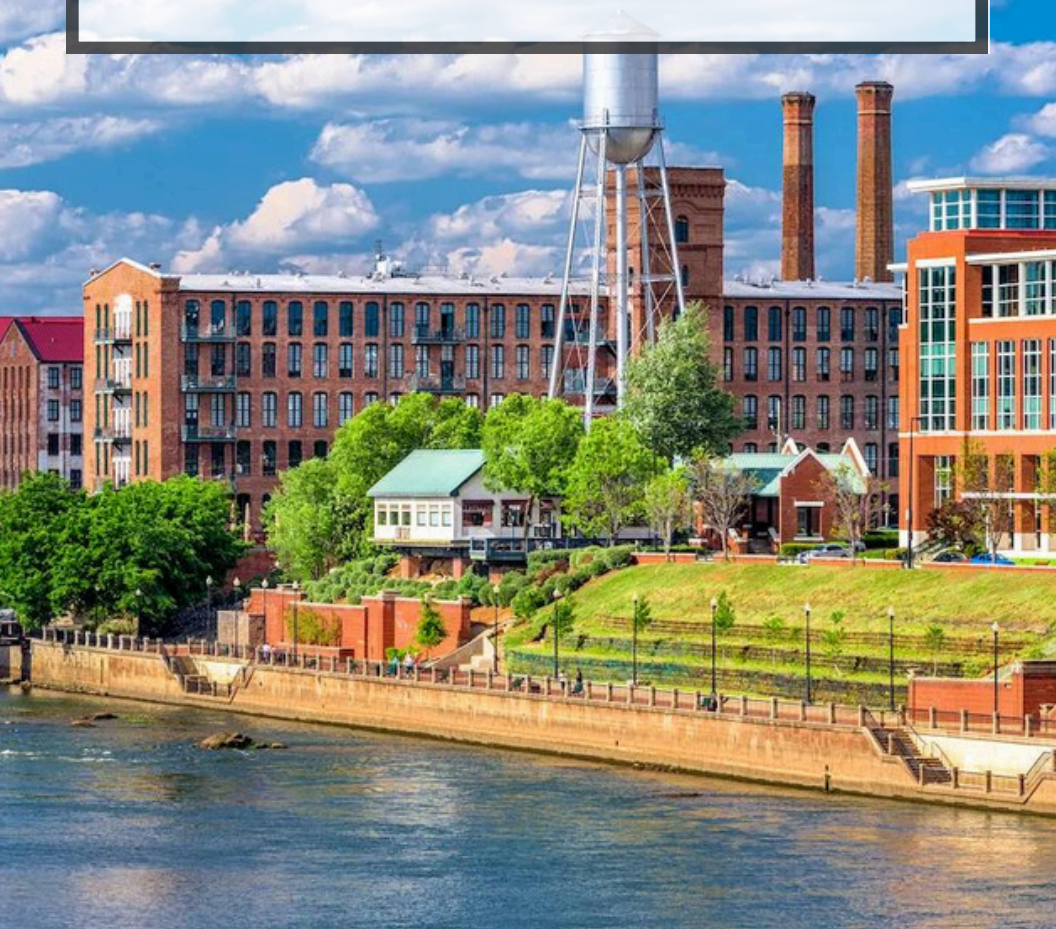


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Women and Children Shelters

Open Door Community House: Welcome Home

706-323-5518

2405 2nd Avenue

Columbus, GA 31901

To be referred, contact 211

- Rapid Rehousing Program
- Helps each woman reduce the barriers to permanent housing

Open Door Community House: Virginia D. Jackson Home for Women

706-323-5518

2405 2nd Avenue

Columbus, GA 31901

To be referred, contact 211

- Transitional Housing Program
- Up to 12 month stay
- Helps each woman reduce the barriers to permanent housing
- Counseling provided

Safehouse Ministries: Grace House for Women

2101 Hamilton Rd.

Columbus, GA 31904

706-322-3773

To be referred, contact 211

- Helps each woman reduce the barriers to permanent housing
- Rapid Rehousing Program
- For admission, contact 211



Men's Shelter

Valley Rescue Mission: Transitional Living Program
2903 2nd Avenue
Columbus, GA 31904
706-604-6018 or 706-322-8267

- Computer lab
- Employment Services
- Meals provided

SafeHouse Ministries: Freedom House for Men
2101 Hamilton Rd.
Columbus, GA 31904
706-322-3773
Call 211 for referral

- Employment support
- Case Management
- Meals provided

Family Shelter

Trinity House for Families
2101 Hamilton Rd.
Columbus, GA 31904
(706) 322-3773

- Employment support
- Case Management
- Meals provided



Specialized Housing Services

Housing Opportunities for Persons Living With HIV or AIDS

2221 2nd Ave

Columbus, GA 31902

678-783-4337

- Case Management
- Crisis Management
- Rent, mortgage, utilities and deposit assistance

Safe House Ministries: Shelter Plus Care Program

2101 Hamilton Rd

Columbus, GA 31904

706-322-3773

211 for referral

- Semi-independent living program
- Residents are assisted with achieving sobriety and employment

Home for Good: PATH Program

1100 First Ave.

Columbus, GA 31901

(706) 530-5569

PATH staff may provide PATH-eligible clients with the following services:

- Outreach
- Screening and diagnostic treatment
- Habilitation and rehabilitation
- Community mental health
- Substance use disorders treatment
- Referrals for primary health care, job training, educational services, and housing
- Housing services as specified in Section 522(b)(10) of the Public Health Service Act
- PATH Team Contact: 706-530-5569



Specialized Housing Services

House of Time
1200 Wynnton Rd.
Columbus, GA 31906
(706) 327-6836

Transitional Housing for Homeless Women and Children

- Up to 24 months in duration, offering each resident the opportunity to address issues such as addiction, sexual, physical and emotional abuse, lack of education and poor health care, while teaching life skills needed for independent living.

Permanent Housing for Homeless Women and Children

- Homeless to a Home works to provide women with a safe, permanent home to help them become functional members of society. Homeless to a Home with Children allows women to bring their children with them as they work toward restoring their life.

Abel Ministries
1721 13th Avenue
(706) 662-4452
Email: help@abelministries.com

- Employment support
- Must pay rent
- Accepts those who are recently released from prison and with substance use disorders

Family House of West Georgia (formerly Ronald McDonald House)
1959 Hamilton Road
Columbus, GA 31904
Phone (706) 321-0033

- Daily meals and lodging provided for families with a child receiving medical treatment at an area hospital



Rental Assistance/ Utility

St. Anne's Catholic Charities
1720 13th Avenue
Columbus, GA 31907
706-568-1592

- Must have an eviction notice
- Lived there for a minimum of 3 months
- Have a legal lease
- Reside in Muscogee, Lee or Russell Counties
- Assistance is limited to one month's rent

Chattahoochee Valley Episcopal Ministry
5001 12th Avenue
Columbus, GA 31906
706-327-0400

- Provides financial assistance for housing and medical expenses
- Obtaining basic household furnishings and goods
- Helping to maintain essential transportation

Wynnton Neighborhood Network
2100 Hilton Ave
Columbus, GA 31906
706-327-0838

- Provides utility assistance, addresses the last \$100 of the outstanding amount
- Call to complete application and have account number ready
- Can not assist with pre-pay accounts or if service has already been disconnected

**For a list of other agencies assisting with RENT you can:
Dial 211 or text your zip code to 898-211**



Food Services

Website for additional food resources: Foodfinder.us

Valley Rescue Mission: Loaves and Fishes Program
2903 2nd Avenue
Columbus, GA 31904
706-322-8267

- Must have picture ID Meal served daily at 3pm (Doors open at 2:45p) Devotional provided

Valley Rescue Mission: Family Services
2903 2nd Avenue
Columbus, GA 31904
706-322-8267

- Must have DFACS referral
- Picture ID
- Provides food, clothing, furniture, limited utility assistance and more

Love and Kindness Community Resource Center
1721 13th Avenue
Columbus, GA 31901
706-610-0692
Please call to confirm schedule

- Clothing Closet
- Community event every First and Fourth Monday 630p-8p: Meals are provided and games, music and fellowship



Food Services

Website for additional food resources: Foodfinder.us

St. Anne Catholic Church
2000 Kay Circle
Columbus, GA 31907
706-561-8678

- Must be residents of Muscogee County
- Groceries distributed on Tuesdays and Thursdays during the day (by appointment only)
- Groceries distributed the 2nd Wednesday of the month in the evenings
- Ensure nutritional supplement available to those with demonstrated medical needed.

Columbus Dream Center
4114 Oates Avenue
Columbus, GA 31904
706-604-0332

- Meals provided the 3rd Saturday of the month from 11a-1p
- Clothing, hair care, hygiene products are also provided
- Life skill groups

Brown Bag of Columbus
1342 17th St.
Columbus, GA 31901
706-596-8581

- Food provided to seniors 3 days a month from 9am-11am, dates change monthly. Call number for schedule and to register
- Food delivery also available, Call to register!



Food Services

Website for additional food resources: Foodfinder.us

Holy Transfiguration Greek Orthodox Church
4612 Gilbert Avenue
Columbus, GA 31904

- Must be residents of Muscogee County
- Food assistance provided on the 2nd Saturday each month

Benning Hills Ministries
8 Esquiline Drive
Columbus, GA 31903
(706) 689-7660

- Must be residents of Muscogee County
- Food assistance provided on the 2nd Saturday each month

Safehouse Ministries
2101 Hamilton Rd.
Columbus, GA 31904
(706) 322-3773

- Serves breakfast at 8 am and lunch at 1130am 7 days a week
- Clothing closet on Wednesdays

Feeding the Valley
6744 Flat Rock Rd.
Midland, GA 31820
706-561-4755

- Partner agency food distribution program
- Mobile pantry
- Senior meals
- Mobile market farmers truck
- Food as medicine program



Food Services

Website for additional food resources: Foodfinder.us

WIC Program

5601 Veterans Pkwy

Columbus, GA 31904

<https://dph.georgia.gov/WIC>

- WIC provides breastfeeding resources and one-on-one support while you learn and grow with your baby.
- WIC nutritionists and registered dietitians can help identify your children's health needs and connect you to the right resources for your family.
- The WIC program provides monthly food benefits
- You can use your WIC benefits at local farmers' markets in the summer months



Medical Services

Mercy Med
3702 2nd Avenue
Columbus, GA 31904
706-507-9209

- Medical services for Adults and Children
- Prescription assistance
- Health education and disease management classes
- Mental health counseling

West Central Health District
2100 Comer Ave
Columbus, GA 31904
833-337-1749

- Medical services for Adults and Childrens
- HIV testing, Covid services
- Dental Health clinic
- School health services
- Birth certificates and immunizations
- Cooking classes
- Car seat safety
- Sexual wellness program for Pre-Adolescents

Tree of Life Healthcare
808 21st Street
Columbus, GA 31904
706-225-0355
Monday – Thursdays 8am-4pm (closed Fridays)

- Medical services for Adults and Children
- Medical and Eye clinic



Medical Services

New Horizons Behavioral Health

2100 Comer Ave

Columbus, GA 31904

706-596-5500

- Free HIV and Hepatitis C testing
- Provides comprehensive services; contact for more information

Piedmont Columbus Community Health Center

1800 10th Avenue

Columbus, GA 31901

706-321-3710

Monday – Friday 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM

- The Piedmont Columbus Regional Community Health Center specializes in general family medicine focusing on patients from 18–64 years of age. In order to be seen at the Piedmont Columbus Regional Community Health Center, you must go through financial screening:
- Must show proof of residency in Muscogee County for at least three (3) months
- Must have a Georgia identification card.
- Must have an employment agency wage statement.
- For financial screening eligibility, please call 706-321-6690. Once approved, patients will receive free office visits, free medications, free lab work and appointments for eye screening through West Georgia Eye Care.



Medical Services

River City Harm Reduction Organization
2019 7th Ave.
Columbus, GA 31904
470-670-6309

- Provides HIV/HCV prevention supplies and rapid HIV/HCV testing Referrals for counseling and treatment programs MAT (medication assisted treatment) via telehealth, overdose prevention education Free Naloxone, free Plan B birth control, free health screenings, and referrals for wellness care

Healthy Start- Georgia Strong Families Program
5601 Veterans Pkwy
Columbus, GA 31907
(706) 321-6322

Georgia Strong Families provides moms, newborns, and families with the resources, support, and help they need to have a healthy pregnancy and birth.

- Offers home visitation services and prenatal group sessions
- Serves pregnant women, families & caregivers of children age birth up to 18 months in Muscogee County
- Also provides childbirth education classes, health education, fatherhood services, and access to doula services.



Medical Services

Children's Medical Services

5601 Veterans Pkwy

Columbus, GA 31904

(706) 327-0644

- Supports improved health and wellness for children and youth with special health care needs from birth to 21 years of age
- Provides early and continuous screening for children with special health care needs
- Connects children and youth to a medical home and adequate health insurance
- Help families manage their appointments and follow-up treatments with health care providers and vendors
- Supports adolescents moving from pediatric to adult health care



Medical Services

Valley Healthcare System, Inc.
1600 Fort Benning Rd.
Columbus, GA 31903
(706) 322-9599

Valley Healthcare System provides high-quality, accessible healthcare to everyone—insured or uninsured, from infants to adults. Our wide range of services includes medical, dental, vision, behavioral health, pharmacy, pediatrics, women's health, outreach, and lab testing to support the well-being of the Chattahoochee Valley and surrounding communities.

Medical Services

- Family Practice & Preventative Healthcare
- Annual & Work Physicals
- Chronic Disease Management (Diabetes, Hypertension)
- STD Testing & Treatment
- Prostate Exams & Family Planning
- Youth & adult Immunizations & Chronic Care Management

Dental Services

- Comprehensive Exams, X-rays & Cleanings
- Fillings, Crowns & Bridges
- Extractions, Partials & Dentures
- Preventative Care with Sealants

Mobile Dental Unit

- Exams, Cleanings & Sealants
- Simple Restorations & X-rays
- Teledentistry & Referral Services



Medical Services

Valley Healthcare System, Inc. (cont.)

1600 Fort Benning Rd.

Columbus, GA 31903

(706) 322-9599

Vision Services

- Comprehensive & Pediatric Eye Exams
- Diabetic Eye Exams & Glaucoma Screenings
- Contact Lenses & Glasses

Behavioral Health Services

- Individual, Couples & Family Therapy
- School Crisis Evaluations
- Telepsychiatry for Remote Care

Pharmacy Services

- Discounted Prescriptions & Medication Counseling
- Patient Assistance Medication Programs
- Amerigroup Insurance Prescription Support
- Convenient Direct Mail & Home Delivery
- * (Patient Assistance Medication (refills must be ordered 30 days in advance.)

Pediatric Services

- Well-Child & School Exams
- Hearing & Vision Screenings
- Infant, Child & Adolescent Healthcare
- Immunizations & Dental Screenings
- Sports Physicals

Lab Services

- Diagnostic Testing & Screenings
- Fast & Reliable Test Results



Medical Services

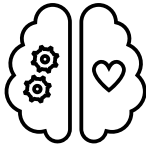
Valley Healthcare System, Inc. (cont.)
1600 Fort Benning Rd.
Columbus, GA 31903
(706) 322-9599

Women's Health Services

- Annual GYN Exams & Pap Smears
- STD Testing & Treatment
- Breast Exams & Mammogram Certificates
- Family Planning & Contraceptive Counseling
- (Includes IUD, Nexplanon & STD Screenings)
- Gynecological Care (Menopause, Endometriosis, Abnormal Pap Smears)
- Non-Invasive Genetic Screening for Breast, Ovarian & Uterine Cancer

Outreach Services

- Translation & Transportation Assistance
- Medicaid & Food Stamp Renewal Support
- Children's Medicaid Applications
- Financial Eligibility Screenings
- Food & Clothing Assistance



Mental Health Services

24/7 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline= 988

Contact the **Georgia Crisis and Access Line** for immediate access to ROUTINE or CRISIS service, available 24/7
1-800-715-4225

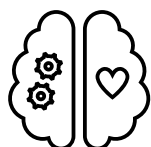
Pastoral Institute
2022 15th Avenue
Columbus, GA 31901
706-649-6500

Telehealth
available

- Mental health services for Adults and Children
- Employee Assistance Program
- Modalities utilized: CBT, DBT, Group and Family therapy, EMDR, Psychological testing and Pastoral counseling
- Accepts most common private insurance, Medicare and sliding scale fee options available

New Horizons Behavioral Health
2100 Comer Avenue
Columbus, GA 31904
706-596-5500

- Mental health services for Adults and Children
- Substance Use treatment and Residential program
- Case Management
- Day program
- School Based Mental health services
- SSI Assistance



Mental Health Services

Ellie Mental Health
2301 Brookstone Centre Ste. 200
Columbus, GA 31904
706-940-5677

- Individual, Couples, Family Therapy and Trauma Informed Care
- Medicaid, Tri-Care and private insurances accepted

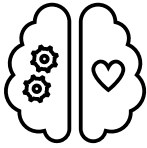
The Bradley Center of St. Francis- Emory Healthcare
2000 16th Ave
Columbus, GA 31901
706-320-3753

- Provides diagnostic and short-term crisis mental health services
- Geriatric services
- 24/7 walk-in crisis intake
- Accepts Medicaid/Medicare, private insurance and sliding scale fee options available

Teen Challenge Southeast Region
15 West 10th St.
Columbus, GA 31901
706-596-8731

Intake Hours:
Mon-Fri 9:30am to 5pm

- Provides outpatient counseling for Adults, and youth (boys 12-17 years old and girls 13 to 17 years old)
- For intake, please provide: SS card, application form, picture ID and medical/psych records



Mental Health Services

Georgia Hope
3228 University Ave Suite 108
Columbus, GA 31907
762-261-0162

Clients served:

- Adults, adolescents, or children ages 4 and up with mental health, behavioral health, or substance use concern

Services provided:

- Mental Health Assessment
- Substance Abuse Assessment
- Individual & Family Counseling
- Group Counseling
- Psychiatric and Nurse Services*
- Medication Evaluation & Management*
- Case Management
- Skill Building/CSI
- Resource Linkage
- Parent Skills Training

Insurance Accepted:

- Amerigroup
- PeachState
- CareSource
- Georgia Medicaid*
- No Insurance* (Discounted self-pay rates available)



Substance Misuse Services

Contact the **Georgia Crisis and Access Line** for immediate access to
ROUTINE or CRISIS service, available 24/7

1-800-715-4225

Valley Rescue Mission

2903 2nd Avenue

Columbus, GA 31904

(706) 322-8267 or 706-507-6306

- 9-12 month residential program
- Biweekly case management

New Horizons Behavioral Health

2100 Comer Avenue

Columbus, GA 31904

706-596-5500

- Day program
- Residential Program
- Women's Treatment and Recovery Services –(for pregnant women seeking substance use treatment)
- Medication-Assisted Treatment (Opioid Use Disorder)

New Horizons Behavioral Health: Clubhouse (Ages 12-18 yo)

2100 Comer Avenue

Columbus, GA 31904

706-596-5500

- Intensive Outpatient program
- 5-7 days a week



Substance Misuse Services

SafeHouse Ministries- Tomorrow's Hope
2101 Hamilton Rd.
Columbus, GA 31904
706-322-3773

- 9–12-month, intensive outpatient (IOP)
- 12-step meetings

River City Harm Reduction Organization
2019 7th Ave.
Columbus, GA 31904
(470) 670-6309

- Provides HIV/HCV prevention supplies and rapid HIV/HCV testing
- Referrals for counseling and treatment programs
- MAT (medication assisted treatment) via telehealth, overdose prevention education
- Free Naloxone, free Plan B birth control, free health screenings, and referrals for wellness care



Intimate Partner Violence

Local CRISIS Line, available 24/7
706-324-3850

Hope Harbour
info@hopeharbour.org
706-324-3850

For Legal Advocacy:

GA residents contact 706-225-3519

AL residents contact 706-987-3755
or visit the 4th floor of the Russell
County Judicial Center

- Emergency Shelter
- 24-hour Crisis Line
- Child Advocacy
- Case Management
- Support Groups for Adults and Children
- Legal Advocacy (assistance with filing Temporary Protective Orders)
- Outreach Programs (for those in need of services but not shelter)
- Education and Prevention

The Center at 909
909 Talbotton Rd. Suite A
Columbus, GA 31904
706-571-6010 Crisis Line for Sexual Assault support

- Counseling referral and Group support
- Legal advocacy
- Medical services



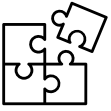
Legal Services

**Georgia Legal Services Program
Columbus Regional Office
233 12th St., Suite. 910
Columbus, GA 31901**

**Apply for Assistance:
Online: www.glsps.org
Phone: (833) 457-7529**

**Intake 9:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday
(762) 266-0132**

- Civil (non-criminal) legal services for low-income residents and those 60 years or older regardless of income;
- Must reside in Georgia or legal matter must be in Georgia;
- Eligibility based upon income and family size;
- Domestic Violence (including Family Violence Protective Orders);
- Unemployment Insurance Benefits;
- Housing (including public housing, Section 8, and HUD);
- Consumer Law (for seniors, survivors of domestic violence, and those with disabilities);
- School Discipline/Special Education IEP;
- Public Benefits (SNAP, Medicaid, Medicare and TANF);
- SSI Terminations and Overpayments;
- Wills for Homeowners (for terminally ill individuals and seniors who own their homes);
- Family Law Cases for survivors of family violence, seniors, and victims of crime who have disabilities;
- Advance Directives for Health Care, and Financial Powers of Attorney (for seniors and survivors of family violence).
- FOR RENTAL ASSISTANCE ONLY: 1-844-799-3278
- 9:00 A.M. AND 12:00 Noon on Monday or Wednesday (except holidays). We accept a limited number of calls, so intake for this assistance may end before noon depending on call volume.



Disability & Caregiver Support

Easter Seals

2515 Double Churches Rd.

Columbus, GA 31909

706-660-1144

- Adult Day Services
- Case Management services to achieve self-sufficiency
- Opportunities to join civic groups
- Therapeutic care for children ages 6 weeks to 5 years old
- Afterschool care for school-aged children (6 to 22 years old), social skills training, safety skills training and development of independent personal care
- Supported Employment Services

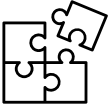
Access 2 Independence

2000 Hamilton Rd. Suite B

Columbus, GA 31904

706-405-2393

- Information and Referrals
- Peer Support
- Advocacy
- Independent Living skills training
- Transition Assistance (relocation from nursing home or other institution into your own community)
- Assistance finding and operating Assistive Technology
- Durable Medical Equipment Recycling
- Home Access Modification assistance



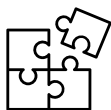
Disability & Caregiver Support

New Horizons Behavioral Health
2100 Comer Ave.
Columbus, GA 31904
706-596-5500

- Adult Day Services
- Vocational/Employment skills training
- Supported Employment services
- Community Residential Alternative services
- For those residing in own home or family home, support staff can provide assistance with grocery shopping, budgeting and other home and health maintenance activities
- Family Support program

Georgia Library Service for the Blind and Print disabled
Gls.georgialibraries.org
1-800-248-6701
Weekdays 8am-5pm EST

- Offers online and in person support (Atlanta, GA)
- Assistive Technology support
- Assistance with selecting books
- Peer support
- Book clubs
- Technology classes
- Bingo and poetry slams



Disability & Caregiver Support

Lillie's Healthcare

tholloway@lillieshealthcare.com

706-887-4700

- Home health services (assistance with dressing, bathing, light housekeeping, etc.)
- Skilled nursing services
- For adults and children with qualifying health conditions

Babies Can't Wait

5601 Veterans Pkwy

Columbus, GA 31904

(706)-327-0189

www.dph.georgia.gov/babies-cant-wait

Babies Can't Wait (BCW) is Georgia's early intervention program.

- It offers a variety of coordinated services for infants and toddlers with special needs, from birth to three years of age, and their families.
- BCW serves Georgia children from birth up to their third birthday, regardless of income, who meet one of the following criteria:
 - Have a diagnosed physical or mental condition that is known to result in a developmental delay, such as blindness, Down syndrome, autism, spina bifida, etc.
 - Have a diagnosed developmental delay confirmed by a qualified team of professionals.



Disability & Caregiver Support

METRA –Dial a Ride/ADA Paratransit

814 Linwood Blvd

Columbus, GA 31901

Monday – Friday, 8:00am – 4:30pm

706-225-4596

- METRA provides ADA Complementary Paratransit Service to eligible persons with disabilities who are, because of their disability, unable to board, ride or disembark from an accessible vehicle in METRA's regular bus service. Service is provided with special lift-equipped buses on a curb-to-curb, shared ride basis

Autism Hope Center

Telephone : 706-604-6333

Email: autismhopecenterLLP@gmail.com

- Support groups for Caregivers
- Social and Sensory Friendly activities
- Parent's night out and Teen Time

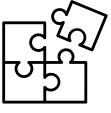
Hopebridge–Autism Therapy Centers

200 Brookstone Centre Pkwy Bldg 200

Columbus, GA 31904

762-239-0017

- Autism Testing and Diagnosis
- ABA Therapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Speech and Language Therapy
- Feeding and Swallowing Therapy
- Family Training



Disability & Caregiver Support

Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency- Columbus
233 12th St. Suite 402
Columbus, GA 31901
844-367-4872

- The Vocational Rehabilitation Program helps eligible individuals with physical and/or mental disabilities obtain and/or maintain employment in a competitive integrated work site.
- Week-long summer program

Careforth
866-797-2333
madkins@careforth
www.Careforth.com

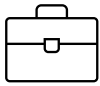
- Provides support and training to caregivers providing assistance to a disabled loved one Requirements include:
 - Caregivers must be at least 18 years old
 - Recipient must be eligible for the Elderly & Disabled Waiver
 - Caregiver and recipient must be related by blood, adoption, or marriage (but not a spouse) to the caregiver
 - Recipient must be living in the same home as the caregiver
 - Recipient must require help with some activities of daily living: bathing, eating, walking, toileting, dressing, transferring, etc.



Senior Services

**River Valley Regional Commission
Area Agency on Aging
710 Front Avenue, Suite A
Columbus, GA 31901
706-256-2910**

- Planned and supervised programs and services dedicated to improving the quality of life for older adults and people with disabilities
- Provides home and community-based Medicaid services to nursing home-eligible consumers to help them remain in their homes.
- Senior Centers
- Case Management
- Caregiver support
- Statewide Resource database
- State Health Insurance Assistance Program



Employment Services

Goodwill Southern Rivers
2601 Cross Country Drive, Building A
Columbus, GA 31907
866-325-8265

- Training Programs: Retail, CNA, Phlebotomy, Childhood Development Associate (CDA), Food Service, Hospitality, Custodial, Manufacturing, Maintenance , First Aid and more!
- Hiring Events
- Computer, copy and fax machines
- Resume skill building
- Tax preparation
- GED Prep

Better Work Columbus
betteropportunity.org/better-work-columbus

- Online local resource that provides coaching support and connects candidates to employers.
- Provides information on Local Events, Job Fairs and Trainings.
- Connections to nonprofit partners to help with urgent needs such as transportation and housing assistance.



Employment Services

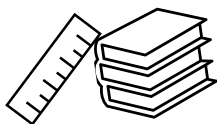
Work Source Lower Chattahoochee- One Stop Career Center
700 Veterans Parkway
Columbus, GA 31901
706-653-4529 (ask to speak with an intake specialist)
www.columbusga.gov/jtd/

- Career Counseling and Skill Level Assessments
- Exploration of Training/Educational Needs
- On-the-Job Training and Short-Term Employment
- Internship and Placement Services for Youth (ages 18-24)
- GED Referrals
- Tuition Assistance at Eligible Training Providers
- Remedial and Adult Literacy
- Resource room with the latest technological equipment
- Kiddie Korner designed to keep your child busy while you are being served. No attendant will be available to care for your child

How to qualify for WIOA services:

If you are unemployed, underemployed, or have been laid off due to plant closures, mass layoffs, or other effects of the changing economy, we maybe be able to assist you in obtaining desired employment.

If interested in WIOA services, start your process by registering with the Georgia Work Ready Portal at www.workreadyga.org or visit the One Stop Center at 700 Veterans Parkway.



Education Services

Afterschool Programs

The Salvation Army
706-561-9026

Weekdays 2:30pm -6:00pm

- Daily after school program (based on income eligibility)
- Computer lab
- Gym
- Homework assistance
- Transportation and snacks provided

Boys and Girls Club
706-596-9330

Locations:

North Columbus 1309 29th St

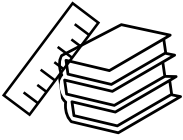
East Columbus 3835 Forrest Rd

Fox Elementary School 600 38th St

The Club Teen Center 200 Clover Ave

Woodruff (South) 3200 Cusseta Rd.

- Daily after school program
- Intake includes application, vital documents, parent orientation and \$65 fee per youth
- There is no charge for teens and site members
- Families can receive voucher from Amerigroup, Care Source, WellCare or Peach State
- Activities including swimming and weekly field trips
- Educational support
- Leadership development programs



Education Services

Afterschool Programs

Girls Inc.
706-683-0809
Weekdays 2:30pm - 5:30pm

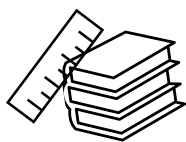
Locations:
Baker Center
3535 Levy Rd.
Columbus, GA 31903

Dorothy Hyatt Center
4637 Kolb Ave
Columbus, GA 31904

- Mentorship provided
- Transportation provided
- Open on teacher planning days and holiday breaks at no additional charge
- Fees based upon income
- Financial Aid available

Open Door Community House: Mathews Promise Academy
2405 2nd Avenue
Columbus, GA 31901
706-323-5518

- Daily after school program
- Based on income eligibility
- Reading development
- Arts and crafts
- Sports field trips
- Homework assistance/tutoring
- Transportation provided



Education Services

Literacy Support

Literacy Alliance

928 Manchester Expressway (Portal D)

Columbus, GA 31904

info@theliteracyalliance.org

706-223-0650

- Kindergarten Readiness program
- Mayor's Summer Reading Club
- Adult, family, and early literacy programs

GED Prep

Columbus Tech

706-649-1800

928 Manchester Expressway

Columbus, GA 31904

- Flexible scheduling
- Must be at least 16 yo and live in the six county Columbus tech service area
- ESL support provided

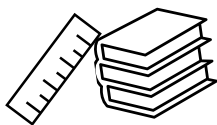
Bridge GED Program

2601 Cross Country Dr. Building B

Columbus, GA 31906

(706) 322-6433

- Must complete Intake assessment
- For anyone ages 18-30
- Partners with Goodwill to assist with job placement upon successful completion



Education Services

Youth and Adult Education and Programming

Enrichment Services

Locations:

Benning Hills Child Development Center

190 Munson Drive Columbus, GA 31903

(706)-223-3901

Edgewood Child Development Center

3835 Forrest Road Columbus, GA 31907

(762)-261-3111

Boxwood Child Development Center

1700 Boxwood Place Columbus, GA 31906

(706)-660-5381

Child Development Center

2701 11th Ave. Columbus, GA 31904

(706)-801-9428

Muscogee Child Development Center

3900 Baker Plaza Dr. Columbus, GA 31903

(706)-649-0780

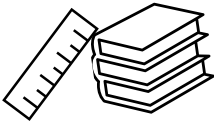
Columbus Tech Child Development Center

928 Manchester Expressway Columbus, GA 31904

(762)-261-3160

Early Childhood Program Features:

- Education
- Mental Health/Disabilities
- Health & Nutrition
- Parent Involvement
- Social Services
- Fatherhood & Male Involvement
- Community Partnerships



Education Services

Youth and Adult Education and Programming

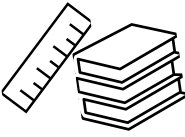
Enrichment Services cont.

Employment Training

- Intake includes application, vital documents, parent orientation and \$65 fee per youth
- There is no charge for teens and site members
- Families can receive voucher from Amerigroup, Care Source, WellCare or Peach State
- Activities including swimming and weekly field trips
- Educational support
- Leadership development programs

Family Strengthening

- **Early Childhood Education Services** – The Early Head Start and Head Start programs help children under the age of 5 develop school readiness skills
- **Stabilization Services** – Utility assistance, emergency services, food distribution and access to the community help individual families meet their basic needs



Education Services

Youth and Adult Mentorship

The Focus Program

616-308-2775

Columbus, GA

Males ages 10-17

- Activities including: Chess club, bike riding, movie nights
- Basketball skill development
- Mentorship
- Field Trips
- Reading and public speaking skills

Teen Advisors

706-322-6186

1316 Wildwood Ave

Columbus, GA 31906

- Teen advisor program for 9th – 12th graders
- Velocity program for 7th and 8th graders

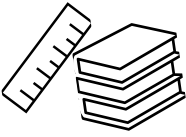
Circles of Columbus

706-323-5518

2405 2nd Avenue

Columbus, GA 3190

- Support for adults willing and ready to move out of poverty
- 18-week program to introduce tools and resources to begin the journey to self stability

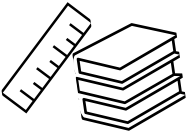


Education Services

Youth and Adult Mentorship

East Carver Heights Community Development Corporation
404-394-8521
Columbus, GA

- **Boxwood Soccer Club – Director, Greg Herring (678) 640-6969**
 - 678-640-6969 offers free recreational soccer teams for ages 5-14. Practices are at the Boxwood Recreation Center Fields, games are played at Columbus Youth Soccer. For registration go to eastcarverheights.org
- **Path to Shine – Director, Lisa Herring (404) 394-8521**
 - A one on one or two mentoring program. A trained, background checked mentor works with students in elementary school each week throughout the school year. Path to Shine – Columbus has field trips and guest speakers. Tuesdays 4:30-6pm at 800 32nd Ave.
- **Boxwood Friends and Neighbors Network – Director, LaShanda Porter (334) 801-8203**
 - A food security support group to receive supplemental food emphasizing healthy nutrition. Members join with a \$5 fee, then \$3 every other week. This money buys toiletries like toilet paper and dish soap. The members hear speakers each month and work together to unload, sort the food and take it home. Must be economically disadvantaged per GNAP and other government application forms.



Education Services

Youth and Adult Mentorship

Cure Violence

706-289-7499

**1600 Ft. Benning Rd.
Columbus, GA 31903**

- Community outreach and mentoring
- Public education and community mobilization
- Violence interruption and mediation
- Partnerships with local institutions

Beginning New Outreach

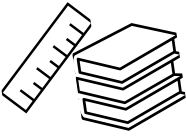
706-243-1126

**322 25th Avenue
Columbus, GA 31903**

Youth Leadership Program mentors in the following 4 program areas:

- Encouraging Abstinence
- Preventing Teen Drinking and Drug Use
- Preventing Bullying
- Career and College Readiness

Beginning New Outreach provides educational workshops, community service projects, and recreational activity sessions to ensure students have fun while learning information on topics that will help them succeed in life. Due to student's disadvantaged circumstances, BNO tries to provide food or snacks during sessions and activities, to ensure student's with food insecurity concerns are assisted.



Education Services

Youth and Adult Mentorship

Chattahoochee Valley Libraries

Locations:

Columbus Public Library

3000 Macon Rd
Columbus, Georgia 31906
Phone: 706-243-2669

Mildred L. Terry Public Library

640 Veterans Parkway
Columbus, Georgia 31901
Phone: 706-243-2782

North Columbus Public Library

5689 Armour Road
Columbus, Georgia 31909
Phone: 706-748-2855

South Columbus Public Library

2034 South Lumpkin Road
Columbus, Georgia 31903
Phone: 706-683-8805

Through reading and discovery, CVL engages the public with enriching resources, services, and events by:

- Satisfying curiosity and providing opportunities for lifelong learning and engagement for all through events, resources, and services.
- Championing digital equity, providing free access for participation in digital life.
- Impacting the community economically through personalized assistance contributing to workforce development, financial security, and overall well-being.



Clothing Services

Valley Rescue Mission Family Services Ministry
2903 2nd Avenue
Columbus, GA 31904
706-322-8267

- Must meet with Family Service Coordinator to determine eligibility
- Program provides clothing, household goods, furniture, limited utility assistance, and food
- Shelter for men and women and children. Adults must be able to work. Drug Addiction–9 month "in-residence" program for men and women.

Love and Kindness Community Resource Center
1721 13th Avenue
Columbus, GA 31901
706-610-0692

- Clothing, Food and Fellowship

Latavia's Closet
lataviasclosetofcussetaga@yahoo.com
See Facebook for more information

- Non-profit that provides clothing for Infant to Adults



Clothing Services

Warm-A-Heart

3645 Buena Vista Rd
Columbus, GA 31906
706-683-4477

Tuesday-Friday
9am-5pm

- Food Bank
- Clothing Bank
- Furniture and other household goods
- Seasonal support for elderly (fans and winter gear)

St. Anne's Catholic Church

2000 Kay Cir.
Columbus, GA 31907
706-561-8678

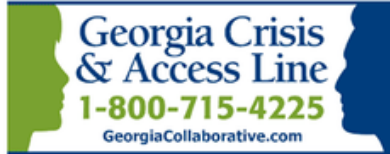
- General clothing, school uniforms and work clothing (must complete online form)

Mission Columbus
3679 Steam Mill Road
Columbus, GA 31906
706-507-4672

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday
from 9:00 am until 12:00 pm.
Also open on Tuesday from 1:30 pm
until 3:00 pm.

- Food and Clothing by appointment

A CRISIS HAS NO SCHEDULE



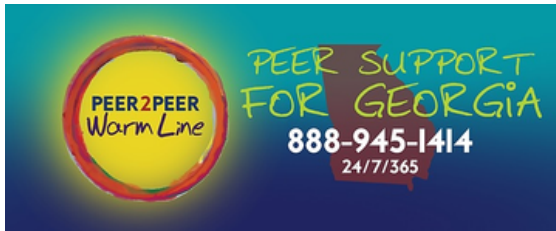
Help is available 24/7 for problems with developmental disabilities, mental health, drugs, or alcohol.

Provided through the Georgia Collaborative ASO

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SUICIDE
PREVENTION
LIFELINE
1-800-273-TALK (8255)
suicidepreventionlifeline.org

988 SUICIDE & CRISIS
LIFELINE

24/7 CALL, TEXT, CHAT



United Way of the
Chattahoochee Valley



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