

COMMUNITY RESOURCE HANDBOOK

2015-2016

WHITE COUNTY HEAD START/ PRE K

This Community Resource Handbook has been compiled to aid the White County Head Start families in gaining access to community resources to meet family needs.

This handbook is a guide to agencies listing contact person, telephone number, location, services provided and eligibility.

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Local Government Services

Law Enforcement

White County Sheriff Department

1210 Hulsey Road
Cleveland, GA 30528
Non-Emergency Phone (706) 865-5177

Cleveland Police Department

85 S. Main St
Cleveland, GA 30528
Non-Emergency Phone: (706) 865-2111

Helen Police

Dept 25 Chattahoochee St
Helen, GA 30545
Non-Emergency Phone (706) 878-2722

Fire Department

White County Fire Department

1241 Helen Hwy #140
Cleveland, GA 30528
Phone: (706) 865-3855

Cleveland Fire Department

85 S. Main St
Cleveland, GA 30528
Phone: (706) 865-3855

Helen Fire Department

25 Chattahoochee St
Helen, GA 30545
Phone: (706) 878-3676

Parks & Recreation

County Park

327 Asbestos Rd
Cleveland, GA 30528
Phone: (706) 865-2756

White County Recreation Department

327 Asbestos Rd
Cleveland, GA 30528
Phone: (706) 865-5275

Libraries

White County Library Helen

BR 90 Petes Park Rd
Helen, GA 30545
Phone: (706) 878-2438

White County Library Cleveland

60 Bell St
Cleveland, GA 30528
Phone: (706) 865-5572

Post Offices

US Post Office / Helen

S Main St
Helen, GA 30545
Phone: (706)878-2422

US Post Office /Cleveland

Highway 75 N
Cleveland, GA 30528
Phone: (706)865-4511

Finance

Tax Assessor

South Main St
Cleveland, GA 30528
Phone: (706) 865-5328

Tax Commissioner

South Main St
Cleveland, GA 30528
Phone: (706) 865-2225

Planning Commission

59 South Main St
Cleveland, GA 30528
Phone: (706) 865-6496

Correctional Facilities

White County Detention Center

1210 Hulsey Rd
Cleveland, GA 30528
Phone: (706) 865-5178

Human Resources

White County Family Service Department

1241 Helen Hwy #200
Cleveland, GA 30528
Phone: (706) 865-3128

White County Transfer Station

Industrial Blvd
Cleveland, GA 30528
Phone: (706) 865-3716

Emergency

**White County Health Department
1331 Helen Hwy
Cleveland, GA 30528
Phone: (706) 865-2191**

**White County Emergency Management
1241 Helen Hwy #140
Cleveland, GA 30528
Phone: (706) 865-3855**

**Emergency Communications Office
1224 Helen Hwy #160
Cleveland, GA 30528
Phone: (706) 865-1224**

AGRICULTURE CONSUMER HOTLINE

TELEPHONE: (800) 282-5852 (Toll Free)

SERVICES: Answers questions about agriculture products and allows consumers an outlet for complaints. Provides information on food buying and using products more effectively.

ALPINE PSYCHOEDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

CONTACT: Mark Kemp/Stacy Benson

TELEPHONE: (770) 532-9981

LOCATION: 715 Woods Mill Rd

ADDRESS: P.O. Box 2459
Gainesville, Ga. 30503

SERVICES: ALPINE is a part of Georgia Public School System. It is funded through the Georgia Department of Education, Division of Exceptional Children. It serves the following school systems: Gainesville City, Banks, Dawson, Forsyth, Franklin, Habersham, Hall, Hart, Lumpkin, Rabun, Stephens, Towns, Union and White Counties.

ALPINE is a school for children with severe emotional and behavioral problems. Children ages 3-21 are referred by their local school system. Ages 0-3 are referred to ALPINE by physicians, day care centers, Head Start programs, health departments and hospitals. Services will be provided for the children who meet eligibility criteria for a diagnosis of severe emotional and behavioral disturbances. Included in the services are the child, their family and the local school in which the child is enrolled. The amount of time per day at ALPINE is determined at a placement committee meeting with the family.

ELIGIBILITY: Children ages 0-21 years

AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY

TELEPHONE: (770) 297-1176
(800) 227-2345
Web Site: www.cancer.org

ADDRESS: 2565 Thompson Bridge Rd.
Suite 114
Gainesville, Ga.30501

SERVICES: Provides dressings and bandages and in some cases provides pain relieving drugs; provides transportation for patients who are unable to get to treatment centers; provides rehabilitation services for some cancer patients; makes referrals for other needed services.

ELIGIBILITY: Public, with doctor's referral. No fees.

HOURS: 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

AMERICAN RED CROSS DONOR CENTER

TELEPHONE: (800) 448-3543 (Toll Free)
(770) 532-4620
(770) 287-1262 (Fax)
Web Site: www.givelife.org

AMERICAN RED CROSS

CONTACT: Philip Reed, Executive Director

TELEPHONE: (800) 282-1722 (Toll Free)
(770) 532-8453

LOCATION: 311 Jesse Jewell Pkwy.
Gainesville, Ga. 30501

ADDRESS: P.O. Box 3370
Gainesville, Ga. 30503

SERVICES: Provides assist to military, they offer CPR & First Aid classes. Assist in time of Fire, and Flood with food, water, and clothing.

BABIES CAN'T WAIT/ CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

CONTACT: Patricia (Dru) Thomas, Early Intervention Coordinator
pdthomas@dhr.state.ga.us

TELEPHONE: (770) 535-6907
(770) 531-6341 (Fax)

ADDRESS: 440 Pryor Street SE
Gainesville, Ga. 30501

SERVICES: Children ages birth through two who have a diagnosed physical or mental condition that could cause a delay in normal development are eligible for the Babies Can't Wait program. Children who are significantly behind others their age in learning ability, physical development, language or speech development, social or self-help skills, or emotional development are also eligible. A comprehensive evaluation by a variety of professionals helps to determine the specific needs for these children and their families.

CHILDREN'S MEDICAL SERVICES/CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

CONTACT: Annette Harkins, District Coordinator
acharkins@dhr.state.ga.us

TELEPHONE: (770) 535-6907
(770) 538-2784 (Fax)

ADDRESS: 1856-3 Thompson Bridge Rd.
Gainesville Ga. 30501

SERVICES: Provides care through out-patient clinics for children with medical problems.

ELIGIBILITY: Children from birth through 21 years of age. Must be referred by health department or private physician.

FEES: Medicaid, insurance or family's ability to pay on a sliding scale.

CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT

CONTACT: dahlongacse@dhr.state.ga.us

TELEPHONE: (706) 867-2912 (Fax)
Web Site: www.ocse.dhr.state.ga.us

ADDRESS: Enotah Office
P.O. Box 939
133 Tipton Dr.
Dahlonega, Ga. 30533

SERVICES: Agency that seeks out non-custodial parent to obtain child support for their children.

HOURS: Monday – Friday 8:00 am – 5:00 pm

CHILD SUPPORT RECOVERY UNIT

CONTACT: Linda Kemp, Senior Agent

TELEPHONE: (770) 535-5735

ADDRESS: P.O. Box 3395
Gainesville, Ga. 30503-3395

SERVICES: Agency that seeks out non-custodial parent to obtain child support for their children. To regain child support payments and give legal advice on child support recovery.

CHILDREN FIRST/CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

CONTACT: Tonya Newsom, Coordinator
tenewsom@gdph.state.ga.us

TELEPHONE: (770) 535-5743
(770) 535-5749 (Fax)

ADDRESS: 440 Pryor Street SE
Gainesville, Ga 30501

SERVICES: Children First was created by the State of Georgia in an effort to improve the health of children from birth through the early years of life. Health professionals work with families of children needing special attention and parents who need support in caring for their children. These services may include: regular check-ups, immunizations, nutrition counseling, and food supplements through the WIC program (women, infants and children.) Other medical, developmental, educational or social services, home visits to provide support and guidance in caring for your child, educational material about children, health, development and parenting.

CIRCLE OF HOPE

TELEPHONE: (706) 776-3406
24 Hour Crisis Hotline (706) 776-HOPE (4673)
Toll-free: 1-800-33HAVEN V/TTY (1-800-334-2836)

ADDRESS: P.O. Box 833
Cornelia, Ga. 30531

SERVICES: Shelter is provided for battered women and dependent children who are in danger and have no other safe place to go. Shelter is staffed 24 hours a day. Food and emergency clothing are provided. Other services: support group, legal advocacy, personal advocacy, children's group, TANF assessment, volunteer program and thrift store

ELIGIBILITY: All services are free and confidential and available to any victim of domestic violence.

COMMUNITY SERVICES PROGRAM NINTH DISTRICT OPPORTUNITY, INC

CONTACT: Yvonne Cruse

TELEPHONE: (706) 865-6220

ADDRESS: 1331 Helen Hwy. Suite 130
Cleveland, Ga. 30528

Energy Assistance: Assessment, case planning, negotiations with utility vendors, outreach, direct assistance, referral, energy conservation counseling.

Emergency Assistance: Linkage to service providers, arranging for payment for past due utility bills, rent or mortgage payments. Provision of food assistance and other special food initiatives. Coordination of family intervention activities relative to meeting basic needs.

Homeless/Housing: Case management - assessment, counseling, resettlement activities and referral; food, shelter, clothing, employment, education, and transportation. Negotiations

with landlord, prevention from eviction, coordination of minor home and accessibility repair, assistance with 504 grants and loans.

Housing Assistance:	Assessment/case planning and development.
Weatherization:	Negotiations with landlords for placement into temporary/permanent housing. Rental payments (depending on available funds) assistance in the procurement of 504 loans and grants. Improvements to the home for the reduction in energy costs and increase in energy conservation.
Family Resource/Development:	Provision of prescription medicine, case management - self sufficiency, i.e.; money management/budgeting, life skills enrichment and employment counseling. Nutritional programs (gardens), food pantry and referral. Aging services; outreach, injury prevention/safety and other health related resources. Substance abuse education and prevention, education seminars, community awareness, team building sessions, coordination of activities.
Budget Counseling & Development:	Counseling/referral to credit counseling services. Money management training and budget counseling.
Income Energy Assistance:	Usually once a year (November-February) for a one-time payment on utility bill. (Priority to homebound @ 115% poverty level).
Emergency Energy:	Opens when regular energy closes (must have a medical condition with cut off notice from energy supplier).
Commodity Foods:	Distributed usually March and September (130% poverty level).
Home Weatherization:	Limited number of homes per county (priority frail, elderly and disabled; 125% poverty level).
Case Management Services:	Assessment, counseling services and family enrichment services, development of individual service plans, counseling families on community resources, assistance with obtaining child support and other resources benefits, i.e.; child care and health

services.

Employment Services: Evaluation, job coaching/referral/placement.

Nutrition: Dissemination/referral for nutrition information. Coordination of special feeding initiatives. Nutrition supplements assistance.

Health: Coordination of health awareness and promotion activities. Installation of smoke and carbon monoxide detectors. Purchase of prescription medicine. Assistance for free/reduced rate prescription medicine.

HOURS: 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Monday thru Friday

CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY

TELEPHONE: (800) 638-2772 Extension 123

ADDRESS: 4330 East West Hwy.
Bethesda, Maryland 20815

SERVICES: Regulates standards for product safety. You may call this toll free number to report a potentially dangerous product or a product related to injury. (Regulates the safety of cars, boats, planes, food, cosmetics or drugs. Extension 500.)

CORNERSTONE COUNSELING CENTER

CONTACT: Frances Grizzle

TELEPHONE: (706) 348-8674

ADDRESS: 42 North Avenue Suite 100
Cleveland, GA 30528

SERVICES: Provides counseling and mental health services for children and adults. Staff also provides marriage and family counseling.

**DAY CARE CENTERS
KID'S KORNER**

CONTACT: Jim or Rhonda Bennett

TELEPHONE: 706-865-3088

ADDRESS: 173 Honeycomb Terrace
Cleveland, GA 30528

SERVICES: This center is equipped to serve children from the age of 6 weeks until 9 years old. A planned curriculum is used for each age group. The center provides a hot breakfast, hot lunch and snacks.

FEES: Full-time \$95.00 weekly
Part-time \$25.00 per day
Pre-K p/u \$70.00 weekly
After-school \$55.00 weekly
(Multi-child discount)

HOURS: 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

SMALL WONDER ACADEMY

CONTACT: Elaine Hulsey

TELEPHONE: (706) 348-1445

LOCATION: Off of Hwy 129 South of Cleveland, near Mossy Creek Elementary School

ADDRESS: 2081 Westmoreland Rd.
Cleveland, GA 30528

SERVICES: We have a planned curriculum for each age group. We serve children from 6 weeks to 12 years of age. We serve a hot breakfast, lunch and snacks.

FEES: Contact Day Care

HOURS: 6:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

EASTER SEALS NORTH GEORGIA

TELEPHONE: (404) 943-1070
(404) 943-0890 (Fax)

ADDRESS: 1200 Lake Hearn Dr., Suite 250
Atlanta, Ga. 30319
Web Site: www.northgeorgia.easterseals.com

SERVICES: Easter Seals works to enhance the quality of life and to increase the independence of children with disabilities through services such as: Easter Seal Solutions, Inclusive Child Care Program, Early Intervention, Program Information and Referral, Therapy Program and Head Start (8 Head Start Centers).

ELIGIBILITY: Any handicapped person of any age.

FEES: Based on income (sliding fee scale)

EMERGENCY CALLS - "911"

AMBULANCE: 911
POLICE: 911
SHERIFF: 911
STATE PATROL: (770) 535-6940
FIRE DEPT.: 911
POISON CONTROL: (800) 282-5846

CONTACT: Chief Norman Alexander, Director

TELEPHONE: (706) 865-3855

ADDRESS: 1241 Helen Hwy. Suite 140
Cleveland, Ga. 30528

SERVICES: Organized to educate and train the citizens of the community in methods of survival in the event of disaster. Services include assistance to all governmental

agencies and individuals when called upon in the saving of lives and property, and taking charge of all emergency personnel in the event of a major disaster.

HOURS: Available 24 hours. After 5:00 p.m. call (706) 865- 1224

ENOTAH ANTI-DRUG COALITION

CONTACT: Kim Robinson

TELEPHONE: 706-969-0397

ADDRESS: 1168 E. Kytile St.
Cleveland, Ga. 30528
Web Site: www.anti-meth.org

SERVICES: **The Recovery Center**

The Enotah Recovery Center (ERC) is a community oriented sanctuary for those recovering from drugs and alcohol and their families. It exists for the sole purpose of establishing hope in the lives of those struggling with addiction. The ERC is not a treatment facility; it is not a 12 step club or a drop in social center, although all these aspects will play a vital role in the success of the Center. This Center will maintain a structured schedule where recovery related workshops, trainings, 12-step meetings, support services and social events are continuous. The Center will target people in recovery or seeking to recover, their family members and their children and will exist as a resource for the community. Help also available for drug endangered children.

**FARMER'S HOME/RURAL ECONOMICS
USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT**

CONTACT: Kathryn Ross, Acting Area Director
Kathryn.Ross@ga.usda.gov

TELEPHONE: (706) 754-6239 Ext. 4
(855)514-3349 (Fax)
Web Site: www.rurdev.usda.gov

ADDRESS: 555 Monroe Street Box 12
Clarkeville, Ga. 30523

SERVICES: Provides loans for home improvements and repairs, provides rural rental housing, and emergency loans following natural disasters. Provides business and industrial loans, association loans and low-income loans. No emergency loans. 504 loans and grants for very low income families. Home Loans -100% for low and moderate income families.

ELIGIBILITY: Any person with good credit. Must meet income guidelines.

HOURS: 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday- Friday

GAINESVILLE CARE CENTER

TELEPHONE: (770) 535-1245 - 24 Hour Helpline
(770) 535-1413

ADDRESS: 434 Green St. Place
Gainesville, Ga. 30501

SERVICES: In 1987, the Gainesville Care Center staff opened their arms to women and their families facing a crisis pregnancy. In 2006, we have expanded our services to include STD testing and health issues. Through the ongoing efforts of caring individuals, companies, and local organizations, we offer support to anyone who walks through our doors.
All of our services are complimentary.

HOURS: Appointments - 9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Monday - Thursday

GATEWAY HOUSE, INC.

CONTACT: Jessica Butler
gatewayh@bellsouth.net

TELEPHONE: (770) 536-5860 Crisis Line
(770) 539-9080 Community
(770) 531-7153 Legal Advocate

ADDRESS: P.O. Box 2962
Gainesville, Ga. 30503

SERVICES: Shelter for battered women and their children.

ELIGIBILITY: A woman must have been physically abused by partner or former partner within the last fourteen days. She must be in need of safe, temporary housing for herself and children and have no other alternatives (family, friends, etc.). She must be physically and mentally able to participate in community style living at Gateway House. Gateway House cannot accept women currently abusing alcohol/ drugs or male children age 13 or older.

HOURS: 24 hour service available if needed.

GEORGIA CHILDREN'S HOME

TELEPHONE: (478) 474-8220
(478)471-1891 (Fax)
Web Site: www.gich.org

ADDRESS: 4690 North Mumford Rd.
Macon, Ga. 31210

SERVICES: Provides care for indigent and neglected children in group residential home on 175 acre campus. Tutorial services in connection with public schools. Supervised work program and regular case management services.

ELIGIBILITY: Ages 12-18 years, state wide independent living

FEES: Contact Children's Home

HOURS: 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Monday - Friday

GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

TELEPHONE: (706) 369-5636
(888) 318-0354

ADDRESS: 1061 Dowdy Rd
Suite 201
Athens, Ga. 30606-1169

SERVICES: The Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA) was created in 1977 to serve as an advocate for local governments. On July 1, 1996, the Governor and General Assembly merged the Georgia Housing and Finance Authority (GHFA) with the Department of Community Affairs. Today, DCA operates a host of state and federal grant programs; serves as the state's lead agency in housing finance and development; promulgates building codes to be adopted by local governments; provides comprehensive planning, technical and research assistance to local governments; and serves as the lead agency for the state's solid waste reduction efforts.

GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE

CONTACT: Todd Bentley, Hall Co. C.S.O.

TELEPHONE: (770) 531-4508
(770) 531-4514 (Fax)

ADDRESS: 891 Raney St.
Gainesville, Ga. 30501

SERVICES: Provides intake and counseling services to juvenile offenders on probation. (Court ordered Hall County)

ELIGIBILITY: Must be 17 years old or younger. No Fees.

HOURS: 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Monday - Friday On call as needed.

GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR - CORNELIA

CONTACT: Rebecca Waters

TELEPHONE: (706) 776-0811
(706) 776-0822 (Fax)
(706) 776-4999 (TTY)

ADDRESS: 215 Hodges St.
Suite 205
Cornelia, Ga. 30531

SERVICES: Job placement service for unemployment claims, gives entrance examinations for federal jobs, provides information on job openings in the area; provides information on special job programs to people with disabilities.

HOURS: 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday - Friday

GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR - GAINESVILLE

CONTACT: Dan Aultman

TELEPHONE: (770) 538-2727
(770) 538-2730 (Fax)

ADDRESS: PO Box 1720
Gainesville, Ga. 30503

SERVICES: The JTPA emphasizes training for participants in available employment opportunities. After a participant is determined eligible, the person is referred to one of the following subcontractors for training: North Georgia Vocational Technical School, Athens Technical School, Lanier Technical School, or Gwinnett Technical School, also offers truck driving school, and on job training.

ELIGIBILITY: Must meet age criteria and income guidelines.

**GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
DIVISION OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION**

ADDRESS: 2756 Atlanta Hwy.
P.O. Box 677
Gainesville, Ga. 30504
(770) 535-5468

243 South Main St., Suite B
Cleveland, Ga. 30528
(706) 348-4882
(706) 219-2570 (TTY)
(706) 865-9602 (Fax)
(800) 846-9634
Web Site: www.dol.state.ga.us

SERVICES: Provides counseling, guidance, training and job placement for persons with physical or mental disabilities.

ELIGIBILITY: Anyone who has a physical or mental disability which is a handicap to employment. No fees.

HOURS: 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Monday - Friday

GEORGIA FORESTRY COMMISSION

CONTACT: Shannon Dean, Supervisor

TELEPHONE: (706) 754-2354 (Clarkeville)
(706) 865-7813 (White County)
(877) 652-2876 (Burn Permit)

ADDRESS: 3997 Toccoa Hwy.
Clarkeville, Ga. 30523

SERVICES: Actively oversees controlled burning, offers seedling sales, provides forest education woodland information, and offers timber marking service and fire control.

FEES: There are fees for jobs taking more than thirty minutes, for timber marking, and for plowing the line for controlled burning.

HOURS: 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday – Friday

GEORGIA HELPLINE

TELEPHONE: (800) 338-6745
Web Site: www.hodac.org
www.211uwhc.org (24 hour service)

SERVICE: Provides confidential information and referral service linking callers with appropriate community resources. Children who stay alone and become afraid are welcome to call. (YOUTH HELPLINE 1-800-473-HELP)

HOURS: Currently 8:00 a.m. To 5:00 p.m. Hours may be extended in the near future.

GEORGIA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

TELEPHONE: (800) 282-5813
Web Site: www.gapsc@psc.state.ga.us

ADDRESS: 244 Washington St., SW
Atlanta, Ga. 30334

SERVICES: Provides an avenue of complaint for persons who are not satisfied that their electric bills are correct or who are unsatisfied with any area of public services. Provides an outlet for consumers to air their views. They do regulate all telephone companies, gas companies, Georgia Power and Savannah Electric. They do not govern any city owned utilities or electric membership corporations.

H.C.M.C. HOMECARE

CONTACT: jbrookshire@hcmcmcd.org

TELEPHONE: (706) 754-6575
(800) 269-3514

ADDRESS: P.O. Box 668
801 Austin Dr.
Demorest, Ga. 30535

SERVICES: Skilled nursing, medical social worker, physical therapist, sitter, homemaker and personal care services.

ELIGIBILITY: Persons in need of home support services.

FEES: Private pay, Medicaid, Medicare or insurance.

HOUSING AUTHORITY

TELEPHONE: (706) 886-9455
(800) 596-1380

LOCATION: 223 Bryant St.
Cleveland, GA 30528 (Wednesday Only)

ADDRESS: P.O. Drawer J
437 South Pond Street
Toccoa, Ga. 30577

SERVICES: Provides decent homes for low-income families at rent they can afford to pay with cooperation of local agencies. Families are assigned to dwelling units of appropriate size based on the size and composition of the family.

ELIGIBILITY: Low-income families whose net assets and net income are insufficient to obtain and maintain adequate accommodations on the private market. Families who are displaced or about to be displaced through government action are given preference for admission. We give local preference and working family's preference. Total family income determines amount of monthly rent (approximately 30% of income).

HOURS: **Cleveland Office** - Wednesday: 11:30 p.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Toccoa Office –Monday – Thursday 7:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

LANIER TECHNICAL INSTITUTE
SUPPORT SERVICES FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

CONTACT: Mallory Safley, Coordinator/ Special Service
msafley@laniertech.edu

TELEPHONE: (770) 531-6330

ADDRESS: 2990 Landrum Education Dr.
Oakwood, Ga. 30566

SERVICE: This service lends support to both disabled and disadvantaged students from the time they make application to a program of study until the technical education process is complete. Services may include student advisement, accommodations for the disabled upon request, referrals to other agencies and counseling.

ELIGIBILITY: All students must have a GED or high school diploma prior to graduation from Lanier Tech.

FEES: \$15.00 application fee nonrefundable.

LEGAL AID SOCIETY

TELEPHONE: (770) 535-5717
(800) 745-5717

ADDRESS: P.O. Box 1337
705 Washington Street
Suite B1
Gainesville, Ga. 30503

SERVICES: Provides legal services for certain civil cases, only for low-income persons in a 24-county North Georgia area; will not handle criminal cases, changes, bankruptcy, legitimacy cases, or adoptions except cases of public assistance.

ELIGIBILITY: Families must be low-income and meet specific income criteria.

HOURS: 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 p.m. Monday – Friday
9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Business Hours
9:00 a.m. - 11:00 p.m. Intake Worker

MT. YONAH FAMILY PRACTICE (HCMC)

CONTACT: Steven Johnson M.D.
S. John Suss, M.D.

TELEPHONE: (706) 865-4001

ADDRESS: 17 White St.
Cleveland, Ga. 30523

SERVICES: Habersham County Medical Center's (HCMC) mission is to provide high quality care in a compassionate, professional, and economical manner to all persons in White County and adjacent areas, including the friends and neighbors that live in bordering Habersham County. HCMC owns and operates Mt. Yonah Family Practice. HCMC offers many services including hearing and speech labs, a sleep disorder lab, outpatient services, a family-center maternity unit, occupational health, physical therapy, health screenings and risk assessments, cardiovascular rehabilitation, home health care, wellness programs, and a nursing home.

NORTHEAST GEORGIA PHYSICIANS GROUP

TELEPHONE: (706) 865-1234

ADDRESS: 2578 Helen Hwy.
Cleveland, Ga. 30528

SERVICES: Provides comprehensive, accessible primary health care to the community. The clinic is well equipped to provide treatment of acute illnesses or accidents. The clinic is equipped with x-ray facilities, laboratory and EKG equipment.

FEES: Set fee upon receiving services.

NORTH GEORGIA TECHNICAL COLLEGE

- CONTACT:** Dr. Mike King
- TELEPHONE:** (706) 754-7700
(706) 754-7777 (Fax)
Web Site: www.northgatech.edu
- ADDRESS:** 1500 Highway 197 North
P.O. Box 65
Clarkesville, Ga. 30523
- 434 Meek Ave.
Blairsville, Ga. 30512
Web Site: www.clarkes.tec.ga.us
- SERVICES:** Exists for persons who desire and can profit from occupational training. Full time preparatory courses are offered during the day with six general areas; technical, skilled, business, health occupations and culinary. Evening extension classes are offered every quarter. Adult education and GED courses available. An evaluation lab is available to help students and administrators plan appropriate course programs. Financial aid and work study programs are also available.
- ELIGIBILITY:** Must be 16 years of age or older.
- HOURS:** Office Hours: 7:45 a.m. -10:00 p.m. Mon. - Thurs.
7:45 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Fridays

PEACHCARE FOR KIDS

- TELEPHONE:** (877) GAPEACH (877-427-3224)
Web Site: www.peachcare.org
- SERVICES:** Care from a doctor when your child is sick; preventive services such as immunizations and regular check-ups; Specialist care; dental care; vision care, including vision screenings and eyeglasses; hospitalization; emergency room services; prescription medications; mental health care. Each child in the program has a Georgia Healthy

Families Care Management Organization who is responsible for coordinating the child's care.

ELIGIBILITY: US citizens; Georgia resident; Age 18 and under (Eligible until 19th birthday) Family income less than or equal to 235% of the federal poverty level; State employees are not eligible for Peach Care for Kids.

**PIONEER R.E.S.A
(REGIONAL EDUCATIONAL SERVICES AGENCY)**

CONTACT: Dr. Sandy Addis

TELEPHONE: (866) 812-7372
(706) 865-2141
(706) 865-6748 (Fax)
Web Site: www.pioneerresa.org

ADDRESS: 1342 Hwy. 254
Cleveland, Ga. 30528

SERVICES: Provides consultative services to 14 school systems in Northeast Georgia; provides audio- visual aids, business machines and printing services to the participating school systems.

ELIGIBILITY: Cooperating school system personnel

HOURS: 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday - Friday

SMITHGALL WOODS CONSERVATION AREA and LODGE

TELEPHONE: (800) 318-5248 Lodge Reservations
(706) 878-3087 Park

SERVICES: North Georgia's premier trout stream, Dukes Creek, runs through this spectacular mountain property and is a favorite for catch-and-release fishing. Five miles of trails and 18 miles of roads allow hikers and bicyclists to explore hardwoods, streams and wildlife. Trout fishing and van tours are offered only on certain days of the week, so visitors should call for a current schedule. The Lodge is an elegant mountain retreat perfect for romantic getaways or corporate retreats. Five beautifully decorated cottages

provide 14 bedrooms with private baths. Rates include accommodations, meals and activities

HOURS: 8:00 - 6:00 Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday
7:00 - 6:00 Wednesday, Saturday, Sunday
Trout fishing on Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday only
(daily for lodge guests) Reservations required.
All visitors must register at the Visitor Center

SALVATION ARMY

TELEPHONE: (706) 886-5293

ADDRESS: 348 E. Franklin St.
Toccoa, Ga. 30577

SERVICES: An international religious and charitable movement that provides various character building and religious programs to all age groups. Emergency assistance to needy persons and a program for working men who need emergency lodging are offered. Temporary lodging to anyone who needs it.

HOURS: 9:00 - 4:00 Monday, Thursday and Friday
9:00 - 12:00 Tuesday; 9:00 - 3:00 Wednesday

SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

TELEPHONE: (770) 532-7506
(800) 772-1213
Web Site: www.ssa.gov.

ADDRESS: P.O. Box 938
2565 Thompson Bridge Rd. N.E. Suite 210
Gainesville, Ga. 30501

SERVICES: Provides a compulsory social insurance program offering protection against loss of income due to old age, death of the family provider or permanent disability.

ELIGIBILITY: Variable with different programs, no fees.

HOURS: 8:30a.m. - 3:30p.m. Monday - Friday

STATE AID FOR CANCER

CONTACT: D.F.C.S.

TELEPHONE: (706) 865-3128

ADDRESS: Department of Family and Children Services
1241 Helen Hwy. Unit 200
Cleveland, Ga. 30528

SERVICES: Provides financial assistance for the medical care of indigent patients requiring diagnostic and/or treatment services for cancer. Must have a 50% or greater chance of a cure.

ELIGIBILITY: Application for aid must be made by referral from the patient's physician or from the clinic director. Applicants must meet certain income criteria. No fees.

HOURS: 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Monday - Friday

TRUETT MCCONNELL COLLEGE

TELEPHONE: (800) 226-8621
(706) 865-2134 President's Office
(706) 865-2136 Business Office
(706) 865-2140 Financial Aid Office
Web Site: www.truett.edu

ADDRESS: 100 Alumni Drive
Cleveland, Ga. 30528

SERVICES: Organizes and provides educational programs and services to enrich the lives of individuals and group in the realms of domestic, economic, educational, political and religious affairs. Further, it exists to provide a creative learning environment to discover and transmit attitudes, beliefs and values which enhance the dignity of the individual.

Informed by a Christian philosophy of life, the faculty, staff and resources of Truett McConnell College train

and educate individuals and groups, both on and off campus, to solve problems, correct deficiencies and explore future possibilities of a meaningful life for the community which the college services in cooperation with other educational and social institutions of the community.

ELIGIBILITY: Applicant must be a graduate of an accredited high school; if not, may be admitted by passage of a standard examination.

FEES: Call the financial aid office for fee and tuition information.

HOURS: 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday - Friday

TUGALOO HEALTH AGENCY

CONTACTS: Susan Dreher

TELEPHONE: (770)532-2013
(800)992-9701

ADDRESS: 2565 Thompson Bridge Rd.
#201
Gainesville, Ga. 30501

SERVICES: This is a non-profit health care agency that provides care in the home of patients as ordered by the patient's doctor. Services provided are: skilled nursing, physical therapy, speech therapy, occupational therapy, home health aides, health and nutritional guidance and limited medical supplies. Medical and social workers available.

ELIGIBILITY: Patients receiving care in their home under Medicare and/or Medicaid must be essentially homebound status. Insurance and private pay are also accepted.

FEES: None for Medicare/Medicaid patients. Regular cost for others.

UNICOI STATE PARK AND LODGE

TELEPHONE: (706) 878-2201 Park
(800) 864-7275 Reservations
(800) 573-9659 Lodge Reservations

ADDRESS: 1788 Hwy 356
Helen, Ga 30545

SERVICES: Provides conference and restaurant facilities for 10-400 people with 100 motel-type rooms and 30 cottages available; furnishes programmed activities in mountain crafts and culture; offers recreational services such as camping, picnicking and hiking.

ELIGIBILITY: Public, fees vary according to service.

HOURS: 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Office
7:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m. Park

U.S. FOREST SERVICE CHATTAHOOCHEE-OCONEE NATIONAL FORESTS

TELEPHONE: (706) 754-6221
(770) 297-3000 (Gainesville)
(770)297-3093 (TDD)
Web Site: www.fs.fed.us

ADDRESS: 1755 Cleveland Hwy.
Gainesville, Ga. 30501

SERVICES: As part of America's national forest system, the Chattahoochee and Oconee National Forests represent the finest outdoor recreation opportunities and natural resources Georgia has to offer. These lands are rich in history and culture you'll find fascinating to explore.

HOURS: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Tuesday – Friday
Closed 12 noon – 1:00 p.m. for lunch

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS
GEORGIA DEPT. OF VETERAN'S SERVICE**

CONTACT: William Tucker

TELEPHONE: (706) 754-4316
Web Site: www.va.gov

ADDRESS: P.O. Box 1135
451 Roper Drive
Clarkesville, Ga. 30523

SERVICES: Provides for claims of compensation, pensions, insurance, hospitalization, out-patient prescriptions, education assistance, rehabilitation training and home loans.

ELIGIBILITY: Veterans, their widows and children upon application. No fees.

HOURS: 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday – Friday
Cleveland, Ga. First Wednesday of the month

MEDICAL CENTER - ATLANTA

TELEPHONE: (800) 827-1000
(800) 273-TALK (Crisis Hotline)
Web Site: www.va.gov

ADDRESS: 1700 Clairmont Rd.
Decatur, Ga. 30365

SERVICES: The Atlanta VA Medical Center is one of eight medical centers in the VA Southeast Network. Located on 26 acres east of Atlanta in Decatur with an operating nursing home care unit. In addition, the Atlanta VAMC also operates the Decatur, East Point, Lawrenceville, NE GA/Oakwood, Smyrna, Rome, and Stockbridge community-based outpatient clinics (CBOCs).

ELIGIBILITY: Veterans, their widows and children upon application. No fees.

HOURS: 24 hours per day

NE GEORGIA/OAKWOOD CLINIC

TELEPHONE: (404) 728-8210
(404) 728-8229 (Fax)

ADDRESS: 3931 Mundy Mill Rd.
Oakwood, Ga. 30566

SERVICES: Answers questions about benefits that veterans and their families may have; send appropriate forms as needed; makes referrals to other agencies.

HOURS: 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Monday – Friday
8:00 a.m. – Noon, 2nd and 4th Friday

VICTORY HOME HELPING HAND

TELEPHONE: (706) 754-6030
(706) 839-4213 (Thrift Store)
Web Site: www.victoryhome.org

ADDRESS: P.O. Box 7
Tallulah Falls, Ga. 30573

SERVICES: Provides a Christian rehabilitation home for the male alcoholic; combines a twenty-week program of religious studies with a work program on premises.

ELIGIBILITY: Persons coming to the home must have a sponsor, must have been sober for 72 hours, must have a desire for rehabilitation and must agree to stay for the complete twenty-week program. Also must be in good health.

HOURS: 24 hour residential services
Thrift Store: 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday

WHITE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

CONTACT: Dr. Jeffery Wilson, Superintendent

TELEPHONE: (706) 865-2315

ADDRESS: 136 Warrior Path.
Cleveland, Ga. 30528

SERVICES: Provides various programs for students such as: hospital and homebound teacher, visiting teacher, migrant program, bus transportation, Child Care Food Program, E.M.R., T.M.R., speech and special learning disabilities teachers. Promotes the career development program in the high school; promotes advanced athletic, art and music programs.

HOURS: BOE Office Hours: 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

The board meets every second and fourth Thursday at 6:00 p.m. in the high school library. Meetings are open to the public. Anyone wishing to get an item on the agenda or register a formal complaint must do so in writing on the Friday before the board meeting. It must be submitted to Dr. James Jenkins.

WHITE COUNTY COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE

CONTACT: Nathan Eason

TELEPHONE: (706) 865-2832
Web Site: www.ugaextension.com/white

ADDRESS: 1241 Helen Hwy. Suite 110
Cleveland, Ga. 30528

SERVICES: Provides, through its off-campus informal education, (Cooperative Extension Service) serves as the teaching, communication and facilitation link between the public, the University of Georgia and the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Major areas of service include: agricultural engineering, agronomy, animal science, community and resource development, dairy science, agricultural economics and farm management, entomology, forestry, horticulture, landscape architecture, plant pathology, poultry science, veterinary medicine, management, housing and equipment, textiles and clothing, nutrition and youth development (including the 4-H program).

FEES: Public fees vary with service.

HOURS: 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Monday – Friday Noon -1 p.m. Lunch

WHITE COUNTY FAMILY AND CHILDREN SERVICES

CONTACT:	Jean Simmons dfcs.dhr.state.ga.us
TELEPHONE:	(706) 865-3128 (706) 348-4805 (706) 865-9586 (Fax)
ADDRESS:	1241 Helen Hwy. Suite 200 Cleveland, Ga. 30528
SERVICES:	Determines eligibility for financial and medical assistance. Provides social services, administers aid to families with dependent children, provides medical assistance, administers the food stamp program, offers the Child Welfare Program which includes protective services to children and adults, provides adoptive services, foster care services to unwed parents and their children, counseling with families experiencing problems with their children in cooperation with family planning clinic, offers homemaker services, works with other community groups and agencies in the interest of clients; makes referrals to other agencies as appropriate or required to meet the total needs of families being served.
ELIGIBILITY:	Families with children deprived of parental support, families neglecting or abusing children who need counseling or other services in order to provide a suitable home, unwed parents, families with children with behavioral problems, people who are experiencing emergency financial crisis and short-term help, families with inadequate income to purchase food necessary for a nutritional diet. Federal and state guidelines are followed for each program.
HOURS:	8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Monday - Friday

**WHITE COUNTY HEADSTART/ PRE -K
(NINTH DISTRICT OPPORTUNITY, INC.)**

CONTACT: Janice Allison, Center Director

TELEPHONE: (706) 865-4947
(706) 219-3073 Fax

ADDRESS: 676 Claude Sims Road.
P.O. Box 842
Cleveland, Ga. 30528

HEADSTART

SERVICES: Head Start is a comprehensive preschool program that serves income eligible children 3 and 4 years of age. The services provided to the child and families include education, health, social services, parent involvement, nutrition, volunteers and services for children with disabilities.

ELIGIBILITY: Children of eligible low-income families.

HOURS: 7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Monday – Friday

PRE/K

SERVICES: Pre/K slots are available on a first come first served basis. This program also serves children with disabilities. Enrollment is open to all 4 year old children regardless of race, sex, creed, or religion.

ELIGIBILITY: Children who are 4 years old by September 1st.

HOURS: 7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Monday – Friday

WHITE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

CONTACT: Stacy Pollard

TELEPHONE: (706) 865-2191
(706) 865-7745 (Fax)

ADDRESS: 1331 Helen Hwy

Cleveland, Ga. 30528

HOURS: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 8:00a.m to 5:00p.m.
Thursday, 8:00am to 5:30p.m.
Friday, 8:00a.m. To 3:00p.m.
Closed 12:00 to 1:00 for lunch

SERVICES:

Child Health- Provides early and periodic health screenings. Referral for diagnosis and treatment of those with health problems. Children from birth to 21 years, infants of mothers on maternal high risk program, and Head Start children are eligible. There is no fee for Medicaid individuals. For others, a sliding scale fee is applied according to income and family size.

Environmental Health and Sanitation- Conducts sanitation inspections of food service establishment, sewer disposals, tourist accommodations, water supplies, jails, day care centers, schools etc.; assists with follow-up on animal bites when rabies is suspected; investigates any other health related complaints. The general public is eligible. There are sliding scale fees according to service.

Family Planning- Assists White County residents in planning their families; provides contraceptive supplies; provides counseling and referral for infertility problems or problem pregnancies as requested; provides health education and physical examinations. The general public is eligible for this program. Fees are on a sliding scale and vary according to income and family size. No one is declined services due to the inability to pay.

Immunization Program- Insures that contagious diseases are eliminated and reduced in the population. Immunizations are given according to need. At present, immunizations for ten different diseases are required for school entrance. General public is eligible for this program. Not refused if unable to pay. Immunizations for hepatitis exposure, tetanus exposure, and overseas travel are available.

Primary Care Clinic Treatment for sick children and adults. **W.I.C.** - Provides coupons for nutritional foods that are redeemable at a grocery store. W.I.C. is extra food and will not cut down on food stamps or keep toddlers out of a day care meal program. Those eligible are pregnant women, postpartum for nursing mothers

(one year), children under five years of age who are income eligible. These women and children are eligible if they have been diagnosed to be nutritional risks, have growth problems, are anemic. There are no fees.

Other services provided are: Children's medical services, diabetes screening, emergency medical unit, teen program, health education promotion, hearing-vision-dental screening, home health care maternal health care, primary care, sexually transmitted diseases, SHAPP (stroke, heart attack prevention), sickle cell testing, TB testing and vital records.

WHITE COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH

CONTACT: Janet McCallister

TELEPHONE: (706)865-7886

ADDRESS: Ga. Mtns. Comm. Services
1241 Helen Hwy Suite 180
Cleveland, GA 30528

SERVICES: Provides counseling for the mentally and emotionally disturbed with trained professionals. Offers a program for alcoholics and for drug abusers. Also offers therapeutic activity groups.

FEES: Based on income and family size

HOURS: Monday - Friday 8:00- 5:00, Tue 8:00 - 7:00

WHITE COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

CONTACT: Glenda Hunt

TELEPHONE: (706)865-5572

ADDRESS: 60 Bill St.
P.O. Box 657
Cleveland, Ga. 30528

SERVICES: Provides book, film and slide lending; offers reading

material in the library; provides summer showing of educational and entertainment films for children; offers services to exceptional children twice monthly during school year; conducts children's story hour twice weekly; makes films, audio-visual equipment and talking books available; feature films are shown on request for the public free of charge.

HOURS: 9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. Monday
9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Tuesday – Friday
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Saturday
10:00 a.m. Thursday – Story Hour

WHITE COUNTY YMCA

CONTACT: Deena Cowart

TELEPHONE: (706)865-5275
(706)865-2756

ADDRESS: 327 Asbestos Rd.
Cleveland, Ga. 30528

SERVICES: Basketball, baseball, softball, soccer, instructional programs, and special community activities.

FEES: Vary according to services. Usually a small registration fee is charged for team sports and instructional classes.

HOURS: Office Hours
8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Monday – Friday
Park hours
9:00 am – Dark Monday – Sunday

WHITE COUNTY SENIOR CENTER

CONTACT: Bonnie York

TELEPHONE: (706)865-4097

ADDRESS: 1239 Helen Hwy.

Cleveland, Ga. 30528

LOCATION: Senior Center

SERVICES: Planning and implementing a comprehensive program to reduce social isolation and prevent premature institutionalization of the 60 years and older population in the Georgia Mountain area. Services include nutrition (hot meals), outreach legal service, nutrition education, health education, consumer education, senior citizens community service projects, information, referrals, counseling and transportation.

RESOURCE DIRECTORY TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Able Disabled, Augusta	(770) 738-2375
Aid Atlanta, Atlanta	(404) 872-0600
Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorder, Atlanta	(404) 451-1300
American Cancer Society, Atlanta	(404) 892-0026
American Diabetes Association of Georgia, Atlanta	(404) 454-8401
American Lung Association, Smyrna	(404) 355-0182
American Heart Association, Atlanta	(404) 952-1316
Arthritis Foundation, Atlanta	(404) 873-3240
Association of Retarded Citizens, College Park	(404) 761-3150
Child Support Recovery Unit, Gainesville	(770) 535-5735
Council for Children, Inc., Atlanta	(404) 588-1160
Council for Exceptional Children, Valdosta	(912) 333-5935
Council on Rehabilitation Educators, Athens	(706) 542-2597
Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, Atlanta	(404) 325-6973
Easter Seal Society, Atlanta	(404) 633-9609
Emory University Switchboard, Atlanta	(404) 727-6123
Family Planning & Counseling Service, Atlanta	(404) 894-7516
Friends of Independent Living, Atlanta	(404) 656-2952
Georgia Association for Children and Adults with Learning Disabilities of Atlanta	(404) 329-1616
Georgia Association of the Deaf, Jonesboro	(404) 477-9345
Georgia Association of Independent Living, Atlanta	(404) 894-5602
Georgia Association of Paraplegics, Inc., Norcross	(770) 972-6788
Georgia Association of Rehab Facilities, Ellijay	(706) 276-4722
Georgia Association of Rehab Services, Gracewood	(706) 798-2671
Disabilities Ministries, Atlanta	
Georgia Co-op for the Blind, Norcross	(770) 681-1634
Georgia Council of the Blind, Atlanta	(404) 746-1994
Georgia Easter Seal Society Inc., Atlanta	(404) 351-6551
Georgia Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf, Atlanta	(404) 299-9500
Georgia Heart Association, Atlanta	(404) 261-2262
Georgia Rehabilitation Administration Association, Warm Springs	(912) 655-2808
Georgia Rehabilitation Association, Rome	(706) 295-6400
Georgia Rehabilitation Counselors Association, Dalton	(706) 272-2302
Georgia Society to Prevent Blindness Inc., Atlanta	(404) 355-0182
Goodwill Industries, Columbus	(912) 324-4366
Governor's Council on Developmental Disabilities, Atlanta	(404) 894-5790

Helen Keller Foundation, Atlanta	(404) 766-9625
Hemophilia of Georgia Inc., Atlanta	(404) 256-1212
Huntington's Disease of America, Decatur	(404) 469-6525
Job Placement Division (JPD), Atlanta	(404) 222-5638
Justice Center of Atlanta Inc., Atlanta	(404) 523-8236
Juvenile Diabetes Foundation, Atlanta	(404) 239-2121
Lighthouse for the Blind (Lions Club), Atlanta	(404) 325-3603
Lupus Erythematosus Foundation, Atlanta	(404) 432-9675
March of Dimes Atlanta Chapter, Atlanta	(404) 328-9800
Mental Health Association of Georgia, Decatur	(404) 634-2850
Mental Retardation Center Director's Association, Montezuma	(912) 472-7697
Muscular Dystrophy Association, Atlanta	(404) 621-9800
National Alliance for Mentally Ill, Atlanta	(404) 451-0954
Northeast Georgia Speech Center, Gainesville	(770) 534-5141
National Head Injury Foundation, Atlanta	(404) 727-5588
National Kidney Foundation of Georgia, Atlanta	(404) 872-7540
National Multiple Sclerosis Society, Atlanta	(404) 874-9797
National Society for Children and Adults with Autism, Atlanta	(404) 451-0954
Opportunities Unlimited, Greenville, Ga.	(706) 647-4203
Parent to Parent of Ga. Inc., Atlanta	(404) 636-1449
Post-Polio Syndrome, Atlanta	(404) 894-6737
Rehabilitation of Blind and Visually Impaired, Columbus	(912) 571-7415
Retarded Citizens, Atlanta	(404) 321-0877
Self Help for the Hard of Hearing, Alpharetta	(770) 998-9008
Sickle Cell Foundation of Georgia Inc., Atlanta	(404) 755-1641
South Cherokee Speech & Language Program	(770) 926-5522
Speech & Language Pathology Services	(770) 778-9608
Spina Bifida Association of Atlanta Inc., Lilburn	(770) 972-2885
Sudden Infant Death Syndrome, Sandy Springs	(404) 843-1030
The Association for the Severely Handicapped, Athens	(706) 542-8970
The Handicapped, Bloomingdale	(404) 748-7360
Tourette Syndrome Association of Georgia, Snellville	(770) 979-7009
United Cerebral Palsy of Greater Atlanta, Atlanta	(404) 320-6880
United Way, Atlanta	(404) 527-7370

Vocational Evaluation Work Adjustment Association
(VEWAA), Lawrenceville

(770) 963-2879

TOLL FREE NUMBERS

ADOPTION

800-TO-ADOPT - National Adoption Center

AIDS

800-227-8922 - National Sexually Transmitted Diseases Hotline

800-342-AIDS - Public Health Service AIDS Hotline

ALCOHOLISM

800-662-HELP - National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Information

BLINDNESS/VISION

Web Site: www.napvi.org

800-424-8666 - American Council for the Blind

800-AFBLIND - American Foundation for the Blind

800-638-7518 - Job Opportunities for the Blind

800-248-6701 - Library for the Blind & Physically Handicapped

800-562-6265 - National Association for Parents of children who are visually impaired

800-222-Eyes - National Eye Care Project Hotline

800-424-8567 - National Library Service for the Blind and the Physically Handicapped

BURN VICTIMS

800-237-5055 - International Shriners Headquarters

CANCER

800-525-3777 - AMC Cancer Information Line

800-4-CANCER - National Cancer Institute Information Service

CAREER COUNSELING

800-848-4815 - ERIC Clearinghouse on Adult Career and Vocational Education

800-54-HEATH - Higher Education and Adult Training of People with Handicaps

800-526-7234 - Job Accommodation Network (JAN)

800-638-7518 - Job Opportunities for the Blind (JOB)

800-NETWORK - National Committee for Citizens in Education

CEREBRAL PALSY

800-USA-1UCP - United Cerebral Palsy Associations, Inc.

800-872-5827 - UCPA Affiliate Relations Division

800-USA-5UCP - UCPA Community Service Division

CHILD ABUSE

800-422-4453 - Child Help National Hotline (sexual abuse victims and family)

800-421-0353 - Parent Anonymous Hotline

800-535-3208 - Parent Anonymous Hotline

CLEFT PALATE

800-24-CLEFT - American Cleft Palate Educational Foundation

919-933-9044

CLEFTLINE

800-638-8255 - American Speech-Language-Hearing Association

800-221-2483 - National Center for Stuttering

CONSUMER

800-528-2121 - Report Lost or Stolen Credit Cards

DEAFNESS HEARING IMPAIRMENTS

800-237-6213 - Captioned Films for the Deaf

800-522-4582 - John Tracy Clinic on Deafness

800-521-5247 - International Hearing Aid Society

800-222-EARS - Occupational Hearing Service

DIABETES

800-223-1138 - Juvenile Diabetes Foundation Hotline

DISEASES

800-621-0379 – Alzheimer’s disease and Related Disorders
800-543-3131 - American Leprosy Missions
800-345-4372 - Huntington's Disease Society of America
800-558-0121 - Lupus Foundation of America
800-421-8453 - National Association for Sickle Cell Disease Inc.
800-327-4545 - National Parkinson Foundation

DOWN SYNDROME

800-232-NDSC - National Down Syndrome Congress
800-221-4602 - National Down Syndrome Society

DRUG INFORMATION

800-662-HELP - National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Information

EDUCATION

800- NETWORK - National Committee for Citizens in Education

EMPLOYMENT

800-526-7234 - Job Accommodation Network (JAN)

EQUIPMENT

800-833-3232 - AT&T National Special Needs Center

EPILEPSY

800-EFA-1000 - Epilepsy Foundation of America

FINANCIAL AID

800-638-0742 - Federal Hill-Burton Free Care Program
800-333-INFO - Financial Aid for Education Available from the Federal Government
800-638-6833 - Health Care Financing Administration

GROWTH DISORDERS

800-451-6434 - Human Growth Foundation
800-922-9234 - National Head Injury Foundation

HEALTH INFORMATION

800-336-4797 - National Health Information Center

HOUSING

800-424-8590 - Housing Discrimination Hotline

IMMUNOLOGY

800-222-5864 - National Jewish Center for Immunology and Respiratory Medicine

KIDNEY DISORDERS

800-638-8299 - American Kidney Foundation

800-633-2339 - Kidney Foundation

LEARNING DISABILITIES (DYSLEXIA)

800-225-5750 - Educators Publishing Service Inc.

Specific Language Disabilities (Dyslexia)

800-222-3123 - Horton Dyslexia Society

MAINSTREAMING INTO THE COMMUNITY

800-248-ABLE - National Organization on Disability

MEDIA

800-321-8708 - Handicapped Media Inc. H.M.I.

800-772-7372 - Information Center for Special Education- media and materials and
Convenience care

MEDICAL DEVICES

800-638-6725 - Practitioners' Reporting System

System to report medical, prescription, veterinarian errors.

MENTAL RETARDATION

800-424-3688 - American Association on Mental Retardation

800-433-5255 - Association for Retarded Citizens of the United States (ARC)

MISSING CHILDREN

800-843-5678 - National Center for Missing and Exploited Children

NEUROLOGICAL IMPAIRMENT/PARALYSIS

800-526-3456 - American Paralysis Association/Spinal Cord Injury Hotline

800-843-2256 - National Headache Foundation

NUTRITION

800-421-0323 - Agriculture Commission

800-282-5852 - Agriculture Consumer Service Program

800-523-6633 - Beech-nut Nutrition Hotline

800-443-7237 - Gerber Products Co.

ORGAN DONORS

800-528-2971 - The Living Bank

ORTHOPEDIC PROBLEMS

800-237-5055 - International Shriners' Headquarters

PESTICIDES

800-858-7378 - Pesticides Information

POISON CONTROL CENTER

800-282-5846 - Poison Control Center

PUBLIC SERVICE

800-282-5831 - Public Service Commission

RARE DISORDERS

800-223-8355 - Cornelia DeLange Syndrome Foundation

800-456-3505 - National Information Center for Orphan Drugs and Rare Diseases

800-447-NORD - National Organization for Rare Disorders (NORD)

800-233-7393 - National Reye's Syndrome Foundation

800-CAL-NTSA - National Tuberous Sclerosis Association

RESPIRATORY DISEASE

800-222-LUNG - National Jewish Center for Immunology and
Respiratory Medicine Lung Line

SPINA BIFIDA

800-621-3141 - Spina Bifida Hotline

SUDDEN INFANT DEATH SYNDROME (SIDS)

800-221-SIDS - National Sudden Infant Death Syndrome Foundation

NATIONAL RUNAWAY SWITCHBOARD

800-621-4000 - National Runaway Switchboard

TOYS

800-638-2772 - Consumer Product Safety Commission

TRAUMA

800-556-7890 - American Trauma Society

VETERANS

800-282-0232 - Veteran's Benefits Hotline

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The following services are provided by the agency pending availability of funds. Target population includes, families with young children, elderly and or disabled. All individuals must meet the income eligibility guidelines as set forth by the funding source (125% to 200% of poverty).

CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES

- Assessment, counseling services and family enrichment services
- Development of individualized case plans
- Enrollment in special community projects
- Coordination of clothing, furniture or other personal care items

EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

- Job coaching/referral/placement
- Assistance with obtaining child support and other resource benefits, i.e.; child care

BUDGET COUNSELING & DEVELOPMENT

- Counseling/Referral to credit counseling services
- Money management training and budget counseling

HOUSING ASSISTANCE

- Homeless Prevention and Re-location assistance
- Weatherization Services for the Home
- Installation of smoke and carbon monoxide detectors (Weatherization)

HEALTH

- Assessment/Referral to proper resources for timely immunizations
- Dissemination of information regarding health information and resources
- Coordination of health awareness and promotion activities (Health Fairs)
- Purchase of prescription medicine
- Assistance for free/reduced rate prescription medicine (non-insured)

NUTRITION ASSISTANCE

- Provision of food assistance and other special feeding initiatives
- Application assistance for SNAP benefits

ENERGY ASSISTANCE

- Arranging for payment for past due utility
- Referral for other energy related services

- SCANA Regulated Referral to establish utility service
- Low-income Home Energy Assistance Program (opens to 65+ and homebound in November, general public December)

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