

# **COMMUNITY RESOURCE HANDBOOK**

**2017-2018**

## **WHITE COUNTY HEAD START/ PRE K**

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

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

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## **Local Government Services**

### **Law Enforcement**

#### **White County Sheriff Department**

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

#### **Cleveland Police Department**

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

#### **Helen Police**

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

### **Fire Department**

#### **White County Fire Department**

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

#### **Cleveland Fire Department**

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

#### **Helen Fire Department**

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

### **Parks & Recreation**

#### **White County YMCA**

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

## **Libraries**

### **White County Library (Helen)**

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

### **White County Library (Cleveland)**

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

## **Post Offices**

### **US Post Office (Helen)**

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

### **US Post Office (Cleveland)**

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

## **Finance**

### **Tax Assessor**

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

### **Tax Commissioner**

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

### **Planning Commission**

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

## **Correctional Facilities**

### **White County Detention Center**

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

## **Human Resources**

### **White County Family Service Department**

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

### **Ninth District Opportunity - WHITE COUNTY**

#### **Yvonne Cruse**

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

### **White County Transfer Station**

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

## **Emergency**

### **White County Health Department**

1331 Helen Hwy  
Cleveland, GA 30528  
Phone: (706) 865-2191

### **White County Emergency Management**

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

### **Emergency Communications Office**

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

## **AGRICULTURE CONSUMER HOTLINE**

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

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

## **ALPINE PSYCHOEDUCATIONAL PROGRAM**

**CONTACT:** Mark Kemp/Stacy Benson

**TELEPHONE:** (770) 532-9981

**LOCATION:** 715 Woods Mill Rd

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

**SERVICES:** ALPINE is a part of Georgia Public School System. It is funded through the Georgia Department of Education, Division of Exceptional Children. It serves the following school systems: Gainesville City, Banks, Dawson, Forsyth, Franklin, Habersham, Hall, Hart, Lumpkin, Rabun, Stephens, Towns, Union and White Counties. ALPINE is a school for children with severe emotional and behavioral problems. Children ages 3-21 are referred by their local school system. Ages 0-3 are referred to ALPINE by physicians, day care centers, Head Start programs, health departments and hospitals. Services will be provided for the children who meet eligibility criteria for a diagnosis of severe emotional and behavioral disturbances. Included in the services are the child, their family and the local school in which the child is enrolled. The amount of time per day at ALPINE is determined at a placement committee meeting with the family.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Children ages 0-21 years



## **AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY**

**TELEPHONE:** (770) 297-1176  
(800) 227-2345  
Web Site: [www.cancer.org](http://www.cancer.org)

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

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

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

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

## **AMERICAN RED CROSS DONOR CENTER**

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

## **AMERICAN RED CROSS**

**CONTACT:** Philip Reed, Executive Director

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

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

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

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

### **BABIES CAN'T WAIT/ CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEED**

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

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

ADDRESS: 440 Pryor Street SE  
Gainesville, Ga. 30501

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

### **CHILDREN'S MEDICAL SERVICES/CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS**

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

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

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

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

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

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

### **CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT**

CONTACT: dahlonegacse@dhr.state.ga.us

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

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

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

### **CHILD SUPPORT RECOVERY UNIT**

CONTACT: Linda Kemp, Senior Agent

TELEPHONE: (770) 535-5735

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

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

### **CHILDREN FIRST/CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS**

CONTACT: Tonya Newsom, Coordinator  
[tenewsom@gdph.state.ga.us](mailto:tenewsom@gdph.state.ga.us)

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

ADDRESS: 440 Pryor Street SE  
Gainesville, Ga 30501

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

### **CIRCLE OF HOPE**

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

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

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

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

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

**Description:**

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

**CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES:**

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

**EMPLOYMENT SERVICES:**

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

**BUDGET COUNSELING & DEVELOPMENT:**

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

**HOUSING ASSISTANCE:**

- Homeless Prevention and Re-location assistance
- Weatherization services for the Home
- Water Heater and Heating Replacement (vendor specific)
- Installation of smoke and carbon monoxide 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

**ENERGY ASSISTANCE:**

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

**WHITE COUNTY**

Yvonne Cruz  
1331 Helen Hwy Suite 130  
Cleveland, Georgia 30528  
Phone: (706)865-6220

**CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY**

**TELEPHONE:** (800) 638-2772 Extension 123

**ADDRESS:** 4330 East West Hwy.  
Bethesda, Maryland 20815

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

## **CORNERSTONE COUNSELING CENTER**

**CONTACT:** Frances Grizzle

**TELEPHONE:** (706) 348-8674

**ADDRESS:** 42 North Avenue Suite 100  
Cleveland, GA 30528

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

## **DAY CARE CENTERS**

### **CLEVELAND ACADEMY**

**CONTACT:** Shanda Ginn

**TELEPHONE:** 706-219-1322

**ADDRESS:** 50 Woodlawn Drive  
Cleveland, GA 30528

**SERVICES:** This center is equipped to serve children from the age of Infants to Pre-K. A planned curriculum is used for each age group. The center provides a hot breakfast, hot lunch and snacks.

**FEES:** Call for price on fees.

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

## **KID'S KORNER**

**CONTACT:** Jim or Rhonda Bennett

**TELEPHONE:** 706-865-3088

**ADDRESS:** 173 Honeycomb Terrace  
Cleveland, GA 30528

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

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

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

## **SMALL WONDER ACADEMY**

**CONTACT:** Elaine Hulsey

**TELEPHONE:** (706) 348-1445

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

**ADDRESS:** 2081 Westmoreland Rd.  
Cleveland, GA 30528

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

**FEES:** Contact Day Care

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



## **EASTER SEALS NORTH GEORGIA**

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

**ADDRESS:** 1200 Lake Hearn Dr., Suite 250  
Atlanta, Ga. 30319  
Web Site: [www.northgeorgia.easterseals.com](http://www.northgeorgia.easterseals.com)

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

**ELIGIBILITY:** Any handicapped person of any age.

**FEES:** Based on income (sliding fee scale)

## **EMERGENCY CALLS - "911"**

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

**CONTACT:** Chief Norman Alexander, Director

**TELEPHONE:** (706) 865-3855 (After 5:00 p.m., call (706) 865- 1224)

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

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

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

HOURS: Available 24 hours.

### **ENOTAH ANTI-DRUG COALITION**

CONTACT: Kim Robinson

TELEPHONE: 706-969-0397

ADDRESS: 1168 E. Kytle St.  
Cleveland, Ga. 30528  
Web Site: [www.anti-meth.org](http://www.anti-meth.org)

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

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

CONTACT: Kathryn Ross, Acting Area Director  
[Kathryn.Ross@ga.usda.gov](mailto:Kathryn.Ross@ga.usda.gov)

TELEPHONE: (706) 754-6239, Ext. 4 (855) 514-3349 (Fax)

ADDRESS: 555 Monroe Street Box 12  
Clarkesville, Ga. 30523  
Web Site: [www.rurdev.usda.gov](http://www.rurdev.usda.gov)

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

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

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

### **GAINESVILLE CARE CENTER**

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

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

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

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

## **GATEWAY HOUSE, INC.**

**CONTACT:** Jessica Butler  
gatewayh@bellsouth.net

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

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

**SERVICES:** Shelter for battered women and their children.

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

**HOURS:** 24 hour service available if needed.

## **GEORGIA CHILDREN'S HOME**

**TELEPHONE:** (478) 474-8220  
(478)471-1891 (Fax)  
Web Site: [www.gich.org](http://www.gich.org)

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

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

ELIGIBILITY: Ages 12-18 years, state wide independent living  
FEES: Contact Children's Home  
HOURS: 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Monday - Friday

### **GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS**

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

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

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

### **GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE**

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

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

ADDRESS: 891 Raney St.  
Gainesville, Ga. 30501

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

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

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

### **GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR – CORNELIA**

CONTACT: Rebecca Waters

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

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

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

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

### **GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR – GAINESVILLE**

CONTACT: Dan Aultman

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

ADDRESS: PO Box 1720  
Gainesville, Ga. 30503

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

**ELIGIBILITY:** Must meet age criteria and income guidelines.

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

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

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

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

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

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

**GEORGIA FORESTRY COMMISSION**

**CONTACT:** Shannon Dean, Supervisor

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

ADDRESS: 3997 Toccoa Hwy.  
Clarkesville, Ga. 30523

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

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

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

### **GEORGIA HELPLINE**

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

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

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

### **GEORGIA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

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

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



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

### **H.C.M.C. HOMECARE**

**CONTACT:** jbrookshire@hcmcmcd.org

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

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

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

**ELIGIBILITY:** Persons in need of home support services.

**FEES:** Private pay, Medicaid, Medicare or Insurance.

### **HOUSING AUTHORITY**

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

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

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

**SERVICES:** Provides decent homes for low-income families at rent they can afford to pay with cooperation of local agencies.

Families are assigned to dwelling units of appropriate size based on the size and composition of the family.

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

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

**LANIER TECHNICAL INSTITUTE  
SUPPORT SERVICES FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES**

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

**TELEPHONE:** (770) 531-6330

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

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

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

**FEES:** \$15.00 application fee nonrefundable.

## **LEGAL AID SOCIETY**

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

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

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

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

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

## **MT. YONAH FAMILY PRACTICE (HCMC)**

**CONTACT:** William Koepfel M.D., Leslie Pittman M.D.  
Julie Carney FNP

**TELEPHONE:** (706) 865-4001

**ADDRESS:** 17 White St.  
Cleveland, Ga. 30523

**SERVICES:** Habersham County Medical Center's (HCMC) mission is to provide high quality care in a compassionate, professional, and economical manner to all persons in White County and adjacent areas, including the friends and neighbors that live in bordering Habersham County. HCMC owns and operates Mt. Yonah Family Practice.

HCMC offers many services including hearing and speech labs, a sleep disorder lab, outpatient services, a family-center maternity unit, occupational health, physical therapy, health screenings and risk assessments, cardiovascular rehabilitation, home health care, wellness programs, and a nursing home.

### **NORTHEAST GEORGIA PHYSICIANS GROUP**

**TELEPHONE:** (706) 865-1234

**ADDRESS:** 2578 Helen Hwy.  
Cleveland, Ga. 30528

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

**FEES:** Set fee upon receiving services.

### **NORTH GEORGIA TECHNICAL COLLEGE**

**CONTACT:** Dr. Mike King

**TELEPHONE:** (706) 754-7700  
(706) 754-7777 (Fax)  
Web Site: [www.northgatech.edu](http://www.northgatech.edu)

**ADDRESS:** 1500 Highway 197 North  
P.O. Box 65  
Clarkesville, Ga. 30523

434 Meek Ave.  
Blairsville, Ga. 30512  
Web Site: [www.clarkes.tec.ga.us](http://www.clarkes.tec.ga.us)

**SERVICES:** Exists for persons who desire and can profit from occupational training. Full time preparatory courses are offered during the day with six general areas; technical, skilled, business, health occupations and culinary. Evening extension classes are offered every quarter. Adult education and GED courses available. An evaluation lab is available to help students and administrators plan appropriate course programs. Financial aid and work study programs are also available.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Must be 16 years of age or older.

**OFFICE HOURS:** 7:45 a.m. -10:00 p.m. Monday - Thursday  
7:45 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Friday

### **PEACHCARE FOR KIDS**

**TELEPHONE:** (877) GAPEACH (877-427-3224)  
Web Site: [www.peachcare.org](http://www.peachcare.org)

**SERVICES:** Care from a doctor when your child is sick; preventive services such as immunizations and regular check-ups; specialist care; dental care; vision care, including vision screenings and eyeglasses; hospitalization; emergency room services; prescription medications; mental health care. Each child in the program has a Georgia Healthy Families Care Management Organization who is responsible for coordinating the child's care.

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

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

**CONTACT:** Dr. Sandy Addis

**TELEPHONE:** (866) 812-7372  
(706) 865-2141  
(706) 865-6748 (Fax)  
Web Site: [www.pioneerresa.org](http://www.pioneerresa.org)

**ADDRESS:** 1342 Hwy. 254  
Cleveland, Ga. 30528

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

**ELIGIBILITY:** Cooperating school system personnel

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

**SMITHGALL WOODS CONSERVATION AREA and LODGE**

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

**SERVICES:** North Georgia's premier trout stream, Dukes Creek, runs through this spectacular mountain property and is a favorite for catch-and-release fishing. Five miles of trails and 18 miles of roads allow hikers and bicyclists to explore hardwoods, streams and wildlife. Trout fishing and van tours are offered only on certain days of the week, so visitors should call for a current schedule. The Lodge is an elegant mountain retreat perfect for romantic getaways or corporate retreats. Five beautifully decorated cottages provide 14 bedrooms with private baths. Rates include accommodations, meals and activities

**HOURS:** 8:00 - 6:00 Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday  
7:00 - 6:00 Wednesday, Saturday, Sunday

Trout fishing on Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday only  
(daily for lodge guests) Reservations required.  
All visitors must register at the Visitor Center

### **SALVATION ARMY**

**TELEPHONE:** (706) 886-5293

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

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

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

### **SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION**

**TELEPHONE:** (770) 532-7506  
(800) 772-1213  
Web Site: [www.ssa.gov](http://www.ssa.gov).

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

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

**ELIGIBILITY:** Variable with different programs, no fees.

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

## STATE AID FOR CANCER

CONTACT: D.F.C.S.

TELEPHONE: (706) 865-3128

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

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

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

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

## TRUETT MCCONNELL COLLEGE

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

ADDRESS: 100 Alumni Drive  
Cleveland, Ga. 30528

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



Informed by a Christian philosophy of life, the faculty, staff and resources of Truett McConnell College train and educate individuals and groups, both on and off campus, to solve problems, correct deficiencies and explore future possibilities of a meaningful life for the community which the college services in cooperation with other educational and social institutions of the community.

- ELIGIBILITY:** Applicant must be a graduate of an accredited high school; if not, may be admitted by passage of a standard examination.
- FEES:** Call the financial aid office for fee and tuition information.
- HOURS:** 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday - Friday

### **TUGALOO HEALTH AGENCY**

- CONTACTS:** Susan Dreher
- TELEPHONE:** (770)532-2013  
(800)992-9701
- ADDRESS:** 2565 Thompson Bridge Rd.  
#201  
Gainesville, Ga. 30501
- SERVICES:** This is a non-profit health care agency that provides care in the home of patients as ordered by the patient's doctor. Services provided are: skilled nursing, physical therapy, speech therapy, occupational therapy, home health aides, health and nutritional guidance and limited medical supplies. Medical and social workers available.
- ELIGIBILITY:** Patients receiving care in their home under Medicare and/or Medicaid must be essentially homebound status. Insurance and private pay are also accepted.
- FEES:** None for Medicare/Medicaid patients. Regular cost for others.

## **UNICOI STATE PARK AND LODGE**

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

**ADDRESS:** 1788 Hwy 356  
Helen, Ga 30545

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

**ELIGIBILITY:** Public, fees vary according to service.

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

## **U.S. FOREST SERVICE CHATTAHOOCHEE-OCONEE NATIONAL FORESTS**

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

**ADDRESS:** 1755 Cleveland Hwy.  
Gainesville, Ga. 30501

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

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

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

**CONTACT:** William Tucker

**TELEPHONE:** (706) 754-4316  
Web Site: [www.va.gov](http://www.va.gov)

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

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

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

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

**MEDICAL CENTER – ATLANTA**

**TELEPHONE:** (800) 827-1000  
(800) 273-TALK (Crisis Hotline)  
Web Site: [www.va.gov](http://www.va.gov)

**ADDRESS:** 1700 Clairmont Rd.  
Decatur, Ga. 30365

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

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

**HOURS:** 24 hours per day

**NE GEORGIA/OAKWOOD CLINIC**

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

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

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

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

**VICTORY HOME HELPING HAND**

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

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

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

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

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

## **WHITE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**CONTACT:** Dr. Jeffery Wilson, Superintendent

**TELEPHONE:** (706) 865-2315

**ADDRESS:** 136 Warrior Path.  
Cleveland, Ga. 30528

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

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

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

## **WHITE COUNTY COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE**

**CONTACT:** Nathan Eason

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

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

**SERVICES:** Provides, through its off-campus informal education, (Cooperative Extension Service) serves as the teaching, communication and facilitation link between the public, the

University of Georgia and the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Major areas of service include: agricultural engineering, agronomy, animal science, community and resource development, dairy science, agricultural economics and farm management, entomology, forestry, horticulture, landscape architecture, plant pathology, poultry science, veterinary medicine, management, housing and equipment, textiles and clothing, nutrition and youth development (including the 4-H program).

FEES: Public fees vary with service.

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

### **WHITE COUNTY FAMILY AND CHILDREN SERVICES**

CONTACT: Jean Simmons  
dfcs.dhr.state.ga.us

TELEPHONE: (706) 865-3128  
(706) 348-4805  
(706) 865-9586 (Fax)

ADDRESS: 1241 Helen Hwy. Suite 200  
Cleveland, Ga. 30528

SERVICES: Determines eligibility for financial and medical assistance. Provides social services, administers aid to families with dependent children, provides medical assistance, administers the food stamp program, offers the Child Welfare Program which includes protective services to children and adults, provides adoptive services, foster care services to unwed parents and their children, counseling with families experiencing problems with their children in cooperation with family planning clinic, offers homemaker services, works with other community groups and agencies in the interest of clients; makes referrals to other agencies as appropriate or required to meet the total needs of families being served.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Families with children deprived of parental support, families neglecting or abusing children who need counseling or other services in order to provide a suitable home, unwed parents, families with children with behavioral problems, people who are experiencing emergency financial crisis and short-term help, families with inadequate income to purchase food necessary for a nutritional diet. Federal and state guidelines are followed for each program.

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

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

**CONTACT:** Janice Allison, Center Director

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

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

**HEADSTART**

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

**ELIGIBILITY:** Children of eligible, low-income families that are ages 3 and 4 years old by September 1st.

**PRE/K**

**SERVICES:** Pre/K slots are available on a first come first served basis. This program also serves children with

disabilities. Enrollment is open to all 4 year old children regardless of race, sex, creed, or religion.

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

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

### WHITE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

CONTACT: Stacy Pollard

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

ADDRESS: 1331 Helen Hwy  
Cleveland, Ga. 30528

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

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

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

**Family Planning-** Assists White County residents in planning their families; provides contraceptive supplies; provides counseling and referral for infertility problems



or problem pregnancies as requested; provides health education and physical examinations. The general public is eligible for this program. Fees are on a sliding scale and vary according to income and family size. No one is declined services due to the inability to pay.

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

**Primary Care Clinic** Treatment for sick children and adults. **W.I.C.** - Provides coupons for nutritional foods that are redeemable at a grocery store. W.I.C. is extra food and will not cut down on food stamps or keep toddlers out of a day care meal program. Those eligible are pregnant women, postpartum for nursing mothers (one year), children under five years of age who are income eligible. These women and children are eligible if they have been diagnosed to be nutritional risks, have growth problems, are anemic. There are no fees.

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

## **WHITE COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH**

**CONTACT:** Janet McCallister

**TELEPHONE:** (706)865-7886

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

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

**FEES:** Based on income and family size

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

### **WHITE COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY**

**CONTACT:** Glenda Hunt

**TELEPHONE:** (706) 865-5572

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

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

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

### **WHITE COUNTY RECREATIONAL DEPARTMENT**

**CONTACT:** Deena Cowart

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

ADDRESS: 327 Asbestos Rd.  
Cleveland, Ga. 30528

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

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

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

### **WHITE COUNTY SENIOR CENTER**

CONTACT: Bonnie York

TELEPHONE: (706)865-4097

ADDRESS: 1239 Helen Hwy.  
Cleveland, Ga. 30528

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

## RESOURCE DIRECTORY TELEPHONE NUMBERS

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

Goodwill Industries, Columbus	(912) 324-4366
Governor's Council on Developmental Disabilities, Atlanta	(404) 894-5790
Helen Keller Foundation, Atlanta	(404) 766-9625
Hemophilia of Georgia Inc., Atlanta	(404) 256-1212
Huntington's Disease of America, Decatur	(404) 469-6525
Job Placement Division (JPD), Atlanta	(404) 222-5638
Justice Center of Atlanta Inc., Atlanta	(404) 523-8236
Juvenile Diabetes Foundation, Atlanta	(404) 239-2121
Lighthouse for the Blind (Lions Club), Atlanta	(404) 325-3603
Lupus Erythematosus Foundation, Atlanta	(404) 432-9675
March of Dimes Atlanta Chapter, Atlanta	(404) 328-9800
Mental Health Association of Georgia, Decatur	(404) 634-2850
Mental Retardation Center Director's Association, Montezuma	(912) 472-7697
Muscular Dystrophy Association, Atlanta	(404) 621-9800
National Alliance for Mentally Ill, Atlanta	(404) 451-0954
Northeast Georgia Speech Center, Gainesville	(770) 534-5141
National Head Injury Foundation, Atlanta	(404) 727-5588
National Kidney Foundation of Georgia, Atlanta	(404) 872-7540
National Multiple Sclerosis Society, Atlanta	(404) 874-9797
National Society for Children and Adults with Autism, Atlanta	(404) 451-0954
Opportunities Unlimited, Greenville, Ga.	(706) 647-4203
Parent to Parent of Ga. Inc., Atlanta	(404) 636-1449
Post-Polio Syndrome, Atlanta	(404) 894-6737
Rehabilitation of Blind and Visually Impaired, Columbus	(912) 571-7415
Retarded Citizens, Atlanta	(404) 321-0877
Self Help for the Hard of Hearing, Alpharetta	(770) 998-9008
Sickle Cell Foundation of Georgia Inc., Atlanta	(404) 755-1641
South Cherokee Speech & Language Program	(770) 926-5522
Speech & Language Pathology Services	(770) 778-9608
Spina Bifida Association of Atlanta Inc., Lilburn	(770) 972-2885
Sudden Infant Death Syndrome, Sandy Springs	(404) 843-1030
The Association for the Severely Handicapped, Athens	(706) 542-8970
The Handicapped, Bloomingdale	(404) 748-7360
Tourette Syndrome Association of Georgia, Snellville	(770) 979-7009

United Cerebral Palsy of Greater Atlanta, Atlanta	(404) 320-6880
United Way, Atlanta	(404) 527-7370
Vocational Evaluation Work Adjustment Association (VEWAA), Lawrenceville	(770) 963-2879

## **TOLL FREE NUMBERS**

### ADOPTION

800-TO-ADOPT - National Adoption Center

### AIDS

800-227-8922 - National Sexually Transmitted Diseases Hotline  
800-342-AIDS - Public Health Service AIDS Hotline

### ALCOHOLISM

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

### BLINDNESS/VISION

Web Site: [www.napvi.org](http://www.napvi.org)  
800-424-8666 - American Council for the Blind  
800-AFBLIND - American Foundation for the Blind  
800-638-7518 - Job Opportunities for the Blind  
800-248-6701 - Library for the Blind & Physically Handicapped  
800-562-6265 - National Association for Parents of children who are visually impaired  
800-222-Eyes - National Eye Care Project Hotline  
800-424-8567 - National Library Service for the Blind and the Physically Handicapped

### BURN VICTIMS

800-237-5055 - International Shriners Headquarters

### CANCER

800-525-3777 - AMC Cancer Information Line  
800-4-CANCER - National Cancer Institute Information Service

## CAREER COUNSELING

800-848-4815 - ERIC Clearinghouse on Adult Career and Vocational Education  
800-54-HEATH - Higher Education and Adult Training of People with Handicaps  
800-526-7234 - Job Accommodation Network (JAN)  
800-638-7518 - Job Opportunities for the Blind (JOB)  
800-NETWORK - National Committee for Citizens in Education

## CEREBRAL PALSY

800-USA-1UCP - United Cerebral Palsy Associations, Inc.  
800-872-5827 - UCPA Affiliate Relations Division  
800-USA-5UCP - UCPA Community Service Division

## CHILD ABUSE

800-422-4453 - Child Help National Hotline (sexual abuse victims and family)  
800-421-0353 - Parent Anonymous Hotline  
800-535-3208 - Parent Anonymous Hotline

## CLEFT PALATE

800-24-CLEFT - American Cleft Palate Educational Foundation  
919-933-9044

## CLEFTLINE

800-638-8255 - American Speech-Language-Hearing Association  
800-221-2483 - National Center for Stuttering

## CONSUMER

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

## DEAFNESS HEARING IMPAIRMENTS

800-237-6213 - Captioned Films for the Deaf  
800-522-4582 - John Tracy Clinic on Deafness  
800-521-5247 - International Hearing Aid Society  
800-222-EARS - Occupational Hearing Service

## DIABETES

800-223-1138 - Juvenile Diabetes Foundation Hotline

## DISEASES

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

## DOWN SYNDROME

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

## DRUG INFORMATION

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

## EDUCATION

800- NETWORK - National Committee for Citizens in Education

## EMPLOYMENT

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

## EQUIPMENT

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

## EPILEPSY

800-EFA-1000 - Epilepsy Foundation of America

## FINANCIAL AID

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

## GROWTH DISORDERS

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



## HEALTH INFORMATION

800-336-4797 - National Health Information Center

## HOUSING

800-424-8590 - Housing Discrimination Hotline

## IMMUNOLOGY

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

## KIDNEY DISORDERS

800-638-8299 - American Kidney Foundation

800-633-2339 - Kidney Foundation

## LEARNING DISABILITIES (DYSLEXIA)

800-225-5750 - Educators Publishing Service Inc.

Specific Language Disabilities (Dyslexia)

800-222-3123 - Horton Dyslexia Society

## MAINSTREAMING INTO THE COMMUNITY

800-248-ABLE - National Organization on Disability

## MEDIA

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

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

## MEDICAL DEVICES

800-638-6725 - Practitioners' Reporting System

System to report medical, prescription, veterinarian errors.

## MENTAL RETARDATION

800-424-3688 - American Association on Mental Retardation

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

### MISSING CHILDREN

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

### NEUROLOGICAL IMPAIRMENT/PARALYSIS

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

800-843-2256 - National Headache Foundation

### NUTRITION

800-421-0323 - Agriculture Commission

800-282-5852 - Agriculture Consumer Service Program

800-523-6633 - Beech-nut Nutrition Hotline

800-443-7237 - Gerber Products Co.

### ORGAN DONORS

800-528-2971 - The Living Bank

### ORTHOPEDIC PROBLEMS

800-237-5055 - International Shriners' Headquarters

### PESTICIDES

800-858-7378 - Pesticides Information

### POISON CONTROL CENTER

800-282-5846 - Poison Control Center

### PUBLIC SERVICE

800-282-5831 - Public Service Commission

### RARE DISORDERS

800-223-8355 - Cornelia DeLange Syndrome Foundation

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

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

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

800-CAL-NTSA - National Tuberous Sclerosis Association

RESPIRATORY DISEASE

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

SPINA BIFIDA

800-621-3141 - Spina Bifida Hotline

SUDDEN INFANT DEATH SYNDROME (SIDS)

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

NATIONAL RUNAWAY SWITCHBOARD

800-621-4000 - National Runaway Switchboard

TOYS

800-638-2772 - Consumer Product Safety Commission

TRAUMA

800-556-7890 - American Trauma Society

VETERANS

800-282-0232 - Veteran's Benefits Hotline

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