

# **COMMUNITY RESOURCE HANDBOOK**

## **HART COUNTY EARLY HEAD START HEAD START/PRE-K**

**2017 -2018**

This Community Resource Handbook has been compiled to assist Hart County Head Start / Early Head Start / Pre-K families in accessing and utilizing community resources. This handbook is a guide to agencies listing contact persons, telephone numbers, location, services provided and eligibility information.

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### **AMBULANCE SERVICE**

**CONTACT:** Terrell Partain, Director

**TELEPHONE:** 706-376-3930

**WEBSITE:** [www.hartcountyga.gov](http://www.hartcountyga.gov)

**ADDRESS:** 800 Chandler Street  
Hartwell, Georgia 30643

**SERVICES:** Transporting patients to hospital in other cities, transporting patients from accidents, emergencies, and from home to hospital, etc.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Ambulance services based on procedures performed.

### **AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY**

**CONTACT :** Morgan Berry

**TELEPHONE:** 888-227-6333  
706-549-4893

**WEBSITE:** [www.cancer.org](http://www.cancer.org)

**ADDRESS:** 105 West Park Drive Suite C  
Athens, Georgia 30606

**SERVICES:** Helps with transportation. Special assistance for support services and referrals, information and educational programs available.

### **AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION**

**CONTACT:** Christy Beth

**TELEPHONE:** 800-257-6941 ext. 6050

**ADDRESS:** 1720 Epps Bridge Parkway Suite 108-383  
Athens, GA 30606

**SERVICES:** To reduce, where possible, proven illness and death resulting diseases of the heart and blood vessels. Sponsors heart clinic services including consultation, diagnostic procedures, surgery, medication, dietary prescriptions and nutrition consultations.

## **AMERICAN LUNG ASSOCIATION**

**CONTACT:** Ateya Wilson – Spokesperson

**TELEPHONE:** 1-800-LUNG-USA (1-800-586-4872)  
770-434-5864

**WEBSITE:** <http://www.lungga.org>

**ADDRESS:** State Office  
2452 Spring Road  
Smyrna, Georgia 30080

**SERVICES:** Smoking Cessation Clinics, Worksite Smoking Programs,  
Health Fairs, School Health Education, Legislature and  
Volunteering opportunities

## **AMERICAN RED CROSS**

**TELEPHONE:** 1-706-353-1645 - Athens

**WEBSITE:** [www.redcross.org](http://www.redcross.org)

**ADDRESS:** 490 Pulaski Street  
Athens, Georgia 30601

**SERVICES:** Emergency loan and leave for servicemen,  
collects blood, food, shelter, and medical  
aide to disaster victims, provides nursing  
services when needed, conducts first aid  
programs, provides safety training for small  
crafts, conducts water safety programs,  
organizes high school and junior Red Cross  
units, helps provide college for some young  
people, and works internationally when services  
are needed in other areas.

## **ARTHRITIS FOUNDATION GEORGIA CHAPTER**

- TELEPHONE:** 1-800-933-7023 Toll Free  
1-800-283-7800 National Office  
Local - 404-237-8771
- WEBSITE:** [www.arthritis.org/georgia](http://www.arthritis.org/georgia)
- ADDRESS:** 1355 Peachtree Rd. NE  
6th Floor  
Atlanta, Georgia 30309
- SERVICES:** Will provide information to those with arthritis.  
Activities include a Marathon & Arthritis Walk.  
Has an empowerment program & self-help program  
that helps manage daily activities & issues.
- HOURS:** 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Monday-Friday.

### **Babies Can't Wait (Children with Special Needs)**

- CONTACT:** Patricia Dru Thomas
- TELEPHONE:** 770-535-6907  
800-204-8731
- ADDRESS:** 440 **Prior** Street SE  
Gainesville, GA 30501
- SERVICES:** Early intervention program that serves children  
birth - 3 years who have developmental delays  
or disabilities and their families, regardless of  
income. Services are available to anyone who  
has a diagnosed condition that could cause a  
delay in development. A comprehensive evaluation  
determines specific services needed for children and  
their families. Home visits and assistance in obtaining  
medical care and therapy is available.

## **CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**

**CONTACT:** Nikki Meyer, Director

**TELEPHONE:** 706-376-8590

**WEBSITE:** [www.hart-chamber.org](http://www.hart-chamber.org)

**ADDRESS:** 31 East Howell St.  
P.O. Box 793  
Hartwell, Georgia 30643

**SERVICES:** To promote the economic and cultural welfare of the community.

## **CHILD ABUSE**

### **HEALTHY FAMILY FIRST / PREVENT CHILD ABUSE ATHENS**

**TELEPHONE:** 1-706-546-9713 (Please call before coming to the office)

**WEBSITE:** [www.pcaathens.org](http://www.pcaathens.org)

**ADDRESS:** 1551 Jennings Mill Rd,  
Suite 700A  
Watkinsville, Georgia 30677

**SERVICES:** Chartered Councils on Child Abuse - Local citizen based councils implement a variety of prevention, education and treatment programs.

“First Steps” - Early Prevention Programs - Hospital based program provides parenting information and support to new parents.

Help line Information and Crisis Counseling - Statewide, toll-free 24 hours 1-800-244-53736  
Nurse hotline- 1-800-447-6032- A helpline to answer health questions.

Survivor Support Groups - Adult survivors of physical, emotional and sexual abuse receive counseling and support in groups led by specially trained volunteered professionals.

Prevention Programs - GCCA staff and volunteers provide education programs such as personal safety, puppet shows and plays for children, workshops,

training for professionals, educators and community groups.

Resource Library - comprehensive library of films, tapes, curricula, and printed materials is available to volunteers.

Curriculum – “Don’t Shake the Babies”

### **CHILD SUPPORT RECOVERY UNIT**

**TELEPHONE:** 1-877-423-4746

**WEBSITE:** [dcss.dhs.georgia.gov/elbert-county-0](http://dcss.dhs.georgia.gov/elbert-county-0)

**ADDRESS:** 11 Seaboard St.  
P.O. Box 6400  
Elberton, Georgia 30634

**SERVICES:** To aid in locating absent parents, establish child support and enforce legal support obligations.

**AREAS SERVED:** Hart, Franklin, Madison, Oglethorpe and Elbert Counties

### **CITY AND COUNTY MEETINGS**

**CITY COUNCIL:** Hartwell  
Meets 1st Monday, at 7:00 p.m. in the Court Room at City Hall

**TELEPHONE:** 706-376-4756

**COUNCIL MEMBERS:** Brandon Johnson, Mayor / 706-376-4756  
Tray Hicks / 706-436-9695  
Bill Griggs / 706-376-4756  
Mike MacNabb / 706-376-2976  
Tony Haynie / 706-376-8397  
Arthur Craft / 706-436-9818  
Billy Ethridge / 706-376-7291

**COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:** **Hart County Board of Commissioners**  
Meets on 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday at 5:30 and 4th Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.

800 Chandler Street  
Hartwell, GA 30643

**TELEPHONE:** 706-376-2024



**COMMISSIONERS:** R.C. Oglesby / Dist. 1 / 706-376-3801 / rco@hartcom.net  
Frankie Teasley / Dist. 2 / 706-376-6214  
Marshall Sayer / Dist. 3 / 706-377-3294  
Ricky Carter / Dist. 4 / 706-363-1665 / carter@hartcountyga.gov  
Joey Dorsey / Dist. 5 / 706-376-4224 / [joeydorsey@yahoo.com](mailto:joeydorsey@yahoo.com)

**SCHOOL BOARD:** **Hart County Board of Education**  
Meets on 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday at 6:00 in the Board of Education conference room.

**BOARD MEMBERS:** Stephanie Burton / Dist. 1 / 706-436-2006  
Matthew Honiotes / Dist. 2 / 678-777-4809  
Kim Pierce / Dist. 3 / 706-376-6635  
Richard Sutherland / Dist. 4 / 706-436-3235  
Denise Dowell / Dist. 5 / 706-436-6661

**TELEPHONE:** 706-376-5141

**COMMUNITY SERVICES PROGRAM  
NINTH DISTRICT OPPORTUNITY, INC**

**SERVICES:** The following services are provided by the agency pending the availability of funds. Target populations include families with young children, the 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 Readiness Training / 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
- Water Heater and Heating Replacement (vendor specific)
- Installation of smoke and carbon monoxide detector (Weatherization)

### **HEALTH**

- 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

### **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 in November to 65+ and homebound; opens in December for general public)

**WEBSITE:** [www.ndo.org](http://www.ndo.org)

### **BANKS COUNTY**

**Christy Hill**  
110 Shortest Street  
Homer, Georgia 30547-0144  
Phone: (706) 677-3921  
Fax: (706) 677-5143

### **HABERSHAM COUNTY**

**Chrystal Coker**  
1030 North Main Plaza  
Cornelia, Georgia 30531-0250  
Phone: (706) 778-0075  
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**DAWSON COUNTY**

**Denise Ricketts**

54 Hwy 53 W  
Dawsonville, Georgia 30534-0009  
Phone: (706) 265-3744  
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**FORSYTH COUNTY**

**Pam Morris**

133 Samaritan Drive, Suite 112  
Cumming, Georgia 30040-2396  
Phone: (770) 889-9420  
Fax: (770) 889-8429

**FRANKLIN COUNTY**

**Anne V. Marcengill**

Franklin Co. Community Center  
6885 Highway 145  
Carnesville, Georgia 30521  
Phone: (706) 384-3495  
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**RABUN COUNTY**

**Crystal Vinson**

1236 Old Hwy 441 South  
Clayton, Georgia 30525-0691  
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**STEPHENS COUNTY**

**Paula Duley**

161 Queen Street  
Toccoa, Georgia 30577-1402  
Phone: (706) 886-0211  
Fax: (706) 886-7049

**TOWNS COUNTY**

**Teresa Stephens**

1294 Jack Dayton Circle  
Young Harris, GA 30582  
Phone: (706) 896-4783  
Fax: (706) 896-4790

**HALL COUNTY**

**Shanna Cotton**

615 Oak Street, Ste. C  
Gainesville, Georgia 30501-8522  
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(770)534-8820  
Fax: (770) 534-0698

**HART COUNTY**

**Gail Blackwell**

500 N. Richardson Street,  
Head Start Center  
Hartwell, Georgia 30643-6033  
Phone: (706)376-4150  
Fax: (706)377-4416

**LUMPKIN COUNTY**

**Marilyn Smiley**

99 Courthouse Hill, Suite G  
Dahlonega, Georgia 30533  
Phone: (706) 864-4637  
Fax: (706) 864-1558

**UNION COUNTY**

**Ann Sullivan**

Civic Center  
165 Wellborn St., Box 8  
Blairsville, Georgia 30512-3550  
Phone: (706) 745-6596  
Fax: (706) 781-1631

**WHITE COUNTY**

**Yvonne Cruse**

Health Department  
1331 Helen Highway  
Cleveland, Georgia 30528-6938  
Phone: (706) 865-6220  
Fax: (706) 865-6223

## **CONSUMER CREDIT COUNSELING SERVICE (CCS)**

- TELEPHONE:** For office nearest you call toll free  
1-800-251CCCS (2227)  
706-613-1847 (Athens)
- SERVICES:** Consumer Credit Counseling Service is a nonprofit, community service agency with three primary purposes.
1. CCCS provides individual budget counseling, free of charge to the public.
  2. CCCS provides education programs throughout the community for financial education programs.
  3. CCCS provides debt management services for people who are over extended with debt.

## **COUNCIL ON BATTERED WOMEN (Heart Haven)**

- TELEPHONE:** 706-376-7111 (Emergency)  
706-377-4884 (Office)
- WEBSITE:** [negacdv.org](http://negacdv.org)
- ADDRESS:** P.O. Box 814  
Hartwell, Georgia 30643
- SERVICES:** Provides temporary refuge, a last resort for women threatened by violence in their homes. Provides a safe place for women and children to stay while they regain strength and develop plans. 24 hour crisis line. Referral services and legal advocacy available. Support groups also available. There is no cost for these services.

## **COURT SYSTEMS**

- AGENCY:** **HART COMMUNITY SERVICE DEPARTMENT  
JUVENILE JUSTICE**
- CONTACT:** Crystal Teasley- Juvenile Program Manager
- TELEPHONE:** 706-856-2666  
706-318-1910 (cell phone)
- ADDRESS:** 130 E. Howell St.  
Hartwell, Georgia 30643
- SERVICES:** 1. Intake, screen, and process for Juvenile

- Court all states, delinquent, and traffic offenses for youth under 17 years of age,
2. Carry out orders of the Juvenile Court by providing:
    - a. Probation services,
    - b. Placement services to youth committed by the court for serious offenses,
  3. Unofficial probation - a non-judicial adjudication which provides three months of probation and counseling for unruly behavior for selected clients.
  4. Community conflict mediation for problems deemed unsuitable for court.
  5. Counseling and referral to other helping agencies.

**DISTRICT ATTORNEY**

**CONTACT:** Parks White, District Attorney

**TELEPHONE:** 706-376-3128

**ADDRESS:** 194 Cade Street Suite D  
Hartwell, Georgia 30643

Madison County Office  
Spring Lake Drive  
Danielsville, GA 30633

**TELEPHONE:** 706-795-6322

**SERVICES:** Prosecution of criminal cases for the State in Hart, Elbert, Franklin, Madison, and Oglethorpe counties.

**PUBLIC DEFENDER**

**CONTACT:** Connor McGill, Public Defender

**TELEPHONE:** 1-706-246-9320

**ADDRESS:** 846 Church St.  
Royston, Georgia 30662

**SERVICES:** Indigent legal service in criminal cases only. Juvenile hearings, representation of indigent parents in temporary custody and parental rights termination cases brought by DFCS. All civil cases are referred to attorneys in private practice or to Georgia Legal Services.

**STATE PROBATION OFFICE  
(Division of Dept. Of Corrections)**

**CONTACT:** Kevin Allen - Chief Probation Officer  
**TELEPHONE:** 706-856-2711  
**ADDRESS:** 331 Memorial Road  
Hartwell, Georgia 30643  
**SERVICES:** Probation services for Hart and Franklin County Court systems.

**HART COUNTY CLERK of COURT**

**CONTACT:** Frankie Gray  
**TELEPHONE:** 706-376-7189  
**LOCATION:** Hart County Courthouse Annex  
185 W Franklin Street  
Court House Annex Room 1  
**ADDRESS:** P.O. Box 386  
Hartwell, Georgia 30643  
**SERVICES:** Serves Superior and Juvenile Courts by filing and recording all courthouse documents. Real Estate Recording- (Deeds and Liens). Uniform Commercial Code- (Reporting Collateral). Draws juries. Process passport applications. Notary application.

**HART COUNTY MAGISTRATE COURT**

**CONTACT:** Chief Thomas Jordan, Magistrate Judge  
**TELEPHONE:** 706-856-5345  
**ADDRESS:** Hart County Courthouse  
165 W Franklin Street  
P.O. Box 698  
Hartwell, Georgia 30643  
**SERVICES:** Issue criminal warrants and search warrants.  
Jurisdiction and misdemeanor bad check charges.  
Hold preliminary hearings on felony charges.  
Civil claims up to \$15,000.00.

## **HART COUNTY PROBATE COURT**

**CONTACT:** Honorable Merry Kirk

**TELEPHONE:** 706- 376-2565

**ADDRESS:** Hart County Courthouse Annex  
185 W. Franklin Street  
Hartwell, Georgia 30643

**SERVICES:** Hear estate matters (validate wills).  
Appoint guardian for minors and incapacitated adults.  
Issue marriage licenses.  
Issue fire arm permits.  
Issue affidavits to GMHI for mental illness, alcoholism,  
and drug abuse.  
Birth certificates and records.  
Death certificates and records.  
Oversee County Elections.  
Handle misdemeanor traffic citations and DUI.

## **HART COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT**

**CONTACT:** Frankie Gray, Clerk of Court

**TELEPHONE:** 706- 376-7189

**ADDRESS:** Hart County Court House  
185 W. Franklin Street  
Court House Annex

**CONTACT:** Honorable Chris Phelps  
P.O. Box 645  
Elberton, Georgia 30635

**TELEPHONE:** 1-706-283-2046

**CONTACT:** Honorable Jeffery Malcom,  
P.O. Box 709  
Carnesville, GA 30521

**TELEPHONE:** 706-384-4377

**CONTACT:** Honorable Thomas L. Hodges, Chief Judge  
P.O. Box 950  
Hartwell GA 30643

**TELEPHONE:** 706-376-7151

**SERVICES:** Hear civil and criminal Superior Court cases for  
Hart County.

**DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY AND CHILDREN SERVICES**

**CONTACT:** Bryant Rogowski, Director  
**TELEPHONE:** 770-532-5233 or Fax: 770-344-5950  
**ADDRESS:** 267 E. Johnson Street  
P.O. Box 518  
Hartwell, Georgia 30643

**COMPREHENSIVE LISTING OF SERVICES (DFACS)**

**TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE for NEEDY FAMILIES (TANF)** - Program provides financial and medical assistance to meet basic needs of families and maintain children in their homes. Medicaid is an automatic benefit for TANF recipients.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Must have child(ren) in the household less than 18 years of age, meet resource limit and income limit set by Georgia Legislature.

**FOOD STAMPS PROGRAM(FS)** - provides monthly benefits in the form of food coupons to low income families to help pay for the cost of food.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Meet resource limits and income limit which is based on the Federal poverty level.

**TANF-RELATED MEDICAL SERVICES PROGRAM, (ARM)**, provides programs through which financially needy individuals (pregnant women and /or children under 18 years of age) may obtain medical assistance. Major Medicaid program is

**RIGHT FROM THE START MEDICAID, (RSM)**, for pregnant women ages 19 and under, and/or children up to one month.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Meet income limits (according to the program), which are based on TANF limits of the federal poverty level.  
Must meet resource limits which vary according to the program.

**OTHER MEDICAID:** provides assistance to adults and children who need nursing home care, in home care, and to the aged, blind, and/or disabled individuals (most classes of Medicaid have both an income and resource test for approval.)



**FOSTER CARE SERVICES:** Temporary placement of children in approved agency facility, while working with birth parents to reunite family.

**CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES:** To report suspected abuse, neglect or sexual exploitation of children. Role of Agency to make assessment, identify risk, and provide services to correct the maltreatment.

**ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES:** To report suspected abuse, neglect, or exploitation of an adult, in a domestic setting, in a nursing home or personal care home.

**HOMEMAKER SERVICES:** Specialized services to maintain individuals and families in their own homes by assisting with maintenance and management.

**SUBSIDIZED CHILD CARE:** The purchase of child care services for participants in the State's, education/training programs, and other income eligible families who are working, in school, or job training.

**ADOPTION:** Permanent placement of children legally free for adoption.

**SHELTER SERVICES for BATTERED WOMEN:** To make referrals for victims of domestic abuse to go to one of three shelters located within close proximity.

**EMERGENCY ENERGY ASSISTANCE:** To provide assistance in paying a past due utility bill, when cutoff is imminent, if income guidelines are met. Available only once in a twelve month period.

**MEDICAID TRANSPORTATION:** To assist Medicaid eligible clients in finding providers to transport to medical appointments.

**MEDICAL EMERGENCIES:** Limited assistance with prescriptions for income eligible individual not covered by Medicaid, and who cannot pay for medicine.

**SHARE:** Energy Assistance Program operated in conjunction with the Georgia Power Company. The Salvation Army administers this program statewide. Will assist with energy bills one time only. Circumstances that prevent an individual from paying their utility bill must exist.

**SPECIAL SERVICES:** The process for **CHILD SUPPORT RECOVERY** can be initiated locally at this office.

**NEW EYES FOR THE NEEDY** attempts to provide better vision for the low-income person by providing all or part of the cost for glasses. Does not pay for the examination.

### **EASTER SEALS EAST GEORGIA**

**CONTACT:** Lynn Smith, President / Owner

**TELEPHONE:** 1-706-667-9695, Fax: 706-667-8831

**WEBSITE:** [www.eastersealseastgeorgia.org](http://www.eastersealseastgeorgia.org)

**LOCATION:** 1500 Wrightsboro Rd.  
Augusta, Georgia 30904

**ADDRESS:** P.O. Box 2441  
Augusta, Georgia 30903

**SERVICES:** Homebound Evaluation - Trained staff visit the home and improve and upgrade the functioning ability of the severely disabled, mentally or physically disabled.  
Prevocational-vocational testing of students in special education classes in 41 counties in the CSRA.  
Vocational Evaluation - All types of disabled people are given an opportunity to try various jobs to see what kind of work potentials they have.  
Workshop - The disabled are employed and paid while they learn good work habits.

### **EMERGENCY CALLS**

**TELEPHONE:** **911**

**SERVICES:** To report any fire, accident or sickness in the county or city that would require assistance from emergency officials, police or state patrol services.

**EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES and  
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY**

**CONTACT:** Terrell Partain, EMS-EMA Director

**TELEPHONE:** 911 for Emergency, 706-376-3930 Non-Emergency

**ADDRESS:** 800 Chandler St.  
Hartwell, Georgia 30643

**SERVICES:** Provides treatment and transportation for the sick and injured in the pre-hospital phase. Serves as central dispatch for Hart County Fire Department. Disaster Preparedness: Involved in disaster planning for the county, serves as the Central Communication Center for the disaster operations. Serves as a liaison between the National Weather Service and all Emergency Agencies in Hart County and those businesses with the largest number of employees. Provides monthly Community Education Classes in Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR).

**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES ETCON, INC.**

**CONTACT:** Lora Maxner, Office Manager  
Bonnie Wood (Owner)

**TELEPHONE:** 1-706-356-1005

**WEBSITE:** etcon.net

**ADDRESS:** 12322 Augusta Road  
Lavonia, Georgia 30553

**SERVICES:** Temporary and permanent job placement. Counties served are Hart, Stephens, Franklin, and Elbert.

**EPILEPSY FOUNDATION OF AMERICA, GEORGIA CHAPTER**

**CONTACT:** Aly Cliff, Executive Director  
Kiana Lawrence, Director of Client Services

**TELEPHONE:** 1-800-527-7105 or 404-527-7155

**E-MAIL:** aly.epilepsyga.org

**WEBSITE:** www.epilepsyga.org

**ADDRESS:** 6065 Roswell Road  
Suite 715  
Atlanta, Georgia 30328

**SERVICES:** Counseling to individuals with epilepsy, group therapeutic sessions, prevocational counseling, employment consultation, training, placement, information, referral, consultation services, in-service training sessions. Literature and film presentation, public information programs for schools, colleges, civic groups, etc., emergency medical ID tags and cards, pharmacy service, life and health insurance information.

#### **EXTENSION SERVICES**

**CONTACT:** Brandi Shiflet: County Extension Coordinator

**TELEPHONE:** 706- 376-3134

**WEBSITE:** [www.caes.uga.edu/extensionhart/](http://www.caes.uga.edu/extensionhart/)

**ADDRESS:** 200 Arthur Street  
Hartwell, Georgia 30643

**SERVICES:** The purpose of the University of Georgia Cooperative Extension in Hart County is to provide non-biased research based on educational information to the people of Hart County. We are a direct link to the researchers and specialists of the University of Georgia and its many experiment stations. Programs consist of three main areas: 4-H and Youth, Agriculture, Nature Resources, and Home Economics. We are here to provide programs and answer questions as quickly and efficiently as possible.

#### **FARMERS HOME ADMINISTRATION, USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT**

**CONTACT:** William Eschbach, Area Specialist  
Pamela Hunter, USDA Rural Development, Area Specialist  
Roy Buffington, USDA Rural Development, Area Specialist

**TELEPHONE:** 706-754-6239  
855-514-3349 (fax)

**WEBSITE:** [www.rurdev.usda.gov](http://www.rurdev.usda.gov)

**ADDRESS:** **Clarksville Location, Monday – Friday 8:00am – 4:30 pm**  
555 Monroe Street  
Unit 83  
Clarksville, Georgia 30523

**SERVICES:** 502 Rural Housing Loans. Payments are based on income. Maximum income limits apply.  
  
Must have good credit and repayment ability  
504 Loans at 1% Interest. Must own property and have very low income. Repairs only. No cosmetics.

504 Grants. Must be 62 or older, own property and have very low income repairs only. No cosmetics.

### **FIRE DEPARTMENT**

**CONTACT:** Mr. Terry Vickery, City Fire Chief

**TELEPHONE:** 911 – Emergency  
706-856-3228  
706-856-3209  
706-376-4756 General Information (City Hall)

**ADDRESS:** City Hall  
456 E. Howell Street  
Hartwell, Georgia 30643

**SERVICES:** To provide protection and service to people in the city of Hartwell. Three men are on duty during the day, and two men are on duty at night. It is supported by taxation. There is no cost for the services. Services available 24 hours a day.

**CONTACT:** Mr. Jerry Byrum, Hart County Fire Chief

**TELEPHONE:** 706- 376-8515 (Fire Dept.)  
706- 856-5325 office/headquarters

**ADDRESS:** Hart County Fire Department  
800 Chandler Street  
Hartwell, Georgia 30643

**SERVICES:** To offer assistance and protection to the people of Hart County (24 hour service). Serves Reed Creek, Goldmine, Shoal Creek, Bowersville, and Nancy Hart (127 men, all volunteers, located in these communities).

**FUTURES PROGRAM  
THE GAINESVILLE CENTER OF THE  
GEORGIA PSYCHOEDUCATIONAL CENTER NETWORK**

**CONTACT:** Dr. Patty Adkins, Site Coordinator  
Leighanne Myers, School Counselor

**TELEPHONE:** 706-776-8630

**WEBSITE:** [www.futuresprogram.com](http://www.futuresprogram.com)

**ADDRESS:** 595 Elrod Street  
Cornelia, Georgia 30531

**SERVICES:** To serve emotionally disturbed and behavior disordered children and provide diagnostic services, developmental assessments, educational, psychological, and or psychiatric evaluations. Services are provided to the school, as well as parent services. Referral information provided upon request.

**HOURS:** 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Children from preschool up to age 14 are eligible;  
Adolescents program for ages 15-18

**GATEWAY HOUSE**

**CONTACT:** Jessica Butler - Director

**TELEPHONE:** 770-536-5860

**WEBSITE:** [www.gatewaydvcenter.org](http://www.gatewaydvcenter.org)

**ADDRESS:** P.O. Box 2962  
Gainesville, Georgia 30503

**SERVICES:** Shelter for battered women and their children. Purpose is to provide shelter for women in crisis situations. Support services include counseling, referrals and support groups.

**ELIGIBILITY:** No charge, but contributions are encouraged.  
18 years or emancipated  
There must have been physical abuse by partner or recent physical threat within the last two weeks.  
The woman must want and need shelter.

**GEORGIA BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOME AND FAMILY MINISTRIES, INC.**

**CONTACT:** Kimber Scott, Intake Director

**TELEPHONE:** 770-463-6240  
888-545-8299

**WEBSITE:** [www.gbchfm.org](http://www.gbchfm.org)

**ADDRESS:** P.O. Box 329  
Palmetto, Georgia 30268

**SERVICES:** Provide consultation, education and inspirational retreats, workshops, conferences and programs with a Christian perspective to individuals or groups. Programs include parenting skills, communications, positive discipline, teen pregnancy, teen self-esteem, and substance abuse.

**GEORGIA DEPARTMENT of VETERAN SERVICES**

**CONTACT:** Michael Partlow, VA. Benefits Counselor

**TELEPHONE:** 706-376-4461  
706-856-2737 (fax)

**EMAIL ADDRESS:** [isphartwell@vs.state.ga.us](mailto:isphartwell@vs.state.ga.us)

**ADDRESS:** 194 Cade Street, Suite B  
Hartwell, Georgia 30643

**SERVICES:** To assist veterans and their dependents in any of their needs. Claim for compensation, pensions, insurance, and education assistance, hospitalization and outpatient prescriptions, rehabilitation training, home loans and driver's licenses.

**HOURS:** 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

**GEORGIA LEGAL SERVICES PROGRAM**

**CONTACT:** Intake Worker

**TELEPHONE:** 770-535-5717  
800-745-5717 – Gainesville, Georgia  
706-227-5362 –Athens, Georgia

**WEBSITE:** [www.legalaid-ga.org](http://www.legalaid-ga.org)

**ADDRESS:** 705 Washington Street, NW Suite B-1  
PO Box 1337  
Gainesville, Georgia 30501

1865 W. Broad Street, Suite B  
Athens, GA 30606

**SERVICES:** Cases handled: Repossessions, housing, evictions, foreclosures, and hospital/health issues. A lawyer or paralegal can also help you in the areas of welfare (TANF), Medicare, Social Security, Veterans Benefits, Medicaid, Food Stamps, Supplemental Security Income (SSI), and Vocational Rehabilitation. This office provides representation in certain types of divorce, custody cases and assistance to elderly clients (those over 60) with certain types of legal needs.

**HOURS:** 9:00 am – 4:00 pm, Monday – Thursday  
Friday – Emergency Calls Only

**ELIGIBILITY:** Based on income guidelines. No fee to those who are eligible.

**COMMENTS:** A staff person will be in Hart County on the second Wednesday of each month, at the Senior Center on 139 Clay Street. Must call the above number to make an appointment.

#### **GEORGIA LIONS LIGHTHOUSE FOUNDATION INCORPORATED**

**CONTACT:** Morgan Alexander - Hearing & Vision Program Director  
Shetera Turner – Hearing Program Manager

**TELEPHONE:** 1-404-325-3630  
1-404-636-5549 (fax)

**WEBSITE:** [www.lionslighthouse.org](http://www.lionslighthouse.org)

**ADDRESS:** 5582 Peachtree Road  
**Chamblee**, Georgia 30341

**SERVICES:** Assist in providing surgery, eyeglasses & hearing aids.

**OTHER SERVICES:** **LIONS CLUB**

**CONTACT PERSON:** Any local Lions Club Member

**ADDRESS:** 121 3<sup>rd</sup> Street  
Hartwell, GA 30643



**SERVICES:** Motto: To serve. Their project is sight conservation. They provide eye examination and glasses if needed. As a civic club, they assist other organizations. Meetings 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays. Applications can be picked up from Harry Sudderth at Hartwell CVS Store.

**GEORGIA MOUNTAINS JOB TRAINING PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM  
Work Force Investment Act (WIA)**

**CONTACT:** John Phillips (Director)

**TELEPHONE:** 770-538-2727 770-538-2730 (fax)

**WEBSITE:** [www.gmrc.ga.gov](http://www.gmrc.ga.gov)

**ADDRESS:** PO Box 2278  
Gainesville, Georgia 30503

**SERVICES:** Prepare youth and unskilled adults for entry into labor force and job training to those economically disadvantaged individuals and others facing serious barriers to employment.

Assessment and career counseling services.

On-the-Job-Training - Employers are reimbursed for training expenses up to 50% of the eligible clients' salaries during a pre-negotiated training period.

Training at area vocational-technical school.

Specialized employability development and on-the-job-training programs for disabled persons and offenders.

Job assistance and training for veterans and persons 55 plus.

Short-term training in specialized areas such as office technology and truck training.

Summer youth program offering work experience with public and private nonprofit organizations.

## GEORGIA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

**CONTACT:** Claudette Willingham - Director

**TELEPHONE:** 1-404-463-8720 (Direct Line)  
1-404-656-2341 (fax)

**WEBSITE:** [www.psc.state.ga.us](http://www.psc.state.ga.us)  
[claudettew@psc.state.ga.us](mailto:claudettew@psc.state.ga.us)

**ADDRESS:** 244 Washington St. 1st Floor  
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

**SERVICES:** Provides an avenue of complaint for persons who are not satisfied that their electric bills are correct and in all areas of public service. Provides an outlet for consumers to air their views.

**HOURS:** Mon. - Fri. 8:00 am - 4:30 p.m.

## GEORGIA STATE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR (EMPLOYMENT)

**CONTACT:** Athens Office  
Phyllis Winfrey

**TELEPHONE:** 706- 583-2550  
706-369-5895 (fax)

**WEBSITE:** [www.dol.state.ga.us](http://www.dol.state.ga.us)

**ADDRESS:** 150 Evelyn C. Neely Drive  
Athens, Georgia 30601

**CONTACT:** Toccoa Office  
Gregg Pitts, Manger

**TELEPHONE:** 706- 282-4514  
706-282-4513 (fax)

**WEBSITE:** [www.dol.state.ga.us](http://www.dol.state.ga.us)

**ADDRESS:** 37 Foreacre Street  
Toccoa, GA. 30577

**SERVICES:** Job Placement Services, unemployment insurance, job placement services for Veterans, referral to Job Corps and weekly workshops.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Free of charge.

**GEORGIA VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION AGENCY**

**CONTACT:** Beth Williams, Unit Supervisor

**TELEPHONE:** 1-770- 535-5468, Regional Office  
Fax 770-535-5994

**WEBSITE:** gvs.georgia.gov

**ADDRESS:** 2756 Atlanta Highway  
Gainesville, Georgia 30504

**COUNSELORS:** Ellen Roberts – Transition Counselor  
Debbie Morris – Transition Counselor  
Laura Gall – General Counselor

**SERVICES:** Help eligible persons with disabilities prepare for, start and maintain competitive employment, thus becoming productive and independent citizens in their communities. VR has 15 regional offices statewide as well as more than 50 local offices with expert teams who work in the community and have in-depth knowledge of both the marketplace and the support services available. Customers are therefore able to benefit from opportunities tailored to their specific needs

**GOVERNMENT: GOVERNOR, U.S. SENATORS and REPRESENTATIVES**

**CONTACTS:** **Governor Nathan Deal**

**ADDRESS:** 206 Washington Street  
111 State Capitol  
Atlanta, GA 30334

**TELEPHONE:** 1-404-656-1776                      1-404-657-7332 (Fax)

**WEBSITE:** www.georgia.gov

**Lieutenant Governor Casey Cagle**

**ADDRESS:** 240 State Capitol  
Atlanta, GA 30334

**TELEPHONE:** 1-404-656-5030                      1-404-656-6739 (Fax)

**WEBSITE:** www.ltgov.georgia.gov

**Secretary of State Brian Kemp**

**ADDRESS:** 214 State Capitol  
Atlanta, GA 30334

**TELEPHONE:** 1-404-656-2881 1-404-651-0513 (Fax)

**WEBSITE:** [www.sos.ga.gov](http://www.sos.ga.gov)

**Attorney General Sam Olens**

**ADDRESS:** 40 Capitol Square, SW  
Atlanta, GA 30334

**TELEPHONE:** 1-404-656-3300 1-404-657-8733 (Fax)

**WEBSITE:** [www.ganet.org/ago](http://www.ganet.org/ago)

**U.S. Senator David Perdue**

**ADDRESS:** 191 Peachtree Street NE, Suite 3250  
Atlanta, GA 30303

**TELEPHONE:** 1-404-865-0087 1-404-865-0311 (Fax)

455 Russell Office Building  
Washington, D.C., 20510

**TELEPHONE:** 1-202-224-3521 1-202-228-1031 (Fax)

**WEBSITE:** [www.perdue.senate.gov](http://www.perdue.senate.gov)

**U.S. Senator Johnny Isakson**

**ADDRESS:** 3625 Cumberland Blvd., Suite 970  
Atlanta, GA 30339

**TELEPHONE:** 1-770-661-0999 1-770-661-0768 (Fax)

**ADDRESS:** 131 Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C., 20510

**TELEPHONE:** 1-202-224-3643 1-202-228-0724 (Fax)

**WEBSITE:** [www:isakson.senate.gov](http://www.isakson.senate.gov)

**U.S. Representative Jody Hice**

**ADDRESS:** 324 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, D.C., 20515-1009

**TELEPHONE:** 1-202-225-4101 1-202-226-0776 (Fax)

**WEBSITE:** www.hice.house.gov

**U.S. Representative John Lewis (D)**

**ADDRESS:** 343 Cannon House Office Bldg.  
Washington, DC 20515

**TELEPHONE:** 1-202-225-3801 1-202-225-0351 (Fax)

**WEBSITE:** www.johnlewis.house.gov

**LOCAL: State Representative Alan Powell**

**ADDRESS:** 613-B Coverdell Legislative Office Bldg.  
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

**TELEPHONE:** 404-463-3793

**WEBSITE:** www.house.ga.gov

**HABITAT FOR HUMANITY**

**CONTACT:** Darlene Nixon

**TELEPHONE:** 706-436-0741

**EMAIL:** information@harthabitat.org

**ADDRESS:** PO Box 146  
Hartwell, GA 30643

**ELIGIBILITY:** Make reasonable monthly payments  
and be in need of good housing.

**HABITAT MARKET**

**ADDRESS:** 135 North Forest Ave.  
Hartwell, GA 30643

**HOURS:** 10:00 am – 6:00 pm, Thursday and Friday of every week  
8:30 am – 3:00 pm, 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the Month

### **HART CARE CENTER (NURSING HOME)**

**CONTACT:** Ms. Kathryn Meeks McCurley, Administrator

**TELEPHONE:** 706-376-7121

**EMAIL:** kmccurley@hartcarecenter.org

**ADDRESS:** 261 Fairview Avenue  
Hartwell, Georgia 30643

**SERVICES:** To provide care of convalescent, chronic, aged and retired people.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Private insurance, Medicaid, Medicare or cash deposit if no insurance.

### **HART COUNTY ADULT LEARNING CENTER**

**CONTACT:** Betty Hulseley - Director  
Tina Curry – GED Instructor  
Beth Kay – GED Instructor  
Cheri Griggs – Work Force Readiness Instructor

**TELEPHONE:** 706-552-0951-GED  
706-376-3000 – Learning Center

**WEBSITE:** www.hartliteracy.com  
www.athenstech.edu

**ADDRESS:** 110 Benson St.  
Hartwell, Georgia 30643

**SERVICES:** For persons who have not graduated from high school. A person can attend and work toward a certificate (GED) that represents the equivalent of a high school diploma. Areas of study are Social Science, Mathematics, Literature, and Language.

**HOURS:** Literacy council hours are 8 am to 1 p.m. Monday-Thursday.  
GED – Monday & Thursday 4:00 pm – 8:00 pm

**ELIGIBILITY:** To enroll, a person must be 16 or older. No cost to students.

## HART COUNTY CLOTHES CLOSET-FOOD PANTRY

- TELEPHONE:** 706-376-2022
- CONTACT:** Pam Hornick - Manager  
Ms. Lisa Kolkovich - Director
- ADDRESS:** Corner of Colfax & Richardson Streets  
175 Colfax St. Hartwell, Georgia 30643
- SERVICES:** To provide emergency clothing and food.
- HOURS:** Monday - 9:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.  
Tuesday - Closed  
Wednesday - Intake Day only.  
Thursday - 9:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.  
Friday - 9:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.  
Saturday - 9:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.  
Sunday - Closed
- ELIGIBILITY:** All requests for clothing or food require a referral from local DFCS Office, or a local Pastor. Burnout Victims must have a note from one of the local Fire Departments. Other emergency situations will be addressed as given.

### HOSPITAL

#### St. Mary's Sacred Heart Hospital

- TELEPHONE:** 706- 356-7800
- WEBSITE:** [www.stmaryssacredheart.org](http://www.stmaryssacredheart.org)
- ADDRESS:** 367 Clear Creek Parkway  
Lavonia, GA 30553
- SERVICES:** Among the services provided are: Medical/Surgical, Surgery-Outpatient or inpatient, Social Services, Laboratory, Physical Therapy, Respiratory Therapy, Intensive Care Unit, Community Relations, Radiology, CT Scan, Cardiology (Echo, Stress, EKG), 24 Hour Emergency Services and Educational Services.
- ELIGIBILITY:** Private insurance, Medicaid/Medicare or cash deposit if uninsured.

## **HART COUNTY SCHOOLS**

### **Hart County Board of Education**

284 Campbell Drive  
Hartwell, GA 30643  
706-376-5141 706-376-7046 Fax  
Student Support Services: 706-376-4209

**WEBSITE:** [www.hart.k12.ga.us](http://www.hart.k12.ga.us)

### **ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS: Hartwell Elementary**

147 S. College Ave.  
Hartwell, Georgia 30643  
706-376-4425 706-856-7317 (Fax)

### **South Hart**

121 E & M Dairy Rd.  
Hartwell, Georgia 30643  
706-856-7383 706-856-7386 (Fax)

### **North Hart**

124 Ankerich Rd.  
Bowersville, Georgia 30516  
706-856-7369 706-856-7372 (Fax)

### **MIDDLE SCHOOL:**

### **Hart County Middle School (Grades 6,7,and 8)**

176 Powell Road  
Hartwell, GA 30643  
706-376-5431 706-376-2207 (Fax)

### **HIGH SCHOOL:**

### **Hart County High School**

59 Fifth Street  
Hartwell, GA 30643  
706-376-5461 706-856-7237 (Fax)

### **Vocational Department**

706-376-5461

### **Hart County Academy (High School campus)**

59 Fifth Street  
Hartwell, GA 30643  
706-856-7241 706-856-7312 (Fax)

### **SERVICES:**

To provide an education for every person. The high school has academic and vocational courses. Adult classes in general education and in vocational areas are taught at night.



## HART COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

**CONTACT:** Rhonda Dyar, Nurse Manager  
Carol Hicks, Office Manager  
David Leard, Environmental Health Manager

**TELEPHONE:** 706-376-5117

**WEBSITE:** [www.phdistrict2.org](http://www.phdistrict2.org)

**ADDRESS:** 64 Reynolds Street  
Hartwell, Georgia 30643

**SERVICES:** General Clinic - Tuesday and Thursday  
8:30-10:30 a.m. & 1:00 - 3:30 p.m.

- Immunizations - Tuesday and Thursday.
- Blood Pressure check - no fee
- Tuberculin skin test (for employment) Tuesdays only.
- Blood Test – Tuesday and Thursday
- Flu shots – Tuesday and Thursday
- Water sample – Monday - Friday
- Contact sanitation regarding fee for sewage permits and restaurant operation.
- Family planning clinics – Wednesday
- STD clinic – Call for an appointment
- WIC clinic for pregnant women, infants, and children 0-5 years of age who meet criteria. Tuesday – Thursday
- Children’s Medical Service applications are taken by appointment for referrals of children with crippling defects.
- AIDS Program – Hall County
- Cancer Detection Program – Call for an appointment
- Dental Health - If eligible for free or reduced lunches, then eligible for dental program.
- Environmental Health Services - Call for appointment
- Sickie Cell program – Tuesday and Thursday

## **HART COUNTY SENIOR CENTER**

**CONTACT:** Tracey Patrick, Director

**TELEPHONE:** 706-376-3975

**E-MAIL:** tpatrick@hartcountyga.gov

**E-MAIL:** hartseniorcenter@hartcountyga.gov

**WEBSITE:** hartcountyga.gov/seniorcenter.html

**ADDRESS:** 139 Clay Street  
Hartwell, Georgia 30643

**SERVICES:** Include but are not limited to the following:  
Meals on Wheels, congregate meals, transportation,  
legal services, Medicaid / Medicare counseling,  
employment and extracurricular activities.

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

**ELIGIBILITY:** Adults and spouse, 60 years or older

## **HART - LIFE**

**CONTACT:** Tammy Frye (Director)

**TELEPHONE:** 706-376-1700

**ADDRESS:** 317 West Franklin Street  
P.O. Box 344  
Hartwell, Georgia 30643

**WEBSITE:** www.hartlife.net

**SERVICES:** (Branch of Toccoa Life) - Free pregnancy test  
and counseling/education, (individual and group).  
Confidential counseling for crisis pregnancy, and  
post abortion syndrome. Parenting classes offered.  
Marriage counseling available.

**HOURS:** Monday - 10:00a.m. - 2:00 pm  
Tuesday - 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 pm  
Thursday - 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 pm

**HEAD START / EARLY HEAD START / PRE-K**

**CONTACT:** Vivian A. Craft, Center Director

**TELEPHONE:** 706-376-9355  
706-376-6907

**WEBSITE:** www.ndo.org

**ADDRESS:** 500 North Richardson Street  
P.O. Box 956  
Hartwell, Georgia 30643

**SERVICES:** Comprehensive pre-school experience for 3 & 4 year olds and services for infants and toddlers.

Children with special needs are welcome. Efforts are made to meet the needs of the total child - educational, physical, emotional, nutritional, and also special needs. Meals are provided. The center is day care licensed thru DECAL, accredited by National Association of Young Children and Quality Rated.

Hart County Head Start/EHS/Pre-K works in a collaborative effort with the local school board and the public school system in administering the Pre-K program.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Early Head Start: Must meet income guidelines. Six weeks to 35 months.

Head Start: Must meet income guidelines. Three or four years old on or before September 1st.

**HARTWELL HEALTH & REHAB. CENTER  
(NURSING HOME)**

**CONTACT:** Danny Lord, Administrator

**TELEPHONE:** 706-856-6992  
706-856-6989 (Fax)

**WEBSITE:** hartwellhealth.org

**ADDRESS:** 94 Cade Street  
Hartwell, Georgia 30643

**SERVICES:** Provide care for convalescent, chronically ill, aged and retired people as recommended by Doctor. Medicare/Medicaid certified.

## **HOUSING AUTHORITY**

- CONTACT:** William C. Spears, Executive Director
- TELEPHONE:** 706-376-3153
- ADDRESS:** 116 W. Franklin Place  
Hartwell, Georgia 30643
- SERVICES:** Provides homes for low-income families at rent they can afford to pay. Assist tenant groups to plan and promote recreational programs and some welfare services. Families are assigned to units based on the size and composition of the family. Gas and water are included.
- ELIGIBILITY:** Families of low-income whose net assets together with the net income of the family is insufficient to obtain and maintain adequate accommodations of the private market. Families, who are displaced, living substandard, paying more than 50% of their income for rent, or about to be displaced through government action are given preference. The total family income determines the amount of monthly rent. (Usually 30% of the gross income.)

## **HYDRA OF HART COUNTY, INC**

- CONTACT:** Catrina Hicks - Director
- TELEPHONE:** 706-376-8899  
706-377-4623 (Fax)
- E-MAIL:** [hydra@hartcom.net](mailto:hydra@hartcom.net)
- WEBSITE:** [www.hartcountyga.gov/hydra.html](http://www.hartcountyga.gov/hydra.html)
- ADDRESS:** 200 Clay St.  
Hartwell, Georgia 30643
- Located in the Hart County Recreation  
Department on Howell Road
- SERVICES:** One-On-One Program - local version of Big Brother/  
Big Sister Program. This program targets young people  
Ages 5 to 17.

Juvenile Law Education Classes are held twice a year at the Hydra Teen Center. These classes are available to sixth grade through twelfth grade students. This course runs for 10 weeks. There is no charge. This program is coordinated through HYDRA and juvenile court services. This course covers such topics as juvenile law, dangers of the occult, drug and alcohol effects, peer interaction, family interactions, and job seeking skills.

Information on Hart Partners Family Connections site is available through Hydra.

HYDRA IMPACT Counseling Program - This program is available to preschool - adults, that is "at risk". Referrals are made by contacting the HYDRA office. This program offers individual, family, and group counseling.

**INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE  
U.S. INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE  
TAX ASSISTANCE**

**TELEPHONE:** 1-770-536-2235 - Gainesville, Ga.

**WEBSITE:** [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov)

**ADDRESS:** 329 Oak St.  
Gainesville, Georgia 30501

**SERVICES:** Assist taxpayers in completing IRS returns. Auditing of tax returns.

**HOURS:** 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. (Closed for lunch from 12:00-1:00)

**LEGACY LINK**

**CONTACT:** Pat Freeman, Director Area Agency on Aging

**TELEPHONE:** 1-770-538-2650  
1-800-845-5465

**WEBSITE:** [www.legacylink.org](http://www.legacylink.org)

**ADDRESS:** 4080 Mundy Mill Road  
Oakwood, Georgia 30566

**SERVICES:** To plan and implement a comprehensive program,

to reduce social isolation and prevent premature institutionalization of the 60 and over population in the Georgia Mountains area. Services provided through contacts include personal care aide, senior centers, congregate and home delivered meals, outreach information, referrals, counseling, transportation, legal services, nursing home, minor home repair. Employment program for workers aged 55 plus and retired senior citizens, volunteer program are operated directly by GMRDC.

The Georgia Mountains A.A.A. also serves as the lead agency in the 13 county regions for the Community Care program for elderly funded by Medicaid.

### **LIBRARY**

- CONTACT:** Richard Sanders, Director
- TELEPHONE:** 706-376-4655 706-376-1157 Fax
- WEBSITE:** [www.hartcountylibrary.com](http://www.hartcountylibrary.com)
- ADDRESS:** 150 Benson Street  
Hartwell, Georgia 30643
- SERVICES:** Besides having an excellent book collection, the library also has records, cassette tapes, magazines, and paperbacks available to patrons. There is equipment and materials for the blind or persons who cannot hold a book. Large print books are available in part due to a liaison with Athens Liberation for Blind and Physically Challenged Individuals. Children's programs available during the summer months. Meeting rooms available for community groups. Space furnished for Literacy Volunteers of America. Please call ahead to arrange group meetings or visits.
- HOURS:** Monday, Tuesday and Friday 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday - 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.  
Thursday - 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.  
Saturday - 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
- ELIGIBILITY:** Patrons must register for a library card at the front desk, parents must sign for children from 6 - 18 years, must have picture ID and SS security card.  
Library material is checked out for 2 weeks.

## **LIFELINK OF GEORGIA**

**CONTACT:** Kathleen Lilly, Executive Director

**TELEPHONE:** 1-800-544-6667  
770-225-5465

**WEBSITE:** [www.lifelinkfoundation.org](http://www.lifelinkfoundation.org)

**ADDRESS:** 2875 Northwoods Parkway  
Norcross, Georgia 30071

**SERVICES:** Organ and Tissue recovery, Issues Donor Cards, Referrals to Eye Bank and body donation at Emory.

## **MEDICAL COLLEGE OF GEORGIA HOSPITAL AND CLINICS**

**TELEPHONE:** 1-706-721-0211

**WEBSITE:** [gru.edu.org](http://gru.edu.org)

**ADDRESS:** 1120 15th Street  
Augusta, Georgia 30912

**SERVICES:** The Medical College of Georgia Hospitals and Clinics are centers of primary as well as specialty care. Among the specialties available are a comprehensive pediatric program including intensive care for newborns, critically ill and injured children; open heart surgery; special care for high risk mothers, kidney transplant surgery; an epilepsy diagnosis and surgery program; trauma program for patients with multiple critical injuries.

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

**ELIGIBILITY:** A doctor's referral is needed. Medicare/Medicaid accepted, Private insurance or income verified to determine if family qualifies for assistance.

## **MENTAL HEALTH**

**CONTACT:** Avita Community Partners  
Lori Holbrooks - Director  
Phillip Wong – LPC  
Denise Hulseley – Office Manager  
Gwen Hall – Deputy Director Developmental Disabilities

**TELEPHONE:** 706- 376-4002

**WEBSITE:** www.avitapartners.org

**ADDRESS:** 228 N. College Ave.  
Hartwell, Georgia 30643

**SERVICES:** Counseling, psychotherapy with individuals, families, and groups, crisis intervention, diagnostic assessment, psychiatric assessment and treatment.

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

**ELIGIBILITY:** Charges based on income. Medicaid accepted.

**MIGRANT EDUCATION PROGRAM / REGION  
Georgia Department of Education**

**CONTACT:** Alice Matthews, Region 3 Coordinator

**TELEPHONE:** 404-656-2800  
800-311-3627  
404-651-8737 (fax)

**WEBSITE:** <https://www.gadoe.org/School-Improvement/Federal-Programs/Pages/Migrant-Education-Program.aspx>

**EMAIL:** askdoe@gadoe.org

**ADDRESS:** 1414 Twin Towers West  
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

**SERVICES:** Area of Coverage: 75 School Districts in North Georgia  
On a supplemental, as-need basis, when available, eligible migrant children/youth may receive school readiness or K-12 academic tutoring; post-secondary prep assistance; emergency medical, dental, vision, hearing services; and/or the opportunity to participate in local, state, and national summer programs. Migrant dropouts/out-of-school youth may be eligible for academic support: English language acquisition programs and /or GED/high school grad prep and testing.  
NOTE: All migrant students enrolled in Georgia's Public Schools are eligible for free lunch.

**QUALIFICATIONS:** A child is a "migratory child" and is eligible for MEP services if all of the following conditions are met:



The child/youth is at least three years of age and not older than 21 years of age; *and* the child/youth is entitled to a free public education (through grade 12) under State law or is below the age of compulsory school attendance; *and* the child/youth is a migratory agricultural worker or a migratory fisher (by GaDOE MEP definition), or the child/youth has a parent, spouse, or guardian who is a migratory agricultural worker or a migratory fisher (by GaDOE MEP definition); *and* the child/youth moved within the preceding 36 months in order to seek or obtain qualifying work, or to accompany or join the migratory agricultural worker or migratory fisher, in order to seek or obtain qualifying work; *and* the child/youth has moved from one school district to another in this process. The Georgia Department of Education determines program eligibility for children and youth in Georgia.

**NEWSPAPER (The Hartwell Sun)**

**CONTACT:** Peggy Vickery, Publisher

**TELEPHONE:** 706-376-8025  
706- 376-2222 706-376-3016 - FAX

**WEBSITE:** peggyvickery@thehartwellsun.com  
www.thehartwellsun.com

**ADDRESS:** 8 Benson Street  
P.O. Box 700  
Hartwell, GA 30643

**SERVICES:** Serving upper Savannah River Valley for more than 117 years to keep citizens abreast of government, civic, religious, school, social, and community news/events, advertising and printing division for publications.

**NORTHEAST GEORGIA COUNCIL ON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE  
(Heart Haven)**

**CONTACT:** Katherine Reusing, Director

**TELEPHONE:** 706-376-7111 (24 Hour Hotline) Collect calls are accepted  
1-800-33-HAVEN  
706-377-4141 (Administrative)

**WEBSITE:** www.negacdv.org

**ADDRESS:** P.O. Box 814  
Hartwell, GA 30643

**SERVICES:** Provides shelter for women in crisis situations. Services include 24 hour, 365 days a week hotline, 24 hour emergency shelter, community outreach, referrals, support groups, legal advocacy, residential and non-residential programs, children's program, volunteer program, and thrift store. Primary service areas are Hart, Franklin and Elbert counties, however, services and referrals are provided to anyone in need.

**ELIGIBILITY:** There must have been recent abuse and / or threat of abuse and fear of safety. Persons answering the hotline will assess situation and offer resources if shelter is not available at the time of the call. Callers must be willing to abide by guidelines set by agency. There is no charge for any services provided by the agency.

#### **NORTHEAST GEORGIA GIRL SCOUT COUNCIL, INC.**

**CONTACT:** Vicki Raymondo - Membership Specialist

**TELEPHONE:** 770-536-8656  
770-532-8775 (fax)

**WEBSITE:** [www.gshg.org](http://www.gshg.org)

**ADDRESS:** 906 Interstate Ridge Drive / Suite E  
Gainesville, Georgia 30501

**SERVICES:** The Girl Scouts help girls ages 5 - 17 grow and develop as creative, responsible individuals through the following four guidelines:

- Deepening awareness of self-worth.
- Learning to develop constructive relationships with others.
- Encouraging girls to contribute creatively to their communities.
- Developing a value system of their own.

Girls can join as individuals or be members of troops/groups.

**HOURS:** Monday - Thursday 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
Friday – 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.  
Opened 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of each month, 10:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m.

**NORTH GEORGIA CENTER OF THE GEORGIA LEARNING RESOURCES  
SYSTEM**

**CONTACT:** Pam Kirkpatrick - Director

**TELEPHONE:** 706-865-2141  
706-865-6748 (fax)

**WEBSITE:** [www.north.glr.org](http://www.north.glr.org)

**ADDRESS:** 1342 Highway 254  
Cleveland, Georgia 30528

**SERVICES:** GLRS is a support service for parents and teachers of children with disabilities. Services include: Staff development, referral services, information dissemination, special needs library, and diagnostic services.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Anyone can access GLRS services on behalf of a child with disabilities ages birth through 21.

**NORTHEAST GEORGIA SPEECH AND HEARING CENTER**

**CONTACT:** Dianne Brower, CCC-SLP

**TELEPHONE:** 770-534-5141

**WEBSITE:** [www.northeastgeorgiaspeechcenter.com](http://www.northeastgeorgiaspeechcenter.com)

**ADDRESS:** 604 Washington Street  
Suite B-2  
Gainesville, Georgia 30501

**SERVICES:** Provides evaluation and treatment for speech problems of all types and routine hearing screening. Lip reading and auditory training for deaf and hard of hearing.

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

**ELIGIBILITY:** Anyone with or suspected of having a speech, language, or hearing problem. Fee based on ability to pay. Sliding scale for fee reduction, Medicaid/Medicare clients accepted. Also, patients with doctor referrals.

**OTHER SERVICES:** **THERAPEUTIC LANGUAGE FOR CHILDREN**  
Preschool Speech and Language Program designed to prepare the speech/language delayed child for the school experience.

Program environment is appropriate for the preschool child in providing maximum opportunity for development of communication skills. T.L.C. staff consists of qualified, state licensed and ASHA certified speech/language pathologists experienced in preschool and early childhood populations and a teacher with a Master's Degree in Early Childhood Education.

**ELIGIBILITY:**

Children ages 3 -5 that have been pre-diagnosed with a speech and/or language disorder. (Hearing impaired and ADD children accepted. An oral approach will be used with hearing impaired.) Children meeting these above eligibility standards may be referred by the parent/guardian, primary physician, preschool/daycare teacher, appropriate school or agency personnel or another individual concerned about the child's communicative disorder.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**CONTACT:**

Dispatcher at local police department  
Anthony Davis, Chief of Police

**TELEPHONE:**

706-376-3111  
706-856-3226

**ADDRESS:**

Hartwell Police Station  
456 E. Howell Street  
Hartwell, Georgia 30643

**SERVICES:**

Crisis Line for: Alanon, AA, Cancer, MADD,  
suicide and rape.

**HOURS:**

Available 24 hours a day.

**PROJECT SAFE**

**CONTACT:**

Joan Prittie, Director  
Tangela Beard, Associate Director

**TELEPHONE:**

706-543-3331(Hotline)  
706-549-0922 (Business)  
706-354-6161 (fax)

**WEBSITE:**

[www.project-safe.org](http://www.project-safe.org)

**ADDRESS:**

P.O. Box 7532  
Athens, Georgia 30604

**SERVICES:** Support Groups, legal advocacy and court accompaniment.

**HOURS:** Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.  
Shelter open 24 hours a day. Hot line 24 hours.

### **PUBLIC (HART) TRANSPORTATION**

**CONTACT:** Tracy Patrick

**TELEPHONE:** 706-376-3975

**ADDRESS:** 139 Clay Street  
Hartwell, Georgia 30643

**SERVICES:** Provides transportation Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m.-  
4:00 p.m. 24 hours advanced notice requested. Call for rates

### **QUALITY CARE FOR CHILDREN**

**TELEPHONE:** 1-404-479-4200

**WEBSITE:** [www.qualitycareforchildren.org](http://www.qualitycareforchildren.org)

**ADDRESS:** 2751 Buford Hwy, Suite 5015  
Atlanta, Georgia 30324

**SERVICES:** Better nutrition for children in family day care, including provider's children below age 13. Membership in network of family day care providers. Training in nutrition for providers. Increased net income to providers. Registered with the Department of Human Resources.

**HOURS:** Atlanta Office - Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
You may call Area Coordinator:  
7:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. Monday - Friday  
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon Saturday

### **RADIO STATION**

**CONTACT:** Bryan Hicks, Station Manager  
Mike Atkins, News Director

**TELEPHONE:** 706-376-2233  
706-376-3100 (Fax)

**WEBSITE:** [wklyradio@hartcom.net](mailto:wklyradio@hartcom.net)

**ADDRESS:** P.O. Box 636,  
2235 Bowersville Hwy.  
Hartwell, Georgia 30643

**SERVICES:** WKLY was established in 1947 and serves the community in various ways: news, weather, sports, and school news, free community announcements, some free advertising, such as lost and found; highlights different activities going on in the community, interviews people of interest in the community and cooperates with Civil Defense in event of natural disasters.

### **RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

**CONTACT:** Jim Owens, Director

**TELEPHONE:** 706-376-8528

**WEBSITE:** hartcountyga.gov  
Facebook@ hart county recreation department

**ADDRESS:** 200 Clay St.  
Hartwell, Georgia 30643

**SERVICES:** The following are offered locally: Youth-Football,  
Cheerleading, Basketball Classes

### **RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE**

**CONTACT:** Beth Howell, President and CEO

**TELEPHONE:** 404-315-1133  
404-315-7873 (fax)

**WEBSITE:** www.armhc.org

**CONTACT:** Catherine Lewis

**TELEPHONE:** 678-704-8098

**ADDRESS:** 795 Gate Wood Road NE – (Serves Egleston Area)  
Atlanta, Georgia 30329

**ADDRESS:** 5420 Peachtree  
Dunwoody Road NE – (Serves Scottish Rite Area)  
Atlanta, Georgia 30342

**TELEPHONE:** 404-847-0760  
404-250-4992 (fax)

**SERVICES:** To provide low cost housing, comfort and support to families with critically ill children. Some are outpatients receiving treatment for childhood cancer or leukemia.

**HOURS:** 9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m., Monday - Friday  
8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. / 4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.  
Saturday, Sunday & Holidays

### **SALVATION ARMY SHELTER**

**CONTACT:** Captain Erik Methelle – Administrator  
Nefertiti Robinson – Social Service Administrator  
Mary Rosser - Social Worker  
Tracy Weaver – Social Worker

**TELEPHONE:** 706-543-5350

**WEBSITE:** [www.salvationarmyathens.org](http://www.salvationarmyathens.org)

**ADDRESS:** 484 Hawthorne Ave  
Athens, Georgia 30606

**SERVICES:** Dinner served at 5:00 p.m. for anyone.  
Breakfast provided for residents of shelter only.

### **SCOTTISH RITE HOSPITAL FOR CRIPPLED CHILDREN (Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta)**

**TELEPHONE:** 1-404- 785-5252

**WEBSITE:** [www.choa.org](http://www.choa.org)

**ADDRESS:** 1001 Johnson Ferry Road, N.E.,  
Atlanta, Georgia 30342

**SERVICES:** Provides pediatric and orthopedic services for children. Medical clinics include allergy, language disorders, dental, developmental, diabetes, genetics, nutritional and psychology. Surgical clinics include cleft palate and lip, ear, nose and throat, eye neurosurgery, general pediatric surgery, plastic surgery,

urology, orthopedic, food, growth, and metabolic disorders, hand, hip, leg, spinal, and bone tumor.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Ages birth through 18 years. Must be recommended by a Scottish Rite Mason, physician or health department.

**FEES:** Based on income. Medicaid, private insurance, and child care fund are accepted payment types.

### **SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT**

**CONTACT:** Mike Cleveland - Sheriff

**TELEPHONE:** 706-376-3114

**WEBSITE:** [www.hartsheriff.com](http://www.hartsheriff.com)

**ADDRESS:** 890 Vickery Street  
P.O. Box 886  
Hartwell, GA 30643

**SERVICES:** Provides 24 hour protection and service to Hart County residents. In addition to protecting the citizens of Hart County the following services are available - escort any church activity, escort for funerals, workshops and provide security for all churches.

### **SHRINERS**

**CONTACT:** Ramona Garcia

**TELEPHONE:** 1-813-281-0300

**ADDRESS:** Lake Hartwell Shrine Club  
P.O. Box 448  
Hartwell, Georgia 30643

**WEBSITE:** [www.shriners hospitalforchildren.org](http://www.shriners hospitalforchildren.org)

**SERVICES:** Medical service to orthopedic and burned children.

**HOURS:** Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.



**SICKLE CELL FOUNDATION OF GEORGIA, INC.**

**TELEPHONE:** 1-404-755-1641  
1-800-326-5287  
Fax: 1-404-755-7955

**WEBSITE:** [www.sicklecellga.org](http://www.sicklecellga.org)

**ADDRESS:** 2391 Benjamin E. Mays Jr. Drive, SW  
Atlanta, Georgia 30311

**SERVICES:** To provide services to local as well as state residents in educational, screening and counseling programs. Counseling at-risk couples, patient service, summer camp (ages 7-17) and employment assistance within the state of Georgia.

**HOURS:** 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. - Monday – Thursday

**SOCIAL SECURITY OFFICES**

**TELEPHONE** 1-877-405-7655

**ADDRESS:** 155 Big A Road  
Toccoa, GA 30577

**WEBSITE:** [www.socialsecurity.gov](http://www.socialsecurity.gov)

**TELEPHONE:** 706- 227-1195 / 866-964-3294

**ADDRESS:** 1650 Prince Avenue  
Athens, Georgia 30606

**SERVICES:** To pay Social Security benefits to those who qualify. A compulsory social insurance program providing protection against loss of income due to old age, death of the family provider or permanent and total disability.

**HOURS:** Monday - Friday 9:00 am - 4:00 p.m.  
Wednesday – close at 12:00 p.m.

## **TUGALOO HOME HEALTH**

- CONTACT:** Angel Jones (Director of Operations)
- TELEPHONE:** 706-376-4591  
866-862-8534
- WEBSITE:** [www.amedisys.com](http://www.amedisys.com)
- ADDRESS:** 308 East Howell Street  
Suite 100  
Hartwell, Georgia 30643
- SERVICES:** Nonprofit health care agency which provides care in the homes of patients when 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.
- ELIGIBILITY:** Patients receiving care in their home under Medicare and/or Medicaid must be essentially homebound; be in need of skilled nursing care or physical therapy or speech therapy; and be approved for such care by a doctor. For patients not under Medicare and/or Medicaid, care is provided as prescribed by a doctor regardless of homebound status.

## **VETERAN'S AFFAIRS AND REGIONAL OFFICE**

- TELEPHONE:** 1-800-827-1000 (toll free)
- WEB SITE:** [www.va.gov](http://www.va.gov)
- ADDRESS:** 1700 Clairmont Rd.  
Decatur, Georgia 30033-4032
- SERVICES:** Answers questions about benefits available to veterans and their families who are residents of Georgia.
- HOURS:** Monday – Friday – 8:00 am – 4:00 pm

## DIRECTORY TELEPHONE NUMBERS / WEBSITE ADDRESS

AADD Atlanta Alliance of Developmental Disabilities	404-881-9777 www.aadd.org
Aid Atlanta	770-803-0024 www.aidatlanta.org
Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders	800-272-3900 www.alz.org
American Association on Intellectual & Developmental Disabilities	800-424-3688 www.aadd.org
American Cancer Society, Atlanta	800-227-2345 www.cancer.org/donate
American Diabetes Association	800-342-2383 www.diabetes.org
American Heart Association, Atlanta	800-242-8721 www.heart.org
Arthritis Foundation, Atlanta	404-872-7100 www.arthritis.org
Child Support Recovery Unit	800-436-7442 dcss.dhs.georgia.gov
Disability Resource Center, Inc.	770-534-6656 www.disabilityresourcecenter.org
Easter Seal Society, Augusta	706-667-9695 ga.ea.easterseals.com
Emory University Switchboard, Atlanta	404-727-6123 www.emory.edu
Georgia Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf	703-838-0030 www.rid.org
Goodwill Industries, Columbus	706-660-5607 www.goodwill.org
Governor's Council on Developmental Disabilities	404-657-2126 www.gcdd.org
Justice Center of Atlanta, Inc., Atlanta	404-523-8236 www.justicecenter.org
Library for the Blind / GLASS	404-657-1452 georgialibraries.org/glass
Lighthouse for the Blind (Lions Club)	404-325-3630 www.blindness.org lionslighthouse.org

Lupus Foundation of America	770-333-5930 <a href="http://www.lupus.org">www.lupus.org</a>
Muscular Dystrophy Association, Atlanta	770-621-9800 <a href="http://www.mda.org">www.mda.org</a>
Northeast Georgia Speech & Hearing Center	706-546-5689 <a href="http://www.georgiahearingcenter.com">www.georgiahearingcenter.com</a>
National Society for Children and Adults with Autism	800-328-8476 <a href="http://www.autism-society.org">www.autism-society.org</a>
Parent to Parent of Georgia, Inc., Atlanta	770-451-5484 <a href="http://p2pga.org">http://p2pga.org</a>
Post-Polio Syndrome, Atlanta	404-350-7631 <a href="http://www.atlantapostpolio.com">www.atlantapostpolio.com</a>
Sickle Cell Foundation of Georgia, Inc.	404-755-1641 <a href="http://www.sicklecellga.org">www.sicklecellga.org</a>
Spinal Bifida and Dermatology Clinic of Atlanta	404-785-4593 <a href="http://www.spinalbifidaassociation.org">www.spinalbifidaassociation.org</a>

## **TOLL FREE NUMBERS / WEBSITE ADDRESS**

### **ADOPTION**

National Adoption Center 800-TO-ADOPT  
www.adopt.org

### **AIDS**

CDC Information on Disease Control and Prevention 800-232-4636  
www.cdc.gov

### **ALCOHOLISM**

Federal Substance Abuse and Mental Health Administration  
Treatment referral routing Services 800-487-4889  
www.samhsa.gov

### **BLINDNESS/VISION**

American Council of the Blind 800-424-8666  
acb.org

American Foundation for the Blind 800-232-5463  
www.afb.org

Georgia Library for Accessible Services 800-248-6701  
georgialibraries.org

National Eye Care America 877-887-6327  
www.aao.org

National Library Services for the Blind and the  
Physically Handicapped 888-NLS-READ  
www.loc.gov

### **BURN VICTIMS**

Shriners Hospital for Children 800-237-5055  
ww.shrinershospitalsforchildren.org

### **CANCER**

National Cancer Institute Information Service 800-4-CANCER  
www.cancer.gov

### **CAREER COUNSELING**

Job Accommodation Network (JAN) 800-526-7234  
askjan.org

### **CEREBRAL PALSY**

United Cerebral Palsy Association, Inc. 800-872-5827  
ucp.org

**CHILD ABUSE**

Child Help National Hotline (sexual abuse victims and family) 800-4 A CHILD  
www.childhelp.org

**CLEFT PALATE**

American Cleft Palate Educational Foundation/CLEFTLINE 800-24-CLEFT  
www.acpa-cpf.org

**COMMUNICATION DISORDERS**

American Speech-Language-Hearing Association 800-638-8255  
www.asha.org

**CONSUMER**

Report Lost or Stolen Credit Cards 800-528-2121  
www.consumer.ftc.gov

**DEAFNESS HEARING IMPAIRMENTS**

Captioned Films for the Deaf 800-237-6213  
www.dcmp.org

John Tracy Clinic on Deafness 800-522-4582  
www.jtc.org

International Hearing Society 800-521-5247  
www.insinfo.org

Occupational Hearing Services (Dial a Hearing Test) 800-222-3277  
www.heartinservicessc.net

**DIABETES**

Juvenile Diabetes Foundation Hotline 800-533-CURE  
www.jdrf.com

**DISEASES**

American Leprosy Missions 800-543-3135  
www.leprosy.org

Huntington's Disease Society of America 800-345-HDSA  
www.hdsa.org

Lupus Foundation of America 800-558-0121  
www.lupus.org

National Association for Sickle Cell Disease, Inc. 800-421-8453  
www.sicklecelldisease.org

National Parkinson Foundation 800-327-4545  
www.parkinson.org

**DOWN SYNDROME**

National Down Syndrome Congress 800-232-6372  
www.ndscenter.org

**DRUG INFORMATION**

Federal Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services 800-662-4357  
www.samhsa.gov

Administrations Treatment Referral Routing Services 800-662-4357  
www.samhsa.gov/treatment

**EDUCATION**

National Committee for Citizens in Education 800-NETWORK

**EMPLOYMENT**

Job Accommodation Network (JOB) 800-526-7234  
askjan.org

**EPILEPSY**

Epilepsy Foundation of America's National Information Center 800-332-1000  
www.epilepsy.com

**FINANCIAL AID**

Health Care Financing Administration – Medicare & Medicaid 800-633-4227  
www.cms.gov

National Health Information Center (NHIC) 800-336-4797  
www.health.gov/nhic

**IMMUNOLOGY**

National Jewish Center for Immunology and Respiratory Medicine 800-222-5864  
www.nationaljewish.org

**KIDNEY DISORDERS**

National Kidney Foundation, Atlanta 800-622-9010  
www.kidney.org

National Office of American Kidney Fund 800-638-8299  
www.kidneyfund.org

**LEARNING DISABILITIES (DYSLEXIA)**

Educators Publishing Service, Inc.,  
Specific Language Disabilities (Dyslexia) 800-225-5750  
eps.schoolspeciality.com

**MAINSTREAMING INTO THE COMMUNITY**

Disability Resource Center 888-534-7144  
www.disabilityresourcecenter.org

**MEDICAL SERVICES**

Children's Health Care of Atlanta 800-250-5437  
www.choa.org

**MENTAL RETARDATION**

Association for Retarded Citizens of the United States (ARC) 800-433-5255  
www.thearc.org

**MISSING CHILDREN**

National Center for Missing and Exploited Children 800-843-5678  
www.missingkids.com

**NEUROLOGICAL IMPAIRMENT/PARALYSIS**

National Headache Foundation 800-843-2256  
www.headaches.org

**NUTRITION**

Georgia Dept. of Agriculture Commission 800-282-5852  
agr.georgia.gov

Agriculture Consumer Service Program (directory service) 800-282-5852  
agr.georgia.gov

Beech-Nut Nutrition Service Program 800-233-2468  
www.beechnut.com

Gerber Products Company 800-443-7237  
www.gerberlife.com

**ORGAN DONORS**

The Living Bank 800-528-2971  
www.livingbank.org

**ORTHOPEDIC PROBLEMS**

International Shriners Headquarters 800-237-5055  
www.shrinershq.org

**PESTICIDES**

Pesticides Information 800-858-7378  
npic.orst.edu

**POISON CONTROL CENTER**

Poison Control Center 800-222-1222  
www.aapcc.org

**PUBLIC SERVICE**

Public Service Commission 800-282-5813  
www.psc.state.ga.us



**RARE DISORDERS**

Cornelia DeLange Syndrome Foundation	800-223-8355 www.cdlsusa.org
National Reye's Syndrome Foundation	800-233-7393 www.reyessyndrome.org
National Tuberous Sclerosis Association	800-225-6872 www.tsalliance.org

**REHABILITATION**

National Rehabilitation Information Center	800-346-2742 www.naric.com
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**RESPIRATORY DISEASE**

National Jewish Center for Immunology and Respiratory Medicine Lung Line	800-222-5864 www.nationaljewish.org
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**SPINA BIFIDA**

Spina Bifida Hotline	800-621-3141 www.spinabifidaassociation.org
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**SUDDEN INFANT DEATH SYNDROME**

1 <sup>st</sup> Candle	800-221-7437 www.firstcandle.org
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**RUNAWAY SWITCHBOARD**

National Runaway Switchboard	800-786-2929 www.1800runaway.org
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**TOYS**

Consumer Product Safety	800-638-2772 www.cpsc.gov
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**TRAUMA**

American Trauma Society	800-556-7890 www.amtrauma.org
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