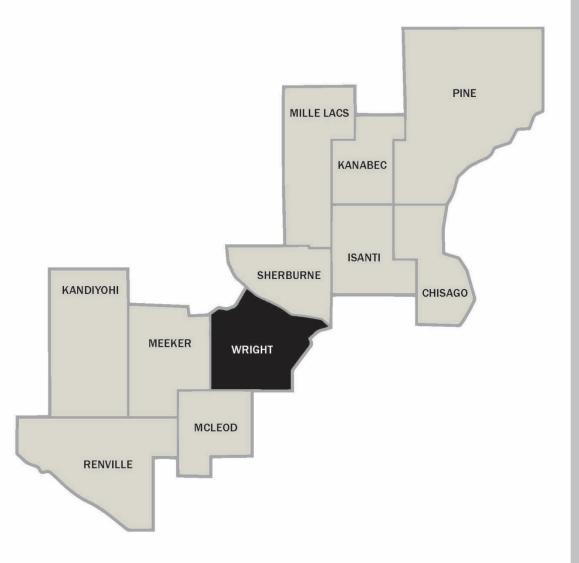




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WRIGHT COUNTY RESOURCE DIRECTORY





ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

Monticello

Minnesota WorkForce Center 406 East 7th Street P.O. Box 720 Monticello, MN 55362-0720 763.271.3700 763.271.3742 (TTY)

BRANCH OFFICES

Cambridge

Minnesota WorkForce Center 140 Buchanan St., Suite 152 Cambridge, MN 55008 763.279.4492

Hutchinson

Minnesota WorkForce Center Ridgewater College Two Century Avenue P.O. Box 550 Hutchinson, MN 55350 320.587.4740

Litchfield

Minnesota WorkForce Center 114 N. Holcombe Ave., Suite 170 Litchfield, MN 55355 320.593.1056

Mora

Minnesota WorkForce Center 903 East Forest Avenue Mora, MN 55051 320.679.6484

Olivia

1005 West Elm Ave., Suite 2 Olivia, MN 56277 800.284.7425

Pine City

Pine Technical College 900 Fourth Street SE Pine City, MN 55063 320.629.4555

Willmar

Minnesota WorkForce Center Health & Human Services Bldg. 2200 23rd Street NE, Suite 2040 Willmar, MN 56201 320.441.6590

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EMPLOYMENT PROGRAMS

Call toll free, 888-438-5627 for the closest WorkForce Center

CENTRAL MINNESOTA JOBS & TRAINING SERVICES, INC.

406 7th Street East P.O. Box 720 Monticello, MN 55362 1-800-284-7425 763-271-3700 www.cmits.org

Programs provide:

- Aid in seeking jobs and education
- On-the-Job Training program
- Youth program
- Funding for education and training
- Help with jobseeking and job placement
- Specialized assistance for adults age 55 and over

Call the toll free number to set up an appointment at the location most convenient for you. Programs offer help for eligible individuals looking for employment and/or training options.

JOB SERVICES (DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)

Monticello WorkForce Center 406 7th Street East P.O. Box 720 Monticello, MN 55362 763-271-3700

Assistance to anyone looking for part-time or full-time work:

- Employment help for veterans.
- Workshops for those who want to learn how to effectively look for a job.
- Job search use of internet, telephone, fax machine, copy machine, and other resources.
- Computerized listings of jobs, hiring assistance for employers, labor market information, and workshops.

DIVISION OF REHABILITATION SERVICES (DRS)

Monticello WorkForce Center 406 7th Street East P.O. Box 720 Monticello, MN 55362 763-271-3744

- For those who are certified by DRS as being eligible for medical or psychological reasons.
- Assistance with vocational education, testing, training, and evaluation to become employed

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE

Unemployment Benefits Information Line 651-296-3644 or 877-898-9090

Complete an application online at www.uimn.org.

SUPPORT SERVICES

SOCIAL SERVICE AGENCY Wright County Social Services 1004 Commercial Drive Buffalo, MN 55313 763-682-7400

Wright County resident services include:

- Adult services: adult foster care, Consumer Directed Community Supports (CDCS), long-term services and supports, and parent support
- Child services: adoption, child care providers, child foster care, child protection, child support and collections, Consumer Directed Community Supports (CDCS)
- Mental health services
- On-call services
- Energy assistance

UNITED WAY 2-1-1 (FORMERLY FIRST CALL FOR HELP)

Free and confidential helpline available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week 2-1-1 or 1-800-543-7709

WRIGHT COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY

130 Division Street West Maple Lake, MN 55358 320-963-6500

- Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
- Homeless shelter, transitional housing and subsidized rental units for families.
- Fuel assistance through the Energy Assistance Program (EAP).

FAMILY HOMELESS PREVENTION & ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Emergency Food & Shelter Program Tri-County Action Program (Tri-CAP) 1210 23rd Avenue South Waite Park, MN 56387

- Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
- Assistance for families or singles who are homeless or at imminent risk of homelessness, or living in shelters to stabilize their lives.
- Must live in Benton, Sherburne, Stearns, or Wright County. Provide proof of income, late/eviction or foreclosure notice, signed lease, county denial for emergency assistance; no MFIP.

HOUSING COALITION - ST. CLOUD

777 Lincoln Avenue Northeast St. Cloud, MN 56304 320-259-7676

- Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
- Homeless shelter, transitional housing and subsidized rental units for families.

SALVATION ARMY SHELTERS

- St. Cloud Shelter
 400 U.S. Highway 10 South
 St. Cloud, MN 55304
 320-252-4552
- Roseville Shelter 2445 Prior Avenue Roseville, MN 55113 651-746-3541
- Minneapolis Shelter
 2727 Central Avenue Northeast
 Minneapolis, MN 55418
 612-789-1512

CENTRAL MINNESOTA AMERICAN RED CROSS

1301 West St. Germain Street St. Cloud, MN 56301 320-251-7641 or 800-560-7641

Serves disaster victims with emergency communication, travel, and financial assistance.

PLACE OF HOPE MINISTRIES - ST. CLOUD

320-203-7881

- Serves homeless and chemically dependent people needing emergency shelter.
- Support groups for adults and children.

FAITH IN ACTION OF WRIGHT COUNTY - BUFFALO

763-234-3586

• Faith in Action is an interfaith volunteer care-giving organization that connects volunteers to their neighbors in need.

TRANSPORTATION

TRANSPORTATION RESOURCE CENTER

320-257-4456 or 877-717-1515

- Serving Benton, Morrison, Sherburne, Stearns, and Wright counties.
- Transportation could include mass transit, dial-a-ride services, taxi, private driver, volunteer driver, and wheelchair accessible vehicles.

WRIGHT COUNTY VOLUNTEER DRIVER PROGRAM

763-684-2343

- Wright County residents 60 years and older.
- Rides available to medical facilities and pharmacies.
- A one-week advance notice requested.
- Cost: donations are needed to maintain program.

TRAILBLAZER TRANSIT PROGRAM

888-743-3828

- Serving the general public in Sibley, McLeod, and Wright counties.
- Rides provided to the Delano Senior Center, banks, grocery stores, pharmacy, restaurants, hair salons, doctors, dentists, and more.
- Monday-Friday, 6:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

RIVER RIDER

763-263-0101 or 800-821-9719

- Public transportation available to everyone for any transportation need.
- Fare based on destination point.

PRO CAB

763-464-5544

 Provides transportation in Monticello, Otsego, Albertville, St. Michael, and Hanover. Limited service in Buffalo.

CARE CAB

800-535-7190

Provides transportation for specialized transport or handicapped individuals.

CLINIC CAB

612-331-1881 or 800-962-3705

Provides transportation for specialized transport or handicapped individuals.

MEDI-VAN

800-422-0976

Statewide 24-hour service

LOVE INC.

763-682-6820

- Available in Maple Lake, Hanover, Buffalo, and Annandale
- Cost: Donations are requested to maintain program

BUFFALO ALLIED TRANSIT

763-477-8596

Providing transportation within Buffalo, Monday-Friday, 5:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

DIPLOMA, GED, ESL

Diploma Programs - An opportunity to get your high school diploma for people over 16 years old.

Adult Basic Education (ABE) - Assistance with math, reading, vocabulary, and other subjects.

English as a Second Language (ESL) - For individuals who need to learn to speak English.

GED Preparation – Work on the skills needed to pass the GED test. Predictor Tests are also available. GED examination consists of 5 written parts:

- English
- Social Studies
- Science
- Literature and Arts
- Math

GED VCR tapes are available from the local library.

For information about any of the above classes contact one of the following:

Wright County

Phoenix Learning Center 800 8th Street Northeast, Room 16 Buffalo, MN 55313 763-682-8688 Monticello WorkForce Center 406 7th Street East Monticello, MN 55362 763-271-3768

GED Hotline/Literacy Council: 1-800-222-1990

HEAD START PROGRAM

Free for children whose families meet the income guidelines or who need special help. This is a wonderful program for preschool children and their parents. Parents get involved with their children. Parents are the teachers.

For children:

- Center-based classes meet three or four days each week during regular school hours.
 Transportation is provided. Breakfast, lunch, and snack provided.
- Home-based classes. Teachers visit each home for 1½ hours per week. Group activities offered monthly.
- Health screening provided.
- Parent involvement Parents are the most important people in the lives of their children. Therefore, they are encouraged to participate in the program, which includes working with child and teacher during home visit time, volunteering at a center, becoming a member of a center parent group, and serving as a representative on the Head Start Policy Council.

Monticello Head Start

9375 Fenning Avenue Monticello, MN 55362 763-272-2964

Wright County Community Action

130 Division Street West Maple Lake, MN 55358 320-963-6500

Provides Wright County income eligible residents with free preschool.

EARLY CHILDHOOD FAMILY EDUCATION (ECFE)

Special programs and activities for parents and their children from birth to age five. Parents and children need to learn and play together because:

- Home is a child's first school.
- Parents are a child's first and most important teachers.
- The years before a child begins school are the most important years in her/his development.

In addition to parent/child programs, support groups, field trips, nursery school, and resource lending libraries, ECFE can help those children who have been identified through assessment as having special needs.

ECFE

Annandale

320-274-3058

Buffalo-Hanover-Montrose

763-682-8770

Dassel-Cokato

320-286-4100 ext. 1024

Delano

763-972-6210

Howard Lake-Waverly-Winsted

320-543-3600

Maple Lake

320-963-7453

Monticello

763-271-2030

Rockford

763-477-7500

St. Michael-Albertville

763-497-6512

PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Annandale District 876

320-274-5602

www.annandale.k12.mn.us

Buffalo-Hanover-Montrose District 877

763-682-8700

www.bhmschools.org

Dassel-Cokato District 466

320-286-4100

www.dc.k12.mn.us

Delano District 879

763-972-6210

www.delano.k12.mn.us

Howard Lake-Waverly-Winsted District 2687

320-543-3521

www.hlww.k12.mn.us

Maple Lake District 881

320-963-3171

www.maplelake.k12.mn.us

Monticello District 882

763-272-2000

www.monticello.k12.mn.us

Rockford District 883

763-477-9165

www.rockford.k12.mn.us

St. Michael-Albertville District 885

763-497-3180

www.stma.k12.mn.us

Minnesota Department of Education

651-582-8200

Answers to questions about birth to post-secondary education in Minnesota.

COMMUNITY EDUCATION

Community education offers courses in a wide variety of topics for a small fee. Call your local school district for course offerings and information. Contact the Community Education Department for further information.

Annandale

320-274-3058

Buffalo-Hanover-Montrose

763-682-8770

Dassel-Cokato

320-286-4120

Delano

763-972-6210

Howard Lake-Waverly-Winsted

320-543-3600

Maple Lake

320-963-5991

Monticello

763-272-2030

Rockford

763-477-4563

St. Michael-Albertville

763-497-6550

POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION

For post-secondary information, go to www.iseek.org.

Anoka Technical College

763-433-1100

www.anokatech.edu

Anoka-Ramsey Community College

763-433-1100

www.anokaramsey.edu

Campuses in Cambridge and Coon Rapids

Minnesota School of Business

877-655-7676

www.msbcollege.edu

 Campuses in Blaine, Brooklyn Center, Elk River, Lakeville, Minneapolis, Moorhead, Plymouth, Richfield, Rochester, Shakopee, St. Cloud, and Woodbury.

Hennepin Technical College

800-345-4655

www.hennepintech.edu

Campuses in Brooklyn Park and Eden Prairie.

North Hennepin Community College

763-488-0391 or 800-818-0395

www.nhcc.mnscu.edu

Central Beauty School - Cambridge

763-691-1431

Model College of Hair Design - St. Cloud

320-253-4222

www.modelcollegehairdesign.com

Regency Beauty Institute

800-787-6456

www.regency.edu

Campuses in Blaine, Burnsville, Ridgedale, Maplewood, Duluth, and St. Cloud.

Rasmussen Business College

888-549-6755

www.rasmussen.edu

 Campuses in Blaine, Bloomington, Brooklyn Park/Maple Grove, Eagan, Lake Elmo/Woodbury, Mankato, Moorhead, and St. Cloud.

St. Cloud State University

320-308-0121 or 877-654-7278

www.stcloudstate.edu

St. Cloud Technical & Community College

320-308-5000 or 800-222-1009

www.sctcc.edu

FINANCIAL AID SERVICE

FEDERAL STUDENT AID INFORMATION

800-433-3243

- Contact your school's financial aid office.
- Apply online at <u>www.fafsa.ed.gov</u>.

CHILD SERVICES

Ask your employment specialist for a list of Wright County licensed daycare providers or contact the Resource and Referral Services at 866-511-2244.

CHILD CARE AWARE

1-866-511-2244

Provides assessment and services to children with special needs and their families.

WRIGHT COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICES

763-682-7400

Provides a complete list of licensed child care providers.

CHILD CARE CHOICES - ST. CLOUD

320-251-5081 or 800-288-8549

Resource and referral on daycares for children.

CRISIS NURSERY OF WRIGHT COUNTY - BUFFALO

908 Commercial Drive Buffalo, MN 55313 763-682-7410 or 800-965-1430

- Confidential and free 24-hour service that is available to help support families in the Wright County area with children birth through 12 years of age who are stressed or in crisis and need someone to talk to about possible resources, referrals, support services, or temporary emergency child care.
- Crisis Nursery uses licensed daycare or foster care homes.

CRISIS NURSERY OF WRIGHT COUNTY - MONTICELLO

9766 Fallon Avenue Northeast, Suite 101 Monticello, MN 55362 763-271-1681

- Coordinate services for families with children ages birth to 12 years old experiencing a crisis situation.
- 24-hour help line, support visits, supplies (such as diapers and wipes), and short-term care, daytime or overnight, in licensed homes are provided.

WRIGHT COUNTY EARLY INTERVENTION

763-682-6361 or 800-286-6331

Provides assessment and services to children with special needs and their families.

MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

651-582-8200

Answers to questions about birth to post-secondary education in Minnesota.

MENTAL HEALTH/MEDICAL/DENTAL

Your child/children may qualify for child and teen checkups through Wright County Public Health; call 763-682-7456.

CLINICS

Allina Health Clinics

Buffalo 763-682-5225 St. Michael 763-744-4000 Annandale 320-274-3744 Cokato 320-286-2123

Minneapolis Heart Institute Monticello 763-271-2288

Albertville-St. Michael Clinic

763-684-8300

Ridgeview Clinic - Delano

763-972-9172

Buffalo Clinic

763-682-1313

Monticello Clinic

763-295-2921

Ridgeview Clinic Howard Lake

320-543-2591

Mid-Minnesota Family Practice Center - St. Cloud

800-575-2982

Planned Parenthood - St. Cloud

888-252-9504

Can help with unplanned pregnancy, STD education and testing, and birth control.

Detox Crisis Unit - St. Cloud

320-252-6654

Wright County WOW Van

763-682-7717

- Travels through Wright County giving free or reduced cost medical care.
- Call for dates and times.

Wright County - Medication Assistance Programs

651-431-2500 or 800-882-6262

Drug companies offering free or reduced cost medication to low-income patients.

URGENT CARE Buffalo Urgent Care

763-684-3696

Monticello Urgent Care

763-271-3896

HOSPITALS

Allina Hospital Buffalo

763-682-1212

CentraCare Health Hospital - Monticello

763-295-2945

St. Cloud Hospital

800-835-6652

MENTAL HEALTH/COUNSELING

Buffalo - Central Minnesota Mental Health Center

763-682-4400

Buffalo - Family Counseling Center

763-682-5420

Monticello - STARS Mental Health

763-271-5322

Children's and families mental health services.

Monticello-Big Lake Counseling Center

763-295-4001

Programs for mental health and chemical dependency.

DENTISTS

Mark Pokorney, D.D.S. - Buffalo

763-682-2363

Dentistry for Children - Monticello

320-257-3380 or 877-KID-TUTH (877-543-8884)

Offices in Monticello, Sartell, and Princeton

Excel Dentistry - Albertville

www.mnexcel.com

763-515-3615

Monticello Family Dentistry

www.monticellodentists.com

763-295-3676

Annandale Dental

www.annandaledentalclinic.com

320-274-2475

Lakeland Family Dental - Monticello

www.lakelanddentalmn.com

763-295-3036

Dr. Kathleen McCann, D.D.S. - Watertown

www.kathleenmccanndds.com

952-955-2650

FOOD SUPPORT

All area food shelves check with each other to check for abusers.

COMMUNITY FOOD SHELF - ANNANDALE

99 Cherry Avenue Northwest Annandale, MN 55302 320-274-3663

Emergency only: 320-274-7155

- Hours: Tuesday, 4:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.; Wednesday evening, 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.; and Friday, 8:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m.
- Served up to 6 times per year or as necessary.
- Available to Annandale school district residents.

BUFFALO FOOD SHELF

301 12th Avenue South Buffalo, MN 55313 763-684-1699

- Hours: Friday, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.; Tuesday, 5:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.; and Thursday evening, 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.
- Available to Buffalo area residents ONLY in need of food.
- Address verification required, dated in the last 30 days.

CLEARWATER-CLEAR LAKE FOOD SHELF

1100 County Road 75 Clearwater, MN 55320 320-558-2954

- Available for families in Clear Lake and Clearwater.
- Nonprofit organization providing emergency food and support information.

COKATO AREA FOOD SHELF

395 Broadway South Cokato, MN 55321 320-286-2662

- Available for residents in the Dassel/Cokato area.
- Must call by Thursday at noon to sign up for that Friday's pick up at 9:30 a.m.
- For emergency use only. Proof of residence and children's birth certificates may be required.
- Use is limited to monthly; with six uses total.

HELPING HANDS - DELANO

140 Elm Avenue Delano, MN 55328 763-972-3723 or 763-972-3360

- Hours: Thursday from 2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. and the evening of the 3rd Thursday of the month from 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.
- Available to serve all Delano area residents in need of emergency food once a month.

HANOVER FOOD SHELF

St. Paul's Lutheran Church 11024 Church Street Northeast 763-498-8311 or 763-420-2836

- Hours: 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month: 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.; Tuesday, noon-2:00 p.m.; Wednesday, 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.; and Friday, noon-2:00 p.m.
- The Hanover area food shelf is open to anyone in the Hanover area.

MONTICELLO FOOD SHELF

215 Cedar Street (Old Fire Hall) Monticello, MN 55362 763-295-4031

- Hours: Monday, 10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.; Wednesday, 10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m. and
 6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m.; Friday, 10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.
- By appointment only.
- Food shelf available to Monticello school area residents.

WAVERLY FOOD SHELF

Wright County Community Action, Inc.

411 Elm Avenue Waverly, MN 55390 763-658-4414 or 320-963-6500

- Hours: Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, 8:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m.
- Tuesday and Thursday, noon-3:30 p.m.
- On emergency basis: four-day supply, three meals a day.
- Eligible 3 to 4 times a year depending on circumstances.
- Available to Wright County area.

FARE FOR ALL

763-450-3880 800-582-4291

- Fare For All sells packages of fruits, vegetables, and frozen meats at a reduced price.
- Open to everyone.
- Call for a location near you.

WRIGHT COUNTY NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR SENIORS (NAPS)

333 2nd Street West Maple Lake, MN 55358 651-484-8241 or 800-365-0270

- Hours: 8:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. on the 3rd Friday of the month.
- Free food program for low-income seniors 60 years or older who meet federal income guidelines.
- MUST be PRE-REGISTERED for program.
- The program provides food such as fruits, vegetables, juice, milk, cheese, egg mix, meat, dry beans, peanut butter, cereal, rice, instant potatoes, and pasta.

WRIGHT COUNTY WOMEN, INFANTS & CHILDREN PROGRAM (WIC)

130 Division Street West Maple Lake, MN 55358 320-963-6500

- Nutrition education program that provides supplemental foods promoting good health for pregnant, breast-feeding, and postpartum women, infants, and children up to age five.
- Provides vouchers for baby formula, milk, cheese, eggs, juice, cereal, beans and lentils, and peanut butter.

FREE/REDUCED PRICE ITEMS

WE CARE WE SHARE - ANNANDALE

Corner of Highway 55 and Cherry Avenue Annandale, MN 55302 320-274-8881

- Hours: Tuesday, 3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.; Wednesday, 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.;
 Friday, 8:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
- This is a free store in Annandale open to anyone in need.
- They have mainly clothes, some household items, and may be able to get other items for people in need.
- FREE will offering requested.

WISE PENNY THRIFT SHOPPE - BUFFALO

310 Brighton Avenue Buffalo, MN 55313 763-682-4178

Provides good condition, used clothing, furniture, and household items at a reduced cost.

SAVE & SHARE THRIFT SHOP - COKATO/DASSEL

511 Cokato Street West Cokato, MN 55321 320-286-5895

- Hours: Thursday, 1:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.; Friday, 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.;
 Saturday, 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
- These shop hours are for BOTH donation drop off and shopping.

LOVE INC HEARTLAND - DELANO

318 Railroad Avenue Delano, MN 55328 763-972-6547

- Clothing Ministry is open Monday-Thursday and Saturday from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
- Area churches working to help people in need for residents in Delano, Howard Lake, Rockford, Waverly, and Watertown.
- Help with clothing, back to school supplies, baby supplies, bedding, and furniture.
- People MUST be in need; depending on need will call the various churches in the area participating for the needed items.

THE GREAT ROOM - ELK RIVER

717 Main Street Northwest Elk River, MN 55330 763-633-0089

- All proceeds will support the programs of Faith in Action.
- Heirlooms, home décor, used furniture, and household goods.
- Accepting donations of clean and gently used furniture, home décor, and household items.
 If you are looking at moving, downsizing, or re-decorating, please call the store.

MONTICELLO - NEXT DOOR TO FOOD SHELF

213 Cedar Street Monticello, MN 55362 763-295-4031

- Hours: Monday, 5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.; Tuesday & Thursday, 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.; Saturday, 10:00 a.m.-noon.
- Clothing available to anyone in need.
- Cost is \$3.00 a bag or individual prices for larger items.

WAVERLY WRIGHT COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTION, INC.

411 Elm Avenue Waverly, MN 55390 763-658-4414

■ Hours: Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

FREE CONFIDENTIAL SERVICES

Pregnancy · STD · Family Planning

WRIGHT COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH

1004 Commercial Drive Buffalo, MN 55313 763-682-7456

BIRTHRIGHT OF MONTICELLO, INC.

203 3rd Street West Monticello, MN 55362 763-295-2232

CDC NATIONAL STD INFORMATION HOTLINE

1-800-227-8922

NATIONAL AIDS HOTLINE

1-800-342-2437

UNITED WAY 2-1-1 (FORMERLY FIRST CALL FOR HELP)

Free and confidential helpline available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week 2-1-1 or 1-800-543-7709

ABUSE AND VIOLENCE

Call Wright County Social Services for more information at 763-682-7400.

MINNESOTA COALITION FOR BATTERED WOMEN

www.mcbw.org

Includes database of services for victims of domestic abuse available throughout the state.

MINNESOTA DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

866-233-1111 (Crisis Line)

ST. CLOUD - ANNA MARIE'S WOMAN'S SHELTER

320-253-6900 or 800-950-2203

- Shelter for battered women and their children.
- Provides support groups, childcare, and housing assistance.

ANOKA - ALEXANDRA HOUSE

763-780-2330

• Shelter for battered women and their children.

STEPPING STONE EMERGENCY HOUSE

3300 4th Avenue North Cronin Building #14 Anoka, MN 55303 763-323-7006

Adult-only shelter.

HOME FREE SHELTER ANOKA

763-559-4945 (24-hour crisis line)

Provides shelter for battered women and their children.

RISE HOMELESS SHELTER ANOKA

763-786-8334

Provides mental health services to homeless individuals.

CENTRAL MINNESOTA SEXUAL ASSAULT CENTER - ST. CLOUD

320-251-4357 or 800-237-5090

24-hour crisis intervention center for victims of all forms of sexual violence.

CRISIS NURSERY OF WRIGHT COUNTY - BUFFALO

908 Commercial Drive Buffalo, MN 55313 763-682-7410 or 800-965-1430

- Confidential and free 24-hour service that is available to help support families in the Wright County area with children birth through 12 years old, who are stressed or in crisis and need someone to talk to about possible resources, referrals, support services, or temporary emergency child care.
- Crisis Nursery uses licensed daycare or foster care homes.

CRISIS NURSERY OF WRIGHT COUNTY - MONTICELLO

9766 Fallon Avenue Northeast, Suite 101 Monticello, MN 55362 763-271-1681

• Coordinates services for families with children ages 0 through 12 years old experiencing a crisis situation. 24-hour help line, support visits, supplies (such as diapers and wipes), and short-term care, daytime or overnight, in licensed homes are provided.

FAITH IN ACTION OF WRIGHT COUNTY - BUFFALO

763-234-3586

• Faith in Action is an interfaith volunteer care-giving organization that connects volunteers to their neighbors in need.

WRIGHT COUNTY CHILD PROTECTION - BUFFALO

763-682-7400

Child protective services will investigate any case of reported child abuse.

RIVERS OF HOPE - MONTICELLO

763-295-3433 or 800-439-2643

 Rivers of Hope strives to positively impact the dynamics of domestic violence, and to empower victims to move beyond survival through legal and general advocacy, education, and interagency collaboration.

CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY COUNSELING/ASSESSMENT

For referrals to an alcohol treatment program call 800-252-6465.

WRIGHT COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICES

1004 Commercial Drive Buffalo, MN 55313 763-682-7400

The Chemical Dependency Department of Wright County provides:

- Chemical dependency assessments
- Funding for treatment
- Information on Rule 25
- Referrals to counseling/treatment agencies

If chemical abuse is interfering with your life or with the life of someone you care about, call for assistance. Note: If MA is responsible for the cost of treatment, you must get prior approval.

CENTRAL MINNESOTA MENTAL HEALTH CENTER

Buffalo, MN

763-682-4400

Monticello, MN

763-295-4001

SOLUTIONS COUNSELING

St. Michael, MN 763-515-4563

GENUINE THERAPY CENTER, LLC

DRUG & ALCOHOL TREATMENT CENTERS

1-866-858-4949

LEGAL/GOVERNMENT SERVICES

HOUSING

Ask your employment specialist for a list of low-income and senior housing. www.co.wright.mn.us

CENTRAL MINNESOTA LEGAL SERVICES

830 West St. Germain Street, Suite 309 P.O. Box 1598 St. Cloud, MN 56302 320-253-0138 or 800-622-7773

 Free legal advice/representation to low-income people for civil legal problems (no criminal), including family law; protection from domestic abuse; MFIP, SSI, Medical Assistance, food stamps and general assistance; evictions repair problems, public or subsidized housing problems; disability, seniors, income tax, and consumer problems.

MID-MINNESOTA LEGAL ASSISTANCE - ST. CLOUD

888-360-2889

Free legal advice/representation to low-income persons for these issues: citizenship and green card applications, general immigration assistance, education discrimination, divorce, custody/visitation, domestic abuse, evictions, subsidized housing problems, poor housing conditions, housing discrimination, denial or termination of public benefits: MFIP, MA, MAS, GA, GAMC, Food Stamps, Social Security, SSI, or unemployment compensation, and utility shutoffs.

MAC-V: SERVICES FOR VETERANS - MINNEAPOLIS

612-726-1327

Addresses the unique legal needs of persons with disabilities.

WILLS FOR HEROES

www.mnbar.org/willsforheroes

Clinics throughout the month.

IMMIGRANT LAW CENTER OF MINNESOTA

800-223-1368

MINNESOTA DISABILITY LAW CENTER

612-332-4668 or 800-292-4150

 Free civil legal assistance to individuals with disabilities on legal issues related to their disabilities.

HOME LINE

www.homelinemn.org

866-866-3546

 Free legal, organizing, education, and advocacy services for tenants throughout Minnesota, except Minneapolis.

ESTATE AND ELDER LAW SERVICES (FORMERLY M.A.O. SERVICES)

www.voamn.org

612-676-6300

Free, sliding fee, and market rate legal help with wills, trusts, estate planning, probate, powers of attorney, health care directives, guardianship, conservatorship, special needs trusts, medical assistance planning, and real estate matters. Must be disabled or age 55 or older.

LEGALCORPS

www.legalcorps.org

888-454-5267

Free legal help for Minnesota small businesses and nonprofits.

PUBLIC DEFENDER OFFICE - TENTH DISTRICT

205 Central Avenue Buffalo, MN 55313 763-682-4306

> Legal services for low-income people who are involved in criminal and juvenile delinquency cases.

MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RIGHTS

651-296-5663 or 800-657-3704

 Investigates discrimination complaints in the areas of employment, housing, public accommodations, and public services; assists and enforces Minnesota Human Rights Acts.

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE

651-296-3353 or 800-657-3787

 Provides answers to questions about landlord and tenant rights, mobile homes, mortgages, and other consumer issues.

US DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD)

612-370-3000

- Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
- HUD's mission is to increase homeownership, support community development, and increase access to affordable housing free from discrimination.

FORECLOSURE PREVENTION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

651-296-3353 or 800-710-8871

 Assists with foreclosures due to temporary financial crisis by providing case management services and sometimes mortgage payment.

VILLAGE FINANCIAL RESOURCE CENTER

800-450-4019

 Provides budget counseling, debt management, and mortgage foreclosure prevention and information.

MINNESOTA HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY

651-296-7608 or 800-657-3769

Addresses Minnesota's basic housing needs and helps to build stronger communities.

MINNESOTA MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE PREVENTION ASSOCIATION

763-783-4705

 Provides support, networking, information, and education in the field of foreclosure prevention.

MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY

651-284-5005 or 800-342-5354

 Oversees workplace/occupational safety and health issues, including workplace violence, enforcement agency, and offers enforcement outreach materials and onsite consultations.

WORKERS COMPENSATION

651-284-5005 or 800-342-5354

- Medical care for a work injury, as long as it is reasonable and necessary.
- Wage loss benefits for part of your lost income, benefits for permanent damage, loss of function of a body part, or to your spouse/children if you die of a work injury.
- Vocational rehabilitation services if you cannot return to your pre-injury job/employer.

OSHA

651-284-5050 or 877-470-6742

- Contact them with any safety/health workplace concerns.
- They assist with standards development, enforcement, compliance assistance, and training/ education, which enable employers to maintain safe and healthy workplaces.

BETTER BUSINESS BUREAU

651-699-1111 or 800-646-6222

Request a report on a business or make a complaint about a business.

MINNESOTA HELP

www.minnesotahelp.info

800-333-2433

 Online directory of services designed to help people in Minnesota identify resources such as human services, information and referral, financial assistance, and other forms of aid and assistance within Minnesota.

FIRST CALL FOR HELP

2-1-1 or 800-543-7709

SOCIAL SECURITY AND SSI

800-772-1213

Help with retirement and disability financial services.

MINNESOTA GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

651-296-4018 or 877-348-0505

• Mission is to provide information, education, and training to build knowledge, develop skills, and change attitudes that will lead to increased independence, productivity, self-determination, integration, and inclusion for people with developmental disabilities and their families.

MINNESOTA STATUTES, LAWS, AND RULES

651-296-2868

Minnesota statutes, session laws, and rules are compiled by the Office of Reviser of Statutes.

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

1889 Stanford Avenue St. Paul, MN 55105 651-690-2220

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE

St. Paul, MN 651-312-8082

FEDERAL EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT (FITC) AND MINNESOTA WORKING FAMILY CREDIT

- You may be eligible for credits if your household income was less than a specified amount. To claim the credit, you must file Federal Forms 1040A or 1040 and the Schedule EID, and Minnesota Form M-1a or Form M-1.
- If you qualify for this credit and expect to qualify next year, you can choose to get part of next year's Earned Income Credit in advance on your paychecks this year. You may want to apply for this ADVANCED EARNED INCOME CREDIT if you are the only wage earner in your household and you don't expect major changes in your household's income during the year. If you want to apply, ask your employer for FORM W-5, with Form M-1 or Form M-1A.

MINNESOTA CHILD AND DEPENDENT CARE CREDIT

You may get the credit if your household income was less than a specified amount and you paid someone to care for your child under age 13 (or disabled dependent) while you worked or looked for work, or you operated a licensed family daycare while you cared for your own child under seven years old, or you are married and had a newborn baby in 2005, even if you had no child care expenses. TO CLAIM THE CREDIT, file Federal Schedule 2441 with Form 1040 or Schedule 2 with Form 1040A and Minnesota Schedule M-1CD with Form M-1 or Form M-1A.

MINNESOTA RENTERS AND HOMEOWNERS REFUNDS

You may be able to get this refund next year if you are a renter and your household income was less than a specified amount. Get a completed Form CRP from your landlord to show your portion of taxes paid. Or you are a homeowner and your household income is less than a specified amount. (You will need your Statement of Property Taxes Payable next year to file.) Or you are a homeowner whose net property tax increased by more than 12% over last year's tax and the increase was \$100 or more, regardless of your household income. TO CLAIM THIS CREDIT, file Minnesota Form M-1PR.

FINANCIAL SERVICES

ST. CLOUD - AMERICAN RED CROSS

320-251-7641 or 800-560-7641

Serves disaster victims with emergency communication, travel, and financial assistance.

WRIGHT COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES FINANCIAL UNIT

Wright County Government Center 10 2nd Street Northwest, Room 300 Buffalo, MN 55313 763-682-7414

- Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
- May be able to assist with cash assistance, childcare assistance, food support, health care, child support and collections, and emergency assistance.

SALVATION ARMY - BUFFALO

1004 Commercial Drive Buffalo, MN 55313 763-682-8941

May be able to assist with emergency financial services.

SALVATION ARMY HEAT SHARE

320-252-4552 or 800-220-4850

- Can help pay a portion of your heat bill.
 - You must have a disconnect notice and not be eligible for emergency assistance from the county.

SOCIAL SECURITY AND SSI - ST. CLOUD

800-772-1213

Will help with retirement and disability financial services.

TRANSITIONAL MAINTENANCE

TRANSITION YEAR CHILD CARE

You may be eligible for up to one year of subsidized childcare if you meet the following guidelines:

- On MFIP three of the past six months.
- Get off MFIP because of employment.
- Contact your financial worker for more information.

TRANSITION YEAR MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

If you are no longer eligible for MFIP because you are employed, you and your family may be eligible for up to one year of extended medical assistance. Contact your county financial worker for more information.

US DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD)

612-370-3000

- Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
- HUD's mission is to increase homeownership, support community development, and increase access to affordable housing free from discrimination.

ST. CLOUD - HOUSING & REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (HRA)

www.stcloudhra.com

1225 West St. Germain St. Cloud, MN 56303 320-252-0880

- Regular business hours (Labor Day thru Memorial Day):
 Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
- Summer hours: Monday-Thursday, 7:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. and Friday, 7:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.
- Apply for Section 8 Rental Assistance Program if you are paying over 30% of your income for rent.

ST. CLOUD - HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

777 Lincoln Avenue Northeast St. Cloud, MN 56304 320-656-8890

> Habitat for Humanity works in partnership with people in need to build and renovate decent, affordable housing. The houses are then sold to those in need at no profit and with no interest charged.

WRIGHT COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTION (WCCA)

320-963-6500

 Provides assistance through mortgage and rent assistance, home rehabilitation loans, home buyer training, and home weatherization.

BASIC SLIDING FEE CHILD CARE

You may be eligible for assistance for child care costs while:

- Working a minimum of 10 hours/week
- Looking for work

To be eligible you must not be receiving MFIP and your income is not more than 75% of the state median income. Since there is a limit to the number of families that can be served, there may be a waiting list. Contact your county financial worker if you have any additional questions.

THE MINNESOTA HEALTH CARE PLAN

A health care program for single individuals and/or families who cannot afford medical insurance for their families. For families who meet income guidelines and do not have private health insurance or Medical Assistance. Fee is on a sliding fee scale.

- Doctor, dentist, and health clinic visits
- Drug prescriptions
- Diagnostic screening and preventative services
- Outpatient labs and x-rays
- Eve glasses
- Immunizations

Call 1-800-657-3672 for more information.

THE FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE ACT (FMLA)

Talk to you employer about FMLA or contact the Department of Labor, Wage and Hours Division for more information.

- Provides eligible employees with up to 12 weeks of unpaid, job-protected leave per year. It also requires that group health benefits be maintained during the leave.
- An eligible employee is one that has worked for a covered employer for at least one year and for 1,250 hours over the previous 12 months and if there are at least 50 employees within 75 miles.

TAX CREDITS/VITA (VOLUNTEER INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE)

You may be eligible for the Federal Earned Income Credit and the Minnesota Working Family Credit. These tax credits are for people who have low to moderate incomes.

- You need a federal tax form, federal schedule EIC form and a Minnesota long or short tax form. Most libraries and post offices have these forms with instructions available for free.
- For more information about the EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT call 800-829-1040.
- For more information about the WORKING FAMILY TAX CREDIT call 800-652-9094.

VITA

651-297-3724

- Call between February 1st and April 15th to obtain information on local sites that offer free tax assistance.
- Advanced Earned Income Credit.

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE (IRS)

320-251-9261

Assistance with common tax questions.

FREQUENTLY CALLED NUMBERS

Physician's Name	Phone
Hospital	
Police Department	Phone
Fire Department	
Dentist's Name	Phone
Daycare Name	
Church	
Food Shelf	
Schools:	
Name	Phone
Name	
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