

Ninth District Opportunity, Inc.

**Stephens County
Community Resource Handbook**



2017-2018

Stephens Head Start/Georgia Pre-K



INTRODUCTION

It is a pleasure to present the Stephens County Head Start/Pre-K 2017-2018 Community Resource Handbook. The purpose of this handbook is to assist our families in accessing local and state information and resources to meet the needs of their families. We encourage our parents to embrace their role as their child's first teacher and to become actively engaged in the community and the center. We hope you find this information helpful.

The book is divided into four main sections: ***Quick Index***, ***Resources from A to Z***, ***Other Clubs/Organizations*** and ***Toll Free/Hotline Numbers***. The ***Quick Index*** provides telephone numbers of various community resources for quick reference. ***Resources from A to Z*** list the contact person, address, telephone number, email address, and information on services offered by the agencies and the support groups in the area. ***Other Clubs & Organizations*** is a listing of other opportunities available in the community. The ***Toll-Free Number*** section includes local, state and national numbers of various organizations that could be helpful to you.

If you are a Head Start/Pre-K family and you need assistance, please contact the Family Support Staff at the Head Start Office at 706-886-7675. We are here to help you and your child to be successful!

Partners in Education,

Sherry Jarrard, Center Director

QUICK FIND INDEX

Abuse:

Center for Advocacy and Protection	404-785-3820
Children’s Advocacy Center of Georgia	770-319-6888
Circle of Hope	800-334-2836
Department of Family and Children Services	706-282-4505
F.A.I.T.H. – Powerhouse for Kids	706-886-2290
Gateway House	770-536-5860
Georgia Center for Child Advocacy	678-904-2880
Governor’s Helpline for Child Abuse	880-338-6745
Prevent Child Abuse Georgia	404-413-1419

Advocacy:

Benchmark Human Services	404-938-7843
CASA – Court Appointed Special Advocate	706-886-1098

After School Programs:

Baby Steps Child Care (Quality Rated)	706-244-0343
Boys and Girls Club of Toccoa -Stephens County	706-886-3771
Evan Oglesby Center	404-969-5334
Peanut Patch, Inc.	706-886-0224
Precious Minutes Learning Center	706-886-1443
The Learning Tree Academy	706-886-9900

Agriculture:

Stephens County Cannery & Freezer Locker	706-779-2218
Stephens County Cooperative Extension Program	706-779-5501
Stephens County Farmers’ Market	706-779-5501
USDANRCS (Natural Resources and Conservation Services)	706-779-2134

Aid with Rent & Utilities:

Georgia Department of Community Affairs	706-369-5636
Home Safe Georgia (help with mortgage payment)	877-519-4443
Ninth District Opportunity	706-886-0211
Salvation Army (Crisis Only)	706-886-5293

Camps:

Arthritis Foundation (Georgia)	800-933-7023
Blue Ridge Outdoor Education Center	706-886-7621
Boys and Girls Club of Toccoa-Stephens County	706-886-3771
Camp Mikell	706-886-7515
Camp Toccoa (Camp Fire)	706-886-2457
Learning Tree Academy	706-886-9900
North Georgia Technical College (Lego Camp)	706-779-8100
North Georgia Soccer Association (NGSA)	706-754-0191

Precious Minutes Learning Center	706-886-1443
Stephens County Recreation Department	706-886-5101
Stephens County Cooperative Extension Office (4-H)	706-779-5501
Toccoa-Stephens County Recreation Department	706-886-5101

Childcare:

Baby Steps	706-244-0343
Circle of Friends	706-886-1240
Currahee Academy	706-282-8998
Lil' Chiefs Daycare and Pre-school	706-886-6555
Little People's Day Care	706-779-2712
Miss Leisha's Young Lord and Ladies	706-297-7886
Peanut Patch	706-886-0224
Precious Minutes Learning Center	706-886-1443
Quality Child Care Resource and Referral	706-543-6177
Stephens Co. Head Start/Pre-K	706-886-7675
The Learning Tree Academy	706-886-9900
Wee-Care Preschool	706-886-9300

Churches:

Branches of Christ Fellowship	706-779-0043
Broad River Baptist Church	706-779-7402
Calvary Independent Baptist Church	706-886-8687
Campus Community Church at Toccoa Falls College	706-886-6831
Carnes Creek Baptist Church	706-886-8740
Christ Fellowship	706-282-7345
Church of Christ	706-886-7306
Collins Road Baptist Church	706-886-3967
Confidence Methodist Church	706-778-5032
Deer Court CME	706-886-9321
Eastanollee Baptist Church	706-779-5132
Ebenezer Baptist Church	706-886-9300
Faith Break CME	706-886-1998
Faith Memorial Assembly of God	706-886-9989
First Alliance Church	706-886-5948
First Baptist Church of Toccoa	706-886-6822
First Presbyterian Church of Toccoa	706-886-9900
First United Methodist Church of Toccoa	706-886-9446
Foothills Community Church	706-886-0996
Friendship Baptist Church	706-886-1814
Glad Tidings Assembly of God	706-886-1100
Grace Baptist Church	706-886-0330
Grace Covenant Fellowship	706-886-8385
High Point Community Church	706-886-5791
Hill Street Baptist Church	706-886-4840
Hollywood Church of God	770-862-5974
Kingdom Hall-Jehovah's Witness	706-886-7860
Liberty Hill Baptist Church	706-779-2922

Mt. Bethel First Church of God	706-886-2986
Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church	706-886-2080
Mt. Zion Baptist Church	706-886-5341
Mullins Ford Baptist Church	706-779-2286
New Hope Baptist Church	706-886-6024
Northside Baptist Church	706-886-1237
Old Toccoa Baptist Church	706-886-7725
Pentecostal Holiness	706-886-1634
Reach Out Time Chapel	706-779-5969
Rehoboth Assemblies of God	706-886-1234
Rock Creek Baptist Church	706-779-5140
Rock Quarry Congregational Holiness	706-886-6059
Salvation Army	706-886-5293
Shiloh Baptist Church	706-886-9248
St. James United Methodist	706-886-8885
St. Mary's Catholic Church	706-886-2819
St. Matthias Episcopal Church	706-886-4413
Sunnyside Baptist Church	706-886-8311
Sunshine United Methodist Church	706-244-8992
The Pointe	706-886-3827
The Potters House	706-886-0908
Toccoa Assembly of God (TAG)	706-886-1234
Toccoa Seventh Day Adventist	706-886-3800
Toccoa Christian Church	706-886-7390
Toccoa Church of Christ	706-886-7306
Toccoa Creek Baptist Church	706-886-9595
Tom's Creek Baptist Church	706-779-2474
Trinity CME	706-886-6743
Trinity Fellowship	706-886-9719
Trinity Lutheran Church	706-886-6723
Tugalo Baptist Association	706-779-5658
Zebulon Baptist Church	706-886-5270

Clothing:

Habitat for Humanity	706-886-3790
Hill Street Baptist Church	706-886-4840
Salvation Army (Crisis Only)	706-886-5293
Salvation Army Thrift Store	706-886-0044
Toccoa River Baptist Thrift Store	706-886-2500
Toccoa Soup Kitchen	706-886-8341
Victory Home Thrift Store	706-839-4213
Zebulon Baptist Church Clothes Closet (Emergency Only)	706-886-5270

Counseling:

Affiliated Psychological and Medical Counseling	770-5351284
Appalachian Enrichment Center	706-781-6035
Avita Community Partners	706-282-4542
Benchmark Human Services	404-938-7843

Chattahoochee Winds Counseling	706-491-0978
Clarksville Counseling and Mediation Services	706-499-0251
Community Prevention Network (anger management)	706-391-1812
Greenleaf Counseling	706-754-1735
Foothills Counseling Center	706-754-5155
F.A.I.T.H. INC. Rape Crisis Center	706-782-1003
Hospice of Northeast Georgia Medical Center	770-533-8888
Mustard Seed Counseling Services	706-894-1371
Ninth District Opportunity	706-886-0211
Redeeming Love Center (Peer counseling for women)	706-491-2278
Salvation Army	706-886-5293
Snedden Counseling & Consulting Service	706-754-9401
Toccoa Counseling Center	706-886-1335
Toccoa Life (pregnancy)	706-886-0177
Thomas Howell (North Georgia Counseling Center)	706-498-5562
Tom Fish	770-503-5963
Viewpoint Health	678-209-2411

Court Systems:

Child Support Enforcement	706-754-1717
Department of Juvenile Services	706-282-4520
District Attorney of Stephens County	706-886-7920
Juvenile Court	706-282-4520
Public Defender	706-754-6427
Stephens County Clerk of Court	706-886-3598
Stephens County Magistrate Court	706-886-6205
Stephens County Probate Court	706-886-2828
Stephens County State Court	706-886-9496
Stephens County Superior Court	706-886-3598
Toccoa Municipal Court	706-282-3238
Toccoa Recorder Court	706-282-3225
Georgia Legal Services	404-535-5717

Crisis:

Benchmark Human Services	404-938-7843
Circle of Hope (Battered women)	800-334-2836
Community Prevention Network (anger management)	706-391-1812
F.A.I.T.H. Powerhouse for Kids	706-886-2290
H.E.A.R.T. Ministry	706-356-3434
Prevent Child Abuse Georgia	404-413-1419
Toccoa Soup Kitchen	706-886-8341
Salvation Army	706-886-5293
Second Chance Ministries	706-886-0591
Stephens County Anti-Drug Coalition	706-491-9027
Viewpoint Health	678-209-2411

Disasters:

American Red Cross	770-532-8453
Fire and Police Emergency	911
Stephens County Emergency Management	706-779-3911
Tugalo Baptist Association	706-779-2626
Viewpoint Health	678-209-2411

Drug & Alcohol Abuse:

AA "Inner Voice Group"	706-754-0156
AA "Toccoa Fellowship Group"	706-886-4413
AL-ANON	706-886-4413
Avita Community Partners	706-282-4542
Benchmark Human Services	404-938-7843
Chattahoochee Winds Counseling	706-491-0978
Christ Fellowship Church of Toccoa – Celebrate Recovery	706-282-7345
Community Prevention Network	706-391-1812
Georgia Crisis and Access Link	800-715-4225
H.E.A.R.T. Ministry (Women)	706-356-3434
Miracles Happen	706-886-0307
New Beginnings Ministry	706-356-2113
Pittard Clinic	706-886-4420
Second Chance Ministries	706-886-0591
Stephens County Anti-Drug Coalition	706-391-1812
The Mustard Seed Counseling Services	706-894-1371
Toccoa Counseling Center	706-886-1335
Victory Home – Helping Hand, Inc. (Men)	706-754-6030
Viewpoint Health	678-209-2411

Education:

• **Stephens County Schools :**

Alpine Center	706-384-4824
Big A Elementary	706-886-2987
Crossroads Success Academy	706-886-3144
Liberty Elementary	706-886-3934
Mountain Education Charter High School	706-886-3114
Stephens County High School	706-886-6825
Stephens County Middle School	706-886-2880
Stephens County Public Schools -Central Office	706-886-9415
Toccoa Elementary School	706-886-3194

• **Support Services:**

Currahee Home Educators	706-886-7193
Family Connections and Communities in Schools	706-886-2880
Georgia Academy for the Blind	478-751-6083
Job Corps Services	404-873-1318
Mentors/Tutors (Communities in Schools)	706-886-2880
P.R.E.P. (Pre-school Readiness Education Program)	706-886-5609
Pioneer RESA	706-865-2141
Sight for Students (Family Connections)	706-886-2880

Stephens County Cooperative Extension Office (4-H) 706-779-5501
Toccoa-Stephens County Literacy Council 706-282-5171
Toccoa-Stephens County Public Library 706-886-6082

• **Adult Education:**

North Georgia Technical College (Clarkeville Campus) 706-754-7781
North Georgia Technical College (Currahee Campus) 706-779-8116
S.E.L.F. – Adult Education Resource & Referral 706-886-6909
Toccoa-Stephens County Literacy Council 706-282-5171

• **Colleges:**

North Georgia Technical College (Clarkeville Campus) 706-754-7700
North Georgia Technical College (Currahee Campus) 706-779-8100
Toccoa Falls College 706-886-6831

Employment:

Employment Staffing Inc. 706-282-0978
Etcon Employment Solutions 706-886-7747
Georgia Department of Labor 706-282-4514
Governor’s Office of Workforce Development 404-463-5030
Job Corps Services 404-873-1318
Labor Finders 706-886-1225
Legacy Link: Area Agency on Aging 770-608-1040
Phillips Staffing 706-356-5820
Talent Force 706-282-0978
Spherion/Interim Personnel 706-886-5115
Vocational Rehabilitation Services 706-348-4882

Family Services:

Child Support Enforcement 706-754-9100
Department of Family and Children Services 706-282-4505
Department of Juvenile Justice 706-282-4520

Family Violence:

Circle of Hope 800-334-2836
Department of Family and Children Services 706-282-4505
F.A.I.T.H. – Powerhouse for Kids 706-886-2290

Financial Assistance:

American Red Cross (Assistance after major loss) 800-282-1722
Department of Family and Children Services 706-282-4505
Ninth District Opportunity 706-886-0211
Salvation Army 706-886-5293

Financial Counseling/Debt Management:

Clear Point Credit Counseling Solutions 800-251-2227

Food:

Agriculture Consumer Line 800-282-5852
American Red Cross (Disaster victims) 800-282-1722

Cannery & Freezer Locker	706-779-2218
Christ Fellowship Church of Toccoa	706-282-7345
Department of Family and Children Services (Food stamps)	706-282-4505
Hill Street Baptist Church (Emergencies)	706-886-4840
Martin Baptist Church	706-779-2424
Meals on Wheels (Toccoa-Stephens County Senior Center)	706-886-4740
Neighbor 4 Neighbor Inc.	706-491-5636
One Harvest Food Ministries	706-886-5791
Salvation Army (Assistance with major loss)	706-886-5293
School Nutrition Program	706-886-0241
Shirley's Soul Food	706-297-7739
Stephens County Health Department (WIC)	706-282-4507
Stephens County Food Bank	706-886-9015
Toccoa Soup Kitchen	706-886-8341
Zebulon Baptist Church	706-886-5270

Glasses:

Georgia Lions Club Sight Conservation Project	706-282-0444
Georgia Lions Lighthouse Foundation	404-325-3630
Sight for Students (Family Connections)	706-886-2880

Government:

City Clerk (Toccoa)	706-886-3225
City of Toccoa	706-886-8451
City/County Commissioners (Toccoa/Stephens)	706-886-9491
City Manager (Toccoa)	706-282-3221
Department of Motor Vehicle/Driver Services	706-282-4821
Georgia Department of Labor	706-282-4514
Georgia Department of Veteran Services	706-282-4525
Georgia Forestry Commission	800-432-6580
Georgia Public Service Commission	800-282-5813
Internal Revenue Service	800-829-1040
Social Security Administration	877-405-7655
Stephens County Administrator	706-886-9491
Stephens County Clerk of Court	706-886-9496
Tax Assessors Office	706-886-7435
Toccoa-Stephens County Animal Control	706-282-3275
Toccoa-Stephens County Chamber of Commerce	706-886-2132
Vital Records (Birth Certificates)	706-886-2828

Handicapped / Disabled Services:

Alpine Center	706-384-4824
Avita Family Partners	706-886-6521
Babies Can't Wait	770-531-4053
Challenged Child	770-535-8372
Children's Health Care of Atlanta	404-250-KIDS
Children's Medical Services	800-204-8731
Disability Resource Center, Inc.	888-534-7144

Georgia Academy for the Blind	478-751-6083
Georgia Center for the Multi-Handicapped	404-378-5488
Georgia Learning Resources System	706-865-2141
Georgia Lions Camp for the Blind	888-297-1775
Georgia Relay Center	800-255-0135
Handicap Hotline	770-998-0211
Northeast Georgia Speech Center	770-534-5141
Opportunity House	706-356-1938
Parent to Parent of Georgia	800-229-2038
P.R.E.P (Pre-School Readiness Education Program)	706-886-5609
Reins of Life	706-491-9764
Roosevelt-Warm Springs Institute for Rehabilitation	800-282-8461
Vocational Rehabilitation Services	800-846-9634

Health Services:

Aid Atlanta, Inc.	800-551-2728
Alzheimer's Support Group for Care Givers	706-886-5999
Amedisys Home Health Agency	706-886-5442
American Cancer Society	770-297-1176
American Diabetes Association	888-342-2383
Arthritis Foundation	404-237-8771
Autism Society of America	800-328-8476
Children's Healthcare of Atlanta	404-250-KIDS
Children's Medical Services	800-204-8731
Dr. Elizabeth Pinkerton	706-886-8399
Georgia Lions Club Sight Conservation	404-282-0444
Georgia Lions Lighthouse Foundation	404-636-5549
Georgia Poison Control Center	800-282-5846
Life Smiles	706-531-9933
Med Access (Toccoa Clinic)	706-827-2607
National Health Information Center	800-336-4797
Open Arms Clinic	706-886-0940
Our Kids Pediatrics	706-886-1309
RESCARE	706-282-0060
Southern Rehabilitation Services	706-282-4461
Stephens County Health Department	706-282-4507
Stephens County Hospital	706-282-4200
Toccoa Clinic	706-886-7537
Toccoa Life (Pregnancy)	706-886-0177
Tugaloo Home Health	706-886-5442

Housing:

Falls Park Apartments	706-886-0256
Georgia Department of Community Affairs	706-369-5636
Glendale Apartments	706-282-0830
Habitat for Humanity	706-886-3790
Northeast Georgia Housing Authority	706-886-9455
Toccoa Pines Apartments (Section 8 Housing)	706-886-9303

Information and Referral:

Community Connections Call 2-1-1	706-353-1313
Disability Resource Center, Inc.	888-534-7144
Family Connections and Communities in Schools	706-886-2880
Parent to Parent of Georgia (Disabled children)	800-229-2038
Prevent Child Abuse Georgia, Inc.	404-413-1419
Quality Care for Children Child Care & Referral	706-543-6177
Second Chance Ministries	706-886-0591
S.E.L.F. / Stephens Education Literacy Foundation	706-886-6909
Toccoa - Stephens Chamber of Commerce	706-886-2132

Law Enforcement:

Emergency Calls	911
Department of Motor Vehicle Services	706-282-4821
Georgia State Patrol	706-282-4531
Stephens County Sheriff's Department	706-886-2525
Toccoa Police Department	706-282-3244
Toccoa/Stephens County Animal Control	706-282-0104

Legal Services:

Child Support Enforcement	706-754-1717
CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate)	706-886-1098
Department of Juvenile Services	706-282-4520
District Attorney of Stephens County	706-886-7920
Georgia Legal Services	770-535-5717
Juvenile Court	706-282-4520
Mountain Judicial Circuit Public Defender	706-754-6427
Public Defender	706-754-6427
Stephens County Clerk of Court	706-886-3598
Stephens County Magistrate Court	706-886-6205
Stephens County Probate Court	706-886-2828
Stephens County State Court	706-886-9496
Stephens County Superior Court	706-886-3598
Toccoa Municipal Court	706-282-3238
Toccoa Recorder Court	706-282-3225
Toccoa-Stephens County Probation Office	706-886-7106
Vital Records	706-886-2828

Medical Equipment and Supplies:

Convalescent Home Equipment	706-886-8474
Medi Home Health Care	706-886-1118
Next to Me Medical Supplies	706-886-6649

Medical Transportation:

Medi-Cab Transportation	800-884-7850
Master Care Non-Emergency Medical Transportation	706-245-9815
North Georgia Medical Transport	706-754-0295

Mental Health:

Alzheimer's Family Support Group	706-491-3040
Appalachian Enrichment Center	706-781-6035
Avita Community Partners	706-282-4542
Caregivers of Newly Diagnosed Patients with Dementia	706-886-7337
Clarkesville Counseling and Mediation Services	706-499-0251
F.A.I.T.H. Powerhouse for Kids	706-886-2290
Foothills Counseling Center	706-754-5155
Georgia Crisis and Access Link	800-715-4225
Greenleaf Counseling	706-754-1735
Hospice of Northeast Georgia Medical Center	770-533-8888
Lookout Mountain Care Management Entity (CME)	706-806-1260
National Suicide and Prevention Lifeline	800-273-8255
Parent to Parent of Georgia	800-229-2038
Snedden Counseling & Consulting Services	706-754-9401
The Mustard Seed Counseling Services	706-894-1371
Viewpoint Health	678-209-2411

Nursing Home/Personal Care Homes:

Heritage Healthcare of Toccoa	706-886-8419
Stephens County Hospital Personal Care Home	706-282-1197
The Clary Care & Wilkinson Centers	706-282-5600

Pediatrics:

Our Kids Pediatrics	706-886-1309
Dr. Elizabeth Pinkerton	706-886-8399
Toccoa Clinic	706-886-8419

Pharmacy:

Clinic Pharmacy	706-886-2151
Jerry White's Pharmacy	706-886-2662
Maddox Drugs	706-886-3119
Rite Aid Corporation	706-886-2186
Sander's Drugs	706-297-0111
Stewart Downtown Discount Drugs	706-886-3141
Walgreen Drug Store	706-297-7618
Wal-Mart Pharmacy	706-282-1193

Pregnancy:

Toccoa Life	706-886-0177
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Prevention:

Alcohol & Drug Care Unit	800-854-0318
American Diabetes Association	888-342-2383
Center for Advocacy and Protection	404-785-3820
Georgia Dental Association	800-432-4357
National Health Information Center	800-336-4797
Open Arms Clinic	706-886-0940

Prevent Child Abuse Georgia	404-413-1419
Stephanie V. Blank Center for Safe & Healthy Children	404-785-3820
U.S. Consumer Safety Products	800-638-2772

Recreation:

Boys & Girls Club of Toccoa-Stephens County	706-886-3771
Girl Scouts of Historic Georgia, Inc.	770-548-7297
Northeast Georgia Boy Scouts Council (Stephens County)	706-886-7433
Northeast Georgia Girl Scout Council	770-548-7297
North Georgia Soccer Association	706-754-0191
Stephens County Cooperative Extension Office	706-779-5501
Toccoa-Stephens County Public Library	706-886-6082
Toccoa-Stephens County Recreation Department	706-886-5101
Upward Sports (Tom’s Creek Baptist Church)	706-779-2474

Senior Adult Services:

AARP (American Association of Retired People)	886-295-7281
Aging Connection	404-364-2626
Alzheimer’s Family Support Group	706-886-5999
Arthritis Foundation (Georgia)	404-237-8771
Assisted Living Association of Georgia	770-948-0768
Georgia Council on Aging	404-657-5343
Georgia Legal Aid	706-542-4241
Grandparents as Parents (GAP)	310-924-3996
Meals on Wheels (Toccoa – Stephens Senior Center)	706-886-4740
Legacy Link: Area Agency on Aging	770-538-2650
Rabun County Shelter	706-782-3775
Social Security Administration	877-405-7655
Toccoa-Stephens County Recreation Department	706-886-5101
Toccoa-Stephens County Senior Center	706-886-4740

Shelters:

American Red Cross (Disaster victims)	800-282-1722
Circle of Hope	800-334-2836
Gainesville Shelter – Salvation Army Emergency Lodge	770-531-0135
Gateway House	770-536-5860
Habersham County Homeless Shelter	706-754-9031
F.A.I.T.H. Powerhouse for Kids (Women and children)	888-782-1338
Lily's Garden	706-391-8093
Rabun County Shelter / Wiley Presbyterian Church	706-782-3775
Salvation Army	706-886-5293
Shirley’s Shelter	706-297-7739
Victory Home-Helping Hands	706-754-6030

Support Groups:

AA “Inner Voice Group”	706-754-0156
AA “Toccoa Fellowship Group”	706-282-5059
Aids Atlanta, Inc.	404-870-7700

AL-ANON	706-886-4413
Alzheimer's Family Support Group	706-886-5999
American Cancer Society	800-227-2345
Avita	706-282-4542
Caregivers of Newly Diagnosed Patients with Dementia	706-886-7537
Circle of Hope	800-334-2836
Community Prevention Network	706-391-1812
Redeeming Love Center (Peer counseling for women)	706-491-2278
Second Chance Ministries	706-886-0591
Stephens County Anti-Drug Coalition	706-391-1812
The Mustard Seed Counseling Services	706-894-1371

Veterans Groups:

Georgia Department of Veteran Services	706-282-4525
Veterans of Foreign Wars	706-779-5373
Veterans Hotline	800-827-1000

Resources from A to Z

A

AA (Alcoholics Anonymous)

“Inner Voice Group”

First United Methodist Church, 283 East Tugalo Street, Toccoa, GA 30577-2127

Telephone: 706-599-1615

Meeting time: Thursday 10:00 AM; Saturday 8:00 PM

Contact: Frank McCann

“Toccoa Fellowship Group”

St. Matthias Episcopal Church, 995 East Tugalo Street, Toccoa, GA

Telephone: 706-886-4413 (church)

Contact: Ron Grimm, 404-304-8581

Meeting time: Monday 8:00 PM; Tuesday 10:00 AM; Thursday 7:00 PM; Friday 8:00 PM

Website: www.aa.org

Services: Support Group

Eligibility: Anyone

Category: Drug and Alcohol Abuse; Support Groups

AARP (American Association of Retired People)

Address: 999 Peachtree Street NE Suite 1110, Atlanta, GA 30309

GA Telephone: 1-866-295-7281

GA Telephone for general membership: 1-888-687-2277 **Fax:** 404-881-6991

Website: www.aarp.org/state.ga

Contact: Ed Van Herik

Hours: Monday –Friday 8:00AM-5:00PM

Services: AARP is nonprofit, nonpartisan membership organizations that helps people 50 + have independence, choice and control in ways that are beneficial and affordable to them and society as a whole. AARP does not endorse candidates for public office or contribute to political campaigns or candidates. Produces “AARP The Magazine”; “AARP Viva Segundo Juventud” for older American 50 +; AARP Foundation is an affiliated charity that provides security, protection, and empowerment to older persons in need with support from thousands of volunteers, donors, and sponsors. AARP has staffed offices in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Eligibility: 50 + years of age

Category: Senior Adult Services

ADULT BASIC EDUCATION

Address: 127 Big A School Road, Toccoa, GA. 30577 (Old Big A Elementary School)

Telephone: 706-282-5171

Contact: Kelly Hunter or Pat Deffenbaugh

Services: GED Program, the skills of reading, speaking, listening, and writing of the English language are taught. The program seeks to develop attitudes, which will enable a person to live a fuller life. Adults may progress at their own speed. Students can enroll at any time during the year, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon. Classes are in session on Tuesday and Thursday from 10:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m., Wednesday from 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. and Thursday evenings from 5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Computer and Internet classes are also offered from 1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.

Eligibility: Persons of 16 years of age and older.

Category: Education

ADULT EDUCATION

Address: North Georgia Technical College and Vocational School, Georgia 1500, Hwy 197, Clarkesville, GA 30523 (Clarkesville campus)

Telephone: 706-754-7700, 706-754-7781

Currahee Campus, 8989 Hwy 17 S., Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-779-8100. **To Register: 706-282-5171**

Contact: Dr. Barbara Melechar

Local Contact: Jackie Reeder, 706-779-8116

Hours: Mon – Wed from 8:00am -12:00pm

Single Parenting Component: Jane Tilley, 1-706-754-7766

Purpose: To provide technical and/or vocational education, adult literacy training and GED testing, continuing education short courses, and specialty training for industries.

Services: Full-time preparatory courses, offered during the day in four general areas: technical, skilled, business and health areas. Evening extension classes are available in some communities. GATB tests are administered to help students plan an appropriate course program. Courses on other topics of interest may be added during the day or evening upon request.

AIDS Atlanta, Inc.

Address: 1605 Peachtree Street NE, Atlanta, GA 30309-2433

Telephone: 404-870-7700

Telephone Hotline: 1-800-551-2728 for Georgia and the United States (this hotline operates Monday – Thursday 9:00AM – 5:00PM / Fridays closed with anonymity respected). Phone calls made before or after these hours will be rolled over to the CDC (Center for Disease Control and Prevention).

Contact: Nicole Roebuck- Director of Client Services (404)-870-7724

Website: www.aidatlanta.org

Hours for HIV testing: Monday – Thursday 12:00 -7:00 PM

Hours: Monday – Friday 8:30AM-5:00PM with confidentiality respected

Services: Risk assessments; referrals for testing; clinical trials; support groups; housing; emotional wellness and will answer questions on HIV and STDs.

Eligibility: Anyone living with HIV; anyone in need of social services; or anyone 300% below poverty level.

Category: Health Services; Support Groups

AL-ANON

St. Matthias Episcopal Church

Address: 995 East Tugalo St., Toccoa, GA

Telephone: 706-886-4413 (church)

Meeting time: Monday 6:00 PM

Services: Support Group for family and friends of alcoholics

Eligibility: Anyone

Category: Drug and Alcohol Abuse; Support Groups

Alpine Center

Address: P.O. Box 276, Carnesville, GA 30521-0276

Telephone: 706-384-4824

Contact: Stephens County Schools for referral

Hours: Monday – Friday 7:30 AM-4:00PM

Services: Serves severely emotionally disturbed and behaviorally disordered children and their families. This program provides diagnostic services, developmental assessments, and educational, psychological and/or psychiatric evaluations.

Eligibility: Disturbed or behaviorally disordered children.

Category: Education

Alzheimer's Family Support Group (Toccoa)

St. Matthias Episcopal Church

Address: 995 East Tugalo Street, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-5999 or 706-491-3040 (24/7 availability)

Contact: Mary Chapman

Hours: 3rd Saturday of the month at 10:00 A.M. at St. Matthias Episcopal Church.

Services: Monthly meetings held to support families and provide information to families dealing with Alzheimer's disease. Classes taught every 3rd Tuesday of each month for caregivers of newly diagnosed patients. Languages in English and limited Spanish.

Eligibility: Anyone including medical professionals and caregivers.

Category: Mental Health; Support Groups

AGRICULTURE CONSUMER LINE

Telephone: 1-800-282-5852 (toll free)

Contact: Arty Chronte, Manager

Services: To answer questions about agriculture products and allows consumers an outlet for complaints. Provide assistance in food buying and using products more effectively.

AMEDISYS HOME HEALTH AGENCY

Address: 53 Rock Drive, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-5442 or 706-886-1588

Contact: Sara Dispennette, Deputy Director

Services: This is a for-profit Health Care Agency, which provides care in patient's home when ordered by their doctor. Services provided are Skilled Nursing, Physical and Speech Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Home Health Aides, Health and Nutritional Guidance, limited Medical Supplies, and Medical Social Services.

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. Insurance accepted.

American Cancer Society

Address: 2565 Thompson Bridge Road, Suite 114 Gainesville, GA 30501

Telephone: 1-770-297-1176 or 1-800-227-2345 (best to call)

Website: www.cancer.org

Contact: Tracey Long

Hours: Monday – Friday 8:00AM– 5:00PM

Services: Offers information or assistance on any need for a cancer patient. Provides contact information for transportation funding; provides transportation; provides support for women with breast cancer; provides information for all other cancers; offers medication assistance; Offers services to provide wigs, prosthesis and other related services and resources for families and patients; nutritional counseling, mental health and lodging assistance.

Eligibility: Anyone with a cancer diagnosis.

Category: Information and Referral; Support Groups

American Diabetes Association

Address: 225 Peachtree Street NE, Suite 550, Atlanta, GA 30303

Telephone: 1-888-342-2383 and is available 24/7 **Atlanta:** 404-320-7100 **Fax:** 404-581-1904

Website: www.diabetes.org

Contact: Call Atlanta office number for referral to appropriate individual or service agency

Hours: Monday - Friday 8:30AM-5:00PM

Services: Promotes the prevention and cure of diabetes and works to help improve the lives of diabetes patients and their families.

Eligibility: no requirements

Category: Health Services; Prevention

American Red Cross

Address: 675 White Sulfur Road, Gainesville, GA 30501

Telephone: 1-770-532-8453 (available 24/7) or 1-800-282-1722 (available 24/7)

Telephone to blood donor center: 770-297-0920

Websites: <http://www.negaredcross.org> or www.redcross.org

Contact: Call Gainesville office number for referral to appropriate individual or service agency

Hours: 9:00AM – 5:00PM

Services: Health and safety training; babysitting classes; first aid and CPR; pet first aid; business and industry training; swim instructor and life guard lessons; disaster relief training; Provides emergency communication for military families. Languages offered in English and Spanish.

Eligibility: None required

Category: Disasters; Financial Assistance; Food; Shelters

ANDERSON INDEPENDENT-MAIL

Address: P.O. Box 2507, Anderson, SC 29622

Contact: Anderson Bureau Reporter

Telephone: 1-864-224-4321 **Toll Free: 1 (888)-789-0820**

Fax: 864-260-1276, **Email:** independentmail.com

Services: News service covers Hart, Stephens and Franklin Counties

Arthritis Foundation (Georgia)

Address: 2970 Peachtree Road NW, Suite 200 Atlanta, GA 30305

Telephone: 1-404-237-8771 or 1-800-933-7023 **Fax:** 404-237-8153

Email: info.ga@arthritis.org **Website:** www.arthritis.org

Contact: Jennifer Duncan

Hours: Monday – Friday 8:00AM – 5:00PM

Services: Raises funds for arthritis research; provides information and referral; offers several programs including camps for kids with JA.

Eligibility: Some eligibility requirements.

Category: Camps; Health Services; Information and Referral

Avita Community Partners

(Affiliated with the State of Georgia)

Address: 1763 Fernside Drive, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-282-4542 or 1-800-347-5827 24/7

Website: www.avitapartners.org

Contact: Janice McAllister

Hours: Monday: – Friday 8:00AM – 5:00PM

Services: Individual and family therapy to help improve family situations or help children and adults with emotional or mental needs. Weekly support programs for alcohol abuse/ Day treatment program for the developmentally disabled.

Eligibility: Charges based on income

Category: Counseling; Drug and Alcohol Abuse; Handicapped /Disabled Services; Mental Health: Support Groups

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Babies Can't Wait – Public Health District 2

Address: 1856 Thompson Bridge Road, Gainesville, GA 30501-1119

Telephone: 800-229-2038 or 404-657-2878

Fax: 770-538-2784

Contact: Patricia "Dru" Thomas

Website: www.ph.dhr.state.ga.us

Hours: Monday – Friday 8:00 AM -5:00 PM

Services: To help concerned parents screen their child (birth to three years old) for disabilities and link the child with resources to help him/her. Services cover counties of Banks, Dawson, Forsyth, Franklin, Habersham, Hall, Hart, Lumpkin, Rabun, Stephens, Towns, Union, & White.

Category: Disabilities; Handicapped /Disabled Services; Mental Health

Baby Steps Childcare – Quality Rated

Address: 100 Terrell Drive, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-244-0343

Contact: Karen Hicks

Hours: Monday – Friday 6:30am -6:00pm

Services: Childcare

Benchmark Human Services

Address: Corporate Headquarters State of Georgia, 540 W. Thomas St, Unit 3, Milledgeville, GA 31061

Telephone: 404-938-7843

Fax: 478-451-0555

Assessing Services: Call the Georgia Crisis Line (GCL): 800-715-4255/if there is an emergency call 911

Contact: Cynthia Driggers, LSCW, Region 1 Director

E-mail: cdrigger@benchmark-hs.com

Website: <http://www.benchmark-hs.com>

Hours: 24/7/365

Services: Benchmark Human Service Crisis Response Teams serve adults and children 5 years and older with mental illness, serious emotional disorders, substance related disorders, and co-occurring substance related and serious emotional disorders and their caregivers during behavioral related crises by using a peer base methodology to build a lasting recovery and rehabilitation framework. We are recovery and hope based. Crisis Response Teams respond to a behavior related crisis in the individual's home or community. Team members consist of professional licensed clinical staff, associate level staff, Certified Peer Specialists, paraprofessionals, and physicians.

Categories: Mental Health; Drug and Alcohol Abuse; Advocacy; Counseling; Crisis; and Disabilities

BETTER BUSINESS BUREAU OF ATLANTA (BBB)

Address: 503 Oak Place, Suite 590, College Park, GA 30349

Telephone: 1-404-768-1085 /1-866-225-1090

Fax: 404-768-1085,

Email: info@atlanta.bbb.org

Services: Provides services working for better consumer-business relations. The BBB also provides arbitration services in several areas including autos manufactured by major companies. Callers can obtain information about a particular company's history in dealing with complaints. The auto arbitration number is 1-800-955-5100.

Big A Elementary School

Address: 289 Sorrels Road, Eastanollee, GA 30538

Telephone: 706-886-2987

Fax: 706-282-4698

Website: <http://biga.stephens.k12.ga.us/>

Eligibility: Residents of Stephens County

Category: Education

Blue Ridge Outdoor Education Center (Camp Mikell)

Address: 237 Camp Mikell Court, Toccoa, GA, 30577

Telephone: 706-886-7621

Website: www.bluedridgeoec.com or www.campmikell.com

Email: blueridge@windstream.net mikell@windstream.net

Contact: Melanie Strubel

Services: Camp Mikell offers a variety of summer camps, weekend retreats, conferences, and training and leadership groups. Camps include day classes and evening classes such as Owl Prowl, Night Walk, Underground Railroad, Waterfall Hike, and many more.

Category: Camps

Boys and Girls Club of Toccoa-Stephens County

Address: 71 West Whitman Street, Toccoa 30577

Telephone: 706-886-3771

Website: www.bgctsc.org

Contact: Shelia Mance Wright

Services: Tutoring, homework assistance, education concerning health, nutrition, and abstinence, computer lab, collaboration with NEGA Girl Scouts Council (onsite troop), NEGA Boy Scouts Council (onsite troop), teen services, and Leadership Academy (advanced preparation)

Youth are monitored and trained by staff and volunteers. Bus and van are available to pick up children after school.

Eligibility: Children ages 6-18 years

Category: After School Programs; Camps

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Camp Mikell

Address: 237 Camp Mikell Court, Toccoa, GA. 30577

Telephone: 706-886-7515 Fax: 706-886-7580

Website: www.campmikell.com

Services: Summer camps, Blue Ridge Outdoor Education Center, St. Joseph the Carpenter Art Center

Category: Camps

Camp Toccoa

Address: 92 Camp Toccoa Drive, Toccoa, GA 30577

Contact: Elaine Brinkley, Executive Camp Director

Telephone: 706-886-2457

Fax: 706-886-5123

Website: www.camptoccoa.org

Hours: Offers camp programs in summer including day camps (includes coed day camps for children ages 5-12 as well as coed summer camps for children 7-17), offers a holiday camp during spring break.

Services: Activities include horseback riding; swimming; boating; ropes course; archery; rock climbing; hiking; repelling; drama training; arts and crafts and white water rafting during summer camp; offers leadership training for 10th graders; offers counselor-in-training for 11th and 12th graders; provides individualized programs for churches or other organizations for a fee; retreats and non-season meeting facilities

Eligibility: Program activities offered for a fee

Category: Camps

Caregivers of Newly Diagnosed Patients with Dementia

Toccoa Clinic Administrative Conference Room, Foothills Shopping Center

Address: 288 Big A Road, Toccoa, GA 30577-6002

Telephone: 706-886-7537 (Toccoa Clinic)

Contact: Pat Smith

Hours: Meeting held third Tuesday of each month from 10:00AM – 12:00PM

Eligibility: Anyone including medical professionals and caregivers

Category: Mental Health; Support Groups

CASA - Court Appointed Special Advocate

Address: 221 North Broad Street, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-1098

Fax: 706-886-0391

Website: www.negacasa.org

Contact: Melissa Mitchell

Services: Provides volunteers to advocate for abused and neglected children in juvenile court proceedings.

Eligibility: Children who are involved in deprivation proceedings in juvenile court and who have been referred from the juvenile court judge.

Category: Advocacy; Legal Services

Center for Advocacy and Protection

Children's Health Care of Atlanta

Address: 1001 Johnson Ferry Road North East, suite 500, Atlanta, GA 30342

Telephone: 404-785-3820

Fax: 404-785-3850

Website: www.choa.org

Hours: Monday - Friday 8:00AM-4:30PM

Services: This organization promotes the safety and well-being of children through advocacy and the identification, assessment and prevention of child abuse.

Category: Abuse; Prevention

Challenged Child

Address: 2360 Murphy Blvd. Gainesville, GA 30504

Telephone: 770-535-8372 **Fax:** 770-535-0252

Contact: Dr. David Earnest or Tammy Elrick

Website: www.challengedchild.org

Hours: Monday – Friday 7:15 AM – 5:15 PM

Services: Provides an early intervention center serving children 6 weeks to 6 years of age with a variety of developmental delays / disabilities as well as their typically developing peers.

Eligibility: Requires tuition but does offer financial assistance for special needs children

Category: Disabilities; Handicapped / Disabled Services

Chattahoochee Winds Counseling

Address: 10 Enloe Lane, Dillard GA. 30537

Telephone: 706-491-0978

Contact: Carol Fisher, Director and Facilitator

Hours: Wednesdays - 5:00PM - Substance abuse; 6:00PM - Counseling

Services: Substance Abuse classes and Anger Management classes. Certified family violence evaluations and assessments are available.

Category: Counseling; Drug and Alcohol Abuse

Child Support Enforcement

Office of Child Support Services for the State of Georgia

Address: 518 A Monroe Street, Clarkesville, GA 30523

Telephone: 877-423-4746

Websites: www.georgia.gov

Contact: Call 706-754-9100 to be directed to appropriate individual and division

Hours: Monday - Friday 8:00AM – 5:00PM

Services: Establish and enforce support orders. It also includes help to regain child support payments and provide legal advice on child support recovery and will help establish paternity on illegitimate children. You can file online for child support.

Eligibility: Georgia resident

Category: Family Services; Legal Services

Children's Advocacy Center of Georgia

Address: 3355 Lenox Road, Suite 600, Atlanta, GA 30326

Telephone: 770-319-6888

Fax: 404-250-3221

Email: cacga@cacga.org

Website: www.cacga.org

Contact: Cynthia Howell- Executive Director

Services: Investigates child abuse throughout the state of Georgia.

Category: Abuse

Children's Healthcare of Atlanta

Address depends on the referral hospital. See following telephone number.

Telephone: 1-404-250-KIDS for nurse advice line

Website: www.choa.org

Contact: Call 1-404- 250-KIDS to be directed to appropriate person and hospital

Hours: 24/7

Services: Provides pediatric and orthopedic services for children. Medical clinics include allergy, language disorders, dental development, 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, hand, hip, leg, spinal and bone tumor.

Eligibility: Birth – 21 years. A Scottish Rite Mason, physician, or a public health department must recommend children.

Eligibility: Fees based on income. Financial counseling is available.

Category: Handicapped/Disabled Services; Health Services

Children's Medical Services

Address: 1856-3 Suite 3 Thompson Bridge Road, Gainesville, GA 30501

Telephone: (800)204-8731 or (770) 535-6907

Contact: Explain service desired and a referral will be made to appropriate individual and division

Website: www.phdistrict2.org

Services: To correct/treat disability conditions or birth defects, developmental delays, orthopedic, genetic, hearing, and physicals for children suspected of having disabling or chronic conditions for children and adults 3 to 21 years.

Eligibility: Give diagnosis and the eligibility will be determined by income.

Category: Disabilities; Handicapped/Disabled Services; Health Services

Christ Fellowship Church of Toccoa

Address: 3273 Hwy 17, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-282-7345

Contact: Church office

Hours: Food Pantry-call for appt; Celebrate Recovery Friday Evenings at 6:30

Services: Food pantry-They can help families in need of food one time per month (depending on availability of food). Please call the church office to schedule an appointment to get food. Celebrate Recovery – a Bible based recovery program for those with addictions, hurts, habits, and hang-ups. Meetings are held at 6:30pm each Friday evening in the church youth hall.

Category: Church, Drug & Alcohol Abuse, Food

Circle of Friends

Address: 103 Merritt Circle, Toccoa, GA 30577-7215

Telephone: 706-886-1240

Contact: Teresa Pritchett

Hours: Monday - Friday 6:00AM – 6:00PM

Services: Childcare for children 6 weeks and older; provides snacks. Offers Pre-school classes.

Eligibility: Pay for services, accept Department of Family and Children's Services
Category: Childcare; Education

Circle of Hope

Address: P.O. Box 833, Cornelia, GA 30531

Telephone: 24/7 Hotline: 1-800-334-2836 or 706-776-4673 (collect calls accepted) V/TTY and Multi-Language Access or 706 -776-3406 Administrative Line

Fax: 706-776-5242

Website: www.gacircleofhope.org

Contact: Call 800-334-2836 to for referral to county advocate

Office Hours: Monday – Friday 8:00AM – 5:00PM

Services: 24-Hour crisis and referral services for battered women and their children; safe, confidential emergency shelter; residential services and assistance; legal help; support groups; TANF assessment program; Prevention/Children's program- **YOU DO NOT HAVE TO BE IN THE SHELTER TO RECEIVE SERVICES.**

Eligibility: All services are free and confidential. No charge for room and board. Women must agree to abide by the community style living guidelines.

Category: Abuse, Crisis; Family Violence; Shelters; Support Groups

City of Toccoa

Address: 92 North Alexander Street, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-8451

Website: www.cityoftoccoa.com

Email: comments@cityoftoccoa.com

Contact: Evan Hellenga, Mayor

Hours: Monday – Friday 8:00AM – 5:00PM

Services: The City of Toccoa has an outstanding public safety operation, providing a high level of security, crime prevention and fire protection, while Public Works Department provides services such as trash, leaf and brush pick up and curbside recycling. The City of Toccoa is also a regional natural gas and water provider.

Eligibility: Toccoa residents and visitors are eligible for services.

Category: Government

Community Connections Call 2-1-1

Address: 1865 West Broad Street, Athens, GA 30606-2839

Telephone: 211 or 706-353-1313 ext. 232

Website: www.communityconnections211.org

Contact: Call 211 for referral; Referrals online: www.irissoft.com/C211

Services: Maintains current information and referral information for those in need of help or for those who want to volunteer.

Eligibility: Free to anyone and confidential.

Category: Information and Referral

Community Prevention Network

Address: 209 Mitchell St. Toccoa GA 30577

Telephone: 706-391-1812

Contact: Brenda Gragg

Hours: Monday- Friday 8:00AM-5:00PM; also available on weekends.

Services: Provides alcohol and tobacco education and prevention information through public presentations; coordinates parenting classes at Mountain Education Center High School; offers Anger Management classes; offers facilitator for SADD (Students Against Destructive Decisions); offers support groups for youth and adults who have alcohol and other drug concerns.

Eligibility: Coordinates by referral and services offered by the Salvation Army, Ninth District, and area churches.

Category: Crisis; Drug and Alcohol Abuse; and Support Groups

CredAbility

Address: Call 1-800-251-2227 for location

Telephone: 1-800-251-2227

Website: www.CredAbility.org

Email: info@CredAbility.org

Contact: Contact 1-800-251-2227 for referral

Services: CCCS is a non-profit community service agency with three primary purposes: providing individual budget counseling, free of charge to the public; providing education programs throughout the community in money management, credit, and consumerism; providing debt management services for people who are over-extended in debt. Housing counseling is also available. Workshops and seminars are available for a fee.

Eligibility: Fee depends on service provided

Category: Financial Counseling/Debt Management

Convalescent Home Equipment, Inc.

Address: 1216 Falls Road, Toccoa, GA 30577-2407

Telephone: 706-886-8474 24/7

Contact: Wallace Whiten or Tina Powell, Marketing Director

Hours: Monday – Friday 8:30 AM- 5:00PM

Services: Rental of medical equipment. Provides home oxygen, wheel chairs, hospital beds, bath aids, walkers, canes, etc. Will accept Medicaid, Medicare and private insurance.

Category: Medical Equipment and Supplies

Currahee Home Educators

Address: 134 Woodlawn Drive, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-7193

Website: None available at this time

E-mail: pgruber@windstream.net

Contact: Phil Gruber, Moderator

Hours: Not Applicable

Services: CHE provides support for families who choose to educate their children at home. Families can sign up to receive a monthly newsletter and participate in a variety of activities, including P.E., field trips, International Dinner, Christmas Caroling, etc.

Category: Education

CVS Pharmacy

Address: 641 S Big A Road, Toccoa, Georgia 30577

Telephone: 706-886-6876

Hours: Mon-Fri: 8:30am-9:00pm, Sat: 9:00am-8:00pm, Sun: 12:30pm-7:00pm

Category: Pharmacy

D**Department of Family and Children Services**

Address: 64 North Boulevard, Suite 101, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-282-4505

Contact: Kenneth R. Jarvis, County Director

Hours: Monday – Friday 8:00AM – 5:00PM

Services: Temporary assistance to needy families with dependent children (TANF)

TANF-Related medical services program (ARM), other Medicaid, and foster care services, child protective services, and medical emergencies, food stamps.

Comprehensive Listing of Services:

- **Temporary Assistance to Needy Families to Families with Dependent Children (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: Have children in the household less than 18 years of age and meet resource limits and income limit based on the Federal Poverty Level.
- **Food Stamps:** 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, 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 (RMS), for pregnant women and/or children born on or after 10/1/83.
Eligibility: Meet income limits (according to program), which are based on TANF limits on the Federal Poverty Level; meet resource limits, which vary according to program.
- **Other Medicaid:** provides assistance to adults and children who need nursing home care; in the home care; and to aged, blind and/or disabled individuals. (Most classes of Medicaid have both an income and resource test for approval)
- **Medicaid Van Service:** Clearinghouse 1-800-869-1150
- **Employment Skills and Placement:** Dana Sanders, 706-282-4505
- **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:** childcare services are provided for participants in the State's PEACH program, 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 cut off is imminent, if income guidelines are met. Is available only once in a 12-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 individuals not covered by Medicaid and who cannot pay for medicine.

Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ)

Address: 148 West Tugalo St. Toccoa, GA 30577-2360

Telephone: 706-282-4520

Website: www.djj.state.ga.us Contact: Christopher Ayers, Program Manager

Hours: Monday – Friday 8:00AM – 5:00PM

Services: DJJ is driven to improve youth outcomes by ensuring youth safety, establishing a system of accountability and developing youth competencies. Transportation is available only for juveniles in route to detention centers or court. Translators are available for court.

Eligibility: Juveniles in Stephens, Habersham, and Rabun counties

Category: Family Services

Department of Motor Vehicle / Driver Services

Address: 144 East Doyle Street, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-282-4821 (answering machine)

Telephone: 1-678-413-8400 Monday- Friday 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM (to make an appointment or for drivers' license questions)

Website: www.dds.ga.gov

Hours: Tuesday – Friday 8:00AM-6:00PM

Services: Issues drivers licenses and identification cards

Category: Government; Transportation

Disability Resource Center, Inc.

Address: 470-A Woodsmill Rd. Gainesville, GA 30501

Telephone: 888-534-7144

Website: www.disabilityresourcecenter.org

Contact: Independent Living Coordinator

Hours: 8:30AM-5:00PM

Services: Advocacy, equipment loan closet in Hall & Habersham County, independent living skills training, information and referrals, peer support.

Eligibility: anyone in Region 2 county service area with a disability

Category: Center for Independent Living

District Attorney of Stephens County

Mountain Judicial Circuit of Georgia

Address: 70 North Alexander Street, Suite 208, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-7920

Website: www.mountaincircuitda.com

Contact: Brian M. Rickman, District Attorney

Hours: Monday – Friday 8:30 AM – 5:00PM

Services: Prosecution of felony criminal cases in Superior Court and delinquent cases in Juvenile Court services are offered to the courts of Stephens, Habersham, and Rabun counties.

Category: Court System

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Employment Staffing, Inc.

Address: 46 US Highway 123, Suite 101, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-282-0978 **Fax:** 706-282-0714

Website: www.employmentstaffing.com

Contact: Emily Hayes

Hours: Monday – Friday 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM (application hours), 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM (office hours) closed for lunch 12:30PM- 1:30PM daily

Services: Temporary and permanent job placement

Eligibility: None required

Category: Employment

Etcon Employment Solutions

Address: 3837 GA. Highway 17, Eastanollee, GA 30538

Telephone: 706-886-7747 **Toll Free-** 1-800-442-1011

Fax: 706-886-7755

Website: www.etcon.net

Contact: Kim Irish, Manager

Hours: Monday – Friday 8:00AM – 5:00PM

Services: Temporary and permanent job placement in the areas of clerical/administrative, light industrial, sales marketing, legal/medical, warehouse/forklift, assembly, manufacturing, & etc.

Category: Employment

Esther's Closet (at The Pointe)

Address: 111 Fieldcrest Drive, Eastanollee, GA 30538

Telephone: Deborah McManus 706-491-8111 or Susan Cochran 706-599-6801 (cell) or Joni Terry at 706-599-5534 (cell)

Email: Joni at thepointeblessedconnections@gmail.com

Contact: Deborah McManus or Susan Cochran

Services: Esther's Closet houses clothing for people in need following emergencies such as a house fire or dislocation by means of familial domestic violence. Needs are met on a case-by-case basis. Closet includes Children's Clothes and Women's Clothes. For children's clothing needs, call Deborah McManus; for women's clothing needs, call Susan Cochran.

Category: Clothing

F

F.A.I.T.H. (Fight Abuse in the Home) Powerhouse for Kids Rape Crisis/Child Advocacy Center

Address: 768, Highway 123, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-2290

Crisis Hotline: 1-888-782-1338 Available 24/7

Website: www.faith-inc.org

Contact: Lisa Robert Shaw (CAC Director)

Hours: Monday – Friday 8:30AM – 5:30PM

Services: Victims of physical and sexual assault are offered services including: 24 hour crisis line; medical support; pediatric sexual assault exam; personal advocacy; legal advocacy; support groups; crisis counseling; information and referrals; and community awareness education. All services are free and confidential.

Category: Abuse; Crisis; Family Violence; Mental Health; Shelters; Support Groups

Falls Park Apartments

Address: 47 Falls Park Drive, Toccoa, GA. 30577

Telephone: 706-886-0256

Hours: Monday – Friday 9:00AM - 3:30PM

Contact: Karen Rogers

Services: Affordable 1, 2, and 3 bedroom apartments

Eligibility: Income Based

Category: Housing

Family Connection & Community in Schools of Stephens County, Inc.

Address: P.O. Box 2253, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-2880 ext. 2010

Website: www.stephens.gafcp.org

Contact: Allyson Warren

Hours: Monday – Friday 8:00AM – 4:00PM

Services: Connect families to local resources that improve their lives and provide programs that help children succeed in school. Programs include: Newborn Welcome Bags; Read at Home - Imagination Library; Communities in Schools Mentoring; AmeriCorps tutoring; Sight for Students; Coats for Students; Community Collaborative; Community Resource Directory and a community profile.

Category: Education, Glasses; Information and Referral

First Baptist Preschool

Address: 475 E. Tugalo Street, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-6822

Contact: Jenora Dodd, Director

Hours: Monday – Friday 8:45 AM – 11:45 AM

Services: Preschool for ages 2 to 4 years

Eligibility: Requires payment

Category: Education

FOSTER PARENTS PROGRAM OF STEPHENS COUNTY

Contact: Stephens County DFCS

Telephone: 706-282-4617

Services: Adoption information and foster care programs

G

Gainesville Shelter – Salvation Army Emergency Lodge

Address: 711 Dorsey Street, Gainesville, GA 30501

Telephone: 770-531-0135

Website: www.salarmy.org

Hours: 4:30 PM – 8:00AM

Services: Take in homeless people, function as a flood shelter; help with feeding the needy and other emergency services.

Category: Shelters

Gateway House

Address: P.O. Box 2962, Gainesville, GA 30503

Telephone: Hotline 1-770-536-5860

Fax: 770-539-9990

Website: www.gatewaydvcenter.org

Contact: Kelli Gordy

Hours: 24 / 7

Services: Shelter for battered women with support services, including counseling referrals and support groups.

Eligibility: There is no charge, but contributions are encouraged. The woman must have nowhere else to go and must agree to abide by the house rules.

Category: Abuse; Shelters

Georgia Academy for the Blind

Address: 2895 Vineville Avenue, Macon, GA 31204-2899

Telephone: 1- 478-751-6083

Website: www.gabmacon.org

Hours: Monday – Friday 8:00AM – 4:30 PM, excluding holidays

Services: Residential school for children (pre-school through 12th grade) who are visually impaired. Also serves non-sensory impaired multi-handicapped students on a daily basis. No fees.

Category: Education; Handicapped/Disabled Services

Georgia Center for Child Advocacy -Fulton Office

Address: 1445-B Woodland Avenue SE, Suite B, Atlanta, GA 30316

Telephone: 678-904-2880

Fax: 678-904-1125

Website: www.georgiacenterforchildadvocacy.org

Hours: Monday - Friday 9:00AM-6:00PM

Services: The Georgia Center for Child Advocacy's mission is to help facilitate protection, care and healing through the coordinated delivery of services for children and families that have experienced child sexual abuse.

Category: Abuse

GEORGIA CENTER FOR THE MULTIHANDICAPPED

Address: 542 Church Street, Decatur, GA 30030

Telephone: 1-404-378-5433

Contact: Dr. Stephanie Dirst, Director

Services: Providing comprehensive psycho-educational and medical evaluations and planning for multi-handicapped children. Evaluations take 3 to 4 days depending on the needs and disability condition of the child.

Eligibility: Free evaluation services available statewide for children ages Birth through 21 years, who are suspected of having more than one disabling condition. Screening committee determines eligibility and need. There is no charge to families for evaluations.

Category: Health, Disabilities

Georgia Department of Community Affairs

Address: 1061 Dowdy Road, Suite 201 Athens, GA 30606

Telephone: 706-369-5636

Website: www.georgiahousingsearch.org

Contact: Glenda Willey

Office Hours: Monday- Friday, 8:00AM - 5:00PM. Phone lines are open from 9:00AM – 4:00PM

Services: Assistance with rent in eligible housing and rent is paid directly to landlord. Services offered statewide to people with special needs and disaster relief housing with languages available in English and Spanish.

Eligibility: Low-income families, elderly, handicapped, and disabled persons

Category: Aid with Rent and Utilities; Housing

Georgia Department of Labor

Address: 37 Foreacre, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-282-4514 and TTY- 706-282-4591

Fax: 706-282-4513

Website: www.dol.state.ga.us

Contact: Greg Pitts, Manager

Hours: Monday – Friday from 8:00AM – 4:30PM

Services: Offers help to individuals in attaining their work goals and increasing self-sufficiency through employment, training, comprehensive rehabilitation, and support services. Helping employers meet their business needs through employee recruitment and selection services, workforce information, and technical support. Unemployment claims may also be filed at this location. Serves Banks, Franklin, Hart, and Stephens Counties.

Eligibility: Free of charge. Do not have to be unemployed to receive job placement services.

Category: Employment; Government

Georgia Department of Veteran Services

Address: 12 West Tugalo Street, Courthouse Annex Room 104, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-282-4525

Website: www.state.ga.us/departments/veterans

Contact: William Tucker

Hours: Tuesday & Thursday only, 8 AM- 4:30 PM (12:00 – 1:00 Lunch)

Services: Information and assistance with veteran benefits and claims.

Category: Government; Veterans Groups

Georgia Forestry Commission

Address: 3997 Toccoa Highway Clarksville, GA 30523

Telephone: 1-800-432-6580 (Habersham County) and 706-356-8770 (Franklin County)

Website: www.gatrees.org

Contact: Shannon Dean

Hours: 24/7 for the County Forestry Unit if a fire needs to be reported; or Monday – Friday, 8:00AM – 4:30PM if in need of information about the forestry unit.

Category: Government

Georgia Learning Resources System

(Support system for parents and teachers to help children with disabilities)

Address: 1342 Hwy 254, Cleveland, GA 30528

Telephone: 706-865-2141 or 1-888-818-8113

Website: www.pioneerresa.org www.glr.org

Contact: Pam Kirkpatrick

Hours: Monday –Friday 8:00AM – 4:30PM

Services: GRLS is a support service for parents and teachers of children with disabilities. Anyone can access GRLS services on behalf of a child with disabilities. Languages available in English and Spanish

Eligibility: Services available free of charge

Category: Handicapped/Disabled Services

Georgia Legal Resources Program

Address: 705 Washington Street, Suite B-1, Gainesville, GA 30503

Telephone: 770-535-5717 or 1-800-745-5717 (toll free)

Website: www.legalaid-ga.org www.glsp.org

Contact: Wendy Glass Brenner

Hours: Monday – Friday 9:00AM – 5:00PM

Services: Types of cases handled: public housing, evictions, TANF, Medicare, Social Security, Veterans Benefits, Medicaid, food stamps, Supplement Security Income, and wills.

Eligibility: Based on income and legal situations.

Category: Legal Services

Georgia Lions Lighthouse Foundation

Address: 5582 Peachtree Rd, Atlanta GA 30341

Telephone: 404-325-3630

Website: www.lionslighthouse.org

Contact: Caren Kaplan 404-325-3630 (ext. 310)

Services: Eye treatment, eyeglasses, glass prescription refills for students, surgery, and hearing aids are available for financially disadvantaged Georgians of all ages.

Category: Glasses; Health Services

Georgia Lions Club Sight Conservation Project –Toccoa Chapter

Address: P.O. Box 523, Toccoa GA 30577

Telephone: 706-282-0444

Website: www.toccoalions.org

Contact: Shelia Rousey

Services: To promote sight conservation by providing eye examinations and glasses to low-income persons.

Eligibility: Must be unable to pay for cost of eyeglasses. An application must be completed to determine eligibility for glasses. Required to be a resident of Stephens County for at least one year.

Category: Glasses

GEORGIA RELAY CENTER

Address: Georgia Relay 244 Washington St., SW, Atlanta, GA. 30334

Telephone: 711 or (voice users) 1-800-255-0135, Speech to Speech 1-888-202-4082 (English), 1-888-202-3972 (Spanish)

Customer Service: 1-866-694-5824 (Voice/TTY)

Email: garelay@hamiltonrelay.com

Services: Will relay calls to anywhere in Georgia for hearing impaired or deaf clients.

Category: Disabilities

Girl Scouts of Historic Georgia, Inc.

Address: 185 Newton Bridge Road. Athens, GA 30607

Telephone: 770-548-7297 (Office) Fax: 706-548-7310

Hours: Monday-Thursday 9AM-5PM, Friday 9AM-12PM

Website: www.gshg.org and www.girlscouts.org/yearofthegirl

E-mail: jgaytan@gshg.org

Contact: Jacki Gayton

Services: Provides comprehensive youth development program

Category: Recreation

Georgia Mountains Workforce Development

Address: 2481Hilton Drive Suite 8, Gainesville GA 30501

Telephone: 770-538-2727

Website: www.gmrc.ga.gov

Contact: John Phillips

Hours: 8AM-6PM

Services: Assist youth and adults with employment needs. Provide training and school tuition for eligible applicants, Implement WIA (Workforce Investment Act)

Eligibility: Youth ages 14-21 years who have a barrier to employment and meet income requirements; adults 18 years and older who are dislocated workers or underemployed.

Category: Employment

GEORGIA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Address: 244 Washington Street, S.W. 1st floor, Atlanta, GA 30334

Telephone: 1-800-282-5813 Fax: 404-656-2341

Website: gapsc.state.ga.us

Hours of Operation: 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.-Monday - Friday

Services: Provides an avenue of complaint for persons who are not satisfied that their electric bills are correct and provides an outlet for consumers to air their views.

Governor's Office of Workforce Development

(Georgia Work Ready)

Address: 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive, 1406 West Tower, Atlanta, GA 30334

Telephone: 404-463-5030

Website: www.gaworkready.org

Contact: Clayton Bassett

Hours: 8:00AM-5:00PM

Services: Partner with other businesses to expand workforce

Category: Employment

Government Agencies:

Local-Stephens County Commissioners

Contact Person: Beth Rider, County Clerk

Telephone: 706-886-9491

Commissioners: Dean Scarborough (cdscarborough@59gmail.com)
Debbie Whitlock
Dennis Bell (commissionerbell@gmail.com),
Stanley London-Chairman (scl376@yahoo.com)
Michelle Ivester

Stephens County Administrator:

Contact: Phyllis Ayers

Telephone: Work: 706-886-3225 Home: 706-886-7782

Services: The Commissioners set direction and formulate policies for the county government, develop and approve the budget, authorize expenditures, set tax rates, make key appointments to boards, committees, authorities, etc. and approve or disapprove specific actions, such as rezoning of private property.

The Board meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 5 p.m. and the fourth Tuesday of each month at 8:30 a.m. in a public forum to discuss, receive input on and vote on current "open" issues. Work sessions to discuss items on the agenda are at the beginning of each scheduled meeting. Called meetings are scheduled and advertised as needed. The board also conducts public hearings to consider zoning requests.

Category: Government

Government: Local-City of Toccoa:

City Mayor: Jeanette Jamieson, Work: 706-297-1741 Email: jjamieson@cityoftoccoa.com

Vice- Mayor: J Evan Hellenga, Work: 706-491-0527 Email: ehellenga@cityoftoccoa.com

City Commissioners:

- Gail Fry, Cell: 706-599-0205 Home: 706-886-6534 Email: gfry@cityoftoccoa.com
- Terry Carter, Cell: 706-491-2550 Email: tug@windstream.net
- David Austin, Work: 706-716-0412 Home: 706-886-8198 Email: daustin@cityoftoccoa.com

City Manager: Billy Morse, Contact #: 706-282-3221 Email: manager@cityoftoccoa.com

City Clerk: Fredda Wheeler, Work: 706-886-3225 Email: fwheeler@cityoftoccoa.com

Category: Government

Government: Local- Stephens County Board of Education:

Address: 2332 Mize Road Toccoa, GA 30577-9837

Telephone: 706.886.9415 **Fax:** 706.886.3882 **Email:** www.stephens.k12.ga.us

Superintendent: Bryan Dorsey

School Board Members: Jim Bellamy, Jeff Webb, David Fricks, Jim Ledford, Tony Crunkleton, and Rodney Moore **Category:** Education

Government: President, Governor, Senators and Representatives:

President of the United States, Donald Trump, 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20500,
Telephone: 1-202-456-1414, 1-202-456-2461 (Fax)

Governor of Georgia, Nathan Deal 203 State Capitol, Atlanta, GA. 30334, **Telephone:** 404-656-1776, 1-404-656-5947 (Fax)

U.S. Senator, David Perdue, B40D Dirken Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C. 30510-1005,
Telephone: 1-202-224-3521, 1-202-224-0103

U.S. Senator, Johnny Isakson, 120 Russell Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20510-1006,
Telephone: 1-202-224-3643, 1-202-228-0724 (fax)

U.S. Representative, Paul Brown, 325 Cannon House Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515, **Telephone:** 1-202-225-4101, 202-226-0776 (fax)

GA State Representative, Dan Gasaway, P.O. Box 700 Homer, GA 30547, Telephone: 404-656-0325\

GA State Senator, John Wilkinson, P.O. Box 2277, Toccoa, GA 30577, Telephone: 706-886-1898

Category: Government

H

Habersham County Homeless Shelter

Telephone: 706-754-9031

Contact: Jo Ann Kennedy

Hours: Monday – Friday 9:00AM – 5:00PM. Ms. Kennedy's assistant will answer phone calls during non-office hours.

Services: There are five shelters for this program, three two-bedroom apartments and two one-bedroom apartments for all age groups, but responsible party must be at least 18 years of age. It is primarily for the newly unemployed persons who have found themselves without a home. (Must be alcohol and drug free and actively pursuing employment.) All apartments are furnished with cleaning supplies however, food is not always available. Program not geared towards chronic homeless, but people who want to be contributing members of society. Christian based organization.

Category: Shelters

Habitat for Humanity and Thrift Store

Address: 44 Colonial Drive, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-3790, 706-886-9323 or 706-886-8341

Website: www.habitat.org

Contact: Agnes Oglesby, President

Hours: Monday – Saturday 9:00AM – 2:00PM.

Services: Affordable housing / Thrift store

Category: Clothing; Housing

HANDICAP HOTLINE

Address: 8965 River Run, Atlanta, GA.

Telephone: 1-770-998-0211

Services: Information and referral services for persons in wheelchairs.

Category: Disabled/Handicapped

Head Start / Pre-K / Ninth District Opportunity

Contact: Sherry Jarrard, Director of Stephens County Head Start

Address: 176 S. Broad Street, P.O. Box 129, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-7675 **Fax:** 706-886-3025

Email: sherry.jarrard@ndoohs.org

Services: Head Start is a federal program for pre-school children. Stephens County Head Start is operated by Ninth District Opportunity, Inc., a local community action organization. Head Start works with the entire family to help ensure your child's success. Services to parents include educational assistance, budgeting, housing assistance, employment assistance, and parenting. Children who attend Head Start participate in a variety of educational activities using the High Scope Approach to learning and the Second Step Curriculum for self-control. They also receive medical and dental care, have healthy meals and enjoy learning indoors and outdoors in a safe environment.

Services are also offered to meet the special needs of children with disabilities. Head Start serves children that are three and four years old. Head Start provides children with activities that help them grow mentally, socially, emotionally and physically so that they are better prepared to transition to the next educational setting. The Head Start staff recognize that parents are the first and most important teachers for their children. They welcome parent involvement in Head Start activities, and they will work as partners with parents to help children prepare for the next step in their educational journey. Stephens County Head Start is a Program of Excellence, Georgia Day Care licensed, Quality Rated, and NAEYC accredited.

Eligibility: 90% enrollment according to Federal-income guidelines; 10% disabilities; 10% over-income. Students must be 3 or 4 years of age on or before September 1 of any program year. No fees!

Category: Education (School Readiness and Family Engagement)

H.E.A.R.T. Ministries

Address: 1150 Bear Creek Road, Lavonia, GA. 30553

Telephone: 706-453-7929

Website: www.penfieldrecovery.com

Contact: Any admissions personnel

Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 AM – 4:00PM

Services: Christian based services provides 6 week residential program that addresses substance abuse problems where participants attend worship services in addition to work assignments, personal improvement studies and AA or NA meetings.

Eligibility: Women 18 years old or older,

Admissions: application required, Fees will vary

Category: Crisis; Drug and Alcohol Abuse

Hill Street Baptist Church

Address: 151 South Hill Street, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-4840

Contact: Perrienne W. Bates

Hours: Church Office: Monday –Friday, 9:00AM - 4:00PM

Food Pantry: Thursday from 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Hill Street Boutique: Thursday 5:00PM- 7:00PM.

Services: Assists families with food and gently used clothing

Eligibility: Must meet income requirements and be residents of Stephens County.

Category: Church, Clothing; Food

I

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE

Address: Federal Building, Gainesville, Georgia 30503

Telephone: 1-800-829-1040 or 706-536-2235

Website: www.irs.gov

Hours of Operation: 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Services: To assist taxpayer in filling out IRS returns.

Locally: Volunteers under a program sponsored by the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) as a part of the IRS Education Division will be available to assist those that need help in completing their tax forms. Assistance will be available any Thursday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (February 3rd through April 14th). Assistance will be available in the fellowship room of the First Presbyterian Church. This is a repeat service. Services are free.

Category: Government

J

Jerry White's Pharmacy

Address: 3741 Hwy 17, Toccoa, Georgia 30577

Telephone: 706-886-2662

Contact: Jerry White

Hours: Mon-Fri: 8:00am-7:00pm, Sat: 8:00am-6:00pm, Sun: 2:00pm-5:00pm

Job Corps Services

Georgia Department of Labor

Telephone: 404-873-1318

Contact: Mary Watson

Services: Training opportunities to further your education, learn a vocational skill, get a profitable job or attend college.

Eligibility: Young men and women (ages 16-24 years) that are not in school.

Category: Education; Employment

Juvenile Justice Court Services

Address: 148 West Tugaloo Street Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-282-4520

Contact: Robert Cullifer (Judge), Lori Gillespie (Clerk)

Services: Rehabilitation of children and families with unification as goal

Eligibility: Stephens County resident

Category: Court Systems; Legal Services

K

Kare-A-Lot

Address: Merritts Circle, Toccoa, GA. 30577

Telephone: 706-282-0460

Hours: Monday – Friday 6:30AM – 5:30PM

Services: Infant through school age childcare

Category: Childcare

L

Legacy Link: Area Agency on Aging

Address: 508 Oak Street, Gainesville, Georgia 30503

Telephone: 770 -608-1040 **Website:** <http://www.legacylink.org>

Contact: Brenda Cragg

Services: The Senior Community Service Employment Program, known as SCSEP, contains a dual purpose: to provide useful part-time community service assignments for persons with low incomes who are 55 years or older, while promoting transition to unsubsidized employment. See the website for more information.

Category: Employment; Senior Adult Services

Liberty Elementary School

Address: 222 Old Liberty Hill Road, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-3934

Fax: 706-886-3882

Website: <http://liberty.stephens.k12.ga.us>

Category: Education

Little People's Day Care

Address: 3395 Georgia Highway 145, Eastanollee, GA. 30538

Telephone: 706-779-2712

Contact: Mellie Herron

Hours: Monday – Friday 6:30 AM– 5:30PM

Services: Infant to School-age childcare

Category: Childcare

Lookout Mountain Care Management Entity (CME)

Address: 1875 Fant Drive, Fort Oglethorpe, GA 30742

Telephone: 706 806 1260 **Website:** <http://wingeorgia.org>

Contact: Bridgett Bethune

Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8:30-4:30

Services: Using an approach known as Wraparound, Lookout Mountain CME provides care coordination for youth with complex behaviors who are involved in multiple systems. Wraparound is a strength-based approach that helps families with children with challenging behaviors function more effectively in the community. Lookout Mountain CME assists each family in building a Wraparound team comprised of people who are most important to them. The team focuses on finding services unique to each child's needs and is based on family strengths and culture. A Care Coordinator works with the family to develop an individualized plan to meet needs identified by the family. Family input is very important to this process. The Wraparound plan will not work unless it truly meets a family's specific needs.

Services: Mental Health

M

Maddox Drugs

Address: 1330 Big A Road, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-3119

Contact: Steve Spruill

Hours: Monday - Friday 8:00 AM - 7:00 PM, Saturday 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM, and Sunday 2:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Category: Pharmacy

Martin Baptist Church

Address: 751 Red Hollow Road; PO Box 152; Martin, GA 30557

Telephone: 706-779-2424

Website: martinbaptistchurchga.weebly.com

Contact: Pastor, Dr. Roddy Turner

Hours: Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM Church Services: Sunday 10:00 AM SS, 11:00 AM worship, 6:30 PM evening worship

Services: Food Giveaway first Wednesday of each month from 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Category: Church, Food

Master Care Non-Emergency Medical Transportation

Address: 403 Hartwell Street, Royston, GA 30662

Telephone: 706-245-9815

Hours: 8:00 AM-5:00 PM (must make an appointment for after hour services)

Services: Have vans available in Stephens, Franklin, and Habersham counties for transport of wheelchair, ambulatory, and stretcher patients.

Eligibility: Medicaid will pay for this transportation service. All others must pay at the time of service.

Category: Transportation

Medi-Cab Transportation

Telephone: 800-884-7850 24/7

Contact: Diane O'Tool

Hours: Monday-Friday from 6AM-6PM (An appointment is needed for "after-hours" transportation.)

Services: Main service is non-emergency transportation for Stephens and surrounding counties. Cab services by appointment.

Eligibility: Payment due at time of service by cash, check or credit card. Medicaid patients must call and book transport three business days in advance (requesting Medi-Cab to provide the service) in order to travel for free.

Category: Transportation

Medi-Home Health Care

Address: 113 Hwy 123, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-1118

Website: www.msa-corp.com

Contact: Cheri Bingham

Hours: Monday -Friday 8:30AM – 5:00PM

Services: Rental of medical equipment/wheelchairs

Eligibility: Accept Medicaid, insurance or private pay

Category: Medical Equipment and Supplies

MIGRANT EDUCATION PROGRAM (MEP) OFFICE Region 3 Migrant Education Program Office

Georgia Department of Education

Address: 1414 Twin Towers West, 205 Jesse Hill Jr. Drive SE, Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Telephone: Toll Free: (800) 648-0892

Contact: Alice Matthews, Region 3 Coordinator

Website: <http://www.gadoe.org/School-Improvement/Federal-Programs/Pages/Migrant-Education-Program.aspx>

Area of Coverage: 75 School Districts in North Georgia

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 GA DOE MEP definition), or the child/youth has a parent, spouse, or guardian who is a migratory agricultural worker or a migratory fisher (by GA DOE 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.

SERVICES: 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 graduation prep and testing.

NOTE: All migrant students enrolled in Georgia’s Public Schools are eligible for free lunch.

Miracles Happen

Address: 207 Mitchell Street, Toccoa, GA 30577

Hours: 24/7

Telephone: 706-886-0307 or 706-968-3652

Contact: David Kesler

Services: Long-term residential program designed for men who desire to learn how to live without the use of alcohol or other drugs by working through the Twelve Steps program with sponsors.

Eligibility: Entry fee and first two weeks of program is \$500, then a \$150 weekly fee.

Category: Drug and Alcohol Abuse

Miss Leshia’s Young Lord and Ladies

Address: 1429 Lake Louise Road, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-297-7886

Hours: Monday-Friday 6:30 AM- 6:00 PM

Services: Daycare for children

Category: Childcare

Mountain Education Charter High School

Address: 191 Old Big A School Road, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-3114

Website: www.mountaineducationcenter.net

Contact: Holly Howard

Hours: Monday – Thursday 4:00PM – 9:00PM

Services: A year round high school that offers all Georgia required curriculum courses as well as a variety of vocational courses and state-mandated testing.

Eligibility: Any high school student that needs more classes is eligible for this program.

Fees: None for full time students, \$150 - \$400 for others.

Category: Education

Mountain Judicial Circuit Public Defender

Address: 405 Madison Street, Clarkesville, GA 30523

Telephone: 706-754-6427

Contact: Jane Hencely

Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00AM-5:00PM

Services: Provide defense council for indigent parties in criminal case is Superior and Juvenile courts.

Category: Legal Services

Mustard Seed Counseling Services, Inc.

Address: 111 Fieldcrest Drive, Eastanollee, GA 30538 (Offices in The Pointe church)

Telephone: 706-894-1371 Fax: 706-894-1374

Contact: Michael Johns, Director Cell Phone: 706-409-2534

Website: www.mustardseedcounseling.org

Hours: Each counselor sets their own hours, usually between 9:00 AM – 8:00 PM

Services: State Certified Addiction Counselors offer DHR Approved DUI Intervention Program, outpatient program. Offers substance abuse recovery program. Christian based marriage counseling, family counseling, children and adolescent counseling available. State Certified Anger Management classes offered. All services are offered on a sliding fee base.

Category: Counseling, Drug and Alcohol Abuse, Support Groups, Mental Health

N

Neighbors 4 Neighbors, Inc. (Formerly St. Matthias' Food Pantry)

Address: 995 East Tugalo St., Toccoa, GA

Telephone: 706-491-5636

Hours: Tuesday. – Friday, 10:00 AM –1:00 PM

Eligibility: Referrals by several Stephens County social service agencies for Stephens County residents

Category: Food

New Beginnings Ministry

Address: 1258 Greater Hope Road, Martin, GA 30557

Telephone: 706-356-2113

Website: www.newbeginningslife.net

Contact: Linda Diamond

Hours: 24/7

Office Hours: Monday - Friday 8:00AM-4:00PM

Services: Works exclusively with women who are coming off drugs and alcohol. Long term, in-house, intense recovery treatment center, minimum 10 months. Goals are to celebrate recovery, power over addiction, anger management, co-dependency, eating disorders, inner healing, relapsed preventions, life

skills training, individual and group counseling, family counseling, and after care. Focus on drug and alcohol rehabilitation. It is approved by Pardons and Parole THOR program.

Eligibility: 18+, residential, desire to want help

Category: Drug and Alcohol Abuse

Next to Me Medical Supplies

Address: 197 North Big A Road, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-6649

Website: www.nexttomemedicalsupplies.com

Contact: Brenda Chapman

Hours: Monday – Friday 9:00AM – 5:00PM

Services: Products and supplies for Mastectomies, CPAP and BIPAP, etc. Fees depend upon items.

Serving Stephens, Clarke, Franklin, and Hart Counties

Eligibility: Anyone

Category: Medical Equipment and Supplies

Ninth District Opportunity, Inc. Community Services Program

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

CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES

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

EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

- Job 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 detectors (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
- Application assistance for SNAP benefits

ENERGY ASSISTANCE

- Arranging for payment for past due utility
- Referral for other energy related services
- SCANA Regulated Referral to establish utility service
- Low-income Home Energy Assistance Program (opens to 65+ and homebound in November; For general public December)

Eligibility: Income-based and all services are free of charge.

Category: Aid with Rent and Utilities; Counseling: Financial Assistance

Website: www.ndo.org (see for county email addresses)

BANKS COUNTY

Christy Hill

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

DAWSON COUNTY

Denise Ricketts

54 Hwy 53 W
Dawsonville, Georgia 30534-0009
Phone: (706) 265-3744
Fax: (706) 265-4555

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
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RABUN COUNTY

Crystal Vinson

1236 Old Hwy 441 South
Clayton, Georgia 30525-0691
Phone: (706) 782-3704
Fax: (706) 782-9602

STEPHENS COUNTY

Paula Duley

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

HABERSHAM COUNTY

Chrystal Coker

1030 North Main Plaza
Cornelia, Georgia 30531-0250
Phone: (706) 778-0075

HALL COUNTY

Shanna Cotton

615 Oak Street, Ste. C
Gainesville, Georgia 30501-8522
Phone: (770)534-8826 or (770)534-8820

HART COUNTY

Gail Blackwell

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

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

TOWNS COUNTY

Teresa Stephens

1294 Jack Dayton Circle
Young Harris, GA 30582
Hiawassee, Georgia 30546-0042
Phone: (706) 896-4783
Fax: (706) 896-4790

North Georgia Technical College (Clarkesville Campus)

Address: 1500 North Highway 197, Clarkesville, GA 30523
Telephone: Front Office 706-754-7700,
Adult Education: 706-754-7781 Fax: 706-754-7777
Website: www.northgatech.edu
Hours: Monday - Thursday 7:30-6:00 PM. Closed Fridays.
Services: Technical and college classes available at the campus and online and offers GED adult education classes in eight counties.
Category: Camps; Education

North Georgia Technical College (Currahee Campus)

Address: 8989 Highway 17 South, Toccoa, GA 30577-8864
Telephone: 706-779-8100
Website: www.northgatech.edu
Telephone: 706-779-8116 (Adult Education)
Campus hours: Monday -Thursday 7:30-6:00PM (Closed Fridays)
Services: Technical and college classes available at the campus and online and offers GED adult education classes.
Category: Camps; Education

Northeast Georgia Council Boy Scouts of America (Stephens County Chapter)

Address: 475 Tugalo Street, Toccoa, GA
Telephone: 706-886-7433
Contact: Isaac Patterson
Website: www.nega-bsa.org
Hours: Monday - Friday 9:00AM- 5:00 PM & Saturday 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Services: Provides comprehensive youth development program
Eligibility: Open to boys from ages 7 -21 years, and is coed for ages 14-21 years
Category: Recreation

Northeast Georgia Housing Authority

Address: 437 South Pond Street, Toccoa, GA 30577
Telephone: 706-886-9455 or 800-596-1380
Contact: Angela Cothran, Executive Director
Hours: Monday – Thursday 7:30AM-5:30PM
Services: Safe and affordable housing for income eligible individuals.
Eligibility: based on low-income, family composition, and criminal history. Serving the Stephens, White, Habersham, & Banks County areas with fees based upon income.
Category: Housing

Northeast Georgia Speech Center

Address: 604 Washington Street, Gainesville, GA 30501
Telephone: 770-534-5141
Website: www.negaspeechcenter.org
Contact: Diane M. Brower, CCC-SLP, Speech/Language Pathologist, and Director

Hours: Monday – Friday 8:00AM – 5:00PM

Services: Evaluation and treatment for speech problems of all types and routine hearing screens. Lip reading and auditory training for deaf and hard of hearing available as well.

Eligibility: Anyone with or suspected of having a speech, language or hearing problem. Physician may also refer patients.

Fees: Based upon ability to pay. Sliding scale for fee reduction, Medicaid/Medicare clients accepted.

Category: Disabilities; Handicapped/Disabled Services

O

Open Arms Clinic

Address: 109 Big A Road, Toccoa, GA 30577 (Across from Toccoa Clinic)

Telephone: 706-886-0940 Fax: 706-886-0941

Contact: Sherry Beavers, Director

Hours: Tuesday 2:00PM – 8:00PM, Thursday 9:30AM – 5:00PM

Services: Preventive adult health care, diagnosis and treatment of chronic disease, health education, specialist referral, basic prescription medications, referral to other support agencies.

Eligibility: Eligibility will be determined through the clinics pre-registration screening process requiring income verification, proof of residency and more.

Category: Health Services; Prevention

Opportunity House

Address: 13015 Jones Street, Lavonia GA 30553

Telephone: 706-356-1938

Contact: Pam Royston

Website: www.opportunityhouse.yolasite.com

Hours: Monday - Friday 8:30AM-1:30PM

Services: Serves young adults and adults with developmental and intellectual disabilities who have completed their high school special education program or are chronologically eligible to leave their high school program (age 21 years and older). The program includes physical fitness, computer skills, gardening, and simple meal preparation, clean up, arts and crafts, games and social activities.

Eligibility: Age 21 years or older with developmental and intellectual disabilities. Payment required.

Category: Disabilities; Handicapped/Disabled Services

P

Parent to Parent of Georgia

Address: 3070 Presidential Parkway, Suite 130, Atlanta, GA 30340

Telephone: 770-451-5484 or 1-800-229-2038 Fax: 770-458-4091

Website: www.p2pga.org

Contact: Debra Tucker-Executive Director or Verdell McRae

Call: 877-255-4254

Website: www.allgakids.com

Hours: Monday – Friday 9:00AM-4:00PM

Services: Information and referral support to parents of children with disabilities.

Eligibility: Serving all of Georgia. Anyone in need of these services will be eligible. Interpretation services for over 150 languages available so families can access our services. Fees are Non-Applicable.

Category: Disabilities: Handicapped/Disabled Services; Information and Referral

P.R.E.P. (Pre-school Readiness Education Program)

Stephens County Board of Education Building

Address: 176 South Broad Street, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-5609

Website: www.stephenscountyschools.com

Contact: Mary Day Winder

Hours: Monday – Friday 8:00AM-4:00PM

Services: Regional program, which serves the following disabilities: speech and language impaired; mentally handicapped; emotionally disturbed; behaviorally disordered; visually impaired; hearing impaired; learning disabled; orthopedically disabled; and, other health impairments.

Needs will be determined and an individual plan written for each child free of charge. PREP provides center-based and home-based special education services (speech and language, educational, physical therapy, occupational therapy and support services for parents and all care providers)

Eligibility: Project designed to serve the special needs of three, four, and five year old children.

Category: Disabilities; Education; Handicapped/Disabled Services

Peanut Patch, Inc.

Address: 57 Stephen Road, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-0224

Contact: Judy Medlin

Hours: Monday –Friday 6:15AM-5:30PM

Services: Regular daycare, Georgia Pre-Care (Pre-K is lottery funded), before and after school care available

Eligibility: Anyone

Category: After School Programs; Childcare

Phillips Staffing

Address: 11909 Augusta Road, Lavonia, GA 30553

Telephone: 706-356-5820

Website: www.phillipsstaffing.com

Contact: Ann Whited

Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00AM-5:00PM

Services: Help find jobs suited for each individual.

Eligibility: 18 years and older. Available and able to work

Category: Employment

Pioneer RESA

Address: 1342 Hwy. 254, Cleveland, GA 30528

Telephone: 706-865-2141 or 1-800-858-5922

Fax: 706-865-6748

Website: www.pioneerresa.org

Contact: Dr. Sandy Addis, Director

Hours: Monday. – Friday 8:00AM – 4:30PM.

Services: provide high quality, low cost, convenient access to educational technology training for educators serving, or preparing for service in Georgia's Pre-K – Post-Secondary schools.

Category: Education

Pittard Clinic

Address: 1654 Falls Rd., Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-4420

Contact: Jinaka Coker

Web site: www.pittardclinic.com

Hours: Monday – Friday. 5:30AM – 11:00AM, Saturday 6:00AM-8:30AM

Services: Must be 18 years and older with opiates as primary drug. Must be addicted a minimum of one year. Call for eligibility requirements.

Category: Drug and Alcohol Abuse

Precious Minutes Learning Center

Address: 1760 West Currahee Street, Toccoa, GA 30577-8504

Telephone: 706-886-1443

Contact: Janie Walker

Hours: Monday – Friday 6:30AM-6:00PM

Services: Regular daycare, Pre-K for 4 years old, Pre-School for 3 years old. Center offers before and after school care for children 6-12 years, and summer camp is available for children 6-12 years.

Eligibility: All children 6 weeks thru 12 years.

Category: After School Programs; Childcare; Education

Prevent Child Abuse Georgia

Address: Center for Healthy Development, Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA 30302

Telephone: 404-413-1419

Fax: 404-413-1299

Web site: www.preventchildabusega.org

Hours: 8:30AM - 5:00PM (weekdays)

Services: Child abuse prevention; training; technical assistance; information and referral; advocacy; research. They do not provide direct services to families but they do provide training and technical assistance to professionals who support families.

Categories: Abuse; Crisis; Information and Referral; Prevention

Q

Quality Care for Children (Child Care Resource and Referral Agency)

Address: 3706 Atlanta Hwy, Suite 1, Athens, GA 30606

Telephone: 706-543-6177

Fax: 706-543-3077

Contact: Victoria Hawkins

Website: www.qualitycareforchildren.org

For information to the statewide parent referral service for childcare contact: Nancy Wittingham at 877-255-4254 or at www.allgakids.com

Services: Telephone and website referral service for parents looking for childcare in GA. Food Service program for childcare providers. Consultation and support for childcare programs seeking accreditation status. Offers training hours for staff working in the childcare industry.

Category: Childcare; Information and Referral

R

Rabun County Shelter / Wiley Presbyterian Church

Address: 193 Wiley Church Lane, Wiley, GA 30581

Telephone: 706-782-3775

Website: www.wileypresbyterian.org

Contact: Pastor

Services: Help by giving a place to stay (Mobile Home Shelter). Offer Kinship Care (program for grandparents raising grandchildren and relatives raising nieces and nephews).

Category: Senior Adult Services; Shelters

RED CROSS

Address: P.O. Box 3370, 311 Jesse Jewell Parkway, Gainesville, GA. 30503-3370

Telephone: 1-800-282-1722

Services: Emergency loan and leave for service members. Red Cross collects blood, offers food, shelter and medical aid to disaster victims. Red Cross also conducts first aid programs and provides safety training for small crafts. Water Safety programs are also available. Red Cross works in High School to organize Junior Red Cross Units. Red Cross is available for local relief, national relief and international relief when needed.

Redeeming Love Center

Address: 28 East Savannah Street, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-491-2278

Contact: Cindy Brunt, Director

Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday 9:00 AM-3:00PM

Services: Faith based One-on-One Peer Counseling, Support Groups, and Bible Studies Dealing with women's issues. (All at no cost)

Category: Counseling, Support Groups

Reins of Life

Address: 1222 Rumsey Road, Eastanollee, GA 30538

Telephone: 706-491-9764

Website: www.reinsoflife.net

Contact: Cheryl Harris

Hours: Various hours depending on the season.

Services: Therapeutic horseback riding and rope course programming.

Eligibility: Youth ages 8-18 years are eligible for this program. Fees are non-applicable

Category: Handicapped/Disabled Services

RESCARE (Formerly Southern Rehabilitation Services)

Address: 74 Hwy. 123 Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-282-0060 and 1-888-483-3264

Contact: Todd Duluk

Hours: Monday – Friday 8:00AM – 5:00PM

Services: Skilled nursing services, hospital support care, post-hospitalization short-term care support, personal services visits, respite care, escort service, and new baby care. Anyone in the Stephens and/or Franklin County area in need of homebound care will be eligible for this program. Fees depend upon services provided.

Category: Health Services

Rite Aid

Address: 1156 Big A Road, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-2186

Contact: Joe Pendergrass

Hours: Monday - Friday 9:00 AM – 9:00 PM, Saturday 9:00 AM – 6:00 PM, Sunday 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM

Category: Pharmacy

S**Salvation Army – Toccoa Georgia Corps**

Address: 306 East Franklin Street, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-5293 (office) 706-886-0220 (church)

Website: www.salvationarmy-georgia.org

Contact: Lt. Tom Kenyon and Lt. Ruth Kenyon

Hours: Monday, Thursday & Friday 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM; Tuesday 9:00AM – 12:00 PM; Wed. 9:00 AM – 3:00PM; Sunday school at 9:45AM and Church Services at 11:00 AM and 6:00PM.

Services: Provides utility assistance, prescription assistance, clothing, emergency shelter, missing person's bureau, Christian counseling, worship services, and food pantry/vouchers.

Eligibility: Any person in need of aid

Category: Aid with Rent and Utilities; Clothing; Counseling; Financial Assistance; Food; Shelters

Salvation Army Thrift Store

Address: 715 North Big A Road, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-0044

Contact: Lt. Tom Kenyon and Lt. Ruth Kenyon

Hours: Monday – Wednesday 10:00AM – 5:00PM, Thursday/Friday 9:00AM-6:00PM

Services: Sell used clothing, household goods, and miscellaneous items at thrift store prices.

Eligibility: Open to Public

Category: Clothing

Sander's Drugs

Address: 61 Falls Road, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-297-0111

Contact: Clint Sanders, Bryan Wood

Hours: Monday - Friday 8:30 AM - 6:30 PM, Saturday 8:30 AM - 1:00 PM; for service after hours and on Sundays, call 706-297-0111.

Category: Pharmacy

Second Chance Ministries

Address: The Pointe Church, 111 Fieldcrest Drive, Eastanollee, GA 30538

Telephone: 706-886-0591 Ext. 316

Contact: Danny Yearwood

Hours: 24/7

Services: Alcohol and drug testing - provides certified Assessor that can make drug and alcohol treatment referrals for inpatient and outpatient care; Jail Ministry; Addiction Recovery Group Meetings; Life Controlling Issues Recovery Group Meetings; Weekly "Breaking the Silence" radio talk show which contains information on drug addiction and receives prayer requests.

Category: Crisis; Drug and Alcohol Abuse; Information and Referral; Support Groups

S.E.L.F. / Stephens Education Literacy Foundation

Address: 12 West Tugalo Street, Room 300, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-6909

Contact: Ellen Allgood

Services: S.E.L.F. is the promotional arm of the adult literacy program in Stephens County. (Resource and Referral Agency for Stephens County literacy programs)

Category: Education; Information and Referral

Shirley's Soul Food & Shelter

Address: 18 Alexander Street, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-297-7739 (Shirley's Soul Food Restaurant)

Contact: Shirley Combs can be contacted from 11:30 AM-2:00 PM at Shirley's Soul Food Restaurant.

Services: Houses open to men and women in need (following of rules and regulations required); Provides food for homeless and gives out groceries.

Category: Food; Shelters

Social Security Administration

Address: 155 Big A Road, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-1621

Fax: 706- 886- 4909

Website: www.socialsecurity.gov

Contact: Alex Kaufman, Manager

Hours: Monday – Friday / 8:30AM – 3:00PM

Services: Information about Social Security Programs - retirement, disability survivor's benefits, etc. Anyone in need of Social Security Cards or other related services are eligible. Spanish translation available.

Category: Government; Senior Adult Services

Southern Rehabilitation Services

Address: 230 Hospital Drive, Toccoa, GA. 30577

Telephone: 706-282-4461

Contact: Angie King or Troy Hayward

Website: www.stephenscountyhospital.com

Hours: Monday –Friday 7:00AM – 5:30PM/Patients are seen from 8:00AM-5:30 PM

Services: Speech, occupational and physical therapy

Eligibility: Patient needs a doctor's prescription. Medicaid and private insurance accepted

Category: Health Services

Spherion / Interim Personnel

Address: 11 Business Center Drive, Suite 202, Eastanollee, GA, 30538

Telephone: 706-886-5115

Website: www.spherion.careers.com

Contact: Rebecca Payne

Hours: Monday.-Friday. 8:00AM-5:00 PM

Services: Staffing Agency

Eligibility: Over 18 years old with a Diploma or GED, background check and drug test is required.

Category: Employment

Stephanie V. Blank Center for Safe & Healthy Children Children's Health Care of Atlanta

Address: 975 Johnson Ferry Road North East, suite 350, Atlanta, GA 30342

Telephone: 404-785-3820 Fax: 404-785-3850

Website: www.choa.org

Hours: Monday - Tuesday - Wednesday - Friday 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM; Thursday 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Services: This organization promotes the safety and well-being of children through advocacy and the identification, assessment and prevention of child abuse.

Category: Abuse; Prevention

Stephens County Anti-Drug Coalition

Address: The Point Church, 111 Fieldcrest Drive, Eastanollee, GA 30538

Telephone: Crisis Line: Danny Yearwood, Founder- 706-491-9027

Director: Chuck Lewis, 706-599-0184

Secretary-Grant/Media Coordinator: Brenda Gragg 706-391-1812

Bookkeeper: Mary Kesler- 706-599-1348

March Coordinator: LJ Harrison-706-206-0529, Drug Tip Hotline: 706-886-7048

Website: www.scadc.org

Hours: 24/7

Services: Jail Ministry; Addiction Recovery Group Meetings; Life Controlling Issues Recovery Group Meetings; Referrals to Rehabilitation Centers in and out patient; Public Housing Programs for Youth; Parenting Classes; Business, Civic Group, Schools, Church Presentations. "Breaking the Silence" radio talk show (drug addiction)

Category: Crisis; Drug and Alcohol Abuse; Support Groups

Stephens County Clerk of Court

Address: 70 North Alexander Street, Room 202, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-9496 or 706-886-3598 Fax: 706- 886- 5710

Website: www.stephenscountyga.com

Contact: Tim Quick, Clerk of Court

Hours: Monday – Friday 8:00AM – 5:00PM.

Services: The Clerk of Court services include filing and recording all courthouse documents, real estate recording (deeds and liens), Uniforms Commercial Code (reporting collateral), processes passport applications, and draws juries. Also provides services for garnishments, divorces, and traffic fines.

Eligibility: Stephens County residents

Category: Government

Stephens County Cooperative Extension Office

Address: 582 Eastanollee School Road, Eastanollee, GA 30538

Telephone: 706-779-5501

Website/Email: www.ugaextension.com/stephens

Contact: Forrest Conley

Hours: Monday. – Friday 8:00AM – 5:00PM

Services: Information to enhance agriculture, the environment, and communities. Family and consumer services: financial management; health & safety; nutrition; 4-H program; and, agricultural information. Fees vary with classes and labs.

Category: Government; Recreation

Stephens County Emergency Management Agency

Address: 338 Virginia Drive, Eastanollee, GA 30538

Telephone: 706 -886-2525 (sheriff's office) 911 (in case of an emergency)

Fax: 877- 722 -3124

Contact: Bruce Cleveland

Hours: Monday– Friday 8:00AM – 5:00PM

Services: Coordinates emergency and disaster response activities, as well as emergency management training (free of charge). Offers educational training - call for details.

Category: Disasters

Stephens County Farmers' Market

Address: In front of Toccoa Cemetery on Martin Luther King Drive, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-779-5501

Contact: Forrest Conley

Hours: 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM on Wednesday and Saturday mornings.

Services: Offers produce, baked goods and hand crafted products from local sources.

Category: Agriculture; Food

Stephens County Food Bank

Address: 410 West Whitman Street, Toccoa, GA. 30577(Located near Boys and Girls Club)

Telephone: 706-886-9015

Contact: Albert Vulcano

Website: www.stephenscountyfoodbank.com

Hours: Tuesday 8:30-10:30 AM

Services: Provide canned and other non-perishable food items to Stephens County families in need, especially families with minor children and the elderly.

Eligibility: A registrant will need to present personal identification and documents to verify current residence in Stephens County (driver's license, utility bill, rent receipt); and social security cards for household members.

Category: Food

Stephens County Health Department

Address: 64 Boulevard, Suite 102, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-282-4507

Website: www.phdistrict2.org

Contact: Debbie Thomas, Office Manager

Hours: Monday – Friday 8:00AM – 5:00PM (closed 12PM – 1PM for lunch)

Eligibility: The Health Department serves the community. Some program fees are based upon income. Call for appointment or to determine the days for each service.

Late clinic appointments are available on the 1st Thursday of each month. Fees are based on income verification. Medicaid and Peach Care accepted.

Comprehensive Listing of Services:

- **Immunizations:** To insure that contagious diseases are eliminated or reduced. Immunizations are given according to need. A consent form must be signed. An \$8.00-\$10.00 per vaccine fee is charged and is offered during general clinic hours. (*Medicaid and Peach Care accepted*)
- **Primary Care Clinic:** Provides services to qualifying individuals on Tuesdays or Thursdays by appointment only at the Health Department. Applications for primary care must be picked up at the Health Department before treatment.
- **General Clinic:** Services offered five days a week 8:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. -4:30 p.m. Late clinic appointments are available the 1st Thursday of each month until 7:00 p.m. The clinic will close at 3:00 pm on the 1st Friday of each month.
*****Clinic Services Include*****
- **Diabetes Screening:** \$10.00--screening for adults age 18 & older for those never previously diagnosed with diabetes. Should be fasting for 8 hours before testing;
- **Blood Pressure:** no charge; **Hemoglobin:** \$5.00; **Urinalysis:** \$5.00;
- **Blood Test for Marriage License:** \$20.00 per person, results take up to 2 weeks;
- **Hearing/Vision/Dental Screening:** No charge if certificate not required. \$15.00 if certificate is needed; **Cholesterol:** \$15.00;
- **Therapeutic Injection-**\$5.00-must supply own medicine; **Head Check for Lice-**\$5.00-\$3.00 more if medication received; **HIV Screening-**\$20.00 (charge for HIV screening: venipuncture only); Tuberculin Skin Test-\$10.00 (Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday)
- **Stephens County Health Department Sexually Transmitted Disease Program:** to diagnose and treat persons with or that has been exposed to sexually transmitted diseases. All services cost \$15.00 and completely confidential. Call for more information. Appointments are available Tuesday-Friday. GA Immunization Certificates \$3 (free with immunizations)
- **Dental Program:** Identifies and corrects dental problems or make referrals for corrections. They work to improve dental health through education and treatment. Services are available for Medicaid or Peach Care for persons up to 18 years of age. Call for an appointment on Tuesdays and Fridays only.
- **Child Health Program:** To provide early and periodic health screening of children. Medicaid or Peach Care eligible children age birth to 18 years of age or children registered in the Head Start program. Call for an appointment on Wednesdays or Fridays. Late clinic appointments are also available.
- **WIC Program:** (Women, Infants and Children); to supplement the diet of women, infants and children who are at nutritional risk, and to provide nutritional education and improve dietary habits.
- **Women's Health Program:** Includes cancer screening, breast exam, birth control methods, and medical referrals for problems. Mammogram available for women 50 years and older based on income eligibility. Services are available four days a week by appointment. Late clinic appointments are available the 1st Thursday of each month. No one is denied services based on inability to pay, based on income verification. Medicaid accepted.

Category: Food; Health Services

Stephens County High School

Address: 638 White Pine Road, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-6825 Fax: 706-886-8765

Website: <http://schs.stephens.k12.ga.us/>

Hours: Monday – Friday 7:30AM – 3:30PM

Services: public education for children in grades 9-12.

Category: Education

Stephens County Hospital

Address: 163 Hospital Drive, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-282-4200 or 706-886-8045 and 706-282-4343 (Indigent Care)

Website: www.stephenscountyhospital.com

Contact: Ed Gambrell, Administrator or Pamela Jones, Public Relations

Services: Emergency ambulance, emergency room 24 hours per day, in-patient medical and surgical care, intensive care, obstetrics and newborn nursery, Lamaze childbirth classes and prenatal classes, including prenatal CPR, in and outpatient rehabilitation services including physical, occupational and speech therapy, nutritional services, community wellness programs, personal care homes and social services.

Category: Health Services

Stephens County Magistrate Court

Address: 70 North Alexander Street, Suite 107, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-6205

Contact: Donald Tabor (Judge) or Patsy Alexander

Hours: Monday – Friday 8AM – 5PM

Services: Criminal warrants and search warrants; jurisdiction, misdemeanor and bad check charges; hold preliminary hearings on felony charges; and will act as small claims court (up to \$15,000) in civil matters.

Eligibility: Anyone in need of legal care

Category: Court Systems; Legal Services

Stephens County Middle School

Address: 1315 Rose Lane, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-2880

Fax: 706-886-2882

Website: <http://scms.stephens.k12.ga.us>

Contact: Donna Collins, Principal

Hours: Monday – Friday 7:30AM – 3:30PM

Services: Public education for children in 6-8 grades.

Category: Education

Stephens County Probate Court

Address: 70 North Alexander Street, Suite 108, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-2828

Website: www.stephenscounty-ga.gov

Contact: Glenda Ernest, Probate Judge

Hours: Monday – Friday 8:00AM – 12:00PM and 1:00PM – 5:00PM

Services: Information about guardians, estate matters, birth certificates, marriage certificates, and others. Fees will vary.

Eligibility: Birth Only, mother, father, siblings, grandparents, spouse, children. Gun permits - 21 years and older. Marriage license - 18 years and older; for 16 & 17 year olds, parental consent is required. No one under 16 years old can get married.

Category: Court Systems; Legal Services

Stephens County Public Schools

Address: 2332 Mize Road, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-9415

Website: www.stephenscountyschools.com

Contact: Bryan Dorsey, Superintendent

Hours: Monday – Friday 8:00AM – 4:30PM

Services: Public education for children in grades K-12. Children in need of classes in Stephens County are eligible.

Category: Education

Stephens County Recreation Department

Address: 199 Rose Lane Park Drive, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-5101 Fax: 706-282-1397

Website: www.stephenscountyga.com and go to recreation link (On FACEBOOK, especially for event times)

Contact: Richard Adams, Recreation Director

Hours: Monday – Friday 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Services: Offers programs for youth and adults.

Activities Include: baseball, t-ball, prep ball, softball, football, soccer, youth wrestling, cheerleading, and competition cheerleading. Instructional classes include jazzercise, gymnastics, kindermusik, aerobics, disc golf and home improvement course. Provides playground; walking trail with benches; and therapy pool.

Eligibility: Anyone in Stephens County. Fees and age requirements vary.

Category: Recreation; Senior Adult Services

Stephens County Sheriff's Department

Address: 70 North Alexander Street, Suite 205, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-2525

Website: www.stephenssheriff.com

Contact: Randy Shirley, Sheriff

Hours: Monday – Friday 8:00AM – 5:00PM.

Services: The Stephens County Sheriff's Office provides law enforcement and traffic safety services, operates the county jail, serves as an officer of the court, serves criminal warrants, subpoenas, and civil papers. Fees are not applicable.

Category: Legal Services

Stephens County State Court

Address: 70 North Alexander Street, Room 202, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-3598 or 706-886-9496

Website: www.stephenscountyga.com

Contact: Tim Quick, Clerk of Courts or Tracy Stout, Deputy Clerk for State Court

Hours: Monday – Friday 8AM – 5PM

Services: Court for misdemeanor cases. Fees will vary.

Category: Court Systems; Legal Services

Stephens County Superior Court

Address: 70 North Alexander Street, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-3598

Fax: 706-886-5710

Website: www.stephenscountyga.com

Contact: Clerk of Courts, Tim Quick; or Brenda Martin, Deputy for Superior Court

Services: Court for civil and felony criminal cases for the county.

Category: Court Systems; Legal Services

T

The Clary Care and Wilkinson Centers

Address: 249 Hospital Drive, Toccoa GA30577

Telephone: 706-2825600

Contact: Hayley Knight

Hours: 8:00AM- 4:30PM

Category: Personal Care & Retirement Living

The Learning Tree Academy

Address: 1661 Fernside Drive, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-9900

Contact: Brenda Williams, Director

Hours: Monday – Friday 6:30AM – 6:00PM

Services: Regular daycare; private pre-school; summer camps; before and after school care

Eligibility: None required

Category: After School Programs; Childcare; Education

The Pointe Church-Free Professional Tutoring & Homework Support

Address: 111 Fieldcrest Drive, Eastanollee GA 30538

Telephone: 706-886-3827

Website: www.thepointecog.com

Hours: Wednesdays 7:45PM-9:00PM during the school year

Services: Free professional tutoring & homework help. Provides assistance in preparing for Standardized Tests (SAT, ACT, EOCT, & GED)

Eligibility: The Pointe encourages all youth to participate in youth church beginning at 6:30 p.m., but this is not a requirement to receive free tutoring.

Category: Church, Education, Support Services

Toccoa Clinic

Address: 58 Big A Road, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-7537 **Website:** www.toccoaclinic.com

Hours: Monday - Friday 8:00AM-5:00 PM

Services: Pediatrics; family medical services; Internal Medicine; Dermatology, Anesthesiology; Ear/Nose/Throat; Nephrology/Dialysis; OB/GYN; Ophthalmology; Orthopedics; Psychiatry; Urology; general surgery; Caregivers of Newly Diagnosed Patients with Dementia support group; Med Access

Eligibility: Available to anyone by appointment. No referral necessary. Medicaid, Medicare, insurance and private pay (cash, credit card, check) is accepted.

Category: Health Services

Toccoa Counseling Center

Address: 141 West Savannah Street, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-1335

Contact: Dr. Charles Good

Services: Individual counseling or group counseling to children and adults including marriage and family therapy. All services by appointment only. Fee for service

Category: Counseling, Drug and Alcohol Abuse

Toccoa Elementary School

Address: 304 North Pond Street, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-3194

Website: <http://toccoa.stephens.k12.ga.us/>

Category: Education

Toccoa Falls College

Address: 107 North Chapel Drive, Toccoa Falls, GA 30598

Telephone: 706-886-6831 or 1-888-785-5624

Contact: Switchboard at 886-6831

Website: www.tfc.edu

Hours: Monday – Friday 8:00AM – 5:00PM

Services: Post-secondary education. The college offers two year, four-year degrees and online courses.

Eligibility: Anyone in need of college classes will be eligible for TFC- contact the Office of Admissions Fees will vary with classes

Category: Education

Toccoa Life

Address: 282 West Doyle Street, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-0177 or 1-800-499-0177

Website: www.northeastgeorgialife.org

Contact: John or Barbara Madison

Hours: Monday -Friday 9:00AM –12:00PM

Services: Pregnancy tests and counseling/education (individual and group). Confidential counseling services for crisis pregnancy situations and post abortion syndrome. Parenting classes offered. Emergency food and children’s clothes are offered. Maternity clothes are available. All services are free of charge.

Category: Counseling; Pregnancy

Toccoa Municipal Court

Address: 92 North Alexander Street, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-282-3238 or 706-886-8655 ext. 238

Website: www.cityoftoccoa.com

Contact: Jennifer Findley

Hours: Monday– Friday 8:00AM – 5:00PM

Services: Misdemeanor, traffic cases (excluding felony cases), or city ordinance cases. Fees vary.

Category: Court Systems; Legal Services

Toccoa Pines Apartments

Address: 78 Prather Park Circle, Suite 102, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: (706)-886-9303

Contact: Patricia Ashley

Hours: Monday -Friday 9:00AM-5:00PM

Eligibility: Income-Based

Services: Section 8 Apartment Complex

Category: Housing

Toccoa Police Department

Address: 92 North Alexander Street, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-8451 or 706-282-3244

Website: www.toccoapolicedepartment.com

Contact: Tim Jarrell, Police Chief or Donna Barnett, Administrative Assistant

Hours: Monday – Friday 8:00AM – 5:00PM (office hours), but also 24/7 for 911.

Services: The Toccoa Police Department can help with legal city issues for anyone in the city that needs police assistance. Fees will vary.

Category: Legal Services

Toccoa Recorder Court

Address: 92 North Alexander Street, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-282-3225

Website: www.cityoftoccoa.com

Contact: Fredda Wheeler, City Clerk

Services: Hears certain misdemeanor cases, all traffic cases (except felonies) and city ordinance charges within the city.

Category: Court Systems; Legal Service

Toccoa Soup Kitchen, Shelter and Clothes Closet

Whitman Street Community Center – Building B

Address: 380 Whitman Street, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-8341 or 706-282-0486

Contact: Gary Lance

Hours: Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday 9:30 – 10:00 and 11:30 – 12:15

Services: The Soup Kitchen operates a kitchen and shelter (one night lodging) at local motel for referrals from the police for families who have experienced spousal abuse or have been burned out. Free clothes are distributed on Wednesday mornings in the Whitman Street Community Center.

Category: Clothing, Food, Shelter

Toccoa-Stephens County Humane Shelter

Address: 1747 Scenic Drive, Toccoa GA 30577-1416 (near the old County Jail)

Telephone: 706-282-3275

Website: TSCHshelter@gmail.com

Hours: Monday-Friday 11AM-6PM, Closed Sunday

Services: City and county animal control: enforce city ordinances

Category: Government

Toccoa - Stephens County Chamber of Commerce

Address: 160 North Alexander Street, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-2132

Website: www.toccoagachamber.com

Contact: Wendi Bailey

Hours: Monday – Friday 8:30 AM – 5:00PM.

Services: Community relations; business promotion; ad information

Category: Information and Referral

Toccoa - Stephens County Literacy Council

Address: 158 South Broad Street, Toccoa, GA 30577-1400

Telephone: 706-282-5171

Contact: Robyn Bush

Hours: Tuesday and Thursday 10:00AM – 4:00PM, Wednesday and Friday 10:00 AM– 1:00PM

Services: Provides tutors for basic reading; GED (General Equivalency Diploma); ESL (English as a Second Language); basic computer skills; Offers classes in positive parenting skills.

Category: Education

Toccoa - Stephens County Probation Office

Address: 12 West Tugalo Street, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-7106

Contact: Tassie Gomez

Hours: Monday –Friday 8:00AM-5:00PM

Services: Anyone on probation in Stephens County. Fees will vary.

Category: Legal Services

Toccoa – Stephens County Public Library

Address: 53 West Savannah Street, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-6082 or 706-886-2969 Fax: 706-886-2134

Website: www.toccoa-stephenslibrary.org

Contact: Emily McConnell, Manager

Hours: Monday -Friday 10:00AM-5:30PM; Saturday 10:00AM-1:00PM

Services: Books, periodicals, newspapers, video's, cassettes, magazine exchange, reference service, interlibrary loan, linked with Chestatee Library for the blind, weekly read aloud for children birth to five years, special programs for all ages. Multipurpose room is available.

Eligibility: Open to public

Category: Education; Recreation

Toccoa – Stephens County Senior Adult Program “Senior Center”

Address: 55 Rose Lane Park Drive, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-4740

Website: www.stephenscountyga.com

Contact: Lisa Thomas

Hours: Monday –Friday 8:00AM-4:00PM

Services: Senior Adult programs, exercise, counseling, and Meals on Wheels

Eligibility: Adults 55 years and older

Category: Food; Senior Adult Services

Tom Fish, Board Certified Pastoral Counselor

Address: 333 E Tugalo St, Toccoa, Ga 30577

Telephone: 770-503-5963

Contact: Tom Fish, MRE, BCPC

Website: www.bcppc.net

Hours: Hours vary according to need

Services: Individual Counseling, Family Counseling, Spiritual issues, Grief and Recovery

Category: Pastoral Counseling

Tugalo Baptist Association

Address: 432 Eastanollee School Road, Eastanollee, GA. 30538

Telephone: 706-779-2626 Fax: 706-779-5658

Website: www.tugalo.net

Contact: Reverend Wade Lott

Hours: Monday – Friday 8:00 – 12:00 and 1:00 – 3:00

Services: Will bring trailer to disaster area and assist with clean up

Category: Disasters

Tugaloo Home Health and Amedisys

Address: 53 Rock Drive, Toccoa, GA 30577-3972

Telephone: 706-886-5442 or 800-706-1901

Website: www.amedisys.com

Contact: Tammy Henson

Hours: Monday – Friday 8:00AM – 5:00PM (office), Available 24/7

Services: Provides in-home services including physical therapy, occupational and speech therapy, home health, and personal care aides; skilled nursing; and a medical social worker is available.

Eligibility: Patient 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. Some insurance accepted.

Category: Health Services

U

Upward Sports

Tom's Creek Baptist Church

Address: 3604 Highway 145, Martin, GA. 30557

Telephone: 706-779-2474

Website: www.tomscreekbc.com

Services: Christian-based sports league for basketball and cheerleading for ages Kindergarten through Sixth grade. Meets during the winter months.

Eligibility: Registration fees

Category: Recreation

USDANRCS (Natural Resources and Conservation Service)

Address: 1630 Clary Connector, Eastanollee GA 30538

Telephone: 706-779-2134

Contact: Russell Biggers

Website: <http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/site/gahome/>

Hours: Monday-Friday, 8AM-5PM

Services: Administers Natural Resource and Conservation Service programs

Category: Agriculture; Government

V

Veterans Hotline

Address: 730 Peachtree Street, Atlanta, GA

Telephone: 1-800-827-1000

Website: www.va.gov

Services: Answer questions about benefits available to veterans and their families.

Eligibility Criteria: N/A

Category: Veterans Groups

Victory Home – Helping Hand, Inc.

Address: Victory Home Lane, Tallulah Falls, GA 30573

Telephone: 706-754-6030 & Thrift Store: 706-839-4213 **Fax:** 706-754-1498

Website: www.victoryhome.org

Eligibility: 21 years and older

Services: Christian based alcohol and drug treatment program for men, no major medical problems (physically able to move and get around)

Category: Drug and Alcohol Abuse

Viewpoint Health

Address: 175 Gwinnett Drive, Lawrenceville, GA 30467

Telephone: 678-209-2411

Hours: Monday - Friday 8:00AM-5:00PM

Contact: Barbara Wilson

Services: Provides one-on-one, family, group and family counseling; offers services concerning alcohol and drug abuse; and crisis intervention. Psychiatrists provide psychiatric treatment and medication management services.

Category: Alcohol and Drug Abuse; Crisis; Counseling; Mental Health

Vital Records @ Stephens County Courthouse

Address: 70 North Alexander Street, Suite 108, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-2828

Contact: Glenda Ernest

Hours: Monday – Friday 8:00AM – 12:00PM & 1:00PM – 5:00PM

Services: Birth or death certificates. Fee for birth and death certificates is \$25.00 (cash only).

Category: Government; Legal Services

Vocational Rehabilitation Services

Address: 243 South Main Street Suite B Cleveland, GA 30528-1404

Telephone: 706-348-4882 or 1-800-846-9634

Contact: Ken Hise or Dana Skelton-Sanders

Services: Our agency assists individuals with a disability from High School to adult population to remove barriers and aid in accommodation to go to work. We assist eligible individuals with guidance and counseling, and services to aid the eligible individual to go to work.

Eligibility: A diagnosed disability within the past year.

Category: Employment; Handicapped/Disabled Services

W

Walgreen's Drug Store

Address: 876 Big A Road, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-297-7618

Hours: Monday - Friday 9:00 AM – 9:00 PM, Saturday 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM, Sunday 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM

Category: Pharmacy

Wal-Mart Pharmacy

Address: 3886 Highway 17, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-282-1193

Hours: Mon. – Fri.9:00 AM – 9:00 PM, Sat.9:00 AM - 7:00 PM, Sun. 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM

Category: Pharmacy

Wee Care Preschool – Ebenezer Baptist Church

Address: 49 Rose Lane, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-9300

Contact: Nancy Ekback

Hours: Monday –Friday 9:00AM – 12:00PM

Services: Preschool, “Mothers Mornings Out”

Eligibility: Anyone

Category: Education

Z

Zebulon Baptist Church Clothes Closet

Address: 1083 West Currahee Street, Toccoa, GA, 30577

Telephone: 706-886-5270 (Office)

Telephone: 706-491-5452

Website: www.zebulonbc.com

Hours: Food bank, second and fourth Monday 5:00 -6:30PM

Services: Provides emergency food and clothing

Category: Clothing, Food

Clubs and Organizations in the Community:

ASSOCIATION FOR RETARDED CITIZENS

Lorene Doud, Liberty Hill Rd. Toccoa, GA. 30577

706-779-3033

BOYS & GIRLS OF NE GA

Cindy Arnold, 71 W. Whitman St. Toccoa, GA. 30577

706-886-3771

CAMP FIRE BOYS & GIRLS CLUB

Dave Keigan

706-886-2457

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Wendi Bailey, 160 N. Alexander St., Toccoa, GA. 30577

706-886-2132

ELK'S AIDMORE AUXILIARY

Nancy Houseworth, 705 Henderson Falls Road, Toccoa, GA

706-282-0881

ELKS BPOE LODGE # 1820

Sean Black

706-886-2672

FARM BUREAU OF STEPHENS COUNTY

Brown Dean, P.O. Box 196, Martin, GA. 30557

706-886-7457

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Agnes Oglesby, 163 S. Alexander St. Toccoa, GA. 30577

706-886-2636

HOSPITAL AUTHORITY

Juanita Macomson

706-282-4257

HUMANE SOCIETY

June Thompson

706-244-0818

KIWANIS CLUB

David Tate

706-886-4974

LION'S CLUB OF MARTIN

Herman Mooney, 341 Avalon Road, Toccoa, GA

706-779-5464

LION'S CLUB OF TOCCOA

Steve Spruill

706-886-6075

LITERACY CLUB

Melissa Plaisted

706-779-5983

MEDICAL SOCIETY

Russell Burken, 821 Falls Road, Toccoa, GA.30577

706-886-7402

MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION

Bryan McCrea, 138 Fighting Pines Road, Toccoa, GA.30577 706-282-1135

NORTHEAST GEORGIA BOY SCOUTS COUNCIL

Todd Foy, 126 Woodlane Drive, Toccoa, GA. 30577 706-886-4921

NORTHEAST GEORGIA GIRL SCOUT COUNCIL

Teresa Laird, 906 Interstate Dr. Suite E, Gainesville, GA. 30501 706-548-7297

NORTH GEORGIA TECHNICAL ADULT EDUCATION

Jackie Reeder 706-779-8116

ROTARY CLUB OF TOCCOA

Cam Parker 706-886-2080

S.E.L.F. & LITERACY COUNCIL

Lisa Prickett, P.O. Box 1497, Toccoa, GA. 30577 706-886-6909

SALVATION ARMY

Kim Grimes, 348 E. Franklin Street, Toccoa, GA. 30577 706-886-5293

SHRINER'S CLUB

Eddie Evans 706-297-7363

SOUTHERN REHABILITATION SERVICES

Angie King, 203 Falls Road, Toccoa, GA. 30577 706-282-4461

STEPHENS COUNTY SENIOR CENTER

Lisa Thomas, 1018 E. Tugalo, Toccoa, GA. 30577 706-886-4740

STEPHENS COUNTY 4-H

Susan Yearwood 706-779-5501

TOCCOA OPTIMIST CLUB

Ruth Hoffman, 7075 Whippoorwill Lane, Toccoa, GA. 305777 706-886-3299

VETERAN'S OF FOREIGN WAR

Tony Powers, 7694 Hayes Wilbanks Road, Toccoa, GA. 30577 706-779-5373

WOODMAN OF THE WORLD

Curtis Waters, Rte. 2, Box 2329, Eastanollee, GA. 30538 706-779-2953

TOLL FREE / HOTLINE NUMBERS

AMERICAN RED CROSS

1-800-282-1722 - American Red Cross

ARTHRITIS

1-800-933-7023 - Arthritis Hotline

1-800-327-3027 - Arthritis Consultation Center

AIDS

1-800-227-8922 - CDC/National Sexually Transmitted Diseases Hotline

1-800-342-2437 - National AIDS Hotline; Spanish-1-800-344-7432

ALCOHOLISM

1-800-854-0318 - Alcohol & Drug Care Unit, access code needed

1-800-252-6465 - Alcoholism Information - Adcare Hospital

ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE

1-800-621-0379 or 1-800-272-3900 - Alzheimer's Association

ASTHMA/ALLERGIES

1-800-7ASTHMA (727-8462) - Asthma Allergy Foundation of America

BURN VICTIMS

1-800-237-5055 - International Shrine's Patient Referral Hotline

CANCER

1-800-843-8114 - American Institute for Cancer Research Nutrition Hotline

1-800-422-6237 - Cancer Information Hotline

1-800-525-3777 - AMC Cancer Information & Counseling Line

1-800-4-CANCER (226237) - National Cancer Institute Information Service

CAREER COUNSELING

1-800-54-HEATH (43284) - Resource Center for Higher Education and Adult Training of People with Handicaps (HEATH)

1-800-526-7234 - Job Accommodation Network (JAN)

1-800-NETWORK (638-9675) - Network Staffing

CEREBRAL PALSY

1-800-872-5827 - United Cerebral Palsy Association's Inc.

CHILD ABUSE

1-800-448-3000 - Boy's Town National Hotline

1-800-422-4453 - Child Help USA National Child Abuse Hotline (sexual abuse victims and family)

1-800-532-3208 - Prevent Child Abuse Hotline, GA Council on Child Abuse

CLEFT PALATE

1-800-24-CLEFT (25338) Palate Education Foundation CLEFTLINE

CONSUMER

1-800-528-2121 - American Express Authorizations-Report Lost or Stolen Credit Cards

DENTAL HEALTH

1-800-432-4357 - Georgia Dental Association

DIABETES

1-800-232-3472 - American Diabetes Association

1-800-223-1138 - Juvenile Diabetes Foundation Hotline

DISABILITIES

1-800-424-8666 - American Council for the Blind

1-800-638-8255 - American Speech / Language/ Hearing Association

1-800-225-0292 - American Paralysis Association

1-800-328-8476 -Autism Society of America

1-800-323-4238 - Blind Correspondence Courses—free

1-800-444-NHIF (6443) - The Brain Injury Association's Family Help Line

1-800-222-EYES (3937) - Foundation for the American Academy of Ophthalmology

1-800-537-2329 - Georgia Advocacy (Developmental Disabilities)

1-800-255-0135 or 1-800-255-0056 - Georgia Relay Center (phone for Hearing Impaired)

1-800-548-4337 - Guide Dog Foundation for the Blind

1-800-248-6701 - Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped

1-800-558-0121 - Lupus Foundation of America

1-800-833-4672 - Multiple Sclerosis - National Center for the Blind

1-800-221-6827 - National Easter Seal Society

1-800-222-3937 - National Eye Care Project (for 65 yrs. +)

1-800-562-6265 - National Association for Parents of the Visually Impaired

1-800-424-8567 - National Library Services for the Blind and Physically Handicapped

1-800-344-4867 - National Multiple Sclerosis Society (research and information)

1-800-962-9629 - National Spinal Cord Injury Association Resource Center

1-800-255-9877 - Physically-Challenged Resource Center-Chrysler Motors (for vehicles equipped for disabled)

DRUG INFORMATION

1-800-COCAINE (262-2463) - Cocaine Hotline

EPILEPSY

1-800-332-1000 - Epilepsy Foundation

1-800-527-7105 - Epilepsy Foundation of Georgia

FINANCIAL AID

1-800-638-0742 - Federal Hill-Burton Uncompensated Services

HEALTH INFORMATION

1-800-336-4797 - National Health Information Center

HOUSING

1-800-869-1017 - Georgia Department of Community Affairs (Jill Walker)

1-800-669-9777 - Housing Discrimination Hotline

HUNTINGTON'S DISEASE

1-800-345-4372 - National Office the Huntington's disease Society of America

IMPOTENCE

1-800-843-4315 - Impotence Information Center

KIDNEY

1-800-749-2257 - American Association of Kidney Patients

1-800-638-8299 - American Kidney Foundation (M-F-9:00-5:00)

MEDICARE

1-800-633-2273 - Medicare Hotline

1-800-282-2614 – Medicare – Part A

1-800-727-0827 – Medicare – Part B

MISSING CHILDREN

1-800-843-5678 - National Center for Missing and Exploited Children

NEUROLOGICAL IMPAIRMENT/PARALYSIS

1-800-843-2256 - National Headache Foundation

NUTRITION

1-800-523-6633 - Beech-Nut Nutrition Hotline

1-800-443-7237 - Gerber Products Co. Information Hotline

ORGAN DONORS

1-800-528-2971 - The Living Bank

POISON CONTROL CENTER

1-800-282-5846 - Georgia Poison Control Center

SENIOR CITIZEN NUMBERS

1-404-881-0292 – AARP

1-404-364-2626 – The Aging Connection

1-800-272-3900 – Alzheimer’s Association

1-770-948-0768 – Assisted Living Association of Georgia

1-780-2355 – BellSouth Discount Program **(no area code required)**

1-404-872-9191 – Center for Positive Aging

1-800-677-1116 – Eldercare Locator

1-404-656-5176 – Energy Assistance for Seniors Program

1-800-255-2870 – Georgia Caregiver Resource Center

1-404-657-5343 – Georgia Council on Aging

1-404-657-5258 – Georgia Division of Aging Services

1-706-542-4241 – Georgia Legal Aid

1-404-325-4001 – Georgia Power Senior Discount Program
1-310-924-3996 – Grandparents as Parents (GAP)
1-301-504-0580 – Home Safety Checklist for Older Consumers
1-404-657-0651 – Landlord/Tenant Helpline
1-404-321-6960 – Life Enrichment Services
1-800-451-0525 – Lifeline Systems
1-404-364-2527 – Long-Term Care Coalition
1-520-881-4005 – National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys
1-800-658-8898 – National Hospice Organization
1-800-669-8387 – Pension Counseling Hotline
1-706-754-6221 – Senior Community Service Employment Program
1-404-352-9371 – Senior Companion Program
1-800-772-1212 – Social Security Information
1-404-888-0077 – Widowed Person Service

SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

1-800-8AS-KSBA (827-5722) Small Business Administration

SUDDEN INFANT DEATH SYNDROME (SIDS)

1-800-221-SIDS (7437) - National Sudden Infant Death Syndrome Foundation

TOYS

1-800-638-2772 - U.S. Consumer Products Safety Commission

VETERANS

1-800-669-7079 - Blinded American Veterans Foundation

WORKER'S COMPENSATION

1-800-533-0682 - Worker's Compensation