fee scale for lower income families.

Care 4 U Clinic
6440 E. Pine St., Dalton, WI 53926
(920) 394-2136  Fax: 920-394-2021
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 8:00 – 4:30;
Walk-Ins or Appts. Low Cost/Cash only Clinic
Serving the greater Dalton area.
www.care4uclinic.org

Church Health Services
115 N. Center St., Beaver Dam, WI 53916
(920) 887-1766
http://www.churchclinic.org/
Church Health Services is a primary health care
clinic serving the needs of the poor and
uninsured of Dodge County.

Columbia County Department of Health and Human Services – Public Health
111 East Mullett Street, PO Box 136, Portage, WI 53901
(608) 742-9227
Some Services offered:
Capillary Blood Lead Testing (Free)
By Appointment.
Provided for children age 1 to 6.
Communicable Disease Control
Public health nurses provide surveillance,
investigation, prevention, and control of
communicable disease. The Hepatitis B vaccine
for adults is available for a fee as well as TB skin
tests, influenza, and pneumonia vaccines.
Healthy Beginnings+
(formerly Prenatal Care Coordination)
Medical Assistance benefit for pregnant women,
provides support and services to have a healthy baby.
Immunization Clinic (Free)
By Appointment
By Appointment: (608)742-9227 – Birth parent
or legal guardian signature required. Bring
immunization records.

Child Passenger Safety
By Appointment
Free child care restraint (car seat) inspection
including recall checks, instructions on safely
securing children and how to install properly in
car.
Fluoride Supplements
By Appointment
Fluoride drops and tablets are available free of
charge. Children ages 6 months to 16 years of
age who drink well water or live in villages with
un-fluoridated water should be given daily
fluoride supplements. By Appointment:
(608)742-9227. A well water test for fluoride is
required.
Columbia County Department of Health and Human Services – Public Health (Continued)

111 East Mullett Street, PO Box 136, Portage, WI 53901
(608) 742-9227

Some Services offered:

**Nurse Family Partnership (NFP)**
Nurse Family Partnership matches first-time parents with a free personal nurse who provides ongoing education and support beginning during the mother’s pregnancy and continuing until the child turns two years old.

**Well Water Testing (Free)**
By Appointment
Testing for bacteria nitrates and fluoride is available to pregnant women and families with infants up to one year. Call for details.
(608)742-9227

**Public Health Walk-In Clinic**
By Appointment
Immunizations and TB skin tests are available by appointment: (608)742-9227

**WIC (Women, Infants, and Children)**
Supplemental nutrition program for pregnant, post partum, and breast feeding women, infants, and young children. It provides nutrition education and vouchers for specific food items. Eligibility is based on family income.

**Family Health La Clinica**
Wautoma
920-787-5514
400 S Townline Road, Wautoma WI 54982
M/Th 8am – 7 pm; T/W/F 8am – 5pm
Beaver Dam 920-356-5012
207 University Ave, Beaver Dam, WI 53916
We offer medical, dental, and behavioral health services on a sliding fee scale for our patients who earn up to 200% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines. We serve all patients regardless of inability to pay.

**Good Neighbor Clinic**
95 Lincoln Street, Prairie du Sac, WI 53578
(608) 643-4749
Hours: Mondays and Wednesdays 12:30 – 4:00PM.
Please note: Good Neighbor Clinic only serves Columbia County residents that live in the Lodi School District.
[www.goodneighborclinic.org](http://www.goodneighborclinic.org)

**Ombuds**
(800) 760-0001 M-F 8 – 4:30
BadgerCare Plus or Medicaid SSI HMO Ombudsmen
P.O. Box 6470; Madison, WI 53716-0470
Ombuds will answer questions or concerns about your Wisconsin BadgerCare Plus or Medicaid SSI Health Maintenance Organization (HMO).

**MA Dentist**
Individuals receiving medical assistance: please call the number on the back of your M.A. Card or 800-362-3002 to find a dentist in your area.
Pink Ribbon Angels, Inc.
(608)617-5444
1020 Prospect Ave. Unit 3, Portage WI 53901
To apply: http://pinkribbonangels.org
Helps pay for out-of-pocket expenses to ensure the best care possible. Services covered: Mammograms; insurance co-pays; prescription co-pays, physical/occupational therapy supplies; wigs, prosthetics, medical devices; mileage stipend; daycare needs during treatments; and house cleaning services.

Planned Parenthood
132 W. Cook St., Portage, WI 53901
(608) 742-1551
800-230-PLAN (7526)
Provides family planning services, regardless of income. Hours: Tuesdays from 10:00am to 6:00pm (Nurse on Site) and Fridays from 9:00am-5:00pm. Call 1-800-230-7526 for more information about services offered.

Prescription, Health & Dental Discounts
877-573-2395
Offers Low-Fee Health Discount Program, Dental Discount Program and Free Prescription Discount Program. Prescription Savings average 24%.

Pregnancy Resource Center
306 W. Cook St.
Portage, WI 53901
800-705-4710
portageprc@yahoo.com
http://portagewiprc.com
Offers free pregnancy testing, adoption information and referrals, baby clothing, supplies, counseling and pregnancy education. Promotes life and adoption.

St Vincent De Paul Free Clinic
140 E. Cook St., Portage, WI 53901
Located in basement of Wilz Drug Store
Clinic is open Wednesdays only from 8:00am to Noon; open to both adults and children on a first come/first served basis. Help for finding free or low cost medications or supplies. No financial limitations. Any questions call Bonny at (608) 234-0159.
Services available:
Diabetic Educator
Foot Clinic
Pediatrician – does WIAA & preschool physicals
Services not provided: chiropractor, DOT exams, prescribing narcotics,
Obstetrics, disability exams, pregnancy tests, STD testing or immunizations.

Wisconsin Dental Association
www.wda.org
Oral health information including community activities, events, newsletters, and other programs including Mission of Mercy and Donated Dental Services. Use the following link to find resources for dental care for low income and uninsured:
 http://www.wda.org/your-oral-health/community-activities/community-dental-clinics

VA Hotline for Women
855-VA-WOMEN
A hotline to receive and respond to questions from veterans, their families, and their caregivers about the many VA services and resources available to women veterans.
Wisconsin website for Free or Low Cost Health Clinics in Wisconsin
http://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/forwardhealth/clinics.htm

Wisconsin Well Woman Program
Provides preventive health screening services to low-income, uninsured or underinsured women. Contact Jennifer Froh, Community Health Educator, for referral: (608)847-9373, Toll Free: (866) 735-9616
Healthcare – General

Columbus Clinic
1513 Park Ave., Columbus, WI 53925
(920) 623-9611

Consumer Protection Safety Committee
www.cpsc.gov
Recall List / Product Safety

Lodi Clinic – Sauk Prairie Health Care
(608) 592-3296
160 Valley Drive, Lodi, WI 53555
www.saukprairiehealthcare.org/clinic-details/location/Lodi-Clinic

Poison Control (Wisconsin)
800-222-1222
www.poison.org

Portage Clinic
2825 Hunters Trail, Portage, WI 53901
(608) 742-7161
Affiliated with Dean/St. Marys Regional Clinic/Family Practice, obstetrics, General Practice; Internal Medicine; Pediatrics

Randolph Community Clinic
504 S. High St., Randolph, WI 53956
(920) 3626-5060

SSM Health Dean Medical Group
Specialty Clinic Portage
2825 Hunters Trail #2, Portage, WI 53901
(608) 742-1063

UW Health - Portage
2977 County Hwy CX, Portage, WI 53901
(608) 742-3004
Family Medicine, Rheumatology, Vascular, Allergy

Columbus Community Hospital
1515 Park Ave., Columbus, WI 53925
(920) 623-2200
Emergency room and urgent care 24 hours a day

Divine Savior Healthcare
Portage Hospital and Clinic:
(608) 742-4131
2817 New Pinery Road, Portage, WI 53901
Wellness Center:
(608) 742-4131
2815 New Pinery Road, Portage, WI 53901
Pardeeville Clinic:
(608) 429-2185
102 Gillette, Pardeeville, WI 53954
www.dshealthcare.com
Call the Community Wellness Department at (608) 745-6289 for info on free or low-cost screenings and programs. For assistance with insurance questions in regards to Divine Savior please call Concierge Services at (608) 745-6239.

Poser Clinic
635 Park Ave., Columbus, WI 53925
(920) 623-5000

SSM Health Dean Medical Group
Specialty Clinic Columbus
1513 Park Ave., 2nd Floor, Columbus, WI 53925
(920) 623-9535

SSM Health Dean Medical Group
Wisconsin Dells
1310 Broadway Rd., Wisconsin Dells, WI 53965
(608) 253-1171
Family Practice, Obstetrics, General Surgery, Podiatry
Housing

Bureau of Consumer Protection
2811 Agriculture Dr.; PO Box 8911, Madison, WI 53708-8911
(800) 422-7128
(608) 224-5012
(608) 224-5058 (TDD)
DATCPHotline@Wisconsin.gov
Information on tenants’ rights and responsibilities.
https://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs_Services/ConsumerProtection.aspx

Central Wisconsin Community Action Council (CWAC)
203 DeWitt St., Portage, WI 53901
(608) 742-3320
Processes applications for HUD Section 8 housing; provides emergency assistance for qualifying applicants; case management services for homeless; also has weatherization program which provides insulation and other energy-saving services to owners and renters.

Columbia County Southern Housing Region (SHR) Program
MSA Professional Services, Inc.
(800) 552-6330
Qualifying Columbia County residents can apply for Community Development Block Grant funds to be used for housing rehabilitation.

Emergency Assistance EA
Forward Services Corporation FSC
2875 Village Road, Suite 200, Portage, WI 53901
(608) 742-1089
FSC offers Emergency Assistance (EA). EA can cover costs for impending homelessness (unpaid rent, late fees, court costs), homelessness (security deposit, first month rent, necessary household items), disaster relief (fire, flood or natural disaster assistance), or energy crisis (heating, electric, water delinquent bills).

Foreclosure Assistance Clinic
215 S. Hamilton St. Room L1007
(Legal Resource Center)
https://pdf.countyofdane.com/court/ForeclosureAssistance_Clinic.pdf
Tuesday’s 9:00 – 11:00 AM
Free legal help for homeowners in foreclosure. Please bring your legal papers to the session.

Foreclosure Helpline
(608) 263-9574
U.W. Law School Consumer Law Clinic’s Foreclosure Helpline

Foundation for Rural Housing
888-400-5974
Assisting low income residents by supporting community based solutions to improve housing conditions and promote stability.

Habitat for Humanity of Sauk-Columbia Area
P.O. Box 38, 1211 8th St., Baraboo, WI 53913
(608) 448-2888
Hours: Mon-Fri 9am-4pm
www.hfhsc.ca.org
**Homeless Students Resource**  
CESA 5 - AmeriCorps VISTA Homeless Coordinator  
Website of resources for homeless students: [goo.gl/RXlvTK](https://goo.gl/RXlvTK)

**No Wrong Door**  
Central Wisconsin Community Action Council  
(608) 742-5329  
Renewal Unlimited  
(608) 742-3320  
Coordinated Entry is a way people experiencing homelessness or at risk of homelessness may find housing and get connected to resources in their community.

**River Haven**  
108 E. Pleasant St., Portage, WI 53901  
(608) 742-7687  
Shelter for homeless women and children, and clearinghouse for information.

**Sleep in Heavenly Peace**  
Portage WI Chapter:  
Brian Schelbach (608)683-9109  
[www.shpbeds.org](http://www.shpbeds.org)  
Volunteers dedicated to building, assembling and delivering top-notch bunk beds to children and families in need.

**Weatherization Assistance Program (WX)**  
Central Wisconsin Community Action Council  
(608)742-3320  
De Witt St., Portage, WI 53901  
Available to homeowners or renters at or below150% poverty. Assistance provided includes attic insulation, sidewall insulation, smoke detectors, air sealing, and or/furnace, water heater and refrigerator replacement.

**Hope House**  
Office 720 Ash St., PO Box 557, Baraboo  
(608) 356-9123  
(608) 356-7500  
Mon-Fri 8:00am-4:30pm  
**Toll Free: 800-584-6790** 24-Hour Confidential Helpline  
[www.hopehousescw.org](http://www.hopehousescw.org)  
Provides shelter and advocacy to people affected by domestic violence and sexual assault.

**Renewal Unlimited**  
2900 Red Fox Run, Portage, WI 53901  
(608) 742-5329  
Offers HCRI program to give 0% interest loan to qualifying, low-income families to meet ‘crisis’ needs such as rental assistance, mortgage payment assistance, security deposit, utilities and property tax.

**River Haven Men’s Shelter**  
211 W. Pleasant St., Portage, WI 53901  
(608) 742-7687  
Shelter for homeless and clearinghouse for information.

**Tenant Resource Center**  
1202 Williamson St., Suite 102  
Madison, WI 53703  
877-238-7368  
Spanish: (608) 237-8913  
Monday-Friday 9am-6pm  
Housing Counseling: (608) 257-0006; Housing Mediation Service (608) 257-2799; Housing Help Desk: (608) 242-7406 (7:45am-4:30pm Mon-Fri, until 7pm on Weds)

**Wisconsin Department of Veteran Affairs**  
Outreach services to veterans including assisting them in finding housing, medical/subsistence assistance and state education benefits.  
For other information or assistance:  
201 W Washington Avenue, Madison, WI 53703  
800-WIS-VETS (947-8387)  
(608) 266-1311  
[https://dva.wi.gov/Pages/home.aspx](https://dva.wi.gov/Pages/home.aspx)
Legal Services

Advocacy & Benefits Counseling for Health
(800) 585-4222    (608) 261-6938 ext. 200
32 N. Bassett St., Madison, WI 53703-2606
Provides initial health benefits advocacy services to people under age 60. In certain situations, legal services are provided free or on a sliding fee scale for lower income families.

Central Wisconsin Community Action Council, Inc. (CWCAC)
(608) 254-8353; (608) 742-3320
Helping individuals manage their benefit money to meet their needs and assure them a better quality of life. Programs: Representative Payee Services, Conservatorships, Trustee Services and Federal Fiduciary.

Columbia County Treatment Court – Drug
Office: (608) 742-9623

Columbia County Treatment Court – OWI
Office: (608) 742-9681

Columbia County Victim/Witness Assistance
Columbia County District Attorney’s Office
400 DeWitt St, Portage, WI 53901
(608) 742-9650
Victim’s Rights include: Timely disposition of case; Opportunity to attend court proceedings unless trial court finds sequestration is necessary to a fair trial for the defendant; Notification of court proceedings; Reasonable protection from the accused throughout the criminal justice process; Opportunity to confer with prosecutor; Opportunity to make a statement (Victim Impact Statement) at disposition; Restitution; Information about the outcome of the case and release of the accused.

Attorney Introduction and Referral Service of the State Bar of Wisconsin
800-362-9082
Monday-Thursday 7:30am-6pm, Friday 7:30am-5pm
Provides three services: Lawyer Hotline, Lawyer Referral and Community Referral. Caller will be screened at initial call to determine nature of the problem and make appropriate referral.

Coalition of WI Aging Groups and Elder Law Center
PO Box 628248, Middleton, WI 53562
(608) 224-0606 OR 800-488-2596
www.cwag.org

Foreclosure Assistance Clinic
215 S. Hamilton St. Room L1007
Legal Resource Center
https://pdf.countyofdane.com/court/Foreclosure_Assistance_Clinic.pdf
Tuesday’s 9:00 – 11:00 AM, No appointment necessary. Free legal help for homeowners in foreclosure. Please bring your legal papers to the session.

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(608) 263-9574
U.W. Law School Consumer Law Clinic’s Foreclosure Helpline

Lawyer Referral and Information Service
State Bar of Wisconsin
PO Box 7158, Madison, WI 53718
800-362-9082
http://www.wisbar.org/forPublic/INeedaLawyer/Pages/LRIS.aspx
Referral to an attorney, $20 for 1st ½ hr.
Legal Action of Wisconsin
31 S. Mills St., PO Box 9686, Madison, WI 53715
800-362-3904 OR 608-256-3304
http://www.legalaction.org/
Legal services focuses on safe and affordable housing, adequate income and nutrition, access to health care, preservation of the family and protection from domestic violence. Representation is limited to very low income residents of south eastern Wisconsin, including Columbia County.

Pro Se Divorce Service – Wisconsin eCourts
https://myforms.wicourts.gov/
Wisconsin eCourts for self-represented parties is an interactive Web site that assists you in filling out forms for a variety of legal issues, including divorce and legal separation. The site guides you through a series of questions and then completes the necessary forms.

Wisconsin Fathers for Children and Families
Madison, WI 53701
(608) ALL-DADS (608-255-3237)
http://www.wisconsinfathers.org/
Legal Resources:
http://www.wisconsinfathers.org/legal.htm

Wisconsin eCourts
https://myforms.wicourts.gov/
Wisconsin eCourts for self-represented parties is an interactive Web site that assists you in filling out forms for a variety of legal issues. The site guides you through a series of questions and then completes the necessary forms.

Ombuds
(800) 760-0001 M-F 8 – 4:30
BadgerCare Plus or Medicaid SSI HMO Ombudsmen
P.O. Box 6470; Madison, WI 53716-0470
Ombuds will answer questions or concerns about your Wisconsin BadgerCare Plus or Medicaid SSI Health Maintenance Organization (HMO).

On-line resource for self-representation or self-help

Wisconsin Coalition for Advocacy
131 W. Wilson St., Suite 700
Madison, WI 53703
(608) 267-0214 OR 800-928-8778
http://www.disabilityrightswi.org/
For those with disabilities or mental illness.

Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection
2811 Agriculture Drive
P.O. Box 8911, Madison, WI 53707-8911
800-422-7128
DATCPHotline@Wisconsin.gov
https://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs_Services/ConsumerProtection.aspx
Contact the library in your community to inquire about special programs for children and families, such as story hour or summer reading programs.

**Cambria**
Jane Morgan Memorial Library
109 W. Edgewater St., Cambria 53923
(920) 348-4030
Hours: Mon & Weds 9-1 & 3-5; Tues, Thurs, and Fri 9-1 & 3-5; Sat 9-12
Contact: itallman@scls.lib.wi.us
Website: www.jmml.org

**Columbus**
Columbus Public Library
223 W. James St., Columbus 53925
(920) 623-5910
Hours: Mon-Thurs 9-8:30; Fri 9-5:30; Sat 9-1
Contact: info@columbus.publiclibrary.info
Website: www.columbuspubliclibrary.info

**Lodi**
Lodi Woman’s Club Public Library
130 Lodi St., Lodi 53555
(608) 592-4130
Hours: Mon-Thurs 9-8; Fri 9-5; Sat 9-2
Contact: ldistaff@scls.lib.wi.us
Website: www.LodiPublicLibrary.org

**Pardeeville**
Angie W. Cox Public Library
119 N. Main St., Box 370, Pardeeville 53954
(608) 429-2354
Hours: Mon-Thurs 10-7:00; Fri 10-5; Sat 10-1
Contact: parstaff@scls.lib.wi.us
Website: www.pardeevillelibrary.com

**Portage**
Portage Public Library
253 W. Edgewater St., Portage 53901
(608) 742-4959
Hours: Mon-Thurs 9-8:30; Fri 9-6; Sat 9-2
Sat hours between Memorial Day & Labor Day are 10-1
Contact: info@portagelibrary.us
Website: http://www.portagelibrary.us/

**Poynette**
Poynette Public Library
118 N. Main St., Box 368, Poynette 53955
(608) 635-7577
Hours: Mon-Thurs 9:30-8; Fri 9:30-5:30; Sat 9:30-1
Contact: poylib@scls.lib.wi.us
Website: www.poynettelibrary.com

**Randolph**
Hutchinson Memorial Library
228 North High St., Randolph, WI 53956
(920) 326-4640
Hours: Mon-Thurs 9-8; Fri 9-2; Sat 9-12
Contact: pkpotter@randolphlib.org
Website: www.randolph.lib.wi.us

**Rio**
Rio Community Library
324 W. Lyons St., Box 306, Rio 53960
(920) 992-3206
Fax: (920) 992-3983
Hours: Mon & Weds 10-8; Tues, Thurs, & Fri 10-5; Sat 10-3
Contact: riolib@yahoo.com
Website: www.scls.lib.wi.us/rio/
Online Catalog: http://riolib.booksys.net/opac/rcl/index.html
Wisconsin Dells
Kilbourn Public Library
620 Elm St., Wisconsin Dells 53965
(608) 254-2146
Hours: Mon-Thurs 9-8; Fri 9-5; Sat 9-2
Summer: same except Mon-Thurs 10-7
Contact: ckborck@scls.lib.wi.us
Website: www.dellslibrary.org

Wyocena
Wyocena Public Library
165 E. Dodge St., Box 913, Wyocena, WI 53969
(608) 429-4899
Hours: Mon-Thurs 9:30-12:30 & 3-6; Fri Closed;
Sat 9:30-12:30
Website: www.wyocenalibrary.org
Parenting Education and Support Programs

Columbia County CARES  
UW Extension – Columbia County  
(608)742-9680  
A coalition of organizations and individuals working together to promote the well-being of children, youth and families in the county.  
Online Resources:  
Parenting the Preschooler Fact Sheets  
UW-Extension Family Living Programs  
http://fyi.uwex.edu/parentingthepreschooler/  
eParenting®: High-Tech Kids  
UW-Extension Family Living Programs  
http://fyi.uwex.edu/eparenting/  
Just in Time Parenting  
UW-Extension Family Living Programs  
https://jitp.info/  
Parenting Future Readers  
UW-Extension Family Living Programs  
http://parenting.uwex.edu/parenting-future-readers/  
Home Alone: Preparing for Self-Care  
UW-Extension Family Living Programs  
http://fyi.uwex.edu/homealone/  
Parenthetical  
UW-Extension Family Living Programs  
http://myparenthetical.com/  
Parenting Your Unique Child  
UW-Extension Family Living Programs  
http://parenting.uwex.edu/parenting-your-unique-child/  
Parenting 24-7: Parenting Teens  
University of Illinois-Extension  
http://parenting247.org/section.cfm?agegroup=4  
Face-to-Face Programs:  
Children in the Middle  
UW-Extension Columbia County  
This program is designed for parents who are experiencing a divorce, separation, or change in child placement and who have a child under the age of 18.  

Love and Logic  
Love and Logic courses are currently offered on a periodic basis by each of the following:  
Columbus Community Learning Services  
Cori Denk, cdenk@columbus.k12.wi.us 920-350-0370 or check the Community Learning Services Calendar at Community Learning Services / CLS Offerings  
Poynette School District  
Check the Poynette School District website, http://www.poynette.k12.wi.us/parents/par_famresources.cfm, or contact the main office, 608-635-4347  
Renewal Unlimited, Inc.  
608-742-5329  

Mommy and Me Connections  
Divine Savior Healthcare Conference Room C  
(608) 745-5696  
10:30am on the 1st Monday of the month  
Support group for all mothers, breastfeeding or not, as an opportunity to connect with one another, listen to one another’s stories, and build relationships with other mothers in the community.  

Northwoods Inc. of Wisconsin  
N6510 U.S. Highway 51  
PO Box 357, Portage, WI 53901  
(608) 742-7114  
Northwoods Inc. is a private, non-profit organization which provides meaningful programs and services that maintain individuals and families in the least restrictive setting and assists them to reach their maximum potential of development and independence within an integrated community environment. Services include vocational training and placement, elderly and frail in-home support, day service programming, and independent living and family parenting/support/mentoring.
Computer-Based Programs:
These programs require you to view the materials on a computer at the site of the sponsoring/hosting organization.

Positive Discipline
Offered by UW-Extension Columbia County
Three DVD’s, created by InJoy Birth & Parenting Education.

Parenting Wisely
Offered by UW-Extension Columbia County
Parenting Wisely is an interactive computer program for parents with children ages 3-9 years old (Young Children Program) or 9-18 years old (Teen Program).
Peer Support Services

Access to Independence, Inc. ("ATI")
3810 Milwaukee St, Madison, WI 53714
800-362-9877
(608) 242-8484 ext 228
www.accesstoind.org/
Provides resources, services and advocacy for people with any type of disability and of any age. Available at the ADRC of Columbia County the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month, 1-3pm.

Peer Run Respites
Peer run respites are for individuals living with mental health or substance use concerns. These places offer a supportive, home-like environment during times of increased stress or symptoms. Stays are short-term, typically no longer than one week.

Grassroot Wellness
820 N. Broadway St., Menomonie, WI 54751
(800)770-0588 ext. 1

Iris Place
1213 s. Matthias St., Appleton, WI 54915
(920)815-3217

Sostice House
2649 Milwaukee St., Madison, WI 53704
(608) 244-5077
Pregnancy Resources

Breastfeeding Workshop
Divine Savior Healthcare
(608) 745-5607 to register or for more information
Free workshop introducing parents-to-be about the latest information on breastfeeding. Topics include proper techniques, what to expect and the benefits of breastfeeding in today’s world.

Nurse Family Partnership (NFP)
111 East Mullett Street
Portage, WI 53901
(608) 697-0625
Nurse Family Partnership matches first-time parents with a free personal nurse who provides ongoing education and support beginning during the mother’s pregnancy and continuing until the child turns two years old.

WIC (Women, Infants, Children Nutrition Program)
111 East Mullett Street, Portage, WI 53901
(608) 742-9254
Provides food vouchers, farmer’s market vouchers, and nutrition information to keep pregnant and breastfeeding women, infants, and children under 5 years healthy and strong. Income eligibility requirement.

Healthy Beginnings+ (formerly Prenatal Care Coordination)
111 East Mullett Street, Portage, WI 53901
(608) 742-9227
Medical Assistance benefit for pregnant women, provides support and services to have a healthy baby.

Pregnancy Resource Center
306 W. Cook Street
Portage, WI 53901
800-705-4710
portageprc@yahoo.com
http://portagewiprc.com
Offers free pregnancy testing, adoption information and referrals, baby clothing, supplies, counseling and pregnancy education. Promotes life and adoption.
Recreation

Columbus
Columbus Area Senior Center
125 N. Dickason Blvd.
(920) 623-5918
Columbus Recreation
229 E. School St, Columbus, WI 53925
(920) 623-5936 Amy J Meier

Fall River
Fall River Recreation Department
150 Bradley St.
Fall River, WI 53932
(920) 484-3333 x304 Cody Schultz (Director)

Lodi
Lodi C.R.E.W.
608-592-1077 Diana
A part of the Lodi School District, Lodi C.R.E.W. offers a variety of recreational programs and events for youth and adults.
Lodi Recreation (City Hall)
130 South Main St.
(608) 592-3247

Portage
Family Resource Center
2946 Red Fox Run, Portage, WI 53901
(608) 742-8482
Call for information about field trips and other recreation. Provides a variety of family services, including scheduled playgroups, parenting support and information series, workshops, and family visiting program. Staff are available to answer questions or provide resources to help families. All services are free.

Portage Park and Recreation
701 Silver Lake Dr.
(608) 742-2178
## Schools and School Districts

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http://www.rsdwi.org/
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(920) 992-3141

Rusch Elementary School
117 West Franklin St
Portage, WI 53901
(608) 742-7376

St. Jerome’s
1550 Franham Street
Columbus, WI 53925
(920) 623-5780

St. John’s Lutheran
Pardeeville
505 E. LaFollette Street
Pardeeville, WI 53954
(608) 429-3636

St. John’s Lutheran
Portage
430 W Emmett Street
Portage, WI 53901
(608) 742-9000

St. Mary’s Catholic
Portage
315 W. Cook Street
Portage, WI 53901
(608) 742-6998

Wayne E. Bartels
Middle School
2505 New Pinery Road
Portage, WI 53901
(608) 742-2165

Wisconsin Dells
School District
www.sdwd.k12.wi.us
811 County Rd. H, Wisconsin
Dells, WI 53965
(608) 254-7769

Woodridge Primary School
333 East Slifer Street
Portage, WI 53901
608-742-3494

Zion Lutheran
822 Western Ave
Columbus, WI 53925
(920) 623-5180
Sexual Assault

**Domestic Violence Support Group**
608-356-7500
Call to find out location.

**Veterans Mental Health/AODA Support Group**
112 East Edgewater Street
Portage WI 53901
(608) 264-5342
Third Wednesday of each month
11:00-1:00 p.m.
Types of services available include: group counseling, employment guidance, family/marital counseling and sexual trauma counseling. Services are confidential to all veterans, no co-pays required, counselors have master’s degrees and are also veterans themselves.

**Hope House**
Office 720 Ash St.
PO Box 557
Baraboo, WI 53913
(608) 356-9123  (608) 356-7500
Mon-Fri 8:00am-4:30pm
**Toll Free: 800-584-6790**
**24-Hour Confidential Helpline**
[www.hopehousescw.org](http://www.hopehousescw.org)
Provides shelter and advocacy (e.g. counseling, safety planning, legal assistance, and support groups) to people affected by domestic violence and sexual assault and provides education to community members on these issues in Columbia, Sauk, Marquette, Adams, and Juneau counties.
Sober Living

Jessie Crawford Recovery Center
2101 N. Sherman Ave
Madison, WI  53704
(608) 241-4285    (800) 334-8893
Provides sober housing for single men, women and families in recovery.

John Adams Recovery Home
815 19th Street
Prairie du Sac, WI  53578
(608) 643-8905
The John Adams House is open to women who are committed to sobriety. The home is equipped with all the amenities necessary to rebuild healthy productive lives.

Satori House
530 E Conant St.
Portage WI  53901
(414) 335-5933
jake@satorihouse.org
tyler@satorihouse.org
Now taking applications.
www.satorihouse.org
Substance Abuse Resources

Al-Anon Meetings
888-425-2666
Call for times and locations of meetings in Columbia County
Email: drdistrict9@area61afg.org district representative www.area61afg.org

Alateen
866-425-2666
http://www.area61afg.org/what-is-al-anon/what-is-alateen/
http://al-anon.info/MeetingSearch/AlateenMeetings.aspx to find a meeting

Alcoholics Anonymous (AA)
(608) 222-8989
Call for times and locations of meetings in Columbia County

Columbia County Comprehensive Community Services (CCS)
2652 Murphy Rd, Portage 53901
(608) 742-9227
CCS assists persons with mental health or substance abuse concerns to identify what he/she needs in order to help increase their ability and enhance their connection to natural supports and community resources.

Jessie Crawford Recovery Center
21018 N. Sherman Ave, Madison, WI 53704
(608) 241-4285; (800) 334-8893
Provides sober housing for single men, women and families in recovery.

Medication Assistance, Recovery and Coordination(MARC)
111 East Mullett St, Portage, WI 53901
888-552-6642 – Application & Support
MARC is a collaborative program developed to provide an innovative approach to treating heroin and opioid prescription drug addiction.

Alcohol and Drug Referral Line
800-821-4357

Columbia County Treatment Court – Drug
Office: (608) 742-9623

Columbia County OWI Court – OWI
(608) 742-9681
A post-conviction criminal court that attempts to achieve a decrease in recidivism and substance abuse, the purposes of which will increase the chances of successful habilitation to its participants.

John Adams Recovery Home
815 19th Street, Prairie du Sac, WI 53578
(608) 643-8905
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Narcotics Anonymous Scenic Bluff Area
866-590-2648
Meeting locations:
https://scenicbluffsarea.org

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Opioid Task Force
920-623-2200
Educating the community at large regarding the opioid epidemic; history, victims, caregivers, available and needed resources, and what the community can do from a prevention focus to assist in the fight.

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530 E Conant St.
Portage WI 53901
(414) 335-5933
jake@satorihouse.org
tyler@satorihouse.org
Now taking applications.
www.satorihouse.org

SAMHSA’s National Helpline/Referral Service
800-662-HELP (4357)
www.samhsa.gov
Free, confidential, 24/7, 365-day-a-year treatment referral and information service (in English and Spanish) for individuals and families facing mental and/or substance use disorders. Can link the caller to a variety of hotlines that provide treatment referrals 24 hours a day.

Peer Run Respites
Peer run respites are for individuals living with mental health or substance use concerns. These places offer a supportive, home-like environment during times of increased stress or symptoms. Stays are short-term, typically no longer than one week.

Grassroots Wellness
820 N. Broadway St.
Menomonie, WI 54751
(800) 770-0588 ext 1

Iris Place
1213 S. Matthias St.
Appleton, WI 54915
(920) 815-3217

Solstice House
2649 Milwaukee St.
Madison, WI 53704
(608) 244-5077

Satori House
530 E Conant St.
Portage WI 53901
(414) 335-5933
jake@satorihouse.org
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Veterans Mental Health/AODA Support Group
112 East Edgewater Street, Portage WI 53901
(608) 264-5342
Third Wednesday of each month
11:00-1:00 p.m.

Tobacco Free Columbia/Dane County Coalition (TFCDC)
210 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd., Room 507,
Madison, WI 53703
(608) 242-6297
Contact: Ryan Sheahan
e-mail: rsheahan@publichealthmdc.com
TFCDC collaborates with schools on youth prevention, provides organizations with tobacco and nicotine education, and assists properties with creating smoke-free housing policies.
Thrift and Resale Stores
Includes only stores operated by non-profit organizations

**Goodwill Industries**  
2902 American Legion Dr.  
Portage, WI 53901  
(608) 745-0616

**St. Vincent de Paul Store**  
Columbus  
110 Meister Dr.  
Columbus, WI 53925  
(920) 623-2004

**Portage**  
1311 W. Wisconsin St.  
Portage, WI 53901  
(608) 742-5513

**Wisconsin Dells**  
W15210 Hwy 16  
Wisconsin Dells, WI 53965  
(608) 254-4011

**Lodi – Reach Out Lodi Community Store**  
610 Clark Street, Lodi WI 53555  
(608) 592-4592  
www.reachoutlodi.org  
Open by appointment Mon, Tues, and Thurs from 9:00 – 3:30 and Sat from 8:30 – 11:00. Provides FREE assistance to families and individuals in crisis to meet their basic living needs. Products include food, personal essentials, household cleaning supplies, school supplies and clothing for men, women and children.

**ReStore (Habitat for Humanity)**  
1450 E. Wisconsin St.  
Portage, WI 53901  
(608) 356-0332  
M-F 9:00am – 5:00pm  
Sat 9:00am – 4:00pm
Transportation

Aging & Disability Resource Center of Columbia County (ADRC)
Transportation Program  
(608) 742-9213  
60 and above or disabled  
Please call at least 24 hours in advance for a transport.

Amtrak
Reservations & Customer Service 1-800-USA-RAIL or 1-800-872-7245  
https://www.amtrak.com/home.html
400 W. Oneida St. - Portage  
359 N. Ludington St. - Columbus  
100 LaCrosse St. - Wisconsin Dells  
Portage stop is not staffed. Call or visit website for prices or to book a trip.

Car Loan Program (formerly Wisconsin Employment Transportation Program)  
Central Wisconsin Community Action Council  
(608) 254-8353  
Provides car loans to income-eligible, employed individuals. Buyer is responsible for sales tax, license plates, title fee, lien fee, dealer fee (if any), and administration fee mandated by the State of Wisconsin. Other restrictions apply.

ComfortCare Transportation LLC.
(608) 745-8392  
info@comfortcaretransportation.com

DAV Van Program  
(608) 772-4761 Columbia County  
Days of Operation: By appt.  
Route: Serving veterans in Columbia County and northern Dane County; Direct service to/from the veteran’s home by appointment.

Eas-Z Medical Transport  
(608) 683-9061  
info@eas-zmedicaltransport.com  
www.eas-zmedicaltransport.com  
120 East Albert St, Portage, WI 53901

Lamers Bus Line  
800-261-6600  
(608) 236-1240  
https://www.golamers.com/  
Lamers Connect routes operate 7 days a week, 365 days a year.

MTM INC.  
866-907-1493 (771 TTY) - Reservations for members and those assisting them.  
http://www.mtm-inc.net/Wisconsin/  
Provides non-emergency medical transportation rides for BadgerCare Plus and Medicaid members statewide who have no other way to receive a ride. Rides can include public transportation such as a city bus, rides in specialized medical vehicles or rides in other types of vehicles depending on a member’s medical and transportation needs.

Northwoods Inc. of Wisconsin  
N6510 U.S. Highway 51 PO Box 357, Portage, WI 53901  
(608) 742-7114  
Northwoods Inc. of Wisconsin provides transportation for many of its program participants.
Portage Cab (Running Inc.)
(608) 742-4700
Operates 24 hours/day, every day.
Offers reduced fares to disabled persons who are unable without special facilities or special planning or design to utilize mass transportation facilities and services.

Sureway Taxi
(608) 963-9218
(608) 253-2129
1110 Race Street, Wisconsin Dells

Van Go Taxi LLC
(608) 849-7070
105 E 2nd St, Waunakee, WI 53597
www.vangotaxi.com

Vanpool
1-800-884-VANS
https://doa.wi.gov/Pages/StateEmployees/JoinAVanPool.aspx
The State Vanpool provides alternate transportation for state and non-state employees commuting to Madison from outside communities. Participants can join a group that is already established or, if there are enough interested people, they can form a new vanpool. Riders enjoy low rates, comfortable vans, and the benefit of convenient pick-up and drop-off locations.

WETAP – Wisconsin Employment Transportation Assistance Program
608-216-7661 Nate Andrews
nadndrews@fsc-corp.org
Individuals that meet the requirements of WETAP can use the interest free loan to repair their vehicle. To qualify for WETAP, the applicant’s household income must be 150% of the Federal Poverty Level or less. Repayment plan will be made; 50% of the loan must be paid back within 12 months.
Utilities

Adams-Columbia Electric Cooperative
W6290 Hwy 33, Pardeeville, WI 53954
(608) 429-9300

Emergency Assistance EA
Forward Services Corporation FSC
2875 Village Road, Suite 200, Portage, WI 53901
(608) 742-1089
FSC offers Emergency Assistance (EA). EA can cover costs for impending homelessness (unpaid rent, late fees, court costs), homelessness (security deposit, first month rent, necessary household items), disaster relief (fire, flood or natural disaster assistance), or energy crisis (heating, electric, water delinquent bills).

CenturyLink
1-800-788-3500
Payment arrangements: 888-646-0004

Energy Services of Wisconsin
(Home Energy Plus)
242 W. Cook St., Portage, WI 53901
http://www.homeenergyplus.wi.gov/
(608) 742-4088 Information (Judie Wiersma)
Provides financial assistance for paying fuel or electric costs, and emergency furnace repair or replacement once per year per family. Specific income guidelines apply, but you can be any age, with or without children, and own or rent your home.

Frontier
New Services: 800-927-8101
Billing Inquiries: 800-801-6652

Heat for Heroes
800-891-9276 for questions or to find an application site nearest you.
An Energy Services, Inc., /Keep Wisconsin Warm/Cool Fund initiative that helps Veterans who are facing an energy–related emergency.

Keep Wisconsin Warm Fund
800-891-WARM (9276)
www.kwwf.org
Income guidelines and a state map of where families that are in the 60%-80% median income can apply.

Lifeline and Link-Up Programs
Call local phone company to apply
For questions, contact:
Public Service Commission
4822 Madison Yards Way, Madison, WI
888-816-3831
https://psc.wi.gov/Pages/Home.aspx
Reduced cost phone connection and service for customers receiving benefits from W2, MA, SSI, Food Stamps, Low Income Energy Assistance Program, WI Homestead Tax Credit, or Badger Care.

Lifeline
Expanded Lifeline Program
1-800-936-0189
(608) 262-2394

Reduced cost phone service for eligible low-income households.

Safelink Wireless
Free cell phone, access to emergency services and free 60 minutes airtime monthly for eligible low-income households. Additional minutes can be purchased through prepaid airtime cards purchased at local retailers. See www.safelink.com for more information.

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Wisconsin Gas Company
Customer Service: 800-242-4035

Wisconsin Low Income Home Energy – Heat Wisconsin (LIHEAP)
866-HEATWIS (432-8947) for information about where you can purchase propane in your area, or to apply for assistance towards your propane heating bill or medically necessary cooling bills. Also visit:
www.homeenergyplus.wi.gov
About where to apply for heating assistance or call 866-432-8947.
Veterans

Columbia County Veterans’ Service Office
112 East Edgewater St., Portage, WI 53901
(608) 742-9618
Fax: (608) 742-9634

Heat for Heroes
800-891-9276 for questions or to find an application site nearest you.
http://heat4heroes.org/
An Energy Services, Inc., /Keep Wisconsin Warm/Cool Fund initiative that helps Veterans who are facing an energy–related emergency.

Madison Vet Center
608-264-5342 After hours: 1-877-WAR VETS (927-8387)
8:00 – 4:30 M-F
Counseling service for combat veterans and their families.

Military One Source
Wisconsin Military OneSource Co.
(800) 342-9647
www.militaryonesource.mil
A source of information for military personnel and their families, active or inactive.

Tomah VA Medical Center
500 E. Veterans Street, Tomah, WI 54660
(800) 872-8662 or (608) 372-3971
(888) 598-7793 Telephone Care available 24/7
www.tomah.va.gov/

VA Hotline for Women
855-VA-WOMEN
A hotline to receive and respond to questions from veterans, their families, and their caregivers about the many VA services and resources available to women veterans.

Veterans Assistance Foundation, Inc.
(608) VAF-VETS (372-8387)

Veterans Homeless Hotline
877-4AIDS-VET or 877-424-3838

Veterans Crisis Hotline
800-273-8255 (TALK)

Veterans Mental Health/AODA Support Group
112 East Edgewater Street, Portage WI 53901
(608) 264-5342
Third Wednesday of each month – 11:00-1:00 p.m.
Types of services available include: group counseling, employment guidance, family/marital counseling and sexual trauma counseling. Services are confidential to all veterans, no co-pays required, counselors have master’s degrees and are also veterans themselves.

William S. Middleton Memorial Veterans Hospital
2500 Overlook Terrace, Madison, WAI 53705
(888) 478-8321 or (608) 256-1901
(888) 598-7793 Telephone Care available 24/7
www.madison.va.gov/
Wisconsin Department of Veteran Affairs
Department of Veterans Affairs offers outreach services to veterans including assisting them in finding housing, medical/subsistence assistance and state education benefits.
For other information or assistance:
201 W Washington Avenue, Madison, WI 53703
800-WIS-VETS (947-8387)
(608) 266-1311
https://dva.wi.gov/Pages/home.aspx

Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development – Veteran’s Services
1819 Aberg Ave., Suite C, Madison, WI 53704
(608)242-4888
https://dwd.wisconsin.gov/veterans/
Provides job search assistance to eligible veterans.

Please remember that we are constantly updating and expanding our files, and we are always happy to share our latest information with you. Although we believe the information we collect from service providers is accurate and up-to-date, Columbia County Health and Human Services disclaims responsibility for the accuracy or current status of these materials.

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