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Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

Parents of children with special needs often have many questions as they search for assistance. Navigating the system and finding resources to help your child can often seem overwhelming. Below is a list of frequently asked questions (FAQs) and resources that can answer each question. We hope this information will assist you in meeting the needs of your child and facilitate your active participation in your child's education and healthy development.

1. What is typical development for children birth through 5?

- a. Milestone Moments: Provides developmental milestones for children 0-5 years old. This informative presentation was developed in the Miami area. Please see question #2 for local contact information.
 - i. http://flfcic.fmhi.usf.edu/docs/CONNECTAR_Milestones_English.pdf
- b. CDC Learn the Signs: Developmental milestones for children 0-5 years old. Free informational materials for parents.
 - i. <http://www.cdc.gov/NCBDDD/actearly/milestones/index.html>
- c. Zero to Three (0-36 months): Developmental milestones for young children 0-36 months.
 - i. <http://www.zerotothree.org/about-us/areas-of-expertise/free-parent-brochures-and-guides/age-based-handouts.html>

2. Where can I find help for my young child (birth through 5) if I am concerned about development?

- a. Children's Home Society/Early Steps provides a comprehensive system of early intervention services for children 0-3 years of age with a developmental delay or established condition. If you have a concern they can screen your child at no cost.
 - i. http://www.floridahealth.gov/alternatesites/cms-kids/families/early_steps/early_steps.html
- b. FDLRS/Miccosukee Center provides assistance with the screening and evaluation of all children 0-22 years of age, who have or are at risk of developing special or unique needs.
 - i. Child Find phone number: (850) 487-2630; <http://www.fdlrsmicco.org>
- c. The Central Directory number will provide information for finding referral sources in your area.
 - i. (800) 654-4440; <http://www.centraldirectory.org/>

3. What is a Multi-Tiered System of Support (MTSS) and the problem solving /intervention team?

- a. A Parent's Introduction to Exceptional Student Education in Florida (Pages 9-10, 67-73): Children in public schools who have special learning needs because of a disability receive ESE Services. This book explains the ESE process and key ideas in the state and federal laws.
 - i. <http://www.fldoe.org/ease/pdf/ESEParent.pdf>
- b. The Florida's Multi-Tiered System of Supports Parent Resources Website provides visitors with National Tools, Florida's Tools, Videos, and "Myths and Truths" for the MTSS process.
 - i. <http://www.florida-rti.org/parentResources/index.htm>
- c. FDLRS/Miccosukee Parent Services Wiki: This website is continually updated to provide visitors with the most current information. This page will provide you with information concerning the MTSS Process.
 - i. <http://fdlrsmiccoparentservices.wikispaces.com/MTSS-MultiTiered+System+of+Support>

4. What is Exceptional Student Education (ESE) and the ESE Process?

- a. A Parent's Introduction to Exceptional Student Education in Florida (Pages 11-13, 15-17): Children in public schools who have special learning needs because of a disability receive ESE Services. This book explains the ESE process and key ideas in the state and federal laws.
 - i. <http://www.fldoe.org/ease/pdf/ESEParent.pdf>
- b. The Bureau of Exceptional Education and Student Services (BEESS) Resource and Information Center (BRIC) provides parents, educators, and other Floridians with access to information about exceptional student education.
 - i. <http://www.fldoe.org/ease/pdf/ESE2011.pdf>
- c. FDLRS/Miccosukee parent services wiki: What is Exceptional Student Education? Acronyms used in ESE and some Disability Fact Sheets can be found here.
 - i. <http://fdlrsmiccoparentservices.wikispaces.com/Getting+Started+with+ESE>

5. What is an Individual Educational Plan (IEP), and how can family members prepare for an IEP Meeting?

- a. A Parent's Introduction to Exceptional Student Education in Florida (Pages 5, 19-25, 56-60, 87, 121-126): Children in public schools who have special learning needs because of a disability receive ESE Services. This book explains the ESE process and key ideas in the state and federal laws.
 - i. <http://www.fl DOE.org/e se/pdf/ESEParent.pdf>
- b. Getting Ready for Your Child's IEP Meeting. A brochure published by BEESS, in collaboration the Florida PTA that briefly defines the IEP and how to prepare for an IEP meeting.
 - i. <http://www.fl DOE.org/e se/pdf/iep-card.pdf>
- c. Developing Quality Individual Educational Plans: A Guide for Instructional Personnel and Families, published by FLDOE BEESS to provide information that will support the development of quality individual educational plans (IEPs) for students with disabilities.
 - i. <http://www.fl DOE.org/e se/pdf/qualityIEPs.pdf>

6. What are accommodations/modifications and 504 plans?

- a. A Parent's Introduction to Exceptional Student Education in Florida (Pages 22, 118, 124,125): Children in public schools who have special learning needs because of a disability receive ESE Services. This book explains the ESE process and key ideas in the state and federal laws.
 - i. <http://www.fl DOE.org/e se/pdf/ESEParent.pdf>
- b. Guide to Selecting Accommodations (2013): This guide is written to help IEP teams use a Universal Design for Learning (UDL) framework to select, implement and evaluate accommodations.
 - i. <http://www.fl DOE.org/e se/pdf/SelectingAccommodations.pdf>
- c. Guide to Selecting Accommodations for Computer Based Assessment and End of Course Exams: This document is written to assist school based personnel and parents when making decisions about the use of accommodations by students with disabilities on state-wide computer based assessments.
 - i. <http://www.fl DOE.org/e se/pdf/CBTAccomm.pdf>
- d. Accommodations-Assisting Students with Disabilities (2010): This document is written to assist school district personnel and parents when making decisions about the use of accommodations by students with disabilities in instructional situations.
 - i. <http://www.fl DOE.org/e se/pdf/accomm-educator.pdf>

7. Where can I learn about technology and assistive technology supports?

- a. A Parent's Introduction to Exceptional Student Education in Florida (Page 119): Children in public schools who have special learning needs because of a disability receive ESE Services. This book explains the ESE process and key ideas in the state and federal laws.
 - i. <http://www.fldoe.org/e/se/pdf/ESEParent.pdf>
- b. Technical Assistance Paper: Assistive Technology (AT) for Students with Disabilities: The purpose of this technical assistance paper (TAP) is to provide information regarding AT as defined in the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act of 2004 (IDEA 2004) and to provide guidance to school district staff for considering, determining the need, and providing assistive technology devices and services.
 - i. <http://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-6801/dps-2013-65.pdf>
- c. Technical Assistance Paper: Accessible Instructional Materials: The purpose of this technical assistance paper (TAP) is to assist school districts in providing access in a timely manner to both appropriate and accessible instructional materials for students with disabilities who cannot read standard print effectively and are therefore unable to meet grade level expectations.
 - i. <http://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-5764/dps-2010-70.pdf>

8. Where can I learn about diploma options and student assessments for my child receiving ESE services?

- a. A Parent's Introduction to Exceptional Student Education in Florida (Page 67): Children in public schools who have special learning needs because of a disability receive ESE Services. This book explains the ESE process and key ideas in the state and federal laws.
 - i. <http://www.fldoe.org/ease/pdf/ESEParent.pdf>
- b. Transition Planning for Students with Disabilities-A Guide for Families (Page 20): Diploma Options and information on FCAT, FCAT 2.0, and End of Course Exams.
 - i. <https://www.fldoe.org/ease/pdf/Transition.pdf>
- c. The Florida Alternate Assessment and Your Child's Scores A brochure to assist families in understanding the Florida Alternate Assessment.
 - i. <http://www.fldoe.org/asp/pdf/Parent-Brochure-English-Web.pdf>
- d. For current information please visit the Florida Department of Education Testing website.
 - i. <http://www.fldoe.org/testing/>

9. What is the transition process for children ages 14-21?

- a. A Parent's Introduction to Exceptional Student Education in Florida (Pages 25, 89): Children in public schools who have special learning needs because of a disability receive ESE Services. This book explains the ESE process and key ideas in the state and federal laws.
 - i. <http://www.fldoe.org/ease/pdf/ESEParent.pdf>
- b. Transition Planning for Students with Disabilities: A Guide for Families is a guide to planning for the successful transition of a student with disabilities from school to adult life.
 - i. <https://www.fldoe.org/ease/pdf/Transition.pdf>
- c. Project 10: Transition Education Network. Project 10 provides information and resources on secondary transition services to students with disabilities in order to improve their academic success and post-school outcomes.
 - i. <http://www.project10.info>

10. Where can family members find out their rights and responsibilities in the ESE process?

- a. A Parent's Introduction to Exceptional Student Education in Florida (Pages 33-50): Children in public schools who have special learning needs because of a disability receive ESE Services. This book explains the ESE process and key ideas in the state and federal laws.
 - i. <http://www.fldoe.org/e/se/pdf/ESEParent.pdf>
- b. This is a direct link to the Summary of Procedural Safeguards for Students with Disabilities.
 - i. <http://www.florida-e-se.org/atcomp/ PDF/ProceduralSafeguardsforParentsofSWD07.pdf>
- c. The link below provides a brief 15 minute video on procedural safeguards.
 - i. <http://idea.ed.gov/explore/view/p/%2Croot%2Cdynamic%2CVideoClips%2C7%2C>

11. What records should I keep?

- a. A Parent's Introduction to Exceptional Student Education in Florida (Pages 51-85): Children in public schools who have special learning needs because of a disability receive ESE Services. This book explains the ESE process and key ideas in the state and federal laws.
 - i. <http://www.fldoe.org/e/se/pdf/ESEParent.pdf>
- b. This is a two page brochure on the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA): Information for Parents by the Florida Department of Education.
 - i. <http://www.fldoe.org/e/se/pdf/ferpa.pdf>

12. What other options are available for my students besides public school?

- a. The Florida Department of Education, Office of Independent Education & Parental Choice Website offers visitors information on K-12 Scholarship Programs, K-12 Private School Information, K-12 Public School Choice, and K-12 Home Education.
 - i. <https://www.floridaschoolchoice.org>
- b. The Florida Department of Education Virtual Education Website offers visitors information on State Virtual Schools, District Virtual Schools, Charter Virtual Schools, and Blended Learning opportunities. The latest news and resources for virtual education are posted on this page.
 - i. <http://www.fldoe.org/schools/virtual-schools/>

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Family Network on Disabilities of Florida (FND)
Florida Alliance for Assistive Services and Technology, Inc. (FAAST)
Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged
Florida Developmental Disabilities Council, Inc.
Florida Disabled Outdoors Association
Florida Inclusion Network (FIN)
National Alliance on Mental Illness, (NAMI), Florida
Parents of the Panhandle Information Network
Prevent Blindness Florida
Project 10: NW Florida, Region 1
Tallahassee, City Equity and Workforce Development Dept.
TCC, Disability Support Services

Assistive Technology

Ability1st, Center for Independent Living of North FL
Accessibility Solutions, Inc.
Advanced Driving Systems, Inc.
ALS Association Florida Chapter
Bookshare
FDLRS, Miccosukee Associate Center
FL DOE, Bureau of Braille and Talking Book Library Services
FL DOH, Brain & Spinal Cord Injury Program
Florida Alliance for Assistive Services and Technology, Inc. (FAAST)
Florida Instructional Materials Center for the Visually Impaired
Florida Relay Service, 7-1-1
Goodwill Industries Big Bend, Career Training Center
Guiding Eyes for the Blind
Hear Now
Learning Ally, Learning through Listening
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Boys & Girls Clubs of the Big Bend
Communities In Schools of Gadsden County
Communities In Schools of Leon County
Community Action Agency, Head Start Child Development Program
Dick Howser Center for Childhood Services
Early Learning Coalition of the Big Bend
Florida's Office of Early Learning
Kids Inc, Early Head Start
Leon Arms Community Center
Leon County Schools, Early Childhood Programs
North Florida Child Development, Wakulla, Madison, Liberty
Pediatrics Day Health Center
Tallahassee, City Smith-Williams Service Center
Whole Child Leon
Whole Child, Jefferson, Taylor, and Madison

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Alexander Graham Bell Association/Deaf/Hard of Hearing
ALS Association Florida Chapter
Arc of Florida, Inc.
Arthritis Foundation, Florida Chapter
Autism Research Institute
Autism Society
Autism Speaks
Brain Injury Association of Florida
ChairScholars Foundation, Inc
Children and Adults with Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder (CHADD)
Children's Tumor Foundation
Cystic Fibrosis Foundation
Down Syndrome Association of Tallahassee
Dyslexia Research Institute, Woodland Hall
Epilepsy Association of the Big Bend
First Baptist Church, English/ASL Language Instruction
FL DOE, Bureau of Braille and Talking Book Library Services
FL DOE, Division of Blind Services, District 2
FL DOH, Brain & Spinal Cord Injury Program
FL DOH, Brain & Spinal Cord Injury Registry
Florida APD, Northwest Region, Field 1 Office
Florida Baptist Children's Home, Tallahassee
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Florida State Elks Association
FSU, Center for Autism and Related Disabilities
FSU, First Words Project
FSU, Speech and Hearing Clinic
Guiding Eyes for the Blind
Hadley School for the Blind
Halle Martin Foundation
Hands and Hearts for Horses
Hear Now
International OCD Foundation
Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation
Kids Get Arthritis Too
Leon County Schools, Hearing Impaired Program
Lighthouse of the Big Bend, Inc.
Muscular Dystrophy Association
National Alliance on Mental Illness, (NAMI), Florida
National Association/Anorexia Nervosa & Associated Disorders
National Down Syndrome Society Helpline
National Federation of the Blind, Florida
National Institute Allergy/Infectious Diseases
National Institute on Deafness/Other Communication Disorders
North Florida Spinal Cord Injury Support Group
Partners in Communication (PIC)
Prevent Blindness Florida
Pyramid, Inc.
Resource Materials and Technology Center for the Deaf/Hard of Hearing
SEDNET 2B
Sickle Cell Foundation, Inc.
TMH, NeuroScience Center, Brain Injury Support Group
United Cerebral Palsy of Tallahassee
Wakulla County Autism Support Group

Early Intervention Programs (Birth-3)

Camelot Community Care, Inc.
Children's Home Society, Early Steps
Children's Home Society, NCD Family Connection
Children's Medical Services, Big Bend Region
Dick Howser Center for Childhood Services
FDLRS, Miccosukee Associate Center
Florida Directory of Early Childhood Services
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Wakulla County Schools, Exceptional Student Education

Educational Programs & Services

ChairScholars Foundation, Inc.
Communities In Schools of Gadsden County
Communities In Schools of Leon County
Dick Howser Center for Childhood Services
Dyslexia Research Institute, Woodland Hall
Early Learning Coalition of the Big Bend
FAMU, Center for Disability Access and Resources (CeDAR)
FDLRS, Miccosukee Associate Center
First Baptist Church, English/ASL Language Instruction
FL DOE, BEESS Resource & Information Center
FL DOE, Florida Virtual Campus
FL DOE, McKay Scholarships
Florida Children's Forum
Florida Instructional Materials Center for the Visually Impaired
Florida School for the Deaf & Blind
Florida's Office of Early Learning
Florida's Positive Behavior Support Project
FSU, Adult Learning Evaluation Center
FSU, Art Therapy Program
FSU, Career Center
FSU, Center for Integrating Research and Learning
FSU, Center for Reading Research
FSU, Human Sciences Program
FSU, Learning Systems Institute
FSU, Multidisciplinary Evaluation and Consulting Center
FSU, Psychological and Counseling Services Program
FSU, Special Education Program
FSU, Student Disability Resource Center
Gadsden County Schools, Adult and Community Education
Gadsden County Schools, Exceptional Student Education
Goodwill Industries Big Bend, Career Training Center
Hadley School for the Blind
Homeschool Classroom
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Leon County Schools, Education for Homeless Children and Youth
Leon County Schools, Exceptional Student Education
Leon County Schools, Gretchen Everhart School
Leon County Schools, Hearing Impaired Program
Leon County Schools, Keys to Exceptional Youth Success
Leon County Schools, Leon's Intensive Training for Employment
Leon County Schools, Pace Secondary School
Leon County Schools, Program for Adults with Disabilities
Leon County Schools, SAIL High School
North Florida Child Development, Wakulla, Madison, Liberty
North Florida Community College, Student Disability Services
PACE Center for Girls, Leon County
PAEC, Migrant Education Program
Problem Solving & Response to Intervention Project
Progressive Pediatric Developmental Center
Project 10: NW Florida, Region 1
Pyramid, Inc.
Resource Materials and Technology Center for the Deaf/Hard of Hearing
Taylor County Schools, Adult and Community Education
Taylor County Schools, Exceptional Student Education
TCC, Disability Support Services
TCC, Flagler College
UF, Florida and Virgin Islands Deaf-Blind Collaborative
UF-IFAS, Gadsden County Cooperative Extension Service
UF-IFAS, Jefferson County Cooperative Extension Service
Wakulla County Schools, Adult and Community Education
Wakulla County Schools, Exceptional Student Education

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

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AARP Foundation Grandparent Information Center
Ability1st, Center for Independent Living of North FL
Able Trust
ADA National Information Infoline
ALS Association Florida Chapter
American Heart Association, Tallahassee Office
Arc of Florida, Inc.
Autism Research Institute
Autism Society
Autism Speaks
Big Bend Transition Council
Birth Defect Research for Children, Inc.
Capital City Youth Services, Going Places Street Outreach
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Compassionate Friends, Inc.
Cystic Fibrosis Foundation
Disability Rights Florida
Epilepsy Association of the Big Bend
Family Cafe
Family Care Council Florida, Area 2
Family Health Line
Family Network on Disabilities of Florida (FND)
FL DOE, Bureau of Braille and Talking Book Library Services
FL DOR, Child Support Program
Florida Abuse Hotline, DCF
Florida Directory of Early Childhood Services
Florida Network of Youth and Family Services
Florida Poison Information Center, Jacksonville
Gadsden Woman to Woman
International OCD Foundation
Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation
Kids Get Arthritis Too
Leon County Public Library, Disabilities Assistance
March of Dimes, Big Bend Division
Muscular Dystrophy Association
National Alliance for Hispanic Health Helplines
National Alliance on Mental Illness, (NAMI), Florida
National Association/Anorexia Nervosa & Associated Disorders
National Center For Missing and Exploited Children
National Down Syndrome Society Helpline
National Federation of the Blind, Florida
National HIV/AIDS Perinatal Hotline
National Institute Allergy/Infectious Diseases
National Institute on Deafness/Other Communication Disorders
National Lead Information Center Hotline
National Marrow Donor Program
National Parent Helpline
National Runaway Safeline/CINS/FINS
National Suicide Prevention Lifeline
Parents of the Panhandle Information Network
Refuge House, Domestic Violence and Rape Crisis Programs
Sickle Cell Foundation, Inc.
Social Security Administration, Big Bend Area
US Dept of Health and Human Services Health Resources and Services
VolunteerLEON: Leon County Volunteer Center
Wakulla County Coalition for Youth
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Evaluation Services

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Big Bend Rural Health Network, CORE
Children's Home Society, Early Steps
FDLRS, Miccosukee Associate Center
FSU, Adult Learning Evaluation Center
FSU, Multidisciplinary Evaluation and Consulting Center
FSU, Speech and Hearing Clinic

Florida Department of Education Resources

Access to the Common Core for Exceptional Student Success (ACCESS) Project
Alternate Assessment State Data Collection
Auditory-Oral Education Grant
Centers for Autism and Related Disabilities (CARD)
Children's Registry and Information System (CHRIS)
Communication/Autism Navigator
Critical Initiatives in Visual Impairment Project (CIVI)
Educational Interpreters Project (EI)
Exceptional Student Education Parent Survey Project
Exceptional Student Education Tuition Support Project (ESE Tuition Support)
Family Café
FDLRS Associate Centers
FDLRS Multidisciplinary Educational Service Centers (MDC)
Florida Inclusion Network (FIN)
Florida Instructional Materials Center for the Visually Impaired (FIMC-VI)
Institute for Small and Rural Districts (ISRd)
Lauren's Kids
Learning through Listening Project (LtL)
Measuring Outcomes for Preschool Children with Disabilities
Multiagency Network for Students with Emotional /Behavioral Disabilities (SEDNET)
Outreach Services for the Blind/Visually impaired and the Deaf/Hard-of-Hearing (OSBD)
Parents Educating Parents in the Community (PEP)
Partnership for Effective Programs for Students with Autism (PEPSA)
Personnel Development Support Project (PDSP)
Positive Behavior Support: Multi-tiered System of Supports (PBS: MTSS)
Problem Solving and Response to Intervention State Project (PS/RtI)
Project 10: NW Florida, Region 1
Resource Materials and Technology Center for the Deaf/Hard of Hearing (RMTC-D/HH)
State Personnel Development Grant (SPDG)
Student Support Services Project (SSS)
Technical Assistance and Training System for Programs Serving Young Children with
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ADA National Information Infoline
Capital City Youth Services, The Family Place
Disability Rights Florida
DISC Village, Civil Citation Program
FL DOR, Child Support Program
Florida APD, Benefits Information Resources Network
Guardians ad Litem Program
Guardians ad Litem Program, Madison/Taylor Counties
Legal Services of North Florida, Legal Advice Hotline
Legal Services of North Florida, Quincy
Legal Services of North Florida, Tallahassee
Leon County Office/Intervention & Detention Alternatives
National Runaway Safeline/CINS/FINS
SEDNET 2B
Social Security Administration, Big Bend Area
Tallahassee Bar, Legal Aid Foundation
Tallahassee, City Equity and Workforce Development Dept.
Turn About, Intensive Outpatient Program (IOP)
Turn About, School Suspension, Intervention, Victim Response

Medical & Dental Resources

Alexander Graham Bell Association/Deaf/Hard of Hearing
ALS Association Florida Chapter
American Heart Association, Tallahassee Office
American Red Cross, Health and Safety Services
Arthritis Foundation, Florida Chapter
Autism Research Institute
Bethel Family Counseling and Outreach Center
Big Bend Rural Health Network, CORE
Birth Defect Research for Children, Inc.
Bond Community Health Center, Inc.
Bond-Tallahassee Housing Authority Primary Care Center
Brain Injury Association of Florida
Brehon Institute, Project SAFE, Madison/Taylor
Capital City Youth Services, Going Places Street Outreach
Capital Regional Medical Group, Crawfordville
Children's Medical Services, Big Bend Region
Children's Tumor Foundation
Cystic Fibrosis Foundation
Down Syndrome Association of Tallahassee
Epilepsy Association of the Big Bend
FL DCF, ESS/ACCESS, Gadsden/Liberty/Jackson/Calhoun
FL DCF, ESS/ACCESS, Jefferson Community Partner Site
FL DCF, ESS/ACCESS, Leon Community Partner Site
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FL DOH, Gadsden, Maternal/Infant Services
FL DOH, Jefferson, General Health Services
FL DOH, Jefferson, Maternal/Infant Services
FL DOH, Jefferson, WIC
FL DOH, Leon, Center for Dental Care and Prevention
FL DOH, Leon, General Health Services
FL DOH, Leon, Maternal/Infant Services
FL DOH, Leon, WIC
FL DOH, Taylor, Dental Clinic
FL DOH, Taylor, General Health Services
FL DOH, Taylor, Maternal/Infant Services
FL DOH, Taylor, WIC
FL DOH, Wakulla, General Health Services
FL DOH, Wakulla, Maternal/Infant Services
FL DOH, Wakulla, WIC
Florida Cleft Palate-Craniofacial Association, Inc.
Florida KidCare
FSU, Speech and Hearing Clinic
Healthy Families, Gadsden, Brehon Institute
Healthy Families, Leon, Brehon Institute
Kids Get Arthritis Too
Kids Inc, Early Head Start
Medicaid Area 2B Field Office, AHCA
National Alliance for Hispanic Health Helplines
National Association/Anorexia Nervosa & Associated Disorders
National Down Syndrome Society Helpline
National Federation of the Blind, Florida
National HIV/AIDS Perinatal Hotline
National Institute Allergy/Infectious Diseases
National Institute on Deafness/Other Communication Disorders
National Lead Information Center Hotline
National Marrow Donor Program
National Organization for Rare Disorders, Inc.
Neighborhood Medical Center
North Florida Medical Centers, Jessie Furlow Med Center
North Florida Medical Centers, Taylor Dental Center
North Florida Medical Centers, Taylor Medical Center
North Florida Medical Centers, Tri-County Family Health Care
North Florida Medical Centers, Wakulla Medical Center
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United Cerebral Palsy of Tallahassee
US Dept of Health and Human Services Health Resources and Services
Volunteer Health Services Program, Regions 1&2
Whole Child Leon
Whole Child, Jefferson, Taylor, and Madison
Wholistic Wellness Center, NFEDC

Mental Health Resources

Ability1st, Center for Independent Living of North FL
Apalachee Center, Children's Outpatient Services
Apalachee Center, Gadsden County Clinic
Apalachee Center, Jefferson County Clinic
Apalachee Center, Leon County Outpatient Services
Apalachee Center, Taylor County Clinic
Apalachee Center, Wakulla County Clinic
Bethel Family Counseling and Outreach Center
Big Bend Hospice, The Caring Tree Program
Bond Community Health Center, Inc.
Bond-Tallahassee Housing Authority Primary Care Center
Camelot Community Care, Inc.
Capital City Youth Services, Going Places Street Outreach
Capital City Youth Services, The Family Place
Catholic Charities, NWFLT, Counseling Services
Childhelp National Child Abuse Hotline
Children's Home Society, NCD Family Connection
Children's Home Society, NCD Tree House Shelter
Children's Mental Health Line
Compassionate Friends, Inc.
Compassionate Friends, Tallahassee Chapter
Daniel Statewide Inpatient Psychiatric Program (SIPP)
DISC Village, Adolescent Treatment Center
DISC Village, Civil Citation Program
DISC Village, Gadsden County Human Services Center
DISC Village, Juvenile Outpatient Substance Abuse Program
DISC Village, Wakulla County Human Services Center
Federation of Families of Florida
FL DOE, Division of Blind Services, District 2
FL DOE, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, Area 1
FL DOH, Gadsden, School Health Services
Florida APD, Northwest Region, Field 1 Office
Florida Cleft Palate-Craniofacial Association, Inc.
Florida Therapy Services, Inc.
FSU, Multidisciplinary Evaluation and Consulting Center

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Healing Transitions Creative Counseling for Children & Families
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North Florida Medical Centers, Jessie Furlow Med Center
North Florida Medical Centers, Taylor Medical Center
North Florida Medical Centers, Tri-County Family Health Care
North Florida Medical Centers, Wakulla Medical Center
PACT, Gadsden/Leon Counties
SEDNET 2B
Turn About, Intensive Outpatient Program (IOP)
Turn About, Outpatient Services/Youth/College
Turn About, Professional Training and Community Presentations
Turn About, School Suspension, Intervention, Victim Response
Wakulla County Coalition for Youth
Workshop for Adult Vocational Enrichment, Inc. (WAVE)

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Ability1st, Center for Independent Living of North FL
ALS Association Florida Chapter
Autism Society
Autism Speaks
Bethel Family Counseling and Outreach Center
Big Bend Hospice, The Caring Tree Program
Brehon Institute, Brehon House
Brehon Institute, Project SAFE, Madison/Taylor
Capital City Youth Services, The Family Place
Catholic Charities, NWFLT, Counseling Services
Children's Home Society, NCD Family Connection
Children's Medical Services, Parenting Education
Compassionate Friends, Inc.
Compassionate Friends, Tallahassee Chapter
Cystic Fibrosis Foundation
Down Syndrome Association of Tallahassee
Epilepsy Association of the Big Bend
Exceptional Children of Taylor County
Family Network on Disabilities of Florida (FND)
FDLRS, Miccosukee Associate Center
Federation of Families of Florida
FL DOH, Gadsden, Maternal/Infant Services
FL DOH, Gadsden, School Health Services
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FL DOH, Leon, Maternal/Infant Services
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Kids Inc, Early Head Start
Lee's Place Grief and Loss Counseling Program
Muscular Dystrophy Association
Nar-Anon Family Groups
National Alliance on Mental Illness, (NAMI), Florida
National Association/Anorexia Nervosa & Associated Disorders
National Parent Helpline
National Runaway Safeline/CINS/FINS
North Florida Spinal Cord Injury Support Group
PACT, Gadsden/Leon Counties
Parent to Parent Support Group
Parents of the Panhandle Information Network
Refuge House, Domestic Violence and Rape Crisis Programs
Sickle Cell Foundation, Inc.
TMH, NeuroScience Center, Brain Injury Support Group
Turn About, Parent Support Group
UF-IFAS, Gadsden County Cooperative Extension Service
UF-IFAS, Jefferson County Cooperative Extension Service
UF-IFAS, Taylor County Cooperative Extension Service
Wakulla County Autism Support Group
Wakulla County Coalition for Youth

Pre-K Programs (3-5)

Dick Howser Center for Childhood Services
Early Learning Coalition of the Big Bend
Florida's Office of Early Learning
Gadsden County Schools, Adult and Community Education
Gadsden County Schools, Exceptional Student Education
Jefferson County Schools, Exceptional Student Education
Leon County Schools, Early Childhood Programs
Leon County Schools, Exceptional Student Education
Leon County Schools, Gretchen Everhart School
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Bethel AME Church, Sons of Allen
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Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Big Bend
Boy Scouts of America, Suwannee River Area Council
Boys & Girls Club North Central Florida
Boys & Girls Clubs of the Big Bend
Boys Choir of Tallahassee
Capital Soccer Association
Children's Burn Camp of North Florida, Inc.
Communities In Schools of Gadsden County
Communities In Schools of Leon County
Deliver The Dream
Florida Disabled Outdoors Association
Girl Scout Council of the Florida Panhandle
Leon County Parks and Recreation
Make-A-Wish Foundation/Central and N Florida/Regional Office
Muscular Dystrophy Association
Pyramid, Inc.
Rotary Youth Camp, Inc.
Sickle Cell Foundation, Inc.
Special Olympics Florida, Gadsden County
Special Olympics Florida, Leon County
Special Olympics Florida, Taylor County
Special Olympics Florida, Wakulla County
Tallahassee, City Smith-Williams Service Center
UF-IFAS, Gadsden County Cooperative Extension Service
UF-IFAS, Jefferson County Cooperative Extension Service
UF-IFAS, Leon County 4-H Clubs
UF-IFAS, Taylor County Cooperative Extension Service
UF-IFAS, Wakulla County Extension Office, 4-H

Residential Programs, Housing & Respite Care Programs

ALS Association Florida Chapter
Boys Town North Florida, Continuum of Care
Brehon Institute, Brehon House
Capital City Youth Services, Going Places Street Outreach
Capital City Youth Services, Safe Place Program
Capital City Youth Services, Youth Shelter
Children's Home Society, NCD Tree House Shelter
Florida APD, Northwest Region, Field 1 Office
Florida Baptist Children's Home, Tallahassee
Gadsden Association Rehabilitation Center, Inc.
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Lighthouse of the Big Bend, Inc.
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United Cerebral Palsy of Tallahassee

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Alexander Graham Bell Association/Deaf/Hard of Hearing
Apalachee Center, Children's Outpatient Services
Autism Society
Autism Speaks
Bethel Family Counseling and Outreach Center
Bond Community Health Center, Inc.
Bond-Tallahassee Housing Authority Primary Care Center
Capital City Youth Services, The Family Place
Children's Medical Services, Big Bend Region
Dick Howser Center for Childhood Services
DISC Village, Gadsden County Human Services Center
DISC Village, Juvenile Outpatient Substance Abuse Program
DISC Village, Wakulla County Human Services Center
Florida Network of Youth and Family Services
Florida State Elks Association
FSU, Art Therapy Program
FSU, Center for Autism and Related Disabilities
FSU, First Words Project
FSU, Psychological and Counseling Services Program
FSU, Speech and Hearing Clinic
Halle Martin Foundation
Hands and Hearts for Horses
Healing Transitions Creative Counseling for Children & Families
Muscular Dystrophy Association
Nar-Anon Family Groups
National Runaway Safeline/CINS/FINS
National Suicide Prevention Lifeline
Neighborhood Medical Center
Progressive Pediatric Developmental Center
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Big Bend Transit, Medicaid Transportation
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National Runaway Safeline/CINS/FINS
Tallahassee, City Dial-A-Ride
Tallahassee, City StarMetro Bus System
Wakulla Senior Citizens Council, Transportation

Tutoring Resources

Bethel AME Church, Daughters of Sarah Allen
Bethel AME Church, Sons of Allen
Communities In Schools of Gadsden County
Communities In Schools of Leon County
Dyslexia Research Institute, Woodland Hall
Griffin Heights Community Center
Homeschool Classroom
Leon Arms Community Center
Tallahassee, City Smith-Williams Service Center

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Able Trust
AmeriCorps
ARC Big Bend
Big Bend Transition Council
CareerSource, Capital Region, Gadsden County
CareerSource, Capital Region, Leon County
CareerSource, Capital Region, Wakulla County
CareerSource, North Florida
ChairScholars Foundation, Inc.
FAMU, Center for Disability Access and Resources (CeDAR)
FL DOE, Division of Blind Services, District 2
FL DOE, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, Area 1
FL DOH, Gadsden, School Health Services
Florida APD, Northwest Region, Field 1 Office
Florida Youth Council
FSU, Adult Learning Evaluation Center
FSU, Career Center
FSU, Student Disability Resource Center
Gadsden Association Rehabilitation Center, Inc.
Gadsden County Schools, Adult and Community Education
Goodwill Industries Big Bend, Big Bend Area Stores
Goodwill Industries Big Bend, Career Training Center
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Leon County Schools, Lively Transition Program
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Lighthouse of the Big Bend, Inc.
Lively Technical Center
North Florida Community College, Student Disability Services
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Taylor County Schools
Taylor County Schools, Adult and Community Education
TCC, Disability Support Services
UF-IFAS, Leon County 4-H Clubs
UF-IFAS, Wakulla County Extension Office, 4-H
United Cerebral Palsy of Tallahassee
US Dept of Labor, Job Corps
US Dept of Labor, Office of Disability Employment Policy
VolunteerLEON: Leon County Volunteer Center
Wakulla County Schools, Adult and Community Education
Workshop for Adult Vocational Enrichment, Inc. (WAVE)

2-1-1 Big Bend, Helpline 2-1-1

- *Telephone counseling, suicide prevention and crisis intervention
- *Community information and referrals to more than 1,200 human service agencies and organizations in Big Bend area
- *Available 24/7, 365 days a year
- *Training programs for volunteer counselors held three times each year; interested parties call to receive more information

PO Box 10950

Tallahassee, FL 32302-2950

2-1-1

hotlinedir@211bigbend.org

<http://www.211bigbend.org>

Basic Needs (Food, Clothing, Utilities & Shelter)

AARP Foundation Grandparent Information Center

- *Information and referrals for grandparents in their varying roles (with a special emphasis on grandparents who are raising grandchildren or offering childcare), as well as grandparents facing visitation issues
- *Resources include: searchable on-line database, referrals to services that support grandparents or other relative caregivers, information on grandparent visitation rights, free quarterly newsletter in Spanish and English

601 East St NW

Washington DC 20049

(888) 687-2277

gic@aarp.org

<http://search.aarp.org/browse?Ntt=gandparent%20information>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Ability1st, Center for Independent Living of North FL

*Core services for persons with disabilities and their families: independent living skills training, information and referral to other organizations, peer support, helping individuals learn about laws in order to self-advocate, disaster services

*Other programs: educational workshops for family members, disability awareness workshops, ADA training, beginning and intermediate American Sign Language courses

*Free or low cost wheelchair ramp construction, durable medical equipment loans: wheelchairs, walkers, crutches, shower chairs and medical disposable supplies for low income or indigent persons with disabilities

*Annual Disability Mentoring Day enables students with disabilities to shadow community professional

*Support groups: Recovery Support for persons diagnosed with a mental illness (W, 1:15-2:45pm); SOS, Share our Strengths, Women's support group, W, 1:15-2:30pm; Deaf Meet Up group, 1st F of each month at 7pm at Governor's Square Mall food court

*Smoking Cessation classes: ongoing

1823 Buford Court

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(850) 575-9621

DanMoore@ability1st.info

<http://www.ability1st.info>

Advocacy

Assistive Technology

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Legal/Decision Making Options/Guardianship Resources

Mental Health Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Therapy Resources

Able Trust

*Grant money provided to Florida nonprofit organizations for programs, services, education, training or other activities leading to employment of persons with disabilities

*Public/private foundation established by Legislature to provide Floridians with disabilities fair employment opportunities through grant programs, public awareness and education

3320 Thomasville Rd, Ste 200

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(850) 224-4493

info@abletrust.org

<http://www.abletrust.org>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Access to the Common Core for Exceptional Student Success (ACCESS) Project

*Lesson planning, instructional tools and professional development in the Common Core Standards for teachers to support positive outcomes for students with significant cognitive disabilities taking the Florida Alternate Assessment

325 W Gaines Street, Ste 614

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 245-0475

LaRusso.Randy@brevardschools.org

<http://www.fl DOE.org/ese/>

Florida Department of Education Resources

Accessibility Solutions, Inc.

*Home modifications to meet needs of persons with disabilities: wheelchair ramps, grab bars, bathroom renovations, etc

*Provides equipment and technology for accessibility at an affordable cost

*ASI is also an approved vendor for various support agencies across the Big Bend area

*Program does not have its own funding to provide these services at discounted rates or at no cost

3013 W Tharpe St

Tallahassee, FL 32303-1172

(850) 383-1100

info@homeaccessfl.com

<http://www.homeaccessfl.com>

Assistive Technology

ADA National Information Infoline

*ADA Infoline, a division of the division of the US Department of Justice, provides information about the Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA) for businesses, state and local governments, or individuals about general or specific ADA requirements and standards

*Offers free ADA materials and information about filing a complaint

950 Pennsylvania Ave, NW

Washington DC 20530

(800) 514-0301

<http://www.ada.gov>

Advocacy

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Legal/Decision Making Options/Guardianship Resources

Advanced Driving Systems, Inc.

*Specializes in customized vehicles for persons with disabilities through contracts with the State or direct orders

*May be able to build, convert or order equipment to allow disabled individuals to drive a mechanical vehicle such as a van

*Lifts for loading wheelchairs, small steering device/brakes for those with limitations in the use of legs or arms, reclining lift chairs, power chairs and 3 or 4 wheel scooters are available

662 Capital Circle NE

Tallahassee, FL 32301

(877) 509-2461

ADS99@aol.com

<http://www.advanceddrivingsystems.com>

Assistive Technology

Alexander Graham Bell Assn/Deaf/Hard of Hearing

*Educates regarding childhood hearing loss and importance of early diagnosis and intervention

*Subsidiary: AG Bell Academy for Listening and Spoken Language offers certification for professionals in field

*Maintains listening and spoken language resources website for parents, professionals, and adults with hearing loss

3417 Volta Pl, NW

Washington DC 20007

(202) 337-5220

info@agbell.org

<http://listeningandspokenlanguage.org>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Evaluation Services

Medical & Dental Resources

Therapy Resources

ALS Association Florida Chapter

*Promotes awareness and understanding of ALS (commonly known as Lou Gehrig's Disease) and the work of the ALS Association by providing up-to-date information and education materials to ALS patients, caregivers, researchers and members in the healthcare field

*Information pamphlets, newsletters, research symposiums, and a speakers bureau

*Regional care coordinators may assist with getting needed services

*Available services vary by county; possibilities include health care and insurance advocacy, medical transportation, medical equipment and assistive technology, respite and home care, and support groups

3242 Parkside Center Circle

Tampa, FL 33619

(888) 257-1717

cbright@alsafl.org

<http://www.alsafl.org>

Assistive Technology

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Medical & Dental Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Residential Programs, Housing & Respite Care Programs

Alternate Assessment State Data Collection

*Designed for students whose participation in the general statewide student assessment is not appropriate even with accommodations

325 W Gaines Street, Ste 614

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 245-0475

asanchez@piedradata.com

<http://www.fldoe.org/ese/>

Florida Department of Education Resources

American Heart Association, Tallahassee Office

*Fund raising

*Provides education for healthy life: good nutrition, weight management, stress management

*Quit smoking programs

*Resources for physical activities for adults and children

2851 Remington Green Circle, Ste C

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(800) 275-0448

gsatallahassee@heart.org

<http://www.heart.org>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Medical & Dental Resources

American Red Cross, Health and Safety Services

*Courses: instruction in CPR, first aid, Automatic External Defibrillator (AED), swimming, lifeguard training, responding to emergencies, babysitting, family care-giving, first aid for dogs and cats, plus instructor development for professional rescuer training

*Registration: on line or through national toll-free number

1115 Easterwood Dr

Tallahassee, FL 32311

(866) 943-9010

Sandy.Grguric-Santos@redcross.org

<http://www.tallyredcross.org>

Medical & Dental Resources

AmeriCorps

*Recruits volunteers for one year service in areas of education, public safety, human and environmental needs

*Receive a living allowance and/or an educational award to help finance college, vocational training or to pay back student loans

*Full and part-time positions available throughout the United States

*Persons with physical, developmental or other disabilities are actively recruited

*Senior Corps offers opportunities for seniors to get involved

3165 McCrory Place, Ste 115

Orlando, FL 32803

(407) 648-6117

fl@cns.gov

<http://www.americorps.gov>

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Apalachee Center, Children's Outpatient Services

*Community based service for children and adolescents at-risk for psychiatric hospitalization providing in-home family therapy designed to help promote the child's recovery and to reduce the risk of behavioral and emotional distress

*Services may include: developing conflict resolution strategies; improving coping skills for all family members; formulating behavior management strategies; raising self-esteem; enhancing communication and social skills

2634 Capital Circle NE, Bldg C

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(850) 523-3333

<http://www.apalacheecenter.org>

Mental Health Resources

Therapy Resources

Apalachee Center, Gadsden County Clinic

*Outpatient psychiatric services and day treatment for adults ages 18 and over and for school age children

*Mental health evaluations, case management, psychiatric medication management

79 LaSalle Path

Quincy, FL 32351

(850) 875-2422

<http://www.apalacheecenter.org>

Mental Health Resources

Apalachee Center, Jefferson County Clinic

*Mental health evaluations, case management, medication management, outpatient psychiatric services and day treatment for adults ages 18 and over, mainly targeting persons with severe and persistent mental illness or persons having a mental health crisis

*Anyone seeking mental health services encouraged to call, but individual, group and family therapy are often not available, depending on contracts and other factors

*Children and teens ages 6-17, needing mental health evaluations, medication or case management and counselors may have them available in school system

1996 S Jefferson St

Monticello, FL 32344-9733

(800) 226-2931

<http://www.apalacheecenter.org>

Mental Health Resources

Apalachee Center, Leon County Outpatient Services

*Serves persons age six and older who suffer from major mental illness and meet clinical criteria

*Provides mental health evaluations, medication management, case management, outpatient individual mental health therapy, psychosocial rehabilitation services (social rehabilitation and basic living skills training), co-occurring disorder treatment, day treatment and referrals

*Program no longer accepts new clients without Medicaid, Medicare, or other insurance, unless they meet clinical eligibility criteria or have first been admitted to one of their inpatient units (PATH, Detox, or Eastside Psychiatric Hospital); accepts most insurance

*Geropsychiatric Unit, self-contained facility, accommodates older patients and their psychiatric needs

2634-C Capital Circle NE

Tallahassee, FL 32308-4106

(800) 226-2931

caloniep@apalacheecenter.org

<http://www.apalacheecenter.org>

Mental Health Resources

Apalachee Center, Taylor County Clinic

*Provides mental health evaluations, mental health case management, medication management, outpatient psychiatric services and day treatment for adults ages 18 and over

*Some services for children and teens ages 5-17 available

1421 S Old Dixie Hwy

Perry, FL 32348

(800) 226-2931

<http://www.apalacheecenter.org>

Mental Health Resources

Apalachee Center, Wakulla County Clinic

*Mental health evaluations, mental health case management, medication management, outpatient psychiatric services and therapy for school aged children and adults ages 18 and over

43 Oak St

Crawfordville, FL 32327

(800) 226-2931

april@apalacheecenter.org

<http://www.apalacheecenter.org>

Mental Health Resources

ARC Big Bend

*Adult day training for developmentally disabled adults and students in high school transition programs

*Supported employment

*Employment Services for the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation

122 SW Commerce Dr

Madison, FL 32341

(850) 973-4614

tressler@arc-pds.org

<http://www.arc-pds.org>

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Arc of Florida, Inc.

*Statewide organization which provides information and referral on any issue relating to developmental and intellectual disabilities

*Does not provide direct services

2898 Mahan Dr, Ste 1

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(800) 226-1155

info@arcflorida.org

<http://www.arcflorida.org>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Arthritis Foundation, Florida Chapter

*Patient education and referrals; Public Medical Information Forum, free literature

*Life Improvement Series offers aquatic, exercise, and self-help programs to increase mobility, reduce pain and stiffness, and decrease physician visits

14499 N Dale Mabry Hwy, Ste 139

Tampa, FL 33618

(800) 850-9455

scuellar@arthritis.org

<http://www.arthritis.org>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Medical & Dental Resources

Auditory-Oral Education Grant

*Funding for services at auditory-oral education programs, as defined in section 1002.391, Florida Statutes (F.S.), to attending Florida students who are deaf or hard of hearing

325 W Gaines Street, Ste 614

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 245-0475

Leanne.Grillot@fldoe.org

<http://www.fldoe.org/ese/>

Florida Department of Education Resources

Autism Research Institute

*Conducts research and disseminates the results on the causes of autism and on methods of preventing, diagnosing and treating autism and other severe behavioral disorders of childhood

*Research based information is provided to parents, caretakers and professionals

*Most questions can be answered through agency's web site

*Persons who call will usually have to leave a message, which will be returned

4182 Adams Ave

San Diego, CA 92116

(866) 366-3361

<http://www.autism.com>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Medical & Dental Resources

Autism Society

- *Information and referral for anyone looking for help with autism
- *Trained staff helps identify local and alternative resources
- *Website resources: federal, state and local agencies; professionals, education, medical service providers; support systems, and research facilities

4340 East-West Hwy, Ste 350

Bethesda, MD 20814

(800) 328-8476

<http://www.autism-society.org>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Therapy Resources

Autism Speaks

- *Autism Response Team helps families with an autistic child or person with advice on where to start looking for trained assistance, learning the signs, knowing your child's rights, local assistance
- *Parent support, staying informed, transition to adulthood, adult services
- *Princeton, NJ office: 1060 State Rd, 2nd Fl, 08540

1 East 33rd St, 4th Fl

New York, NY 10016

(888) 288-4762

familyservices@autismspeaks.org

<http://www.autismspeaks.org>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Therapy Resources

Bethel AME Church, Daughters of Sarah Allen

- *Mentoring program for girls in 3rd, 4th, or 5th grade to initially join the program; after joining they may continue to receive services through high school years
- *Various support services, leadership development, tutoring, and many social, fun activities

501 W Orange Ave

Tallahassee, FL 32310

(850) 576-7501

lbethelamec@aol.com

<http://www.bethelame1865.org>

Recreational Resources & Camps

Tutoring Resources

Bethel AME Church, Sons of Allen

*Mentoring African-American males (8-16) while participating in character-building activities and learning from positive role models

*Goals: to improve academic achievement, instill self-determination and to transmit racial pride, knowledge of culture and history and its significance to contemporary living

*Parental Empowerment and Enrichment Program assists parents in understanding youth and developing a closer, stronger relationship, and learning how to handle difficult situations

501 W Orange Ave

Tallahassee, FL 32310

(850) 576-7501

imbethelamec@aol.com

<http://www.bethelame1865.org>

Recreational Resources & Camps

Tutoring Resources

Bethel Family Counseling and Outreach Center

*aka Bethel Family Life Center

*Individual, family and group counseling

*Psychiatric services, medication management, substance abuse counseling, anger management and parenting education services

*Open to anyone 6 years old and up; no previous diagnosis required

471 W Tennessee St

Tallahassee, FL 32301

(850) 577-1780

bfcoc@betheltally.org

<http://www.betheltally.org>

Medical & Dental Resources

Mental Health Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Therapy Resources

Big Bend Hospice, The Caring Tree Program

*Helps young people grieving the anticipated death or death of a loved one; loss does not have to be recent for youth to benefit

*Outreach providing limited number of school-based grief support groups, monthly Children and Teen Nights at Big Bend Hospice, and two annual youth bereavement camps: Camp Woe-Be-Gone, one day camp for youth ages 6-12 held each spring; Teen Woe-Be-Gone, held each fall, one day retreat to meet the special needs of grieving teens

*All services available for Leon County; limited services available for Gadsden, Franklin, Jefferson, Liberty, Madison, Taylor, and Wakulla Counties youth

1723 Mahan Center Blvd

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(800) 772-5862

pam@bigbendhospice.org

<http://www.bigbendhospice.org>

Mental Health Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Recreational Resources & Camps

Big Bend Rural Health Network, CORE

*Providing health education, active living and screening services to persons and areas out of the main stream

*CORE (Challenging Obstacles Require Effort) offers free weekly exercise classes to anyone including mental and physically challenged youth at the Big Bend Early Learning Coalition; many referrals from CMS and pediatricians offices

325 John Knox Rd, Bld M, S 200

Tallahassee, FL 32303

(850) 224-1177

mevers@bigbendahec.org

<http://www.bigbendruralhealthnetwork.org>

Evaluation Services

Medical & Dental Resources

Big Bend Transit, Gadsden County

- *Provides non-emergency transportation
 - *Rides available to destinations in Gadsden and Leon counties
 - *Extended transportation to Taylor, Jefferson and Madison Counties may be available, but additional fees will apply
 - *Requests for transportation to medical services given priority
 - *Transportation Disadvantaged listed citizens receive reduced rates
 - *Wheelchair transportation service available at no extra cost, if requested at the time of reservation.
 - *Due to changes in Medicaid a person must be in a Medicaid HMO to receive free transportation from Big Bend Transit. If the person does not know if they are in a Medicaid HMO, they should call the AHCA, Medicaid Area 2B Field Office: 800-248-2243 or 850-412-4002. If the person is not in a Medicaid HMO s/he can still use Big Bend Transit, but they will have to pay out of pocket.
- 305-B Crawford St
Quincy, FL 32351
(850) 627-9958
Transportation Resources

Big Bend Transit, Jefferson, Madison, Taylor Counties

- *Non-emergency transportation for any trip purpose to destinations in Madison, Jefferson, Taylor and Leon Counties; extended transportation to Gadsden County may be available through coordination with Gadsden branch of Big Bend Transit for an additional fee
 - *Requests for transportation to medical services given priority and should be made as far in advance as possible; wheelchair transportation service at no additional cost, if requested at time of reservation
 - *Persons listed as Transportation Disadvantaged receive lower fees after application process to receive designation
 - *New Medicaid recipients should fill out an application with local transit office as soon as possible, in order to be registered in system; need request transportation to Medicaid related appointments by 72 hours (3 days) in advance
 - *All others should call one day in advance, by 2pm
 - *Due to changes in Medicaid a person must be in a Medicaid HMO to receive free transportation from Big Bend Transit. If the person does not know if they are in a Medicaid HMO, they should call the AHCA, Medicaid Area 2B Field Office: 800-248-2243 or 850-412-4002. If the person is not in a Medicaid HMO s/he can still use Big Bend Transit, but they will have to pay out of pocket.
- 290 W Dogwood St
Monticello, FL 32344
(850) 997-1323
Transportation Resources

Big Bend Transit, Leon County

- *Non-emergency transportation for any trip purpose; persons on Transportation Disadvantaged List receive lower rates
- *Requests for transportation to medical services given priority; wheelchair transportation service available at no additional cost, if requested at time of reservation
- *New Medicaid recipients should fill out an application with Medicaid Transportation Request Line as soon as possible, in order to be registered in system
- *Once registered, Medicaid recipients need to arrange transportation to Medicaid related appointments by 72 hours in advance
- *All other transportation requests must be made one business day in advance, by 2pm
- *Due to changes in Medicaid a person must be in a Medicaid HMO to receive free transportation from Big Bend Transit. If the person does not know if they are in a Medicaid HMO, they should call the AHCA, Medicaid Area 2B Field Office: 800-248-2243 or 850-412-4002. If the person is not in a Medicaid HMO s/he can still use Big Bend Transit, but they will have to pay out of pocket.

2201 Eisenhower St

Tallahassee, FL 32310

(800) 983-2435

Transportation Resources

Big Bend Transit, Medicaid Transportation

- *Supervises and provides non-emergency medical transportation within a five county area for Medicaid clients to and from Medicaid compensable medical services; wheelchair and stretcher service available
- *New Medicaid recipients should call phone number for their county to fill out an application as soon as possible, in order to be registered in the system
- *Under Medicaid rules, clients should call to arrange transportation by 2pm at least 72 hours (3 days) before appointment, not including weekends
- *Emergency transportation NOT available
- *After hours transportation does includes hospital or emergency room discharge and urgent care services
- *Due to changes in Medicaid a person must be in a Medicaid HMO to receive free transportation from Big Bend Transit. If the person does not know if they are in a Medicaid HMO, they should call the AHCA, Medicaid Area 2B Field Office: 800-248-2243 or 850-412-4002. If the person is not in a Medicaid HMO s/he can still use Big Bend Transit, but they will have to pay out of pocket.

2201 Eisenhower St

Tallahassee, FL 32310

(850) 891-5199

Transportation Resources

Big Bend Transition Council

*Group of school district personnel, local agencies, service providers, parents and students who come together to coordinate transition services in the Big Bend area for youth with disabilities, ages 11-22

*Transition for students with disabilities is the process of getting ready to move from school to adult life, which takes place over a period of several years

*Parents and other interested persons may contact the council to be emailed a 37 page Transition Resource Guide for Students With Disabilities

2757 W Pensacola St, #9

Tallahassee, FL 32304

(850) 487-7160

deckertm@leonschools.net

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Big Bend

*Helps children ages 6-17 through professionally supported, one-to-one mentoring relationships between an adult volunteer and a child whose circumstances demonstrate the need for additional adult support

565 E Tennessee St

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(850) 386-6002

info@bigbendmentoring.org

<http://www.bbbsbigbend.org>

Recreational Resources & Camps

Birth Defect Research for Children, Inc.

*Provides parents and expectant parents with information about birth defects and support services for children and families

*Parent-matching program links families who have children with similar birth defects

*Sponsors the National Birth Defect Registry, a research project that studies associations between birth defects and exposures to radiation, medication, alcohol, smoking, chemicals, pesticides, lead, mercury, and other environmental toxins

976 Lake Baldwin Lane, Ste 104

Orlando, FL 32814

(407) 895-0802

staff@birthdefects.org

<http://www.birthdefects.org>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Medical & Dental Resources

Bond Community Health Center, Inc.

- *Comprehensive adult, adolescent and pediatric health care services, immunizations
- *Pregnancy testing, prenatal care, family planning; pregnant women applying for Medicaid referred to CHD to qualify for PEPW
- *HIV confidential and Rapid testing, primary care for HIV+ patients
- *Adults' and children's dental clinic; pharmacy services in-house
- *Mental health evaluations and counseling, psychiatric medications, and substance abuse counseling
- *Appointments preferred; walk-ins first-come-first-serve during scheduled hours

1720 S Gadsden St
Tallahassee, FL 32301
(850) 576-4073

bondchc@comcast.net

<http://www.bondchc.com>

Medical & Dental Resources

Mental Health Resources

Therapy Resources

Bond-Tallahassee Housing Authority Primary Care Center

- *Family medicine, dental screenings, pediatrics, immunizations
- *Pregnancy testing, PEPW, prenatal care, gynecology, family planning/birth control
- *Confidential HIV testing and STD testing
- *Mental health and substance abuse counseling
- *Diabetes care and education
- *Assistance applying for Medicaid and help filling out other social service related forms

1704 Joe Louis St
Tallahassee, FL 32304
(850) 391-4799

bduncan@bondchc.com

<http://www.bondchc.com>

Medical & Dental Resources

Mental Health Resources

Therapy Resources

Bookshare

- *Online library of digital books for people with print disabilities

480 S California Ave
Palo Alto, CA 94306
(650) 475-1066

<https://www.bookshare.org>

Assistive Technology

Boy Scouts of America, Suwannee River Area Council

- *Instills in young people principles of integrity, character, responsibility, and leadership, preparing them to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes
- *Cub Scouts: boys first grade through fifth grade (or 7, 8, 9, and 10 years of age)
- *Boy Scout: boys fifth grade, or who are 11 through 17 years old
- *Venturing: positive experiences to help young people mature and to prepare them to become responsible and caring adults for young men and women who are 14 (and have completed the eighth grade) through 20 years of age
- *Exploring: Career education program for young men and women who are 14 (and have completed the eighth grade) or 15 through 20 years old
- *Life that offers associated programs to schools and other community organizations

2032 Thomasville Rd

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(888) 272-4269

kkilduff@suwanneeriver.net

<http://www.suwanneeriver.net>

Recreational Resources & Camps

Boys & Girls Club North Central Florida

- *After school programs for arts, sports, fitness, recreation, education and career development, character and leadership development, life skills
- *Health education regarding alcohol, tobacco and other drug prevention
- *Children do not have to live in Taylor County to attend
- *Breakfast, lunch, and snack during summer and school breaks; snack during school year
- *Three locations: Veterans Park, 918 N Washington St, Perry; Jerkins at 1201 Martin Luther King Ave, Perry; and 1209 1st Ave, SE, Steinhatchee

918 N Washington St

Perry, FL 32348

(850) 584-8448

emily_ketring@bgcncfl.org

<http://www.bgcncfl.org>

Before & After School Programs

Recreational Resources & Camps

Boys & Girls Clubs of the Big Bend

- *Programs develop qualities in youth ages 5 to 18 to become responsible citizens and leaders through personal and educational development, outdoor and environmental education, citizen and leadership development, cultural enrichment, health and physical education and social recreation
- *All backgrounds accepted; special consideration for youth from disadvantaged circumstances
- *Locations in Leon County; Gadsden County: Havana, Chattahoochee

306 Laura Lee Ave

Tallahassee, FL 32301

(850) 656-8100

tflury@bgcbb.org

<http://www.bgcbb.org>

Before & After School Programs

Recreational Resources & Camps

Boys Choir of Tallahassee

*Outreach program for males ages 8-18, living in neighborhoods with limited social and economic opportunities

*Choir promotes habits, attitudes, and values consistent with physical, mental and social well-being of its members, helps to create a support network for members and offers a means of social, musical and recreational expression

723 W Orange Ave

Tallahassee, FL 32310

(850) 528-2403

boyschoirtlh@yahoo.com

<http://www.boyschoirtallahassee.com>

Recreational Resources & Camps

Boys Town North Florida, Continuum of Care

*Four-level continuum of care for at-risk boys and girls, ages 0-17:

*Family Home Treatment Program: Residential long-term care in homes with specially trained "parents" for ages 10-17

*Foster home care for children in need of more attention and services than traditional foster care for ages 0-17

*Family support services take place in home working with whole families to help provide them with tools, training, and other services, focuses on prevention, rather than intervention, and usually does not involve children receiving continual direct care outside home or direct treatment being provided in family's home

*In-Home Family Program: family-centered, skill-based intervention for families in or near crisis situation and have child experiencing significant problems and are at risk of having child removed from home

*Length and intensity of all interventions vary, depending on family's situation and referral source

3555 Commonwealth Blvd

Tallahassee, FL 32303

(800) 448-3000

<http://www.boystownnorthflorida.org>

Residential Programs, Housing & Respite Care Programs

Brain Injury Association of Florida

*Assists individuals with brain injury and their families by linking to available community resources

*Provides educational presentations to the public

*Toll free number refers callers to closest office for services in their area

1637 Metropolitan Blvd

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(800) 992-3442

info@biaf.org

<http://www.byyourside.org>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Medical & Dental Resources

Brehon Institute, Brehon House

- *Transitional housing for homeless pregnant women, 18 and older; no women with criminal background allowed
- *Pre and postnatal education, infant care training, case management
- *Career counseling, encouragement to continue schooling, assistance in finding permanent housing
- *Children under 2 may live with mothers in home
- *Waiting period may be several months

1315 Linda Ann Dr

Tallahassee, FL 32301

(850) 656-7110

sorear@brehonfamilyservices.org

<http://www.brehonfamilyservices.org>

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Residential Programs, Housing & Respite Care Programs

Brehon Institute, Project SAFE, Madison/Taylor

- *In-home visiting service to assist at-risk pregnant women and families with children under age 18 by visiting case management and parent education on weekly basis
- *Promotes healthy birth outcomes, positive parenting skills and/or job skills, knowledge of available services, independence, personal goals, and family unity
- *Can serve family 3 to 6 months

PO Box 721

Madison, FL 32341

(850) 673-8335

sorear@brehonfamilyservices.org

<http://www.brehonfamilyservices.org>

Medical & Dental Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Camelot Community Care, Inc.

- *Therapeutic counseling program facilitating permanent placement of foster children in stable environment through treatment in community home setting
- *Emphasis on assisting children to accomplish appropriate developmental tasks
- *Inpatient and outpatient counseling services for non-foster care children ages 3-17 who have various types of Medicaid

1000 W Tharpe St, Ste 7

Tallahassee, FL 32303

(850) 561-8060

kellis@camelotcommunitycare.org

<http://www.camelotcommunitycare.org>

Early Intervention Programs (Birth-3)

Mental Health Resources

Capital City Youth Services, Going Places Street Outreach

*Outreach services for youth (11 to 21) on the streets: housing, shelter, tents and/or tarps for living outdoors

*Help with employment, financial aid, ID acquisition, food stamps, bus tickets home if not from local area, calls home for safe and well notification

*Medicaid, health and dental care, prescriptions, pregnancy and STD testing, substance abuse and mental health counseling

*Access program where Safe Place signs placed; when seeing table, banner or vehicle with Going Places logo displayed where youth hang out, often at Renaissance Center, Lake Ella, community centers

2407 Roberts Ave

Tallahassee, FL 32310

(850) 576-6000

taylor.biro@ccys.org

<http://www.ccys.org>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Medical & Dental Resources

Mental Health Resources

Residential Programs, Housing & Respite Care Programs

Transportation Resources

Capital City Youth Services, Safe Place Program

*Organizations display black and yellow "Safe Place" sign have staff who have received training to assist troubled youth or runaways

*Staff are prepared to contact Capital City Youth Services or other organizations as needed and provide a safe place for children and adolescents to wait until other services can be arranged

*Transportation to Capital City Youth Services shelter is available from any Safe Place site

*If youth is a runaway, parents will be notified

*Safe Place Sites in Leon County: Capital City Youth Services; Tallahassee Fire Departments (14 locations); Tallahassee Parks and Recreation Community Centers (6 locations); Tallahassee Police Department; Leon County Sheriff's Department; Star Metro Buses; The Florida State Capitol Building (The Capitol Police); Department of Juvenile Justice Headquarters; Department of Transportation; The Florida Network of Youth and Family Services; FDLE; Capital Health Plan and Starbucks (3 locations)

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nancy.hillger@ccys.org

<http://www.ccys.org>

Residential Programs, Housing & Respite Care Programs

Capital City Youth Services, The Family Place

*CCYS helps youth and families resolve crises, through prevention and early intervention services

*Outpatient individual, group, and family counseling, case management, and referral services to families with at-risk school aged children in eight county Big Bend area

2407 Roberts Ave

Tallahassee, FL 32310

(850) 576-6000

cindy@ccys.org

<http://www.ccys.org>

Legal/Decision Making Options/Guardianship Resources

Mental Health Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Therapy Resources

Capital City Youth Services, Youth Shelter

*Safe short-term shelter for youth ages 10-17

*Encourages child and family to set and meet goals to be able to resolve family conflicts and live civilly together

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Tallahassee, FL 32310

(850) 576-6000

kevin@ccys.org

<http://www.ccys.org>

Residential Programs, Housing & Respite Care Programs

Capital Regional Medical Group, Crawfordville

*Family practice, gynecological services, HIV testing

*Pediatrics (2 years and up), immunizations

2382 Crawfordville Hwy, Ste C

Crawfordville, FL 32326

(850) 926-6363

Kimberly.austin@hcahealthcare.com

<http://www.hca.com>

Medical & Dental Resources

Capital Soccer Association

- *TOPSoccer, The Outreach Program for Soccer provides soccer games for ages 5 to about 16 years who are mentally and physically challenged and with various capabilities
 - *Youth play ball with peers and volunteer buddies who adapt game "to ability of the kids so every child is a winner with success measured in smiles not goals"
 - *Accept wheelchair bound, use balls with rattles for visually impaired and have other helpful devices as needed
 - *Schedules games in spring and fall at Morningside Field, 1560 Pedrick Rd, each Friday 5:30pm (7 sessions)
 - *Parent, guardian or designated adult must be present for every practice or game for safety reasons
- PO Box 10813
Tallahassee, FL 32302
(850) 764-2255
info@capitalsoccer.info
<http://www.capitalsoccer.info>
Recreational Resources & Camps

CareerSource, Capital Region, Gadsden County

- *Access to employment-related services in one central location and matching qualified participants with appropriate job opportunities, based on skills and other circumstances
 - *Center maintains lists of job openings
 - *Welfare Transition: case management services, employment classes, job training and placement, financial assistance for employment-related transportation and child care
 - *Migrant farm worker program
 - *Services for youth 16+: test preparation guide, college requirements, financial resources
 - *Dept of Economic Opportunity: job search and assistance, resume writing classes, employability skills classes, two-year training scholarships
 - *Agency for Workforce Innovation: unemployment compensation, veteran's services
 - *Businesses offered incentives to hire clients who have been referred
- 1140 W Clark St
Quincy, FL 32351
(850) 922-0023
wfp@careersourcecapitalregion.com
<http://www.careersourcecapitalregion.com>
Vocational & Young Adult Programs

CareerSource, Capital Region, Leon County

- *Access to employment-related services in one central location and matching qualified participants with appropriate job opportunities, based on skills and other circumstances
- *Center maintains list of job openings
- *Ex-offender employment program
- *Welfare Transition: case management services, employment classes, job training and placement, financial assistance for employment-related transportation and child care
- *Workforce Investment Act/Program: job search and assistance, resume writing classes, employability skills classes, two-year training scholarships
- *Dept of Economic Opportunity: unemployment compensation, veteran's services
- *School readiness program for childcare resource and referrals
- *Services for youth 16+: test preparation guide, college requirements, financial resources
- *Businesses offered incentives to hire clients who have been referred

2525 S Monroe St, Ste 3-A

Tallahassee, FL 32301

(850) 922-0023

wfp@careersourcecapitalregion.com

<http://www.careersourcecapitalregion.com>

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

CareerSource, Capital Region, Wakulla County

- *Access to employment-related services in one central location; matching qualified participants with appropriate jobs, based on skills and other circumstances; maintaining list of job openings
- *Welfare Transition: case management services, employment classes, job training and placement, financial assistance for employment-related transportation and child care
- *Workforce Investment Act/Program: job search and assistance, resume writing classes, employability skills classes, two-year training scholarships
- *Services for youth 16+: test preparation guide, college requirements, financial resources
- *Agency for Workforce Innovation: unemployment compensation, veteran's services
- *School Readiness Program for child care resource and referrals
- *Businesses offered incentives to hire clients who have been referred

3278 Crawfordville Hwy, Unit G

Crawfordville, FL 32327

(850) 926-0980

wfp@careersourcecapitalregion.com

<http://www.careersourcecapitalregion.com>

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

CareerSource, North Florida

- *Access to employment services and DCF Access Florida computer application process in one central location in Madison County
- *Center improves employment skills through job aptitude and interest assessment, resume writing and interviewing skills, computer access
- *Employment information and help regarding job openings and other related services
- *Helps local businesses find qualified employees
- *Computer assistance available to help anyone wanting to apply for DCF services: Medicaid, Food Stamps, and Temporary Cash Assistance (aka TCA or TANF)

705 E Base St

Madison, FL 32340

(850) 973-9675

jenningsa@nfwdb.org

<http://www.nfwdb.org>

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Catholic Charities, NWFLT, Counseling Services

- *Individual and family (non-couple) counseling for children, adolescents, adults, elderly, persons with disabilities
- *Areas include depression/anxiety, parenting, anger management, grief/loss, domestic violence, physical, verbal and sexual abuse, self-esteem, assertiveness, stress management, crisis counseling, mental health assessments, and more
- *Persons needing specialized services will be referred to other resources
- *Payment based on sliding scale fee, no insurance accepted
- *Some job finding assistance

1380 Blountstown Hwy

Tallahassee, FL 32304

(850) 222-2180

harrisk@cc.ptdiocese.org

<http://www.catholiccharitiesnwfl.org>

Mental Health Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Centers for Autism and Related Disabilities (CARD)

- *Located at seven state universities to provide community-based information and consultation to individuals with autism spectrum disorders and related disabilities, their families, and school districts

325 W Gaines Street, Ste 614

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 245-0475

Anne.Bozik@fldoe.org

<http://florida-card.org/>

Florida Department of Education Resources

ChairScholars Foundation, Inc.

*Florida program offers eligible 7th to 11th grade students with a serious physical disability tuition for college or vocational school with Florida Prepaid Tuition Scholarships; mentors provided; must sign contract to stay drug and crime-free, have at least B average, be enrolled in school's Free or Reduced Lunch Program, be enrolled in a Florida public school

*National program offers significantly, physically challenged high school seniors up to \$20,000 to attend college or university of choice with several qualifications (see web site)

16101 Carencia Lane
Odessa, FL 33556-3278
(888) 926-0544

programs@chairscholars.org

<http://www.chairscholars.org>

Disability Specific Programs & Services
Educational Programs & Services
Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Childhelp National Child Abuse Hotline

*Confidential hotline offers crisis counseling, information, literature, and referrals to emergency, social service, and support resources

*Staffed by professional crisis counselors who can provide assistance in 170 languages through interpreters

*Serves US, its territories, and Canada 24/7

4350 E Camelback Rd
Phoenix, AZ 85018
(800) 422-4453

mfingerman@childhelp.org

<http://www.childhelp.org>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services
Mental Health Resources

Children and Adults with Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder (CHADD)

*Educates, advocates, and supports research

*Health information specialist will provide a personalized response to on-line questions

*Training, conferences, on-line webinars, magazine, newsletters

4601 Presidents Dr, Ste 300
Lanham, MD 20706
(800) 233-4050

<http://www.chadd.org>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Children's Burn Camp of North Florida, Inc.

- *Annual week-long camp for children, ages 6-18, burn survivors
- *Camp counselors mainly firefighters from Tallahassee Fire Department, Shands Burn Unit, Jacksonville Fire/Rescue Department, Alachua County Fire/ Rescue and Panama City area firefighters
- *Camp held one week each year in July
- *Check on line or call for date and how to apply

PO Box 368

Tallahassee, FL 32302

(850) 509-6200

tallahasseeburncamp@comcast.net

<http://www.campamigo.com>

Recreational Resources & Camps

Children's Home Society, Early Steps

- *Multidisciplinary screening and evaluation for children ages birth-3 who have or are suspected of having developmental delays or disabilities
- *Referred to internal and contracted providers for direct intervention services and treatment

1801 Miccosukee Commons Dr

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(850) 921-0330

dina.snider@chsfl.org

<http://www.chsfl.org>

Early Intervention Programs (Birth-3)

Evaluation Services

Children's Home Society, NCD Family Connection

- *Program works with children ages 3-18 using family centered counseling
- *Counselors specialize in childhood development and attachment issues, family relational dynamics, adoption issues, and behavioral issues
- *SATP, Sexual Abuse Treatment Program provides individual and group treatment to child victims of sexual abuse and their non-offending caregivers
- *Psychiatric Services provides mental health evaluations and medication management

1801 Miccosukee Commons Dr

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(850) 921-0772

Dixie.Casford@chsfl.org

<http://www.chsfl.org>

Early Intervention Programs (Birth-3)

Mental Health Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Children's Home Society, NCD Tree House Shelter

- *Program of the Children's Home Society that Big Bend Community-Based Care uses to place abused and/or neglected children, ages 2-11, referred by DCF
- *Provides food, clothing, health services, counseling and recreation in a safe family environment
- *Children must be referred by DCF; does not take self-referrals

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(850) 921-0772

richard.ivison@chsfl.org

<http://www.chsfl.org>

Mental Health Resources

Residential Programs, Housing & Respite Care Programs

Children's Medical Services, Big Bend Region

- *Medical services for children (birth-21) with special health care needs, meeting family income guidelines; some income exceptions based on need
- *Evaluation, assessment, pediatrics, care coordination, and specialty programs
- *Includes immune compromised children

2390 Phillips Rd

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(800) 226-2604

joni.hollis@flhealth.gov

<http://www.cmskidsproviders.com>

Early Intervention Programs (Birth-3)

Medical & Dental Resources

Therapy Resources

Children's Medical Services, Parenting Education

- *Free parenting education classes targeting parents not eligible for other programs, but all parents in the community are welcome
- *Classes are relevant to parents of any children ages 18 months to 18 years
- *Focus is to learn positive and effective parenting tools that can enhance the positive behavior of children and strengthen family relationships
- *Classes last six weeks, two hours per session and are usually held two times per year
- *Number of participants is kept small so that everyone may be involved

4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin A06

Tallahassee, FL 32399-1701

(850) 487-2604

<http://www.doh.state.fl.us/cms>

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Children's Mental Health Line

*Referrals for DCF Northwest Region callers on behalf of children or adolescents needing referrals, crisis intervention, mental health or substance abuse counseling

PO Box 10950

Tallahassee, FL 32302-2950

(877) 211-7005

hotlinedir@211bigbend.org

<http://www.211bigbend.org>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Mental Health Resources

Children's Registry and Information System (CHRIS)

*Responsible for the development and maintenance of the official State of Florida database for tracking preschool children with disabilities served under Part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA)

325 W Gaines Street, Ste 614

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 245-0475

cdelgado@umiami.edu

<http://www.chris.miami.edu/>

Florida Department of Education Resources

Children's Tumor Foundation

*Support research and development of treatment and cures for neurofibromatosis and its variations

*Provide accurate and current information to patients, families and medical field

*Assist in development of clinical centers and best practices

*Expand public awareness and encourage financial support

95 Pine St, 16th FL

New York, NY 10005

(800) 323-7938

info@ctf.org

<http://www.ctf.org>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Medical & Dental Resources

Communication/Autism Navigator

*Collection of web-based tools and courses developed to bridge the gap between science and community practice. Each tool or course is designed to increase the capacity of healthcare providers, early intervention providers, educators, and families to improve outcomes of children with autism spectrum disorder

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Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 245-0475

Anne.Bozik@fldoe.org

<http://www.fldoe.org/ese/>

Florida Department of Education Resources

Communities In Schools of Gadsden County

*Brings community resources, services, parents, and volunteers into schools to help at-risk students learn, stay in school, and prepare for life

*After school programs at Stewart Elementary and Shanks Middle Schools

*Spring break camp

*Fun 2 Learn Summer Camp

*Tutoring for senior high students needing to re-take the FCAT

216 N Adams St

Quincy, FL 32351

(850) 201-9757

<http://www.cisgadsden.org>

Before & After School Programs

Educational Programs & Services

Recreational Resources & Camps

Tutoring Resources

Communities In Schools of Leon County

*Brings community resources, services, parents, and volunteers into schools to help at-risk students learn, stay in school, and prepare for life

*Supports young people in coping with various problems affecting ability to succeed in school

*Addresses critical issues such as school attendance, literacy, behavior management, self-esteem, substance abuse, and juvenile crime

444 Appleyard Dr, Bldg 11, Ste 298

Tallahassee, FL 32304

(850) 201-9762

webbs@cisleon.org

<http://www.cisleon.org>

Before & After School Programs

Educational Programs & Services

Recreational Resources & Camps

Tutoring Resources

Community Action Agency, Head Start Child Development Program

*Child development and child care program for low-income families to prepare children ages 3-5 to enter the primary grades

*Program includes education, health services, parent involvement, social services, and special needs services

*Breakfast, lunch, morning and afternoon snacks served each day

*There is often a waiting list

*There are six Head Start locations in Leon County, two in Franklin County, and one in Jefferson County. Call main number for information on all locations.

309 Office Plaza Dr

Tallahassee, FL 32301

(850) 201-2050

laurie.leiner@CACAINC.org

<http://www.cacaainc.org>

Before & After School Programs

Compassionate Friends, Inc.

*Support, understanding and hope to bereaved parents, siblings, and grandparents who have suffered loss of a child regardless of age or cause

*National office: local chapter referrals to 650+ community chapters across the United States, resource packets, conferences and special programs, on-line support

PO Box 3696

Oak Brook, IL 60522-3696

(877) 969-0010

nationaloffice@compassionatefriends.org

<http://www.compassionatefriends.org>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Mental Health Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Compassionate Friends, Tallahassee Chapter

*Offers support and understanding to bereaved parents, grandparents, and siblings who have lost a child through miscarriage, stillbirth, up through adults of any age for any reason

*Support group meets 7-8:45pm, second Monday of each month at St Stephen's Lutheran Church in Tallahassee

*Following additional numbers are for telephone support: Sudden Illness, Sheila at 385-1251; AIDS, Suicide, or Homicide, Agnes at 942-6354; Automobile Accident, Janice at 894-0803 and Becky at 509-3303

2198 N Meridian Rd

Tallahassee, FL 32303

(877) 969-0010

tcfot@yahoo.com

<https://sites.google.com/site/thecompassionatefriendsoftlh/>

Mental Health Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Critical Initiatives in Visual Impairment Project (CIVI)

*Teacher training that addresses the critical shortage of highly qualified personnel; effective practices in braille instruction; and the effective use of residual vision for learning by using low vision devices

325 W Gaines Street, Ste 614

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 245-0475

slewis@fsu.edu

<http://www.careersinblindness.com>

Florida Department of Education Resources

Cystic Fibrosis Foundation

*Information, referrals, and linkage to specialized care and caregivers for cystic fibrosis patients

*Fund-raiser for research and advocacy

8383 Baymeadow Rd, Ste 9

Jacksonville, FL 32256

(800) 344-4823

<http://www.cff.org/Chapters/nfl/>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Medical & Dental Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Daniel Statewide Inpatient Psychiatric Program (SIPP)

*Statewide Inpatient Psychiatric Program (SIPP) serves boys and girls, ages 5-17, needing an increased level of residential care due to emotional and/or behavioral functioning difficulties

*Program (about 180 days or less) designed to assist residents in stabilizing behavior in therapeutic environment while receiving psychotherapeutic interventions

*Suitable for both foster and parent custody children

3725 Belfort Rd

Jacksonville, FL 32216

(904) 296-1055

info@danielkids.org

<http://www.danielkids.org>

Mental Health Resources

Deliver The Dream

*Holds monthly three-day retreats for families experiencing serious illness or crisis, may be child or parent

*May include cancer, autism, mood disorder, spina bifida, MS or other debilitating situation

*Up to 15 families invited to one of the retreat locations to relax, enjoy time together, make new friendships and create support groups with other families dealing with same problem

*May be referred by healthcare partner

3223 NW 10th Terr, Ste 602

Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33309

(888) 687-3732

contact@deliverthedream.org

<http://www.deliverthedream.org>

Recreational Resources & Camps

Dick Howser Center for Childhood Services

*Programs for children ages 6 weeks to 6 years

*Early intervention and therapies for children exhibiting development delays or disabilities, including speech, physical, and occupational therapy

*Early childhood education, school readiness VPK, childcare and preschool for typical peers or siblings, before and after school programs and summer programs

240 Mabry St

Tallahassee, FL 32304

(850) 574-3906

ksineath@goodwillbigbend.com

<http://www.dickhowser.org>

Before & After School Programs

Early Intervention Programs (Birth-3)

Educational Programs & Services

Pre-K Programs (3-5)

Therapy Resources

Disability Rights Florida

*Advocacy for persons with disabilities

*Information and referrals

*Investigates complaints of abuse, neglect and rights violations

*Negotiation and mediation support

*Equal access to public and private venues

2728 Centerview Dr, Ste 102

Tallahassee, FL 32301-5092

(800) 342-0823

info@disabilityrightsflorida.org

<http://www.disabilityrightsflorida.org>

Advocacy

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Legal/Decision Making Options/Guardianship Resources

DISC Village, Adolescent Treatment Center

- *Residential substance dependence treatment center for adolescent males
- *Applicants must be at least 14 years old, be completely detoxed if medically necessary, and be willing to conform to program rules
- *Clinical assessment, treatment planning, case management, individual counseling, group therapy, life skills classes, discharge planning
- *Continuing care after discharge helps clients transition back to living in community
- *Vocational assessment; all clients are enrolled in school or GED classes
- *Referrals to program by parents/guardians, DJJ, or DCF for treatment generally entail a six month commitment and six months of aftercare

2967 Natural Bridge Rd

Tallahassee, FL 32305

(850) 410-2900

discinfo@discvillage.com

<http://www.discvillage.com>

Mental Health Resources

DISC Village, Civil Citation Program

- *Program seeks to divert first time juvenile misdemeanor offenders from Juvenile Justice system through early intervention, counseling, education and other community resources
- *Eligibility is based on current offense, prior delinquency history, law enforcement officer discretion, and willingness of the youth and their parent/guardian to participate
- *Must complete community service hours and can be ordered to complete other sanctions

3333 W Pensacola St, Ste 400

Tallahassee, FL 32304

(850) 575-4025

lsberry@discvillage.com

<http://www.discvillage.com>

Legal/Decision Making Options/Guardianship Resources

Mental Health Resources

DISC Village, Gadsden County Human Services Center

- *Outpatient individual and group substance abuse counseling for adults and juveniles, starting at age 13
- *Will accept pregnant and postpartum women and juveniles as first priority with no wait time
- *2-3 week wait time for adults

305-B W Crawford St

Quincy, FL 32351

(850) 627-3599

discinfo@discvillage.com

<http://www.discvillage.com>

Mental Health Resources

Therapy Resources

DISC Village, Juvenile Outpatient Substance Abuse Program

- *Outpatient substance abuse treatment facility for teens between the ages of 12-18
- *Provides assessment, drug testing, individual and family therapy, family support groups, anger management, case management, random urinalysis, and follow-up care
- *Family involvement required
- *Average length of treatment is 3-5 months
- *Juvenile outpatient services are also available in Wakulla and Gadsden Counties

536 Appleyard Dr

Tallahassee, FL 32304

(850) 575-4025

lsherry@discvillage.com

<http://www.discvillage.com>

Mental Health Resources

Therapy Resources

DISC Village, Wakulla County Human Services Center

- *Outpatient individual and group substance abuse counseling for adults and juveniles
- *Confidential HIV testing available for anyone in the general public

85 High Dr

Crawfordville, FL 32326

(850) 926-2452

discinfo@discvillage.com

<http://www.discvillage.com>

Mental Health Resources

Therapy Resources

Down Syndrome Association of Tallahassee

- *Provide information, education, support and resources to families who have children with Down Syndrome
- *Host social gatherings for support and Down Syndrome Buddy Walk
- *Give financial support to community groups offering resources to individuals with Down Syndrome
- *Provide scholarships to families for education, recreational and medical purposes

2910 Kerry Forest Pkwy, D4-212

Tallahassee, FL 32309

(850) 385-4722

president@dstallahassee.org

<http://www.dsatallahassee.org>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Medical & Dental Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Dyslexia Research Institute, Woodland Hall

- *Assists children, adults and families to better understand learning differences and provide avenues to developing full potential
- *Offers educational counseling, diagnostic testing, tutorial services, parent workshops, adult support group, tutoring of adults
- *Operates full-time school (Woodland Hall Academy) and summer school
- *No student uses medication to control AD/HD

5246 Centerville Rd
Tallahassee, FL 32309
(850) 893-2216

DRI@dyslexia-add.org
<http://www.dyslexia-add.org>

Disability Specific Programs & Services
Educational Programs & Services
Tutoring Resources

Early Learning Coalition of the Big Bend

- *Child Care Resource and Referral: names and addresses available on-line and by phone
- *School Readiness: guidelines for and help with qualifying for child care financial assistance
- *Voluntary Pre-kindergarten: approved list of providers
- *Trained counselors can assist callers in choosing programs that best fit their child's and family's needs

*Gadsden: 233 E Jefferson St, Quincy, 32351, 8am-6pm, M-Th; Jefferson: 1255 W Washington St, Monticello, 32344, 8am-5pm, W; Madison: 309 SW Range Ave, Madison, 32340, 8am-6pm, M, W; Taylor, 318 N Clark St, Perry, 32347, 8am-5:30pm, Tu, Th; Liberty and Wakulla, 3278 Crawfordville Hwy, Ste G, Crawfordville, 32327, 8am-6pm, M, Tu, Th;

*Parents can register for VPK here: <https://vpkcp.floridaearlylearning.com/>

1940 N Monroe Street, Ste 70
Tallahassee, FL 32303
(866) 973-9030

dcomer@elcbigbend.org
<http://www.elcbigbend.org>

Before & After School Programs
Educational Programs & Services
Pre-K Programs (3-5)

Educational Interpreters Project (EI)

- *Initiative to improve the skills of K-12 interpreters and transliterators working with students who are deaf or hard of hearing

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Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400
(850) 245-0475

len.roberson@unf.edu
<http://www.interpreterproject.org/>

Florida Department of Education Resources

Epilepsy Association of the Big Bend

- *Sponsors medical services for financially needy persons with seizure disorders
- *Services: physicians visits, diagnostic tests, emergency medications, education, support groups, case management
- *Educational programs for professionals and the public available

1215 Lee Ave, Ste M-4

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(866) 778-4583

epilepsyassoc@epilepsyassoc.org

<http://www.epilepsyassoc.org>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Medical & Dental Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Exceptional Children of Taylor County

- *Support group for parents/guardians with special needs children ranging from physical development, neurological, and behavior disorders
- *Meets at Java Connection, Ellis Rd, Perry Tu, 4pm and W, 9am. Times and days are subject to change.

Confidential Location, Call

Perry, FL 32347

(850) 672-9142

angela@thewalkersonline.com

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/411248775612771/>

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Exceptional Student Education Parent Survey Project

- *Provides support to the Florida Department of Education in meeting the requirements of Indicator 8 of the State Performance Plan

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Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 245-0475

elbaum@miami.edu

http://www.education.miami.edu/organization/organizations_Detail.asp?Organization_ID=124

Florida Department of Education Resources

Exceptional Student Education Tuition Support Project (ESE Tuition Support)

*Financial support to paraprofessionals enrolled in special education pre-service training programs, to ESE teachers earning an endorsement in autism, prekindergarten disabilities or severe/profound disabilities, and to speech-language teachers earning a master's degree in speech/language pathology

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(850) 245-0475

juliannwoods@gmail.com

<http://www.florida-ese.org/tuitionsupport/>

Florida Department of Education Resources

Family Cafe

*Information and referral resource for individuals with disabilities and their families

*Maintains network of state agencies, non-profit organizations and other service providers that serve the disabled

*Organizes annual statewide disabilities networking and information conference

*Produces annual Question and Answer publication that answers questions related to disabilities

519 N Gadsden St

Tallahassee, FL 32301

(850) 224-4670

info@familycafe.net

<http://www.familycafe.net>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Florida Department of Education Resources

Family Care Council Florida, Area 2

*Advocates for individuals with specific intellectual/physical disabilities: mental retardation, spina bifida, autism, cerebral palsy, Down Syndrome, and Prader-Willi Syndrome working with Agency for Persons With Disabilities

*Gives self-advocates a voice in policies and decisions

4030 Esplanade Way, Ste 280

Tallahassee, FL 32399

(850) 487-1992

familycarecounciltally@gmail.com

<http://www.fccflorida.org>

Advocacy

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Family Health Line

- *Supportive counseling, information and referrals: family planning, pregnancy, infants and toddlers
- *Assist with substance abuse concerns related to pregnancy, including referrals to treatment centers that accept pregnant women
- *Primarily refers callers to low-cost prenatal or pediatric medical care and directs callers toward various financial resources: Medicaid, WIC, Food Stamps and the TANF Program
- *Follow-up services offered to ensure callers receive appropriate assistance
- *Free packet of information with educational materials regarding family planning, pregnancy, infants and toddlers available upon request in English or Spanish

PO Box 10950

Tallahassee, FL 32302-2950

(800) 451-2229

familyhealth@211bigbend.org

<http://www.211bigbend.org>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Family Network on Disabilities of Florida (FND)

- *National network for individuals of all ages at-risk, have disabilities or special needs, their families, concerned citizens and professionals in the field
- *Family network for ages birth to 26 years
- *Health information for Florida families, Family STAR (Support, Training, Assistance and Resources) funded by HHS to help families make informed decisions about their children's health
- *Assist with trusts for future care of children
- *Sponsors Jan La Belle Scholarship Program to provide a financial resource to individuals with disabilities who desire to pursue their personal and career goals through attendance at a postsecondary institution

2196 Main St, Ste K

Dunedin, FL 34698

(800) 825-5736

fnd@fndusa.org

<http://www.fndusa.org>

Advocacy

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

FAMU, Center for Disability Access and Resources (CeDAR)

- *Works with faculty and staff to provide academic support services and accommodations both in and out of the classroom
- *Primary advocate for students with disabilities
- *Educates students with disabilities about their legal rights and responsibilities
- *Promotes self-determination so that all students with disabilities have equal access to educational opportunities and achieving their academic and personal goals

Florida A & M University

Tallahassee, FL 32307

(850) 599-3180

cedar@famu.edu

<http://www.famu.edu/cedar>

Educational Programs & Services

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

FDLRS (Florida Diagnostic and Learning Resources System), Associate Centers

- *Provide diagnostic and instructional support services to district exceptional student education programs and families of students with exceptionalities statewide

325 W Gaines Street, Ste 614

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 245-0475

Anne.Glass@fldoe.org

<http://www.fdlrs.org>

Florida Department of Education Resources

FDLRS, Miccosukee Associate Center

- *Child Find assists in locating, identifying, and obtaining services for children birth-21 years with developmental delays, suspected delays, and/or special learning needs
- *Provides information and assistance to parents
- *Provides diagnostic and instruction support to schools for appropriate educational programs

3955 W Pensacola St

Tallahassee, FL 32304

(850) 487-2630

mcraec@leonschools.net

<http://www.fdlrs.leon.k12.fl.us/>

Assistive Technology

Early Intervention Programs (Birth-3)

Educational Programs & Services

Evaluation Services

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

FDLRS, Multidisciplinary Educational Service Centers (MDC)

*Network of five regional Multidisciplinary Educational Services Centers provide multidisciplinary diagnostic evaluations for pre-school and school-aged children with complex academic, medical, emotional and/or behavioral need

*Provides technical assistance and consultation services to families, school and community agencies and pre-service and in-service training

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<http://www.fdlrs.org>

Florida Department of Education Resources

Federation of Families of Florida

*Community level coalition and training for social, emotional, developmental and behavioral wellbeing of young children and their families in the Gadsden and Leon County area

*Provides parent support groups, educational opportunities for parents and caregivers and direct support for parents with children in any aspect including IEP (Individualized Education Programs) support, resource linking and peer mentorship

*Grass roots organization that is run by parents and youth for parents and youth

Confidential Location, Call

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 570-0413

Jill@flfamilies.net

Mental Health Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

First Baptist Church, English/ASL Language Instruction

*Offers the following courses: 1) Prepare for TOEFL (Test of English as Foreign Language); 2) Conversational English for Internationals; 3) Citizenship classes

*Free beginner American Sign Language instruction: Su afternoons. Each student will need to purchase a copy of "A Basic Course in American Sign Language" by Humphries, Padden, and O'Rourke.

108 W College Ave

Tallahassee, FL 32301

(850) 222-5470

marty@fbctlh.org

<http://www.fbctlh.org>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Educational Programs & Services

FL DCF, ESS/ACCESS, Gadsden/Liberty/Jackson/Calhoun

- *Public assistance benefits for persons meeting eligibility guidelines: SNAP (Food Stamps), Temporary cash assistance (TCA, TANF), Medicaid for health care
- *Medicaid Share of Cost (aka Medically Needy) for financial assistance to certain low-income individuals and families not qualifying for Medicaid, but unable to pay medical bills; recipients required to pay a portion of medical bills each month before financial assistance available
- *Florida Kidcare, health insurance for children at low cost; adults who are former foster youth may be eligible for Medicaid under ACA up to age 26
- *Apply either on the web site, a DCF Access Florida office, or a DCF Community Partner site
- *After applying, persons can provide or receive important information about their account, either by the website or phone
- *Temporary Medicaid card printable from website

6 S Key St

Quincy, FL 32351

(866) 762-2237

<http://www.myflorida.com/accessflorida>

Medical & Dental Resources

FL DCF, ESS/ACCESS, Jefferson Community Partner Site

- *Office is a DCF, Community Partner Site, and provides all the same services as any other DCF, Access Florida office
- *Public assistance benefits for persons meeting eligibility guidelines: SNAP (Food Stamps), Temporary cash assistance (TCA, TANF), Medicaid for health care
- *Medicaid Share of Cost (aka Medically Needy) for financial assistance to certain low-income individuals and families not qualifying for Medicaid, but unable to pay medical bills; recipients required to pay a portion of medical bills each month before financial assistance available
- *Florida Kidcare, health insurance for children at low cost; adults who are former foster youth may be eligible for Medicaid under ACA up to age 26
- *Apply either on the web site, a DCF Access Florida office, or a DCF Community Partner site
- *After applying, persons can provide or receive important information about their account, either by the website or phone
- *Temporary Medicaid card printable from website

2729 W Washington Hwy

Monticello, FL 32344

(866) 762-2237

<http://www.myflorida.com/accessflorida>

Medical & Dental Resources

FL DCF, ESS/ACCESS, Leon Community Partner Site

*Office is a DCF, Community Partner Site, and provides all the same services as any other DCF, Access Florida office

*Public assistance benefits for persons meeting eligibility guidelines: SNAP (Food Stamps), Temporary cash assistance (TCA, TANF), Medicaid for health care

*Medicaid Share of Cost (aka Medically Needy) for financial assistance to certain low-income individuals and families not qualifying for Medicaid, but unable to pay medical bills; recipients required to pay a portion of medical bills each month before financial assistance available

*Florida Kidcare, health insurance for children at low cost; adults who are former foster youth may be eligible for Medicaid under ACA up to age 26

*Apply either on the web site, a DCF Access Florida office, or a DCF Community Partner site

*After applying, persons can provide or receive important information about their account, either by the website or phone

*Temporary Medicaid card printable from website

1707 S Gadsden St

Tallahassee, FL 32301

(866) 762-2237

<http://www.myflorida.com/accessflorida>

Medical & Dental Resources

FL DCF, ESS/ACCESS, Leon/Wakulla Counties

*Office located at 2810 Sharer Rd, Unit 24 (next to Movies 8)

*Will serve persons from Leon, Wakulla, Gadsden, and Jefferson Counties

*Public assistance benefits for persons meeting eligibility guidelines: SNAP (Food Stamps), Temporary cash assistance (TCA, TANF), Medicaid for health care

*Medicaid Share of Cost (aka Medically Needy) for financial assistance to certain low-income individuals and families not qualifying for Medicaid, but unable to pay medical bills; recipients required to pay a portion of medical bills each month before financial assistance available

*Florida Kidcare, health insurance for children at low cost; adults who are former foster youth may be eligible for Medicaid under ACA up to age 26

*Apply either on the web site, a DCF Access Florida office, or a DCF Community Partner site

*After applying, persons can provide or receive important information about their account, either by the website or phone

*Temporary Medicaid card printable from website

2810 Sharer Road, Unit 24

Tallahassee, FL 32399

(866) 762-2237

<http://www.myflorida.com/accessflorida>

Medical & Dental Resources

FL DCF, ESS/ACCESS, Taylor Community Partner Sites

*DCF, Access Florida case worker assists people in applying for DCF benefits at the Taylor County Public Library on Tuesdays, 9am-4pm, and at the Suwannee River Economic Council on Thursdays, 9am-4pm

*Call site to confirm date and time before going

*Public assistance benefits for persons meeting eligibility guidelines: SNAP (Food Stamps), Temporary cash assistance (TCA, TANF), Medicaid for health care

*Medicaid Share of Cost (aka Medically Needy) for financial assistance to certain low-income individuals and families not qualifying for Medicaid, but unable to pay medical bills; recipients required to pay a portion of medical bills each month before financial assistance available

*Florida Kidcare, health insurance for children at low cost; adults who are former foster youth may be eligible for Medicaid under ACA up to age 26

*Apply either on the web site, a DCF Access Florida office, or a DCF Community Partner site

*After applying, persons can provide or receive important information about their account, either by the website or phone

*Temporary Medicaid card printable from website

403 N Washington St

Perry, FL 32347

(866) 762-2237

Heather_Austin@dcf.state.fl.us

<http://www.myflorida.com/accessflorida>

Medical & Dental Resources

FL DOE, BEESS Resource & Information Center

*Information for exceptional student education: early intervention, student services, behavior management, juvenile justice education and other alternative programs

*Call or see website: www.fldoe.org/ese/clehome.asp

325 W Gaines St, Rm 614

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 245-0477

BRIC@fldoe.org

<http://www.fldoe.org/ese/clehome.asp>

Educational Programs & Services

FL DOE, Bureau of Braille and Talking Book Library Services

- *Information and reading materials for Florida residents unable to use standard print because of visual, physical, or reading disability
- *Reading materials sent to and from customers via postage-free mail; services provided at no charge
- *Currently more than two million books in Braille and recorded formats available for loan
- *Materials in Spanish available
- *Alternate method available through Braille and Audible Reading Download (BARD)
- *Call or apply on-line and place requests electronically

421 Platt St
Daytona Beach, FL 32114-2804
(800) 226-6075

susan.roberts@dbf.fldoe.org
<http://dbf.myflorida.com/library>

Assistive Technology
Disability Specific Programs & Services
Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

FL DOE, Division of Blind Services, District 2

- *Services for legally blind persons, or those with an illness which could cause blindness
- *Children birth to 5: parent education, counseling, mobility training, social, sensory and cognitive development
- *School age children: family counseling, case management, educational experience and information
- *Youth at least 14: school to work programs involving daily living skills, self advocacy, and work experience
- *Adults (16-65): rehabilitation, counseling, medical assistance, vocational rehabilitation and job placement
- *Seniors (65+): diagnosis, non-vocational rehabilitation, counseling and daily living skills training
- *Some services based on economic need
- *Braille and Talking Book Library services available
- *Referrals to community services when available

1320 Executive Center Dr
Tallahassee, FL 32399
(800) 672-7038

ana.saintfort@dbf.doe.state.fl.us
<http://dbf.myflorida.com>

Disability Specific Programs & Services
Mental Health Resources
Vocational & Young Adult Programs

FL DOE, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, Area 1

- *Serves persons with physical or mental disabilities that interfere with their ability to work
- *Prepares clients for employment by offering: medical, psychological and work evaluation assessment; follow-up and assistance with accommodations; counseling, guidance, career planning, job coaching, and assistive technology; limited on-the-job training, post-secondary education at colleges, universities, technical and vocational schools
- *Toll-free number can provide referrals to vocational rehabilitation offices anywhere in Florida

1320 Executive Center Dr, Atkins Bldg, Ste 200

Tallahassee, FL 32301-5011

(800) 451-4327

allison.gill@vr.fldoe.org

<http://www.rehabworks.org>

Mental Health Resources

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

FL DOE, Florida Virtual Campus

- *Support for distance learners and institutions offering online courses and degrees
 - *Online academic advising services to help students identify requirements of chosen degree
 - *Variety of tools used by staff at college and university libraries to provide services to students and faculties
 - *Online access to library holdings of all Florida public colleges and universities, including electronic resources: full-text journals, databases, and eBooks
 - Support and training for college and university students and staff using the services of FLVC
- Other offices: Gainesville, 5830 NW 39th Ave, 32606; Tampa, 3702 Spectrum BL, UTC 135-A, 33612

1753 W Paul Dirac Dr

Tallahassee, FL 32310

(852) 922-6044

<http://www.flvc.org>

Educational Programs & Services

FL DOE, McKay Scholarships

- *Parents of students with disabilities may apply for scholarship to send child to best educational setting, public or private
- *Eligibility requirements: individual education plan in place, attended public school or FL School for the Deaf and the Blind previously, had specialize instructional services under VPK, or be dependent child of US Armed Forces member transferred to FL due to permanent change of station orders (see web site for specifics on eligibility)

325 W Gaines St, Ste 1044

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(800) 447-1636

<http://www.floridaschoolchoice.org>

Educational Programs & Services

FL DOH, Brain & Spinal Cord Injury Program

*Case management, rehabilitation, transitional living, assistive technology, home and vehicle modifications, and resource referral services for those with or affected by brain or spinal cord injuries

4052 Bald Cypress Way

Tallahassee, FL 32399

(850) 245-4444

health@flhealth.gov

<http://www.floridahealth.gov/diseases-and-conditions/brain-and-spinal-cord-injuries/index.html>

Assistive Technology

Disability Specific Programs & Services

FL DOH, Brain & Spinal Cord Injury Registry

*Provides all eligible residents who sustain a traumatic brain or spinal cord injury the opportunity to obtain the necessary services that will enable them to return to an appropriate level of functioning

4052 Bald Cypress Way

Tallahassee, FL 32399

(800) 342-0778

health@flhealth.gov

<http://www.floridahealth.gov/diseases-and-conditions/brain-and-spinal-cord-injuries/index.html>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

FL DOH, Gadsden, General Health Services

*School physicals, screening for vision, hearing and diabetes, birth and death certificates, smoking cessation, environmental health services

*Community Nurse Program: outreach connecting people without a medical home or insurance to referrals for services available in county

*Dental care for children and adults at Quincy and Chattahoochee locations

*Chattahoochee office location: 680 Maple Street, Chattahoochee. Gretna office location:

14678 Main St, Gretna

278 Dr LaSalle Leffall Dr

Quincy, FL 32351

(850) 875-7200

aaron_kissler@doh.state.fl.us

<http://www.gadsdenhealth.org>

Medical & Dental Resources

FL DOH, Gadsden, Maternal/Infant Services

*Pregnancy testing, Presumptive Eligibility for Pregnant Women Medicaid (PEPW), prenatal care, WIC, family planning (birth control)

*Pregnant women may apply for PEPW at the CHD, even if planning to receive prenatal care elsewhere

*Pediatric services restricted to immunizations (free) and well-baby check up at 2 weeks

*Will serve Gadsden and Leon Counties

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Quincy, FL 32351

(850) 875-7200

<http://www.gadsdenhealth.org>

Medical & Dental Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

FL DOH, Gadsden, School Health Services

*Elementary and Middle school services: first aid, medication administration, screenings, dental services, reduce risk-taking behaviors, violence and injury prevention

*High school services: first aid, medication administration, screenings for HIV and STD's, family planning services, job placement assistance, nutrition education, mental health counseling, parent classes, adult education for parents

*Some services and programs require parental consent

278 Dr LaSalle Leffall Dr

Quincy, FL 32351

(850) 251-7085

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<http://www.gadsdenhealth.org/Schoolhealth.htm>

Mental Health Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

FL DOH, Jefferson, General Health Services

*General medical care, school physicals, immunizations for children and adults, birth and death certificates, prescription assistance program, smoking cessation, environmental health services

*Dental care for Medicaid eligible children ages 2-20

1255 W Washington St

Monticello, FL 32344

(850) 342-0170

jeffersonchd@doh.state.fl.us

<http://www.healthyjefferson.org>

Medical & Dental Resources

FL DOH, Jefferson, Maternal/Infant Services

- *Pregnancy testing, prenatal care, WIC, family planning (birth control)
- *Does not offer Presumptive Eligibility for Medicaid (PEPW), but will help pregnant women apply for Medicaid if they plan to get their prenatal care there.
- *Pediatric services include immunizations (free), well-baby care, and pediatric care for ages 3 and older
- *Childbirth education and pregnancy support group open to anyone

1255 W Washington St
Monticello, FL 32344
(850) 342-0170

jeffersonchd@doh.state.fl.us
<http://www.healthyjefferson.org/>

Medical & Dental Resources
Parent Information, Training & Support Group

FL DOH, Jefferson, WIC

- *Women, Infants, and Children nutrition program
- *Supplementary food program for pregnant women, nursing mothers, infants, and children up to age 5
- *Nutrition counseling
- *Breastfeeding support and consultation

1255 W Washington St
Monticello, FL 32344
(800) 416-4123

jeffersonchd@doh.state.fl.us
<http://www.healthyjefferson.org/>

Medical & Dental Resources

FL DOH, Leon, Center for Dental Care and Prevention

- *Pediatric and prenatal dental clinic, treating children ages 5 to 20, and pregnant women enrolled in Healthy Start program
- *Services: emergency care, exams, x-rays, preventative dental education, cleanings, fluoride treatments, sealants, fillings, and extractions
- *Dental health presentations available to schools and community
- *Brush for Baby program provides pregnant women enrolled in Healthy Start program with free dental appointments and home dental care kits

912 Railroad Ave
Tallahassee, FL 32310
(850) 606-8400

<http://www.co.leon.fl.us/lchd/index.asp>

Medical & Dental Resources

FL DOH, Leon, General Health Services

- *Diabetes screening and insulin program
- *Birth and death certificates
- *Smoking cessation
- *Nursing Assessment for Communicable Diseases
- *Environmental Health
- *Four locations; call to find out which location offers needed services
- *The "Molar Express" Pediatric Dental Clinic is located at 912 Railroad Ave.

872 W Orange Ave
Tallahassee, FL 32304
(850) 606-8150

<http://www.co.leon.fl.us/lcphu>

Medical & Dental Resources

FL DOH, Leon, Maternal/Infant Services

- *Pregnancy testing, screening for pregnancy Medicaid (PEPW), WIC, family planning (birth control)
- *Does not provide prenatal care; pregnant women referred to local doctors and clinics that either accept Medicaid or offer a sliding scale fee or payment plan
- *Infant and child immunizations; no pediatric care
- *Other location: 872 W Orange Ave, 32310

1515 Old Bainbridge Rd
Tallahassee, FL 32303
(850) 606-8050

<http://www.leoncountyfl.gov/lchd>

Medical & Dental Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

FL DOH, Leon, WIC

- *Women, Infants, and Children nutrition program
- *Supplementary food program for pregnant women, nursing mothers, infants, and children up to age 5
- *Nutrition counseling
- *Breastfeeding support and consultation
- *WIC also offered at other locations in Leon County; call for information

1515 Old Bainbridge Rd
Tallahassee, FL 32303
(800) 416-4123

<http://www.co.leon.fl.us/lcphu>

Medical & Dental Resources

FL DOH, Taylor, Dental Clinic

*Dental clinic treating children age 1 to 20 years and pregnant women of any age enrolled in the Healthy Start program, as well as pregnant women of any age receiving prenatal care at the CHD

1215 N Peacock Ave

Perry, FL 32347

(850) 584-5087

<http://www.doh.state.fl.us/chdTaylor>

Medical & Dental Resources

FL DOH, Taylor, General Health Services

*Birth and death certificates, smoking cessation, environmental health services, immunizations for all ages

*No general medical care

1215 N Peacock Ave

Perry, FL 32347

(850) 584-5087

Patricia_Buhler@doh.state.fl.us

<http://www.doh.state.fl.us/chdtaylor>

Medical & Dental Resources

FL DOH, Taylor, Maternal/Infant Services

*Pregnancy testing, financial screening including PEPW, prenatal care, WIC, family planning

*Pregnant women may apply for PEPW even if planning to receive prenatal care elsewhere

*Pediatric services consist of immunizations and limited well-baby care

*Childbirth Education classes available to anyone in the community

1215 N Peacock Ave

Perry, FL 32347

(850) 584-5087

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<http://www.doh.state.fl.us/chdtaylor>

Medical & Dental Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

FL DOH, Taylor, WIC

- *Women, Infants, and Children nutrition program
- *Supplementary food program for pregnant women, nursing mothers, infants, and children up to age 5
- *Nutrition counseling
- *Breastfeeding support and consultation
- *Car seats are available for a fee of \$10 to individuals that qualify and attend a car seat safety program

1215 N Peacock Ave

Perry, FL 32347

(800) 416-4123

Holly_Kirsch@doh.state.fl.us

<http://www.doh.state.fl.us/chdtaylor>

Medical & Dental Resources

FL DOH, Wakulla, General Health Services

- *Free childhood immunizations, low cost adult immunizations, and women's health care
- *Diabetes screening, smoking cessation help, tuberculosis screening and treatment
- *Dental services for children up to age 20 for which Medicaid is accepted
- *Environmental health services including animal bites and mosquito control
- *Vital records office for birth and death certificates

48 Oak St

Crawfordville, FL 32327

(850) 926-0400

Sherry_Bramblett@doh.state.fl.us

<http://www.mywchd.com>

Medical & Dental Resources

FL DOH, Wakulla, Maternal/Infant Services

- *Pregnancy testing, PEPW, prenatal care, WIC, family planning
- *Pregnant women may apply for PEPW at the CHD even if seeking prenatal care elsewhere
- *Pregnant women not Medicaid eligible are offered a sliding scale fee
- *Pediatric care is limited to free immunizations
- *Free childbirth education, car seat installation and parenting support group

48 Oak St

Crawfordville, FL 32327

(850) 926-0400

Sherry_Bramblett@doh.state.fl.us

<http://www.mywchd.com>

Medical & Dental Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

FL DOH, Wakulla, WIC

*Women, Infants, and Children nutrition program

*Supplementary food program for pregnant women, nursing mothers, infants, and children up to age 5

*Nutrition counseling

*Breastfeeding support and consultation

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<http://www.mywchd.com>

Medical & Dental Resources

FL DOR, Child Support Program

*Assistance in locating missing parents, establishing legal paternity, obtaining and enforcing child support and medical support orders, making payments and most other aspects of child support

*Program cooperates with other states and countries when needed

*Web site offers further information and self-service access for program customers

1208 Hays St

Tallahassee, FL 32301

(877) 769-0251

<http://www.myflorida.com/dor/childsupport>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Legal/Decision Making Options/Guardianship Resources

Florida Abuse Hotline, DCF

*Centralized hotline responsible for receiving reports alleging abuse, neglect and/or exploitation of children under 18, the elderly, or disabled, institutionalized or vulnerable adults as mandated in Chapters 39 and 415 of the Florida Statutes

*Call-takers assess information and take reports when warranted 24/7

*Reports transmitted to DCF staff in local counties for investigation

*Any person who knows or has reasonable cause to suspect that a child under 18, aged person, disabled or institutionalized adult is abused, neglected, or exploited is mandated by Chapter 415 of the Florida Statutes to report such information to the Florida Abuse Hotline

Confidential Location, Call

Tallahassee, FL 32399

(800) 962-2873

<http://www.myflfamilies.com>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Florida Alliance for Assistive Services and Technology, Inc. (FAAST)

- *Promotes access, awareness and advocacy for assistive technology devices along with services for clients with disabilities, family members, caregivers, providers and agencies
- *Offers assistive technology device loan programs; reutilization, refurbishing and recycling of equipment programs
- *Offers skills training and assistance, demonstrations and assessment
- *Provides business loans for Floridians with disabilities

3333 W Pensacola Street, Bldg 100, Ste 140

Tallahassee, FL 32304

(888) 788-9216

faast@faast.org

<http://www.faast.org>

Advocacy

Assistive Technology

Florida APD, Benefits Information Resources Network

- *Assists persons with disabilities to earn money, build assets and still maintain certain benefits
- *Consortium of state agencies who assist disabled workers to more effectively manage their benefits

2639 N Monroe St, Ste 100-B

Tallahassee, FL 32399-2949

(866) 273-2273

Lynne_Daw@apd.state.fl.us

<http://apd.myflorida.com/employment/fbirn.htm>

Legal/Decision Making Options/Guardianship Resources

Florida APD, Northwest Region, Field 1 Office

- *Florida Agency for Persons with Disabilities
- *Assists persons with designated developmental/physical disabilities in living, learning, and working in their communities through local resources and case management
- *Identifies needs for support and services
- *Florida designated disabilities: mental retardation, spina bifida, autism, cerebral palsy, Down Syndrome, and Prader-Willi Syndrome

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(866) 273-2273

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<http://apd.myflorida.com>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Mental Health Resources

Residential Programs, Housing & Respite Care Programs

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Florida Baptist Children's Home, Tallahassee

- *Residential care for school age children through age 18
- *Foster care placement for ages birth to 18
- *Adoption services including counseling and placement
- *Counseling to children and families in the program

8415 Buck Lake Rd
Tallahassee, FL 32317
(850) 878-1458

tallahassee.fl@fbchomes.org
<http://www.fbchomes.org>

Disability Specific Programs & Services
Residential Programs, Housing & Respite Care Programs

Florida Children's Forum

- *TEACH Early Childhood Scholarships for early childhood care educators
- *WAGES provides education-based salary supplements to early childhood teachers working with children ages birth to five
- *Help for enrichment programs for students in high-poverty area schools

2807 Remington Green Circle
Tallahassee, FL 32308
(888) 352-4453

<http://www.fcform.org>
Educational Programs & Services

Florida Cleft Palate-Craniofacial Association, Inc.

- *Association provides education, encourages research, promotes rehabilitation and public interest for children and adults with cleft palate, cleft lip and other craniofacial anomalies
- *Refers parents to partnership of Children's Medical Services and the University of Florida Craniofacial Center
- *Contact information matching families and professionals closest their community
- *Education about care and feeding for children with anomaly

PO Box 1171
Oldsmar, FL 34677
(877) 411-2883

<http://www.floridacleft.org>
Disability Specific Programs & Services
Medical & Dental Resources
Mental Health Resources

Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged

*Information and referral for transportation disadvantaged persons who are unable to obtain their own transportation due to income, disability, age, or other extenuating circumstances

*Also assists consumers with resolving local problems or concerns

*Community Transportation Coordinator Contacts by County may be found by calling or visiting the website

2740 Centerview Dr, Ste 1A

Tallahassee, FL 32301

(800) 983-2435

steven.holmes@dot.state.fl.us

<http://www.dot.state.fl.us/ctd>

Advocacy

Transportation Resources

Florida Developmental Disabilities Council, Inc.

*Provides federal funding for projects to help individuals and families dealing with disabilities statewide

*Projects may be proposed/accepted by individuals, private and government agencies, school districts, and other groups

*Not a direct service provider

124 Marriott Dr, Ste 203

Tallahassee, FL 32301-2981

(888) 488-8633

fddc@fddc.org

<http://www.fddc.org>

Advocacy

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Florida Directory of Early Childhood Services

*Statewide resource and referral system for young children with disabilities and special health care needs

*Provides information about a wide variety of disability and health care services available in communities throughout Florida

*Services include: 1) community services (advocacy, public awareness); 2) counseling (child, family); 3) diagnosis and evaluation (developmental); 4) early intervention services (home instruction, infant stimulation); 5) equipment (medical, mobility aids); 6) medical services (doctors, intensive care); 7) special education (private and public schools); 8) support groups (parent, emotional); 9) support services (home health care, respite care); 10) therapy (physical, speech); 11) training on disability issues (inclusion).

*Calls to the toll free number will be transferred electronically to local Early Steps agencies, Florida Diagnostic Learning Resources System (FDLRS), and Early Learning Coalitions in the caller's local community

2807 Remington Green Circle

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(800) 654-4440

lalong@centraldirectory.org

<http://www.centraldirectory.org/>

Early Intervention Programs (Birth-3)

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Florida Disabled Outdoors Association

*Information and education about therapeutic value of recreation, promoting participation in leisure activities, developing accessible outdoor recreational facilities and programs, and advocating for inclusion in all sports, recreation and leisure opportunities

*Free Recreation Resource Referral Network, www.fdoa.org/rrd, available to everyone allowing searches for accessible inclusive programs and services, products, destinations, and events throughout Florida

*Search counties for specific types of recreation

*RAPAD (Recreational Activity Program for Adults with Disabilities) program for adults in Leon, Wakulla, and Gadsden counties, designed to stimulate and educate persons with disabilities with opportunities in sports, recreation and leisure

*Miracle Sports program provides access to athletics for people of all abilities. Baseball, football, basketball and other games are adapted so that anyone can participate. Games are played at Messer Park in Tallahassee.

2475 Apalachee Pkwy, Ste 205

Tallahassee, FL 32301

(850) 201-2944

info@fdoa.org

<http://www.fdoa.org>

Advocacy

Recreational Resources & Camps

Florida Inclusion Network (FIN)

*Learning opportunities, consultation, information, and support to educators, families, and community members resulting in the inclusion of all students

*Provides information and support for the implementation of inclusive education best practices for educators and parents of disabled children

355 N Monroe St, Ste B

Tallahassee, FL 32301

(888) 232-0421

ssandvoss@contactfin.com

<http://www.floridainclusionnetwork.com>

Advocacy

Florida Department of Education Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Florida Instructional Materials Center for the Visually Impaired (FIMC-VI)

*Statewide resource to assist schools in obtaining specialized materials for students with visual impairments

*Serves students with visual impairments enrolled in Florida's public and private schools and teachers in those schools, both exceptional student educators and regular educators, who work with visually impaired students

4210 West Bay Villa Ave

Tampa, FL 33611

(813) 837-7826

FloridaBrailleChallenge@gmail.com

<http://www.fimcvi.org/>

Assistive Technology

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Educational Programs & Services

Florida KidCare

*Offers affordable, low-cost health insurance for eligible, uninsured children birth through age 18 (coverage ends when child turns 19); payments may be \$15 or \$20 per month; full pay option for eligible households with high incomes or non-citizens

*Covered services: doctor visits, immunizations, dental care, prescriptions, hospital, surgery, vision and hearing care, mental health, preexisting conditions

*Offers several ways for monthly premiums to be paid: child who is a member of a federally recognized America Indian or Alaskan Native tribe may qualify for no-cost

*Four parts: MediKids (ages 1-4), Florida Healthy Kids (ages 5-18), Children's Medical Services Network (CMSN) for children with special health care needs and Medicaid for children; KidCare will determine which program child may be eligible for based on age, family income and any special health care needs

*For more information, visit and apply online at www.floridakidcare.org or call to request an Application

661 E Jefferson St

Tallahassee, FL 32301

(888) 540-5437

<http://www.floridakidcare.org>

Medical & Dental Resources

Florida Network of Youth and Family Services

*Statewide agency provides information and referrals for both children/teens (10 and older) and/or parents who are in crisis

*Serves as information and referral resource for CINS/FINS (Children in Need of Services/Families in Need of Services) and other agencies for families with a child persistently beyond the reasonable and lawful control of parents or guardians

*Refers homeless, runaway and troubled youth to shelters, respite care, and other helping agencies

*Website has a great deal of information related to parents and youth in crisis, such as Parent Options (legal and otherwise) for ungovernable children, and legal rights for youth

*Advocates for agencies which serve homeless, runaway and troubled youth

2850 Pablo Ave

Tallahassee, FL 32308-4211

(850) 922-4324

Info@floridanetwork.org

<http://www.floridanetwork.org>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Therapy Resources

Florida Poison Information Center, Jacksonville

*24-hour poison emergency treatment and information hotline for the public and health care professionals

655 W 8th St, Box C23

Jacksonville, FL 32209

(800) 222-1222

<http://www.fpicjax.org>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Florida Relay Service, 7-1-1

*Communications link for Deaf, Hard of Hearing, Deaf/Blind, or Speech Disabled

*Distributes telephone equipment: volume control telephones that amplify, TTY's, Braille TTY's, voice carry over phones, Large Visual Display, audible ring signalers, tactile ring signalers, and visual ring signalers

*For repair or replacement, contact, FTIRI

*Various numbers used for disability-related equipment that communicates with standard equipment

*Customer Profile/Relay enables AT&T to speed up calling; call Customer Service

1820 E Park Ave, Ste 101

Tallahassee, FL 32301

7-1-1

customercare@ftri.org

<http://www.ftri.org>

Assistive Technology

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Florida School for the Deaf & Blind

- *Pre-school through 12th grade for eligible hearing-impaired and visually-impaired public school students
- *Health care; speech, audiology, mental health, occupational and physical therapies
- *Free tuition for eligible Florida residents
- *Awards standard and special diplomas; prepares graduates for professional careers and trades
- *Over 70% of graduating class continue education at colleges, universities, and technical training centers

207 N San Marco Ave
St Augustine, FL 32084
(800) 344-3732

dayc@fsdb.k12.fl.us

<http://www.fsdb.k12.fl.us>

Disability Specific Programs & Services
Educational Programs & Services

Florida State Elks Association

- *Provides weekly therapy services for children either unable to go to such services or where there is an absence of services
- *23 mobile units cover most of Florida
- *Offers scholarships to college students working to be a therapist
- *Summer camp open to all children, small fee; last week for children of military and veteran parents

24175 SE Hwy 450
Umatilla, FL 32784
(800) 523-1673

<http://www.floridaelks.org>

Disability Specific Programs & Services
Therapy Resources

Florida Therapy Services, Inc.

- *Outpatient mental health services in the Big Bend area and other Florida Panhandle Counties for children, adolescents, and adults of all ages
- *Includes Board Certified Psychiatrists, Licensed Clinical Social Workers, Licensed Mental Health Counselors, and Licensed Marriage and Family Therapists
- *Offers psychiatric services, medication management, therapeutic behavioral services, individual, parent, and family therapy

1834-A Jaclif Ct
Tallahassee, FL 32308
(877) 234-5351

tallahassee@flatherapy.com

<http://www.flatherapy.com>

Mental Health Resources
Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Florida Youth Council

- *Group of youth and emerging leaders (15-30 years old) with disabilities or special health care needs

- *Peer groups geared toward getting young people involved in self-advocacy, peer mentoring, and other activities

- *Offers leadership and participation opportunities for youth, including an Annual Youth Summit, an electronic and print newsletter, and social networking

1332 N Duval St

Tallahassee, FL 32303

(888) 309-2233

abrown@familycafe.net

<http://www.floridayouthcouncil.com>

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Florida's Office of Early Learning

- *Serves entire state of Florida by providing information and referrals to the Early Steps program that covers the caller's county

- *Early Steps is the point of entry for families looking for childcare and school readiness programs including VPK, Pre-K, Head Start, Early Head Start and Subsidized Child Care

- *Trained counselors can assist callers in choosing programs that best fit their child's and family's needs

- *Parents can register for VPK here: <https://vpkcp.floridaearlylearning.com/>

250 Marriott Dr

Tallahassee, FL 32399

(866) 357-3239

ael_comments@ael.myflorida.com

<http://www.floridaearlylearning.com>

Before & After School Programs

Early Intervention Programs (Birth-3)

Educational Programs & Services

Pre-K Programs (3-5)

Florida's Positive Behavior Support Project

- *Provides resources for teaching and learning skills, and focusing on positive behaviors

- *Assists with creating effective intervention plans that will impede problem behaviors, teach new skills, and create support systems for the student

13301 Bruce B Downs Blvd

Tampa, FL 33612

(813) 974-6440

flpbs@fmhi.usf.edu

<http://flpbs.fmhi.usf.edu>

Educational Programs & Services

FSU, Adult Learning Evaluation Center

*Psycho-educational evaluations for college age students and adults with possible learning disability or Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder

*Individual ADHD coaching and academic consultation available

2207 Stone Bldg

Tallahassee, FL 32306-4410

(850) 644-3611

coe-alec@fsu.edu

<http://www.epls.fsu.edu/alec>

Educational Programs & Services

Evaluation Services

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

FSU, Art Therapy Program

*Uses art to explore feelings, manage behavior and addictions, develop social skills, reduce anxiety, and increase self-esteem that improves a client's ability to function or state of well-being

1043 William Johnston Building

Tallahassee, FL 32306

(850) 645-2926

mrosal@fsu.edu

<http://arted.fsu.edu/Programs/Art-Therapy>

Educational Programs & Services

Therapy Resources

FSU, Career Center

*Helps individuals meet career planning and job hunting needs, assisting in career decision-making, exploring information on occupations, majors, and future education

*Job interview preparation, resume writing assistance

*Internships, cooperative education and placement services

*Appointments not necessary, but can be made by calling or visiting the office

*Open to the community, not just FSU students

100 S Woodward Ave

Tallahassee, FL 32306-4162

(850) 644-6431

mhoover@fsu.edu

<http://www.career.fsu.edu>

Educational Programs & Services

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

FSU, Center for Autism and Related Disabilities

*Makes phone/email contacts, home-based consultation, site visits, meetings, links families to community supports, and implements ideas from training sessions

*Eligibility: any age individual with autism, pervasive developmental disorders, autistic-like behavior, dual sensory impairments, and sensory impairments with other handicapping conditions; cannot duplicate services of other state and local agencies

*Provides consults related to autism for schools, vocational programs, and other agencies; professionals in field

*Other locations: Panama City at Liberty Square, 2611-A West 23rd , 32405 and Pensacola at 5190 Bayou Blvd, 32503

1940 N Monroe St, Ste 72

Tallahassee, FL 32303

(800) 769-7926

amy.wetherby@med.fsu.edu

<http://autism.fsu.edu>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Therapy Resources

FSU, Center for Integrating Research and Learning

*Located at National High Magnetic Field Laboratory, supporting educational programming at all levels: K-12, technical, undergraduate, graduate and postdoctoral

*Educational resources and research available for community, teachers, and students

*Student education: internships for exceptional students, summer camps: SciGirls, Energy and mixed gender

*Teachers: research experience, summer outreach, tours, classroom materials, curricula guides, workshops

*Community: tours, open houses, activities

1800 E Paul Dirac Dr

Tallahassee, FL 32310

(850) 644-4707

hughes@magnet.fsu.edu

<http://www.magnet.fsu.edu/education>

Educational Programs & Services

FSU, Center for Reading Research

*Conducts research related to early education, student intervention, student assessment, struggling readers, diagnostic assessment systems, and more

2010 Levy Avenue, Ste 100

Tallahassee, FL 32310

(850) 644-9352

bfoorman@ferr.org

<http://www.fcrr.org/>

Educational Programs & Services

FSU, First Words Project

*Early identification program to screen communication development of children from 9 to 18 months of age

*Focus on developmental language skills, autism spectrum and communication delays

*Individualized evaluations

*Parent and provider assistance and workshops

1940 N Monroe St, Ste 72

Tallahassee, FL 32303

(850) 488-5780

amy.wetherby@med.fsu.edu

<http://firstwords.fsu.edu>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Early Intervention Programs (Birth-3)

Therapy Resources

FSU, Human Sciences Program

*Offers undergraduate and graduate programs in Family and Child Sciences; Nutrition, Food, and Exercise Sciences; and Retail Merchandising and Product Development

*Students may offer some public services through student course work

120 Convocation Way

Tallahassee, FL 32306

(850) 644-1281

<http://www.chs.fsu.edu>

Educational Programs & Services

FSU, Learning Systems Institute

*Conducts research related to improving learning and human performance, on the job, in the classroom, on the field or at home

C4600 University Center

Tallahassee, FL 32306

(850) 644-2570

llang@fsu.edu

<http://www.lsi.fsu.edu>

Educational Programs & Services

FSU, Multidisciplinary Evaluation and Consulting Center

*Serves pre-school and school-aged children who are experiencing severe and/or complex academic, medical, and/or behavioral/emotional problems

*Children are referred by twenty school districts in the Florida Panhandle, Children's Medical Services, and other agencies

*Diagnostic evaluations and therapeutic recommendation are made

715 West Gaines St

Tallahassee, FL 32306

(850) 644-2222

mdcinfo@csu.fsu.edu

<http://csu.fsu.edu/index.php?clickLink=mcenter>

Educational Programs & Services

Evaluation Services

Mental Health Resources

FSU, Psychological and Counseling Services Program

*Offers undergraduate and graduate programs in career counseling, mental health counseling, and school psychology

1114 W Call Street

Tallahassee, FL 32306-4303

(850) 644-4593

<http://www.coe.fsu.edu/Current-Students/Departments/Educational-Psychology-and-Learning->

Educational Programs & Services

Therapy Resources

FSU, Special Education Program

*Offers undergraduate and graduate programs in special education, and for students with exceptionalities

*Advocates and offers information for students with disabilities

G113 Stone Building

Tallahassee, FL 32306-4167

(850) 645-8316

jmcdowell@fsu.edu

<http://www.coe.fsu.edu/Current-Students/Departments/School-of-Teacher-Education->

Educational Programs & Services

FSU, Speech and Hearing Clinic

*Serves children and adults with speech, language, and hearing problems

*Evaluation and therapy are available for articulation disorders, language delay, language learning disorders, stuttering, language differences due to region, ethnic origin, or second language, memory and language disorders related to trauma, voice disorders, disorders of speech and language due to neurological damage or disease, augmentative and alternative communication disorders, rehabilitation after a laryngectomy, hearing testing, hearing aid testing and fitting, habilitation and rehabilitation of hearing impaired

201 W Bloxham, Warren Bldg

Tallahassee, FL 32306

(850) 644-2238

<http://www.fsu.edu>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Evaluation Services

Medical & Dental Resources

Therapy Resources

FSU, Student Disability Resource Center

*Works with faculty and staff to provide academic support services and accommodations both in and out of the classroom

*Primary advocate for students with disabilities

*Educates students with disabilities about their legal rights and responsibilities

*Promotes self-determination so that all students with disabilities have equal access to educational opportunities and achieving their academic and personal goals

874 Traditions Way, 108 SSB

Tallahassee, FL 32306-4167

(850) 644-9566

sdrc@admin.fsu.edu

<http://www.disabilitycenter.fsu.edu/>

Educational Programs & Services

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Gadsden Association Rehabilitation Center, Inc.

*Adult day training and residential services for persons with developmental disabilities; basic adult education and training in social skills, woodshop skills, personal care skills, and community involvement

*Group home residents: personal care and training in everyday living skills

*Community Inclusion Program: companion services to people with developmental disabilities who are living in community

*Supported Employment Training: places persons with disabilities in jobs in the community, providing on-the-job training

1633A High Bridge Rd

Quincy, FL 32351

(850) 627-9058

garc@tds.net

<http://www.gadsdenarc.com>

Residential Programs, Housing & Respite Care Programs

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Gadsden County Schools, Adult and Community Education

*GED preparation and testing

*Educational programs for adults with disabilities

*Career and technical programs including business, welding, automotive services, nail and facial technology, barbering and cosmetology, small engine repair

201 Martin Luther King Jr Blvd

Quincy, FL 32351

(850) 875-8324

rackleyd@gcpsmail.com

<http://www.gti.gcps.k12.fl.us>

Educational Programs & Services

Pre-K Programs (3-5)

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Gadsden County Schools, Exceptional Student Education

*Provides exceptional student education programs for students ages 3-21 who have disabilities and students who are gifted

*Responsible for providing instruction and related services to students who are eligible for the following exceptional student education (ESE) programs:

*Autism Spectrum Disorder, Deaf/Hard of Hearing, Developmentally Delayed, Dual Sensory Impaired (Deaf-Blind), Emotional/Behavioral Disabilities, Gifted, Homebound or Hospitalized, Intellectual Disabilities, Orthopedically Impaired, Other Health Impaired, Specific Learning Disabilities, Speech or Language Impaired, and Visually Impaired

*Persons with need for physical or occupational therapies may be eligible for services

35 Martin Luther King, Jr Blvd

Quincy, FL 32351

(850) 627-9651

thomass@gcpsmail.com

<http://www.gcps.k12.fl.us>

Early Intervention Programs (Birth-3)

Educational Programs & Services

Pre-K Programs (3-5)

Gadsden Woman to Woman

*Outreach maternal child program to assure healthy pregnancies and healthy babies

*Peer support groups for pregnant and parenting women, case management for postpartum women, advocacy, information/referral, nutritional education, and physical health assessment, and short term counseling

*Education on women's health issues for pregnant women, women of childbearing age and mothers of children age birth to 3 years of age.

*Support group sessions include child care and a snack

231 E Jefferson St

Quincy, FL 32351

(850) 875-4959

srdonaldson@centerfortheequity.com

<http://www.centerfortheequity.com>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Girl Scout Council of the Florida Panhandle

- *Informal educational organization and social program for girls under adult leadership
- *Activities are geared to grade levels starting at Daisies (K-1st), Brownies (2nd-3rd), Juniors (4th-5th), Cadettes (6th-8th), Seniors (9th-10th) and Ambassadors (11th-12th) and are designed to help to build confidence, character and courage through decision-making and leadership skills
- *Council serves more than 4,000 girls, and 2,000 adult volunteers in all Panhandle counties: service centers in Panama City at 1515 St Andrews Blvd, 32405 and Pensacola at 4585 Isabella Ingram Dr, 32504

250 Pinewood Dr
Tallahassee, FL 32303
(800) 876-9704

info@gscfp.org

<http://www.gscfp.org>

Recreational Resources & Camps

Goodwill Industries Big Bend, Big Bend Area Stores

- *Stores offer used and recycled clothing, household items, furniture and small appliances at discount prices
- *Used and recycled clothing paid for by the pound in Good Cents Store
- *Accept authorized vouchers for disaster relief
- *Other locations: 2309 Apalachee Pkwy, 32301; Tallahassee Mall, 2578 N Monroe St, 32303; 2729 Capital Circle, NW, 32308; 6810 Thomasville Rd, 32312; 15072 US Hwy 19 S, Thomasville, GA 31792, (229) 226-2465; 1602 Shotwell St, Bainbridge, GA 39819, (229) 246-5035

2551 W Pensacola St
Tallahassee, FL 32304
(850) 576-7145

aspyrison@goodwillbigbend.com

<http://www.goodwillbigbend.com>

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Goodwill Industries Big Bend, Career Training Center

- *Free career development training and life skills classes serving anyone 16 and up; clients do not have to have disabilities or special needs
- *ESOL, adult basic education and GED classes
- *Resume coaching, interviews and clothing choices; job placement; may also assist with clothing once a job is obtained
- *Computer lab offering self-directed courses in Microsoft programs; financial management classes
- *Computer class orientation held every Wednesday, 10am to noon

300 Mabry St
Tallahassee, FL 32304
(800) 770-4922

daustin@goodwillbigbend.com

<http://www.goodwillbigbend.com>

Assistive Technology

Educational Programs & Services

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Grandparents As Parents (GaP)

*Serving Grandparents as Parents (or other family members raising a relative's child regardless of age or income)

*Support groups, educational programs, speakers, family outings, legal services, health screenings, advocacy, information and referral, and social connections to other families in similar situations

1400 N Monroe St

Tallahassee, FL 32312

(850) 891-4027

karen.boebinger@talgov.com

<http://www.talgov.com>

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Griffin Heights Community Center

*Tutoring/homework help (Success Maker reading and math)

*Other extracurricular activities

1010 Basin St

Tallahassee, FL 32304

(850) 224-1314

Tutoring Resources

Guardians ad Litem Program

*Protects rights and advocates for best interests of child involved in dependency court proceeding by recruiting attorneys and other volunteers to serve as guardians ad litem

*Ensures financial, health, educational and social needs being met

1920 Thomasville Rd, Ste 208

Tallahassee, FL 32303

(850) 606-1200

deborah.moore@gal.fl.gov

<http://www.guardianadlitem2.org>

Legal/Decision Making Options/Guardianship Resources

Guardians ad Litem Program, Madison/Taylor Counties

*Protects rights and advocates for best interests of child involved in dependency court proceeding by recruiting attorneys and other volunteers to serve as guardians ad litem

*Ensures financial, health, educational and social needs being met

213 E Howard St

Live Oak, FL 32064

(850) 584-2159

http://guardianadlitem.org/partners_c3.asp#map

Legal/Decision Making Options/Guardianship Resources

Guiding Eyes for the Blind

- *Provides trained guide dogs to be matched with a blind student to become a "guide dog team"
- *Increase a blind person's mobility, independence, and self confidence
- *Also provides dogs that are trained to provide safety for children with autism, to keep them from bolting and to become a therapeutic element in the child's life

611 Granite Springs Rd
Yorktown Heights, NY 10598
(800) 942-0149

admissions@guidingeyes.org
<http://www.guidingeyes.org>

Assistive Technology
Disability Specific Programs & Services

Hadley School for the Blind

- *Distance education school that offers more than 100 free courses in a variety of media formats: braille, large print, audio, and online, according to student's needs
- *Four program areas: high school, family education, adult continuing education and Hadley School for Professional Studies for professionals and paraprofessionals in the visually impaired field
- *One of the largest educators of braille

700 Elm St
Winnetka, IL 60093-2554
(800) 323-4238

info@hadley.edu
<http://www.hadley.edu>

Disability Specific Programs & Services
Educational Programs & Services

Halle Martin Foundation

- *Operation Healthy Kids: educates and supports children and families affected by Autism Spectrum Disorder
- *Operation Parent Rescue: offers emotional support through one-on-one appointments
- *Educational and financial assistance

2295 Pasco St Suite 207
Tallahassee, FL 32310
(850) 294-0592

info@hallemartinfoundation.org
<http://www.hallemartinfoundation.org>

Disability Specific Programs & Services
Mental Health Resources
Parent Information, Training & Support Group
Therapy Resources

Hands and Hearts for Horses

- *Offers activities in both therapeutic riding and hippotherapy
- *Brings together horses, disabled and disadvantaged children and adults, volunteers, and professionals to address impairments, functional limitations and disabilities in persons with special needs
- *Therapeutic riding and/or hippotherapy is appropriate for most people with disabilities including: Autism, Cerebral Palsy, ADD, Muscular Dystrophy, Multiple Sclerosis, Paralysis, Amputations, Down Syndrome and Stress Disorders

3824 Lower Cairo Road

Thomasville, GA 31792

(229) 551-0086

info@handsandheartsforhorses.com

<http://www.handsandheartsforhorses.com>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Therapy Resources

Healing Transitions Creative Counseling for Children & Families

- *Counseling and therapy services focusing on children and teens ages 2 and older: play and art therapy, sex abuse counseling, anger management, adoption and foster care counseling
- *Family therapy, marriage counseling, domestic violence counseling, substance abuse evaluation and counseling, individual counseling
- *Parenting classes; therapeutic visitation, home and school-based services

322 McDaniel St

Tallahassee, FL 32303

(850) 877-4228

contact@healing-transitions.com

<http://www.healing-transitions.com>

Mental Health Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Therapy Resources

Healthy Families, Gadsden, Brehon Institute

- *Community-based, voluntary home visiting program to enable children to grow up healthy, safe, and nurtured
- *Family Support workers offer support, provide information about child growth and development, share positive parenting skills, help parents learn ways to deal with everyday stress, connect families with other community services that might be helpful
- *Referrals accepted: self, Healthy Start, medical providers, community organizations, and others
- *Intensity of services based on family's needs
- *Eligibility: accepted either prenatally or by infant's third month; once in, services available for up to 5 years
- *Some counties require that families live in targeted zip codes to be eligible
- *Specific services offered by Healthy Families may vary by county

20-4 RAM Blvd

Midway, FL 32343

(850) 875-4442

pbanks@brehonfamilyservices.org

<http://www.brehonfamilyservices.org>

Medical & Dental Resources

Healthy Families, Leon, Brehon Institute

- *Community-based, voluntary home visiting program to enable children to grow up healthy, safe, and nurtured
- *Family Support workers offer support, provide information about child growth and development, share positive parenting skills, help parents learn ways to deal with everyday stress, connect families with other community services that might be helpful
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1315 Linda Ann Dr

Tallahassee, FL 32301

(850) 656-7110

pbanks@brehonfamilyservices.org

<http://www.brehonfamilyservices.org>

Medical & Dental Resources

Hear Now

- *Provides eligible low-income individuals with hearing aids, call to discuss eligibility
- *Applicant must have exhausted other available resources and not have means to acquire needed hearing devices
- *After initial phone screening, persons likely to be eligible must pay an application fee of \$125 or \$250 for two hearing aids
- *Accept recycle donated hearing aids

6700 Washington Ave S

Eden Prairie, MN 55344

(800) 328-8602

hearnow@starkey.com

<http://www.starkeyhearingfoundation.org>

Assistive Technology

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Homeschool Classroom

- *Private tutoring/guidance for home-schooled children who need supervision during the day
- *Also tutors public school students after school

2908 Lakeshore Dr

Tallahassee, FL 32312

(850) 329-7684

covington.cynthia@gmail.com

www.tutoringbycynthia.com

Educational Programs & Services

Tutoring Resources

Institute for Small and Rural Districts

- *Provides training and technical assistance to support students with disabilities and their families across a network of 35 small and rural Florida school districts
- *Assistance with Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA 2004) regulations and the Florida State Performance Plan (SPP)

Ft. Clark Middle School

Gainesville, FL 32606

(352) 333-2831

speismrf@gm.sbac.edu

<http://www3.nefec.org/isrd>

Educational Programs & Services

Institute for Small and Rural Districts (ISRD)

*Improves outcomes for students with disabilities in the thirty-four small and rural school districts through staff development, information dissemination, technical assistance, product development, and support for district initiatives

325 W Gaines Street, Ste 614

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 245-0475

speismrf@gm.sbac.edu

<http://www.nefec.org/isrd/>

Florida Department of Education Resources

International OCD Foundation

*Organization made up of people with OCD and related disorders, their families, friends, professional, and others

*Callers may visit web site or call for information about treatment and support groups

*Educates public and professionals about OCD; advocates and lobbies for OCD community and related disorders

*Supports research into causes of, and effective treatments for OCD and related disorders

*Seeks to improve access to resources for people with OCD and their families

18 Tremont St

Boston, MA 02108

(617) 973-5801

info@iocdf.org

<http://www.iocdf.org>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Jefferson County Schools, Adult and Community Education

*GED preparation and testing

*Educational programs for adults with disabilities

575 S Water St

Monticello, FL 32344

(850) 342-0100

sherman.stroman@jeffersonschooldistrict.org

<http://www.jeffersonschooldistrict.org>

Educational Programs & Services

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Jefferson County Schools, Exceptional Student Education

*Provides exceptional student education programs for students ages 3-21 who have disabilities and students who are gifted

*Responsible for providing instruction and related services to students who are eligible for the following exceptional student education (ESE) programs:

*Autism Spectrum Disorder, Deaf/Hard of Hearing, Developmentally Delayed, Dual Sensory Impaired (Deaf-Blind), Emotional/Behavioral Disabilities, Gifted, Homebound or Hospitalized, Intellectual Disabilities, Orthopedically Impaired, Other Health Impaired, Specific Learning Disabilities, Speech or Language Impaired, and Visually Impaired

*Persons with need for physical or occupational therapies may be eligible for services

575 S Water St

Monticello, FL 32344

(850) 342-0100

kay.collins@jeffersonschoolsdistrict.org

<http://www.jeffersonschoolsdistrict.org>

Early Intervention Programs (Birth-3)

Educational Programs & Services

Pre-K Programs (3-5)

Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation

*Provides information about living with Type 1 diabetes

*Questions answered on-line or by phone

*Promotes national fund-raising campaign for search for cure for Type 1 diabetes and its complications

*North Florida Chapter: 9700 Phillips Hwy, Ste 106, Jacksonville, 32256

26 Broadway, 14th Floor

New York, NY 10004

(800) 533-2873

info@jdrf.org

<http://www.jdrf.org>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Kids Get Arthritis Too

*Family education programs on children's arthritis and managing daily life

*Free literature and information

*Finding a pediatric rheumatologist

*Camps, conferences and events

*Funding research

1330 W Peachtree St, Ste 100

Atlanta, GA 30309

(404) 965-7685

ampalmer@arthritis.org

<http://www.arthritis.org>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Medical & Dental Resources

Kids Inc., Early Head Start

*Child development programs along with child care at six centers in Leon, Jefferson and Madison counties serving low income infants and toddlers from 6 weeks to 3 years of age, including children with developmental delays

*Developmental assessment screenings, individualized curriculum

*Dental and medical screenings

*Two meals and snack each day

*Parent education and support services; parents asked to complete a family goal plan

*Family members encouraged to attend parent meetings and volunteer in their child's classroom

*Free services to eligible families, minimal parent fees required for extended care

*Pre-natal services: group socializations

*Male Involvement Program

*Locations: 3 in Tallahassee: Parkway EHS, 1410 E Indianhead Dr, 32301, Budd Bell ELC, 306 Laura Lee Ave, 32301, Brandon's Place @ Lincoln Neighborhood Ctr, 438 W Brevard St, 32301; Jefferson County: 395 E Washington St, Monticello, 32344; 2 in Madison, 500 NW Haynes St, Madison and 1344 SW Grand St, Greenville, 32331

*6 hours of care is paid for; wrap-around care is based on a sliding scale

2326 Centerville Rd

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(850) 414-9800

info@kidsincorporated.org

<http://www.kidsincorporated.org>

Before & After School Programs

Early Intervention Programs (Birth-3)

Medical & Dental Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Lauren's Kids

*Awareness and education related to the prevention of childhood sexual abuse through development of resources and promotion of these resources to school districts and the public

325 W Gaines Street, Ste 614

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 245-0475

Lauren@LaurensKids.org

<http://LaurensKids.org>

Florida Department of Education Resources

Learning Ally, Learning through Listening

*Provides audiobooks, including school textbooks, to the disabled, parents, families, and educators

777 Glades Rd, Bldg 49

Boca Raton, FL 33431

(800) 221-4792

<https://www.learningally.org/state-landing-pages/florida/>

Assistive Technology

Educational Programs & Services

Learning through Listening Project (LtL)

- *Digital audio textbooks and equipment to students who cannot read standard print due to visual, perceptual, physical, or learning disabilities
- *Facilitates support services and training to administrators, teachers, parents, and students on the use of this technology provided by Learning Ally (formerly Recording for the Blind and Dyslexic)

325 W Gaines Street, Ste 614

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 245-0475

gseeley-joose@learningally.com

<http://www.learningally.org/florida/>

Florida Department of Education Resources

Lee's Place Grief and Loss Counseling Program

- *Provides individual and family grief and loss counseling to anyone four years and older, on a sliding scale fee basis
- *Specializes in grief, loss, and trauma such as suicide, death, divorce, abandonment, plus issues regarding foster care children, adoptees, families of incarcerated persons and other life transitions
- *Parents or caretakers are seen before children
- *Support groups are available when 4 or more people request it

216 Lake Ella Dr

Tallahassee, FL 32303

(850) 841-7733

brenda@leesplace.org

<http://www.leesplace.org>

Mental Health Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Legal Services of North Florida, Legal Advice Hotline

- *Offers advice and counsel over phone to eligible callers in areas of law: consumer, public assistance benefits (SSI, SSID, food stamps and TANF), landlord/tenant problems (especially evictions), wills/estates, probate, debt/collections and bankruptcy
- *Family law assistance: abuse, divorce, child custody and support, visitation, paternity, and name change
- *Disaster relief services may be provided to persons who have suffered legal problems as a result of tropical storms
- *No criminal or traffic violation cases handled
- *Calls answered by volunteers; if volunteer is not immediately available, callers should leave a message and will be called back to determine if they are eligible
- *After that, an attorney will call them; following telephone conference, clients may be sent letters confirming advice given, along with written materials pertaining to particular legal problems
- *Tallahassee office serves Leon, Jefferson, Franklin, and Wakulla Counties
- *Additional website address for tax help: www.taxserve.org
- *Will serve military personnel and their families who have been, or are now, or are in process of, going to Iraq or Afghanistan

2119 Delta Blvd
Tallahassee, FL 32303
(850) 385-0029
carolyn@lsnf.org
<http://www.lsnf.org/hotline.htm>
Legal/Decision Making Options/Guardianship Resources

Legal Services of North Florida, Quincy

- *Provides legal services: consumer difficulties, public assistance benefits (SSI, SSID, food stamps and TANF), housing problems (especially evictions and foreclosures), family law in cases of abuse
- *Disaster relief services may be provided to persons who have suffered legal problems including those impacted by the Oil Spill
- *Will help with filing overdue tax returns throughout the year; additional website address for tax help is www.taxserve.org
- *No criminal or traffic violation cases accepted
- *Serves low-income persons in Gadsden, Calhoun, Liberty and Jackson counties

121 N Jackson St
Quincy, FL 32351
(850) 875-9881
paul@lsnf.org
<http://www.lsnf.org>
Legal/Decision Making Options/Guardianship Resources

Legal Services of North Florida, Tallahassee

*Deals with civil cases: consumer problems, public assistance benefits (SSI, SSID, food stamps and TANF), landlord/tenant difficulties (especially evictions), and family law assistance in cases of abuse

*Will help with filing overdue tax returns throughout the year; additional website address for tax help is www.taxserve.org

*No criminal or traffic violation cases accepted

*Disaster relief services may be provided to persons who have suffered legal problems as a result of tropical storms

*Tallahassee office serves Leon, Jefferson, Franklin, and Wakulla Counties

2119 Delta Blvd
Tallahassee, FL 32303
(850) 385-9007

javan@lsnf.org

<http://www.lsnf.org>

Legal/Decision Making Options/Guardianship Resources

Leon Advocacy and Resource Center

*Four primary programs to enable people with developmental disabilities to participate in community life

*Residential: seven group homes with specialized living services and supported living counselors on call 24 hours per day

*Supported Employment: training and assistance to both employee and employer during sustained employment

*Supported Living: training and assistance to live in and maintain a home or apartment of participants' choosing; may include: personal hygiene and grooming skills, household chores, meal preparation, shopping, personal finances, and social and adaptive skills; some participants also receive services of paid roommate (In Home Supports) who provides personal care

*Community Training and Other supports: transportation, companion, community inclusion, and trial competency training

*LARC also works with Leon County Schools' Exceptional Student Education program to provide vocational training so students can find and maintain competitive employment

*Branch in Taylor County serves clients; call LARC office for referral

*Offers Kiwanis Aktion Club program, a service club for people with disabilities

1949 Commonwealth Lane

Tallahassee, FL 32303

(850) 422-0355

info@leonarc.com

<http://www.leonarc.com>

Residential Programs, Housing & Respite Care Programs

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Leon Arms Community Center

*Tutoring/homework help (Success Maker reading and math)

*Other extracurricular activities

2502 B Holton St

Tallahassee, FL 32310

(850) 576-7308

Before & After School Programs

Tutoring Resources

Leon County Office/Intervention & Detention Alternatives

*Probation, Supervised Pre-Trial Release, and Drug and Alcohol Testing

*Various conditions may be imposed, one of which is often community service

*Liaises with State Attorney, Public Defender, law enforcement, and Court

*Reports to Court regarding compliance or non-compliance of individual participants

301 S Monroe St, Rm 441

Tallahassee, FL 32301

(850) 606-5600

HunterW@leoncountyfl.gov

<http://www.leoncountyfl.gov>

Legal/Decision Making Options/Guardianship Resources

Leon County Parks and Recreation

*Responsible for oversight, monitoring, maintenance and coordination of Leon County parks, greenways, community centers, campgrounds, boating facilities, and large environmental areas

*Provides athletic fields for Little League, Pop Warner football and TOP of Florida soccer programs

*Organizes the Challenger League division of Little League baseball for mentally and physically challenged youths; accommodates participants ages 5 through 18 (or through the completion of high school)

2280 Miccosukee Rd

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(850) 606-1470

davisle@leoncountyfl.gov

<http://www.leoncountyfl.gov>

Recreational Resources & Camps

Leon County Public Library, Disabilities Assistance

- *Assistance for persons with disabilities in using library materials
- *For mobility-related disabilities, Main Library and branch libraries are wheelchair accessible and have manual wheelchairs available
- *Bookmobile not wheelchair accessible, but library staff can assist patrons unable to use stairs
- *Assistance also available for people with hearing, speech, or vision impairments
- *Branch Office Numbers: Lake Jackson, (850) 606-2850; Northeast Branch, (850) 606-2800; Eastside Branch, (850) 606-2750; Dr B L Perry, Jr Branch, (850) 606-2950; Fort Braden Branch, (850) 606-2900; Woodville Branch (850) 606-2925

200 W Park Ave
Tallahassee, FL 32301
(850) 606-2665

hohmeisterc@leoncountyfl.gov
<http://www.leoncountylibrary.gov>

Assistive Technology
Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Leon County Schools, Adult and Community Education

- *Classroom programs for persons 16 and older: literacy, GED classes and testing, high school credits for some courses
- *For adults 18 and over: educational programs for disabled and elderly
- *Some courses are available online

283 Trojan Trail
Tallahassee, FL 32311
(850) 922-5343

browningr@leonschools.net
<http://www.ace-leon.org>

Educational Programs & Services
Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Leon County Schools, Dropout Prevention/Alternative Education

- *Improve attendance and academic success for students not fitting in traditional educational settings
- *Individual Academic Improvement Plan for each student
- *Partners: Leon School Volunteers, Partners in Excellent, School to Work, Communities in Schools

2757 W Pensacola St
Tallahassee, FL 32304
(850) 487-7185

hannar@leonschools.net
<http://www.leon.k12.fl.us>

Educational Programs & Services

Leon County Schools, Early Childhood Programs

- *Directs Pre-K Exceptional Student Education for Leon County
- *Directs public Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten program for Leon County
- *Parents may call for names, numbers and addresses of schools offering program
- *Child care center located at program for children 4 weeks to 5 years of age

500 N Appleyard Dr

Tallahassee, FL 32304

(850) 922-2099

fletcher@leonschools.net

<http://www.leon.k12.fl.us>

Before & After School Programs

Educational Programs & Services

Pre-K Programs (3-5)

Leon County Schools, Education for Homeless Children and Youth

- *Provides school enrollment assistance, tutoring, supplies, and referrals for homeless Leon County students in pre-kindergarten through grade 12

3955 West Pensacola St

Tallahassee, FL 32304

(850) 413-0441

hightower@leonschools.net

<http://www.leonschools.net>

Educational Programs & Services

Leon County Schools, Exceptional Student Education

- *Offers specialized educational services for infants, children, and adults with exceptional needs
- *Birth to 3 years, families of infants and very young children may be provided with services of parent-infant teacher to assist parents in meeting needs of child; preschool services may also be provided
- *3 to 5 years, provides developmentally appropriate educational programs at settings such as private child care centers and Leon County schools
- *Kindergarten to grade 12 and Adult and Community Education: provides instruction and related services based on individual needs of students
- *Educational and psychological testing services provided to public school students for purposes of identifying exceptional educational needs as defined by State of Florida: Autism Spectrum Disorder, Deaf/Hard of Hearing, Developmentally Delayed, Dual Sensory Impaired (Deaf-Blind), Emotional/Behavioral Disabilities, Gifted, Homebound or Hospitalized, Intellectual Disabilities, Orthopedically Impaired, Other Health Impaired, Specific Learning Disabilities, Speech or Language Impaired, and Visually Impaired
- *Persons with need for physical or occupational therapies may be eligible for services

2757 W Pensacola St

Tallahassee, FL 32304

(850) 922-2099

fletcher@leonschools.net

<http://www.leonschools.net>

Early Intervention Programs (Birth-3)

Educational Programs & Services

Pre-K Programs (3-5)

Leon County Schools, Gretchen Everhart School

- *Education for students with developmental disabilities ages 3-22
- *Classroom instruction, physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy, vision and hearing resource instruction
- *Early childhood programs for students with developmental delays, 3 to 5 years and early intervention classes for 4 year olds
- *Students participate in the Special Olympics each year

2750 Mission Rd

Tallahassee, FL 32304

(850) 488-5785

floydj@leonschools.net

<http://www2.everhart.leon.k12.fl.us>

Educational Programs & Services

Pre-K Programs (3-5)

Leon County Schools, Hearing Impaired Program

- *Provides educational programming and support services to hearing impaired students in Leon, Gadsden, Madison, Wakulla, Jefferson, and Taylor counties
- *Continuum of services is provided, depending on individual needs, extending from full-time placement in a special class for hearing impaired students to full-time placement in a mainstream class with consultation
- *Special assistance may be provided by a teacher certified in Hearing Disabilities, an audiologist, a speech language pathologist, an interpreter, a note taker, or by the fitting of amplification equipment

2757 W Pensacola St, ESE

Tallahassee, FL 32304

(850) 487-7160

deckertm@leonschools.net

<http://www.es.e.leon.k12.fl.us>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Educational Programs & Services

Leon County Schools, Keys to Exceptional Youth Success

- *Offers high school students with disabilities in the community scholarships for access to academic, vocational or other post-secondary learning opportunities
- *Promotes lifelong learning support, research advocacy and public awareness
- *Student must have documented disability and Individual Education Plan
- *Complete application (on-line) and mail to The Foundation for Leon County Schools, Attn: KEYS Scholarship, Lisa Miller, 2757 W Pensacola St, Tallahassee, FL 32304

2757 W Pensacola St

Tallahassee, FL 32304

(850) 487-7881

<http://www.keysscholarships.org/contactus.htm>

<http://www.keysscholarships.org>

Educational Programs & Services

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Leon County Schools, Leon's Intensive Training for Employment

- *Comprehensive four year career development program for high school exceptional students working toward special diploma
- *Seamless transition to post-school opportunities
- *Preparation for working environment and work ethics training

2757 W Pensacola St, Bldg 9

Tallahassee, FL 32304

(850) 487-7160

lewist@leonschools.net

<http://www.es.e.leon.k12.fl.us>

Educational Programs & Services

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Leon County Schools, Lively Transition Program

- *Vocational education for adults and high school students; assists in exploring career options and transitioning to employment; financial aid

500 N Appleyard Dr

Tallahassee, FL 32304

(850) 487-7560

bloomquistb@leonschools.net

<http://livelytech.com/es/>

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Leon County Schools, Pace Secondary School

- *Serves students with emotional problems who receive individualized educational programming, behavioral diagnostics and treatment
- *Offers parent support, referral services for counseling and other assessments as needed
- *Cooperative effort between Leon County Schools and Apalachee Center for Human Services

3413 Zillah St

Tallahassee, FL 32305

(850) 488-8927

blackwellr@leonschools.net

<http://www.pace.leon.k12.fl.us>

Educational Programs & Services

Leon County Schools, Program for Adults with Disabilities

- *Adult basic education specifically for adults with disabilities
- *Classroom instruction on academic subjects (reading and math)
- *Daily living skills, self-care, socialization, and job readiness
- *No transportation provided by school district

283 Trojan Trail

Tallahassee, FL 32311

(850) 922-5343

browningr@leonschools.net

<http://www.ace-leon.org>

Educational Programs & Services

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Leon County Schools, SAIL High School

- *Innovative magnet school of 300+ students looking for an alternative high school experience
- *Academic classes, dual enrollment college courses, and many creative arts electives, interactive learning, creative expression, and community involvement
- *Any Leon County high school student eligible to apply; enrollment subject to a waiting list process

2006 Jackson Bluff Road

Tallahassee, FL 32304

(850) 488-2468

sail@mail.leon.k12.fl.us

<http://www.sail.leon.k12.fl.us>

Educational Programs & Services

Lighthouse of the Big Bend, Inc.

- *Free early intervention services for children ages birth to 5 and also to persons ages 14 and over who are blind or visually impaired in 11 counties in Big Bend
- *Counseling for clients and families, personal and public advocacy, information and referral, independent living skills training, employment skills, orientation and mobility training, Braille training, assistive technology, and computer training
- *High school students served after school and evening during school year, with a day long program offered during summer

3071 Highland Oaks Terrace

Tallahassee, FL 32301

(888) 827-6033

info@lighthousebigbend.org

<http://www.lighthousebigbend.org>

Assistive Technology

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Early Intervention Programs (Birth-3)

Residential Programs, Housing & Respite Care Programs

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Lively Technical Center

*Vocational education for adults and high school students; assists in exploring career options; financial aid

*Most programs taught on individual basis, enabling students to progress according to abilities, rather than set time line

*Lecture classes, computer-assisted instruction, audio-visual instruction, hands-on learning opportunities, one-on-one instruction, internships, externships, cooperative education/on-the-job training, and apprenticeship training available

*Daytime and evening courses offered; evening courses are limited

500 N Appleyard Dr

Tallahassee, FL 32304

(850) 487-7555

hildebrandtw@leonschools.net

<http://www.livelytech.com>

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Locks of Love

*Non-profit providing hairpieces to children 21 years and younger suffering from any type of medical hair loss

*Custom-fitted hair prosthetics free of charge or on a sliding scale to children whose families meet Board of Directors guidelines

*Accepts donated hair: minimum of 10 inches, bundled in a ponytail or braid, mailed clean and dry with donor's name and address

234 Southern Blvd

West Palm Beach, FL 33405

(888) 896-1588

info@locksoflove.org

<http://www.locksoflove.org>

Assistive Technology

Make-A-Wish Foundation/Central and N Florida/Regional Office

*Attempts to grant wishes of children with life-threatening medical conditions to enrich their lives

1020 N Orlando Ave, Ste 100

Maitland, FL 32751

(407) 622-4673

info@wishcentral.org

<http://www.wishcentral.org>

Recreational Resources & Camps

March of Dimes, Big Bend Division

- *Works to insure healthy birth for every baby and to prevent birth defects and infant mortality
- *Educational materials: prenatal care, birth issues, STD's, AIDS, perinatal substance abuse, prematurity, pre-pregnancy care, nutrition and maternal illness; statistics in Florida (birth weight and pregnancy); referrals regarding birth defects and prematurity

- *Three satellite offices: Big Bend, in Tallahassee; Gateway in Pensacola: 5625 Dixie Dr, Ste 3, 32505 and Gulf Coast in Panama City: 2809 W 15th St, Ste 102

1990 Village Green Way, Ste 3

Tallahassee, FL 32308-1532

(850) 422-3152

lwetherington@marchofdimes.com

<http://www.marchofdimes.com>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Measuring Outcomes for Preschool Children with Disabilities

- *Provides support to the Florida Department of Education in meeting the requirements of Indicator 7 of the State Performance Plan under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act. Indicator 7 relates to outcomes of children ages birth through five who have participated in early intervention and/or preschool special education services

325 W Gaines Street, Ste 614

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 245-0475

elbaum@miami.edu

<http://www.fldoe.org/ese/>

Florida Department of Education Resources

Medicaid Area 2B Field Office, AHCA

- *Lists health care providers accepting Medicaid and Medipass in area

- *Helps navigate Medicaid and Medipass healthcare system (referrals, policies, billing, etc.)

- *Medicaid Options Choice Counseling for new Medicaid enrollees

2727 Mahan Dr, Bldg 2, 3rd Fl, Mail Stop 42

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(800) 248-2243

area2Bmedicaidhelp@ahca.myflorida.com

<http://www.mymedicaid-florida.com>

Medical & Dental Resources

Multiagency Network for Students with Emotional /Behavioral Disabilities (SEDNET)

- *Facilitates the creation of a comprehensive "system of care" for high-risk students and students with emotional/behavioral disabilities and their families

325 W Gaines Street, Ste 614

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 245-0475

kjagus@mail.usf.edu

<http://www.sednetfl.info>

Florida Department of Education Resources

Muscular Dystrophy Association

- *Referrals for diagnosis and medical management for persons with neuro-muscular disorders
- *Orthopedic equipment, wheelchairs, physical and occupational therapy, plus information and referral regarding neuro-muscular disorders, support groups and recreational opportunities
- *One week summer camp for children with muscular dystrophy ages 6-17 offered in various locations

1574-B Village Square Blvd

Tallahassee, FL 32309

(850) 681-6763

LDonoho@mdusa.org

<http://www.mdausa.org>

Assistive Technology

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Recreational Resources & Camps

Therapy Resources

Nar-Anon Family Groups

- *Faith-based 12-step program and group meetings for those who are affected by others' addiction or substance abuse

Confidential Location, Call

(888) 947-8885

naranonflinfo@verizon.net

<http://naranonfl.org>

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Therapy Resources

National Alliance for Hispanic Health Helplines

- *Su Familia: bilingual, toll-free helpline that assists Hispanic families to get basic health information on wide range of topics
- *Offers referrals for callers to local health providers and federally supported programs
- *Hispanic Prenatal Helpline can assist in referring to culturally and linguistically proficient provider in their community
- *Comprehensive bilingual prenatal guide, plus numerous fact sheets on all aspects of prenatal care, available to both consumers and providers

1501 Sixteenth St NW

Washington DC 20036-1401

(866) 783-2645

sufamilia@hispanichealth.org

<http://www.hispanichealth.org>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Medical & Dental Resources

National Alliance on Mental Illness, (NAMI), Florida

- *Advocacy, information and referral, education, support groups and training for families of persons with mentally illness, along with peer training, throughout the state
- *12 week training program teaches family members coping skills for dealing with loved ones with mental illness
- *Lending library offering DVD's and written materials
- *Education and training available for agencies and other interested groups

3333 W Pensacola St, Ste 220

Tallahassee, FL 32304

(850) 671-4445

info@namiflorida.org

<http://www.namiflorida.org>

Advocacy

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Mental Health Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

National Association/Anorexia Nervosa & Associated Disorders

- *Helpline for those struggling with eating disorders, including anorexia, bulimia, and binge-eating
- *Referrals to support groups and health care professionals
- *Education and prevention programs to promote self-acceptance and healthy lifestyles
- *Information about health insurance discrimination and legislation

PO Box 640

Naperville, IL 60566

(630) 577-1330

anadhelp@anad.org

<http://www.anad.org>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Medical & Dental Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

National Center For Missing and Exploited Children

*National and international clearinghouse and resource center for finding missing and exploited children; assists parents, citizens, law enforcement and social service agencies with technical assistance, information and referral

*Call or use web site to report a missing child after contacting law enforcement, child sighting, child pornography or suspected child sexual exploitation or human trafficking involving a child

*Offer ways to protect a child including child ID kits, information about internet predators and sex offenders, Amber Alert and relevant information; brochures available

*Florida parents may call FDLE's Missing Children Information Clearinghouse at (850) 410-8585 or access its web site: www.fdle.state.fl.us

699 Prince St
Alexandria, VA 22314
(800) 843-5678

<http://www.missingkids.com>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

National Down Syndrome Society Helpline

*Information and referral related to Down Syndrome questions and needs, ranging from expectant and new parents through adolescents and adulthood

*Call or visit website

666 Broadway
New York, NY 10012
(800) 221-4602

info@ndss.org

<http://www.ndss.org>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Medical & Dental Resources

National Federation of the Blind, Florida

*Offers information about NFB programs: demonstration center for adaptive technology, scholarships, library, talking digital library for on-line news, children's science camps, Braille literacy and reading clubs, improvement in lives of aging seniors, how family support is vital for young children

*Tracks legislation and advocates

504 S Armenia Ave, Ste 1319B
Tampa, FL 33609
(888) 282-5972

danjhicks@yahoo.Com

<http://www.nfbflorida.org>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Medical & Dental Resources

National HIV/AIDS Perinatal Hotline

*Perinatal HIV Consultation/Referral Service provides free 24-hour clinical consultation and advice on treating HIV-infected pregnant women and their infants, checking indications and interpretations of rapid and standard HIV testing in pregnancy

*Available 24 hours a day to not only answer health care providers questions and help solve emergent perinatal HIV issues, but also to assist clinicians in linking HIV-infected pregnant women and HIV-exposed infants to most appropriate care

*Callers referred to national network of education, training and consultation services available from their regional AIDS Education and Training Centers (AETCs)

1001 Potrero Ave, Bldg 20, Ward 22

San Francisco, CA 94110

(888) 448-8765

rgoldschmidt@nccc.ucsf.edu

http://www.nccc.ucsf.edu/about_nccc/perinatal_hotline/

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Medical & Dental Resources

National Institute Allergy/Infectious Diseases

*Conducts and supports research to understand, treat and prevent allergic, immunologic and infectious diseases

*HIV and other clinical trials available in some areas

*Offers information on many diseases such as those associated with HIV/AIDS and other STDs, asthma and allergies, radiation exposure, genetics and transplants, tropical illness, and minority and women's health

*Data available on drug research and vaccine development

6610 Rockledge Dr, MSC6612

Bethesda, MD 20892-6612

(866) 284-4107

ocpostoffice@niaid.nih.gov

<http://www.niaid.nih.gov>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Medical & Dental Resources

National Institute on Deafness/Other Communication Disorders

*Conducts and supports research on normal and disordered senses of hearing, balance, taste, smell, voice, speech and language

*Health Information and news of clinical studies for individuals, parents, educators, and health care providers

(800) 241-1055

nidcdinfo@nidcd.nih.gov

<http://www.nidcd.nih.gov>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Medical & Dental Resources

National Lead Information Center Hotline

*Provides the general public and professionals with information about lead paint hazards and prevention

*Call to receive a general information packet, to order other documents, or for detailed information or questions

*800-424-LEAD

422 S Clinton Ave

Rochester, NY 14620

(800) 424-5323

epahotline@abvi-goodwill.com

<http://www.epa.gov/lead>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Medical & Dental Resources

National Marrow Donor Program

*Offers patients who do not have suitable family donors a single point of access for all three types of stem cell use in transplantation: marrow, peripheral blood, and umbilical cord blood to combat leukemia, aplastic anemia, and certain immune system and genetic disorders

*Manages large registry of volunteer donors, including more than 42,000 cord blood units; matches donors to patients

*Provides support for patients, physicians and studies for improving outcomes of stem cell transplants and innovative stem cell therapies

3001 Broadway St NE, Ste 100

Minneapolis, MN 55413

(800) 627-7692

cfleming@nmdp.org

<http://www.marrow.org>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Medical & Dental Resources

National Organization for Rare Disorders, Inc.

*NORD: federation of voluntary health organizations dedicated to helping people with rare "orphan" diseases and assisting organizations that serve them

*Committed to identification, treatment, and cure of rare disorders through programs of education, advocacy, research, and service

*Administers medication assistance programs to help uninsured or under-insured individuals in securing life-saving or life-sustaining medications

55 Kenosia Ave

Danbury, CT 06810

(800) 999-6673

orphan@rarediseases.org

<http://www.rarediseases.org>

Medical & Dental Resources

Mental Health Resources

National Parent Helpline

- *Emotional support and problem-solving strategies
- *Connects parents to local resources and services through national database

250 W 1st, Ste 250
Claremont, CA 91711
(855) 427-2736

<http://www.nationalparenthelpline.org>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services
Parent Information, Training & Support Group

National Runaway Safeline/CINS/FINS

- *24-hour hotline counseling for runaway youth or those considering running away, their families and friends; crisis intervention; information and referral; message delivery; conference calls
- *Safe Place locations of local youth service agency or shelter
- *Free bus rides home to qualified youth (12-20 who call the hotline) via Greyhound's Home Free program; conference call and follow-up services to help facilitate the transition
- *Shelters, law enforcement or social service agencies can contact the National Runaway Safe Line to secure services for a child
- *Bullying information and response
- *Information and referral resource for the CINS/FINS (Children in Need of Services/Families in Need of Services) for families with a child habitually truant from school, runs away, or persistently beyond the reasonable and lawful control of parents or guardians
- *Qualified children and families provided: intake and assessment, crisis and general counseling targeted toward family stabilization, networking with other agencies to provide needed services, case management, and temporary shelter when needed; interested callers should ask specifically for the CINS/FINS program

3080 N Lincoln Ave
Chicago, IL 60657
(800) 786-2929

info@1800runaway.org

<http://www.1800runaway.org>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services
Legal/Decision Making Options/Guardianship Resources
Parent Information, Training & Support Group
Residential Programs, Housing & Respite Care Programs
Therapy Resources
Transportation Resources

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline

*24-hour, toll-free, confidential suicide prevention hotline available to anyone in suicidal crisis or emotional distress

*Call is routed to nearest crisis center in national network of more than 140 crisis centers

*National network of local crisis centers provide crisis counseling and mental health referrals day and night

50 Broadway, 19th Floor

New York, NY 10004

(888) 628-9454

jdraper@mhaofnyc.org

<http://www.suicidepreventionlifeline.org>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Therapy Resources

Neighborhood Medical Center

*General medical care for adults and children, immunizations, pregnancy tests, birth control, prenatal care, gynecology, dental care for adults

*Confidential HIV and STD testing

*Mammograms available for patients through a mammogram bus that visits the medical center

*Mental Health Enrichment Program: psychiatric assessments and medication, individual and group counseling, substance abuse counseling and mental health case management

*Specialty care: cardiology, eye care, dermatology, orthopedics, chronic disease management and other services

*Serves low-income, uninsured, underinsured and homeless individuals; in-house low-cost FAMU pharmacy

*Conducts community outreach and health screenings in underserved and non-served areas

*Other branches: Smith-Williams Center, 2295 Pasco St, Tallahassee, 32310, 8:30am-6pm, M, Tu, W, F, 8:30am-8-pm, Th; and Havana, 604 East 5th Ave, 32333, 8:30am-5pm, M-F

438 W Brevard St

Tallahassee, FL 32301

(850) 224-2469

ojones@neighborhoodmedicalcenter.org

<http://www.neighborhoodmedicalcenter.org>

Medical & Dental Resources

Mental Health Resources

Therapy Resources

North Florida Child Development, Wakulla, Madison, Liberty

*Child care resource and referral, Head Start, Volunteer Pre-Kindergarten, and school readiness in Wakulla, Madison, and Liberty Counties

*Disabilities services for children diagnosed as having special needs

*Tuition assistance on sliding scale available for families meeting qualifications

87 Andrew Hargrett St
Crawfordville, FL 32326
(850) 639-5080

smcgill@floridachildren.org

<http://www.floridachildren.org>

Before & After School Programs
Educational Programs & Services
Pre-K Programs (3-5)

North Florida Community College, Student Disability Services

*Works with faculty and staff to provide academic support services and accommodations both in and out of the classroom

*Primary advocate for students with disabilities

*Educates students with disabilities about their legal rights and responsibilities

*Promotes self-determination so that all students with disabilities have equal access to educational opportunities and achieving their academic and personal goals

325 NW Turner Davis Dr
Madison, FL 32340
(850) 973-1683

studentdisabilityservices@nfcc.edu

<http://www.nfcc.edu>

Educational Programs & Services
Vocational & Young Adult Programs

North Florida Medical Centers, Jessie Furlow Med Center

*General family medical care: pediatrics, immunizations, adult care, gynecology, family planning

*Mental health counseling: grief, stress management, depression, anxiety, substance abuse

*HIV, STD, and pregnancy testing available only if the person sees a doctor and becomes an established patient

*Medicare, Medicaid, most insurance accepted; sliding scale discount fees offered based on household income and family size; discount prescription program

*Free diabetes clinics and classes

1249 Strong Rd
Quincy, FL 32353
(850) 875-9500

pendarvis@nfmc.org

<http://www.nfmc.org>

Medical & Dental Resources
Mental Health Resources

North Florida Medical Centers, Taylor Dental Center

*Family dental care

*Accepting Medicaid, most other insurance and offering sliding scale

409 E Ash St

Perry, FL 32347

(850) 223-2578

ppendarvis@nfmc.org

<http://www.nfmc.org>

Medical & Dental Resources

North Florida Medical Centers, Taylor Medical Center

*General family medical care: pediatrics, immunizations, adult care, gynecology, family planning

*HIV, STD, and pregnancy testing available only if the person sees a doctor and becomes an established patient

*Counseling assessment and referral, eligibility assistance

*Medicare, Medicaid, most insurance accepted; sliding scale discount fees offered based on household income and family size; discount prescription program

402 E Ash St

Perry, FL 32348

(850) 838-2030

ppendarvis@nfmc.org

<http://www.nfmc.org>

Medical & Dental Resources

Mental Health Resources

North Florida Medical Centers, Tri-County Family Health Care

*General family medical care: pediatrics, immunizations, adult care, gynecology, family planning

*HIV, STD, and pregnancy testing available only if the person sees a doctor and becomes an established patient

*Mental health counseling: grief, stress management, depression, anxiety, substance abuse

*Medicare, Medicaid, most insurance accepted; sliding scale discount fees offered based on household income and family size; discount prescription program

193 NW US 221

GreenvilleFL32331

(850) 948-2840

ppendarvis@nfmc.org

<http://www.nfmc.org>

Medical & Dental Resources

Mental Health Resources

North Florida Medical Centers, Wakulla Medical Center

*General family medical care: pediatrics, immunizations, adult care, gynecology, family planning

*HIV, STD, and pregnancy testing available only if the person sees a doctor and becomes an established patient

*Mental health counseling: grief, stress management, depression, anxiety, substance abuse

*Medicare, Medicaid, most insurance accepted; sliding scale discount fees offered based on household income and family size; discount prescription program

1328 Coastal Highway

Panacea, FL 32346

(850) 984-4735

ppendarvis@nfmc.org

<http://www.nfmc.org>

Medical & Dental Resources

Mental Health Resources

North Florida Spinal Cord Injury Support Group

*Provides a forum to discuss educational, civic, and social issues for individuals with spinal cord injuries and for those affected by it

1675 Riggins Rd

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(850) 656-4800

elizabeth.barranco@healthsouth.com

<http://www.healthsouthtallahassee.com>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Outreach Services for the Blind/Visually impaired and the Deaf/Hard-of-Hearing (OSBD)

*Support services to school district personnel, parents and families of children who are deaf or hard of hearing, or blind or visually impaired. Services include training, information, referral services, and student assessments.

325 W Gaines Street, Ste 614

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 245-0475

hollingswoc@fsdb.k12.fl.us

http://www.fsdb.k12.fl.us/?page_id=597

Florida Department of Education Resources

PACE Center for Girls, Leon County

- *Drop-out prevention alternative school for girls 11-18
- *Encourages skills to become independent, self-reliant, and economically self-supporting
- *Individual counseling, parent/caretaker involvement, work closely with schools, set individualized goals, and teach life management skills
- *Students volunteer in community
- *3 years of case management monitoring after program completion

1344 Cross Creek Circle

Tallahassee, FL 32301-3677

(850) 241-0241

kelly.otte@pacecenter.org

<http://www.pacecenter.org/leon>

Educational Programs & Services

PACT, Gadsden/Leon Counties

- *Community level coalition and training for social, emotional, developmental and behavioral wellbeing of young children and their families in the Gadsden and Leon County area
- *Brings together the families of young children with the agencies and providers who provide community based services to provide a mental health continuum of care

Confidential Location, Call

(850) 570-0413

JLCJLC69@gmail.com

Mental Health Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

PAEC, Migrant Education Program

- *Identifies migrant families, specifically with school-age children and assists in registering them for school, providing English classes and health screenings before they enter school
- *Assists with meeting basic needs in food, clothing, and social services through referrals to appropriate health and social services
- *Nutrition education, early intervention, tutorial and summer programs for school children, and Interpretation and translation services
- *GED classes Spanish, computer classes, and child care
- *ACCESS Florida Center and Kids Care collaborative partner

315 N Key St

Quincy, FL 32351

(850) 875-3806

pounceym@paec.org

<http://www.paec.org>

Educational Programs & Services

Medical & Dental Resources

Parent to Parent Support Group

*Provides information, educational training, support and emergency assistance to families with students having disabilities and/or special needs

*Other services: advocacy, mentoring by supportive person having same special need, family support training, community referrals

Confidential Location, Call

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(850) 487-7135

heronc@leonschools.net

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Parents Educating Parents in the Community (PEP)

*PEP provides information, training, and support to parents of children with disabilities in select isolated, rural areas of Florida

325 W Gaines Street, Ste 614

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 245-0475

elida@fndfl.org

<http://www.fndfl.org/programs/pep-parents-educating-parents-in-the-community.aspx>

Florida Department of Education Resources

Parents of the Panhandle Information Network

*Provides individuals and families information to have full access to family-driven support, education, information, resources, and advocacy for families in the Florida Panhandle

*Serves families of children with disabilities, ages birth through 26, who have a full range of disabilities

2196 Main St, Ste K

Dunedin, FL 34698

(800) 825-5736

popin@fndfl.org

<http://www.fndfl.org>

Advocacy

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Partners in Communication (PIC)

- *Qualified and certified professional American Sign Language interpreters trained in interpreting with confidentiality, credentialed
- *Reduced rate contracts available for frequent users (monthly or more)
- *Interpreting services for individuals, groups, businesses and agencies
- *24-hour interpreting services for medical and law enforcement needs
- *Sign language instruction; speakers for subjects: The Deaf Culture; ASL; When and How to use interpreters properly; Interpreter Roles and Responsibilities; Codes of Ethics applicable to different settings; ADA consultation

PO Box 15454

Tallahassee, FL 32317-5454

(850) 556-4235

RequestPIC@embarqmail.com

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Partnership for Effective Programs for Students with Autism (PEPSA)

- *The Statewide Centers for Autism and Related Disabilities (CARD) staff join together in partnership with Florida educators to provide training and technical assistance in developing a plan for implementing innovative and effective practices in the school environment

325 W Gaines Street, Ste 614

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 245-0475

dcasella@fmhi.usf.edu

<http://doepartnership.usf.edu/>

Florida Department of Education Resources

Pediatrics Day Health Center

- *Provides day care with skilled nursing for children who are medically challenged
- *Case management, coordination of information between family and physician, caters to specific nutrition, socialization
- *Specialized transportation services

1236 Bountstown Hwy

Tallahassee, FL 32304

(850) 704-3920

npaquette@pediatriakids.com

<http://www.pediatriakids.com>

Before & After School Programs

Personnel Development Support Project (PDSP)

*Technical support for multimedia products, including databases, websites, online courses, and other electronic and print materials that support the implementation of BEESS initiatives. Also provides leadership to the State Personnel Development project through collaboration with state universities and colleges.

325 W Gaines Street, Ste 614

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 245-0475

lezie@fcim.org

<http://www.florida-ese.org/personneldevelopment/index.aspx>

Florida Department of Education Resources

Positive Behavior Support: Multi-tiered System of Supports (PBS: MTSS)

*Committed to building the capacity of school districts so they may better assist schools to develop effective discipline, social skills teaching, and behavior support strategies for all students

*Supports district-wide implementation of an integrated (academic and behavior) data-based problem-solving system supported through technology

325 W Gaines Street, Ste 614

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 245-0475

kincaid@fmhi.usf.edu

<http://flpbs.fmhi.usf.edu>

Florida Department of Education Resources

Prevent Blindness Florida

*Provides awareness for eye health and safety, public policy and adequate funding for initiatives that prevent blindness and preserve sight

*Promotes screenings to identify children with lazy eye and other problems and for older persons threatened by glaucoma and other serious vision problems

*Supports research to find cures for vision defects

800 Second Ave, S, Ste 390

St Petersburg, FL 33701

(813) 874-2020

lbailey@preventblindnessfl.org

<http://www.preventblindnessflorida.org>

Advocacy

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Medical & Dental Resources

Problem Solving & Response to Intervention Project

*Facilitate and inform implementation of a Problem Solving and Response to Intervention (PS/RTI) model in the state

*Training, technical assistance, and support across the state with special education and disabilities instruction

4202 E Fowler Ave

Tampa, FL 33620

(813) 974-9472

batsche@usf.edu

<http://www.floridarti.usf.edu>

Educational Programs & Services

Problem Solving and Response to Intervention State Project (PS/RtI)

*Facilitates the implementation of the problem-solving and response to intervention (PS-RtI) framework to improve academic and behavior outcomes statewide for ALL students, with a particular focus on at-risk general and special education students, and supports the Regional Teams that implement Florida's Differentiated Accountability Plan.

*Works to support district-wide implementation of an integrated (academic/behavior/technology) data-based problem-solving system facilitated through the use of the District Action Planning and Problem-Solving Process.

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Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 245-0475

Batsche@usf.edu

<http://www.floridarti.usf.edu/index.html>

Florida Department of Education Resources

Progressive Pediatric Developmental Center

*Education: enrichment programs; summer camps (3-12); after school programs; intensive instruction in daily living skills; private school specializing in individualized education

*Occupational therapy: motor skills including handwriting; sensory, oral, environmental, play and socialization skills

*Therapies: physical, speech, occupational, art, music

*Child care including infants and toddlers, preschool, VPK

1725 Hermitage Blvd

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(850) 325-6301

Beth@progressivepediatric.org

<http://www.progressivepediatric.org>

Early Intervention Programs (Birth-3)

Educational Programs & Services

Therapy Resources

Project 10: NW Florida, Region 1

*Gateway information network for transition services for youth with disabilities for Northwest Florida

*Helps school districts in providing planning, training, research, and technical assistance for transition services in secondary schools

*Works collaboratively with other agencies, non-profits and families

*Funded by DOE's Bureau of Exceptional Education and Student Services

140 7th Ave S, SVB 108

St Petersburg, FL 33701

(850) 294-8973

tllewis@usfsp.edu

<http://www.project10.info>

Advocacy

Educational Programs & Services

Florida Department of Education Resources

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Pyramid, Inc.

*Unique arts program for adults with developmental disabilities, offering a full range of visual and performing arts, catering to each student's level of ability and interest

*Other courses: computer and literacy training, peer counseling and skill-development classes, physical/nutritional and behavioral assistance

1910 Commonwealth Ln

Tallahassee, FL 32303

(850) 513-1733

myon@pyramidinc.org

<http://www.pyramidinc.org>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Educational Programs & Services

Recreational Resources & Camps

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Refuge House, Domestic Violence and Rape Crisis Programs

*Emergency safe shelters for battered women and children; transitional housing; counseling, support groups and case management; special activities to help children recover; safe shelter services for men individually arranged

*Outreach: individual and group counseling for women and children in shelter and in outreach offices; information and referral to other services needed, support groups for all

*Legal advocacy: PADVI (The Program to Assist with Domestic Violence Injunctions) available in Leon County; explains injunction progress, assists with paperwork, provides court accompaniment, counseling and referrals for legal assistance; located in Leon County Courthouse, Room 336; open M-F 9am-5pm; call 577-4480

*Under agreement with Tallahassee-Leon County Animal Shelter, pets of families entering shelter may be kept at center for two weeks at no charge unless they need vaccinations; should stay need to be longer, each case assessed individually

Confidential Location, Call

Tallahassee, FL 32316

(800) 500-1119

receptionist@refugehouse.com

<http://www.refugehouse.com>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Residential Programs, Housing & Respite Care Programs

Resource Materials and Technology Center for the Deaf/Hard of Hearing (RMTC-D/HH)

*Offers technical assistance regarding screenings and curriculum; policy direction; and advocacy for the parents and teachers of students birth to 22 who are deaf/hard of hearing or blind/visually impaired

207 N San Marco Ave

St Augustine, FL 32084

(800) 344-3732

c.hollingsworth@rmtcosbd.org

<http://rmtcosbd.org/>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Educational Programs & Services

Ronald McDonald House Charities of Tallahassee, Inc.

*"Home Away From Home" for families of children being treated in Tallahassee area medical facilities

*No restrictions, all eligible if child in area medical facility

*Lodging, meals and laundry facilities provided

*Contributions needed and welcome

*Volunteers appreciated

712 E 7th Ave

Tallahassee, FL 32303

(850) 222-1706

kanderson@rmhctallahassee.org

<http://www.rmhctallahassee.org>

Residential Programs, Housing & Respite Care Programs

Rotary Youth Camp, Inc.

*Free summer camp for physically disabled children ages 7-16 located at Camp Wallwood

*Space for 45 campers; staffed 24/7 by 35 counselors and qualified health professionals able to dispense medication, oversee special dietary restrictions, and provide immediate response in medical situations

*Swimming, nature programs, fishing, cooking, archery, tent camping, arts and crafts, photography, astronomy, et al

*Sponsored by Rotary Clubs from Leon, Gadsden, Jefferson, Madison, Taylor, and Wakulla counties

Confidential Location, Call

Quincy, FL 32351

(850) 656-7921

leslie@nfryc.org

<http://www.nfryc.org>

Recreational Resources & Camps

SEDNET 2B

*Multi-agency network for severely emotionally disturbed children, youth, and those at risk of emotional disturbance

*Provides mental health consultation to Department of Children and Families, facilitates the coordination of services across agencies

*Assists parents/caregivers in navigating schools and children's mental health systems

12926 NW CR12

Bristol, FL 32321

(850) 643-2275

teresa.yancey@lcsbonline.org

<http://www.lcsbonline.org/service-grants/sednet-region-2b>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Legal/Decision Making Options/Guardianship Resources

Mental Health Resources

Sickle Cell Foundation, Inc.

- *Sickle cell screenings free of charge
- *Counseling (by appointment) for persons with sickle cell disease
- *Financial assistance for prescription medicines relating to sickle cell
- *Transportation to medical centers
- *Summer camps for children with sickle cell disease
- *Peer Support Group meetings held each month; call for times and locations

1336 Vickers Rd

Tallahassee, FL 32303-3041

(877) 271-9998

sicklecellfoundation@gmail.com

<http://www.sicklecellfoundation.org>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Medical & Dental Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Recreational Resources & Camps

Social Security Administration, Big Bend Area

- *Processes applications for Social Security and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) disability payments
- *Provides assistance with all areas relating to SSA/SSI and processes all requests for original or duplicate Social Security cards
- *Before calling a branch office, call the Toll-Free Information Number
- *Have Social Security Number ready
- *"Ticket to Work" offers employment services to persons with disabilities

2002 Old St Augustine Rd, Bldg B-12

Tallahassee, FL 32301

(800) 772-1213

<http://www.socialsecurity.gov>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Legal/Decision Making Options/Guardianship Resources

Special Olympics Florida, Gadsden County

- *Provides sports training and athletic competition year-round for persons with intellectual or other developmental disabilities, ages 8 and up
- *Coaching and volunteer opportunities available

1915 Don Wickham Dr

Clermont, FL 34711

(850) 264-9901

Recreational Resources & Camps

Special Olympics Florida, Leon County

*Provides sports training and athletic competition year-round for persons with intellectual or other developmental disabilities, ages 8 and up

*Coaching and volunteer opportunities available

2898-1 Mahan Dr

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(850) 597-9265

melbajacobs@specialolympicsleon.org

<http://www.specialolympicsleon.org>

Recreational Resources & Camps

Special Olympics Florida, Taylor County

*Provides sports training and athletic competition year-round for persons with intellectual or other developmental disabilities, ages 8 and up

*Coaching and volunteer opportunities available

219 Cypress Rd

Perry, FL 32348

(850) 672-9921

Recreational Resources & Camps

Special Olympics Florida, Wakulla County

*Provides sports training and athletic competition year-round for persons with intellectual or other developmental disabilities, ages 8 and up

*Coaching and volunteer opportunities available

3237 Coastal Hwy

Crawfordville, FL 32327

(850) 926-7125

Patricia.Bodiford@wcsb.us

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Wakulla-County-Special-Olympics/101638302699>

Recreational Resources & Camps

State Personnel Development Grant (SPDG)

*Builds capacity to increase school completion rates of students with disabilities, through the provision of professional development to support and scale-up existing research-based practices, develop capacity for use of evidence-based dropout prevention strategies, and enlist parental support of these research-based practices

325 W Gaines Street, Ste 614

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 245-0475

Zoe.Mahoney@fldoe.org

<http://www.fldoe.org/ese/>

Florida Department of Education Resources

Student Support Services Project (SSS)

*Facilitates the development of critical support services Programs so that observable and measurable indicators of success are achieved. This is accomplished through the provision of technical assistance, training, research, resource development, and policy development and interpretation to local and state educators and parents.

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Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 245-0475

Heather.Diamond@fldoe.org

<http://sss.usf.edu/>

Florida Department of Education Resources

Tallahassee Bar, Legal Aid Foundation

*Pro Se program (self-representation without a lawyer): offers assistance with family law programs by appointment only, nominal fee based on income

*Pro Bono program (free legal services of a lawyer): to Leon County residents, with a civil case: family law, divorce and alimony, child support and custody, paternity, stepparent adoption, guardianship, bankruptcy, landlord/tenant issues, employment issues, discrimination, property disputes, wills, money disputes over purchases; clients must be at 125% of federal poverty level or below; client responsible for any filing fees

*Volunteer attorneys; most are members of Tallahassee Bar Association (TBA) and all are members of the Florida Bar

301 S Monroe St, Ste 108

Tallahassee, FL 32302

(850) 222-3292

capecej@tallahasseebar.org

<http://www.tallahasseebar.org>

Legal/Decision Making Options/Guardianship Resources

Tallahassee Lions Club

*Service club that collects, recycles, and donates eyeglasses and hearing aids for those in need

*Resources to help with hearing aids are very limited

*Other services include: testing and help for macular degeneration, cataract surgery, dogs for visually impaired persons, dogs for hearing impaired persons, eye and tissue banks, and a camp for visually impaired children

*Collects used printer cartridges and turns depleted cartridges into cash to help fund services

PO Box 133

Tallahassee, FL 32302

(850) 997-1754

royjunecampbell@aol.com

<http://tallahassee.lionwap.org>

Assistive Technology

Tallahassee Pediatric Foundation, Primary Care Program

*24/7 pediatric primary medical care and management by participating physicians for children up to age 21 years on Medicaid and CMS

*Registered Nurses as Nurse Case Managers assist patients and parents in receiving appropriate access to care

*Case managers follow-up, teach, refer, and support patients and families as needed

1126-A Lee Ave

Tallahassee, FL 32303

(850) 488-7935

Elizabeth.Spice@flhealth.gov

Medical & Dental Resources

Tallahassee, City Dial-A-Ride

*Provides curb-side transportation for disabled and elderly persons (60 or older) to any Tallahassee location

*Disabled riders must be certified under ADA guidelines to obtain Dial-A-Ride services

*Certification forms available from StarMetro or most local disability service agencies

*Elderly riders who qualify may become certified as disabled themselves, avoiding refusal of transportation when disabled rider is given priority provided by law

*Riders may be accompanied by certified personal care attendants

555 Appleyard Dr

Tallahassee, FL 32304

(850) 891-5199

starmetro-customerservice@talgov.com

<http://www.talgov.com/starmetro/>

Transportation Resources

Tallahassee, City Equity and Workforce Development Dept.

*Oversees city compliance and practical implementation of applicable laws and regulations as mandated by Title VII of Civil Rights Act and Americans with Disabilities (ADA) Act

*Handles race relations problems and fair housing complaints

*Implements training courses for employees of both city and outside companies or agencies that enhance leadership skills and team building

*Develops targeted equal opportunity programs

300 S Adams St

Tallahassee, FL 32301

(850) 891-8290

tremaine.hughes@talgov.com

<http://talgov.com>

Advocacy

Legal/Decision Making Options/Guardianship Resources

Tallahassee, City Smith-Williams Service Center

*Elder Care Senior Meal Site program for senior citizens, offering arts, crafts, and Bible studies from 9am-1pm; senior computer programs, 9am-10pm, M-F

*After School Enrichment and Tutorial Program, 2:30pm-5:30pm, M-F

*Boys Scouts

*Girls' mentoring program for middle and high school girls in summer

*Summer Enrichment Camp, M-F, 8am-5pm, for K-5

*Clothes closet

*Computers dedicated for use in applying for Access Florida benefits: Medicaid, Food Stamps, also job applications

*Site for health care by Neighborhood Medical Services, 8:30am-6pm, M, T, W, F and 8:30am - 8pm, Th

2295 Pasco St

Tallahassee, FL 32310

(850) 891-1860

franklin.holmes@talgov.com

<http://www.talgov.com/parks/cc/smith.cfm>

Before & After School Programs

Recreational Resources & Camps

Tutoring Resources

Tallahassee, City StarMetro Bus System

*City-operated public bus system

*Call or visit website for more information on bus routes and schedules

*31 day "Star Card" may be purchased online by credit card for \$43.75, with an option of an automatic monthly re-load for \$40.75

*Cash only reduced rates for persons with disabilities, seniors 60+, persons with a Medicare card, or youth under 18 or still in high school: 60 cents per ride, \$7.50 for seven day unlimited pass

*No charge to FSU, FAMU, or TCC students with valid student ID, or infants carried in arms

*Cash only regular rates: \$1.25 per ride, \$3 for one day unlimited pass, \$10 for seven day unlimited pass, \$38 for 31 day unlimited pass

*Passes for more than one day must be purchased at either CK Steele Plaza, central station located on the corner of West Tennessee and Adams St., Or main office at 555 Appleyard Dr

*Individuals seeking employment can apply for one free pass to one job interview. Must apply at main office. Same week service, only a photo ID required, only one pass per lifetime, not for each job interview

*Passengers without passes must have exact change when boarding bus

555 Appleyard Dr

Tallahassee, FL 32304

(850) 891-5200

<http://www.talgov.com/starmetro>

Transportation Resources

Taylor County Schools

- *Education resources for students (K-12) in Perry and surrounding areas
- *Head Start, Pre-K and Taylor Technical Institute part of school system
- *TTI: vocational and adult basic education through employment training, career advancement, GED instruction

318 N Clark Street

Perry, FL 32347

(850) 838-2500

paul.dyal@taylor.k12.fl.us

<http://www.taylor.k12.fl.us>

Pre-K Programs (3-5)

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Taylor County Schools, Adult and Community Education

- *GED preparation and testing, adult literacy, adult remediation
- *Academic programs for adults with disabilities
- *Career and technical programs including welding, cosmetology, administrative office specialist, medical administrative assistant, electrical, industrial machinery maintenance and repair, Millwright and PC support

3233 S Byron Butler Pkwy

Perry, FL 32348

(850) 838-2545

judy.johnson@taylor.k12.fl.us

<http://www.taylor.k12.fl.us>

Educational Programs & Services

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Taylor County Schools, Exceptional Student Education

- *Provides exceptional student education programs for students ages 3-21 who have disabilities and students who are gifted
- *Responsible for providing instruction and related services to students who are eligible for the following exceptional student education (ESE) programs:
 - *Autism Spectrum Disorder, Deaf/Hard of Hearing, Developmentally Delayed, Dual Sensory Impaired (Deaf-Blind), Emotional/Behavioral Disabilities, Gifted, Homebound or Hospitalized, Intellectual Disabilities, Orthopedically Impaired, Other Health Impaired, Specific Learning Disabilities, Speech or Language Impaired, and Visually Impaired
- *Persons with need for physical or occupational therapies may be eligible for services

318 N Clark Street

Perry, FL 32347

(850) 838-2536

ramona.patrick@taylor.k12.fl.us

<http://www.taylor.k12.fl.us>

Early Intervention Programs (Birth-3)

Educational Programs & Services

Pre-K Programs (3-5)

TCC, Dental Hygiene Clinic

*Students in the dental hygiene program provide dental screenings, x-rays, and cleanings to the general public at reduced rates

*No restorative or surgical procedures

*Students from any educational facility of any age are eligible for the student discount

444 Appleyard Dr, Rm DH 100

Tallahassee, FL 32304-2895

(850) 201-8247

wagnerv@tcc.fl.edu

<http://www.tcc.fl.edu/dental>

Medical & Dental Resources

TCC, Disability Support Services

*Works with faculty and staff to provide academic support services and accommodations both in and out of the classroom

*Primary advocate for students with disabilities

*Educates students with disabilities about their legal rights and responsibilities

*Promotes self-determination so that all students with disabilities have equal access to educational opportunities and achieving their academic and personal goals

Student Union, Rm 172

Tallahassee, FL 32304

(850) 201-8430

dss@tcc.fl.edu

<http://www.tcc.fl.edu/dss>

Advocacy

Educational Programs & Services

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

TCC, Flagler College

*Bachelor of Arts programs in Accounting, Business Administration, Elementary Education, and Elementary Education/Exceptional Student Education on the campus of Tallahassee Community College

444 Appleyard Dr

Tallahassee, FL 32304-2895

(850) 201-8070

chandlej@tcc.fl.edu

<https://www.tcc.fl.edu/Current/UniversityPartners/FlaglerCollege/Pages/default.aspx>

Educational Programs & Services

Technical Assistance and Training System for Programs Serving Young Children with Disabilities (TATS)

*Statewide system of technical assistance and training that promotes high quality programs which lead to and support positive outcomes for prekindergarten children with disabilities and their families

325 W Gaines Street, Ste 614

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 245-0475

Sandra.Smith@ucf.edu

<http://tats.ucf.edu>

Florida Department of Education Resources

Technology and Learning Connections, Region 1

*Part of Florida's Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS) through the Problem Solving/Response to Intervention Project at the University of South Florida assisting disabled students, Accessible Instructional Materials, Universal Design for Learning

*Services support the local development of classrooms for all students based on the Florida Standards in a multi-tiered system of supports

753 West Blvd

Chipley, FL 32428

(850) 638-6131

judy.peacock@usf.edu

<http://www.tlc-mtss.com>

Assistive Technology

TMH, Family Medicine Residency Program

*Comprehensive medical care, preventive services treating all family members

*Family planning, pregnancy testing, prenatal care, labor and delivery, pediatric care, geriatric care

*HIV and STD testing

*Care provided by physician faculty, family medicine residents and certified nurse midwives

1301 Hodges Dr

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(800) 492-4892

FPRP@tmh.org

<http://www.tmh.org/residency>

Medical & Dental Resources

TMH, Family Medicine, Monticello

*Family care, gynecology, pregnancy tests, family planning/birth control

*Pediatric care, immunizations

*Confidential HIV and STD testing

*New patients seen in about 30 days, ill patients in 1-2 days

1549 Jefferson St

Monticello, FL 32344

(850) 997-0707

<http://www.tmh.org>

Medical & Dental Resources

TMH, Family Medicine, Quincy

*Family and pediatric care, immunizations, pregnancy tests, family planning

*Confidential HIV and STD testing

178 LaSalle Leffall Dr

Quincy, FL 32351

(850) 875-3600

info@tmh.org

<http://www.tmh.org>

Medical & Dental Resources

TMH, Family Medicine, Wakulla

*Family and pediatric care, immunizations, pregnancy tests, family planning

*Confidential HIV and STD testing

*New patients seen in about 30 days, ill patients in 1-2 days

15 Council Moore Rd

Crawfordville, FL 32327

(850) 926-7105

info@tmh.org

<http://www.tmh.org>

Medical & Dental Resources

TMH, FSU Medical Music Therapy

*Weekly developmental music group for infants and toddlers, and their parents and caregivers, designed to help infants develop language, motor, and cognitive skills through interactive music activities

*Partnership with FSU and TMH

1300 Miccosukee Rd

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(850) 431-7468

Miriam.Hillmer@tmh.org

<http://www.tmh.org/womenChildren.cfm?id=1106&fr=true>

Therapy Resources

TMH, NeuroScience Center, Brain Injury Support Group

*Support, education and updates on new research for persons with brain injuries and their families

*Meeting: 7:30pm, 2nd M of each month in Conference Rm A (cafeteria) of TMH

1401 Centerville Rd, Ste 504

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(800) 662-4278

<http://www.tmh.org>

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Turn About, Intensive Outpatient Program (IOP)

*Minimum 21-week program for middle and high school students, ages 12-17, who are experiencing behavioral and/or substance abuse problems

*Program meets every day after school for approximately 3 hours, during which time youth participate in individual, family, and group counseling

*Counselors work closely with the young person and his or her family to prevent or eliminate adolescent substance abuse, improve self-esteem, create effective discipline, and improve family communication

*Currently serving all of Leon County high and middle schools, four elementary schools

2771 Miccosukee Rd

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(850) 671-1920

info@turnabout.org

<http://www.turnabout.org>

Legal/Decision Making Options/Guardianship Resources

Mental Health Resources

Turn About, Outpatient Services/Youth/College

*Outpatient counseling for children, adolescents and young adults, ages 5-24 experiencing problems including but not limited to: substance abuse, behavioral problems, poor school attendance, depression, anxiety, anger and family issues

*Family counseling also available

*Youth often referred by schools, the court system, DCF and other agencies, but self referrals welcome

*Individual counseling for college students: substance abuse, trauma, high academic stress

2771 Miccosukee Rd

Tallahassee, FL 32308

(850) 671-1920

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<http://www.turnabout.org>

Mental Health Resources

Therapy Resources

Turn About, Parent Support Group

- *Free and open to any parent of a pre-adolescent/adolescent
- *Group discusses challenges and successes in parenting children who are in crisis or struggling behaviorally, academically, socially, etc
- *One hour meetings take place 2nd and 4th Monday of each month at 5:30 pm
- *Call or fill out Contact Form on web site to inform office if planning to attend

2771 Miccosukee Rd
Tallahassee, FL 32308
(850) 671-1920

<http://www.turnabout.org>

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Turn About, Professional Training and Community Presentations

- *Free community presentations and professional training to schools, churches, community centers, health care professionals, parent groups, youth groups, and any organization interested in adolescent substance abuse and/or violence prevention
- *Workshops specifically tailored to needs of participants
- *Training topics: Substance Use and the Adolescent; Violence Prevention and Intervention; Signs and Symptoms of Use; Drugs 101: What Everyone Needs to Know about Teen Drug Use; and Violence Prevention 101: What Everyone Needs to Know about Teen Violence

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Tallahassee, FL 32308
(850) 671-1920

info@turnabout.org

<http://www.turnabout.org>

Mental Health Resources

Turn About, School Suspension, Intervention, Victim Response

- *Programs for Leon County Schools:
- *SSP - Alternative for students who would like to reduce the length of school suspension from ten to five days, consists of a brief evaluation along with substance abuse education; confidential and school will only receive letters to confirm the student's participation and completion of program
- *SIP - Free on-site assessment and referrals for students with attendance, behavioral or substance abuse problems who are referred anonymously
- *Child Victim Rapid Response (CVRR) offers early identification, intervention, professional therapy, advocacy and victim compensation assistance to youth who are victims of and/or witnesses to violence; free on-site counseling provided to children who have been abused, bullied or neglected and their families; adults with trauma problems may be counseled in office

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info@turnabout.org

<http://www.turnabout.org>

Legal/Decision Making Options/Guardianship Resources
Mental Health Resources

UCF, Technical Assistance and Training System

*Statewide resource which supports programs serving prekindergarten children with disabilities by providing technical assistance and training.

*Primary recipients of services are coordinators for programs serving prekindergarten (Pre-K) children with disabilities in each of Florida's 67 school districts. TATS also works with school district early childhood partners such as Head Start, community child care programs, Early Learning Coalitions which oversee Voluntary Prekindergarten (VPK) programs, and Early Steps.

4000 Central Florida Blvd

Orlando, FL 32816

(850) 297-2239

tats-fsu@ucf.edu

<http://www.tats.ucf.edu>

Early Intervention Programs (Birth-3)

Pre-K Programs (3-5)

UF, Florida and Virgin Islands Deaf-Blind Collaborative

*Promotes the full inclusion and participation of persons with deaf-blindness as active members of their communities.

*Builds the capacity of families, schools, districts, and teams by providing training and disseminating information on sensory loss, multiple disabilities, and best practices.

PO Box 100234

Gainesville, FL 32610

(800) 667-4052

shellyv@ufl.edu

<http://deafblind.ufl.edu>

Educational Programs & Services

Medical & Dental Resources

UF-IFAS, Gadsden County Cooperative Extension Service

*Up-to-date information about food safety, nutrition and health, human development, parent education, family resource (debt) management

*Latest data on natural resources, wildlife conservation, horticulture, forestry, agriculture, marine industries, coastal issues, and aquaculture

*4-H youth development

*Newspaper columns, newsletters, phone calls, workshops, and seminars

2140 W Jefferson St

Quincy, FL 32351

(850) 875-7255

hgg@ufl.edu

<http://gadsden.ifas.ufl.edu>

Educational Programs & Services

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Recreational Resources & Camps

UF-IFAS, Jefferson County Cooperative Extension Service

*Up-to-date information about food safety, nutrition and health, human development, parent education, family resource (debt) management

*Latest data on natural resources, wildlife conservation, horticulture, forestry, agriculture, marine industries, coastal issues, and aquaculture

*4-H youth development

*Newspaper columns, newsletters, phone calls, workshops, and seminars

2729 W Washington Hwy

Monticello, FL 32344

(850) 342-0187

jefferson@mail.ifas.ufl.edu

<http://jefferson.ifas.ufl.edu>

Educational Programs & Services

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Recreational Resources & Camps

UF-IFAS, Leon County 4-H Clubs

*Educational programs for young people: citizenship, clothing, marine, foods, health, recreation, leadership, agriculture, horticulture, natural resources, animals, photography, and forestry

*Sleep-away camp held for one week in summer

615 Paul Russell Rd

Tallahassee, FL 32301

(850) 606-5204

bostonm@leoncountyfl.gov

<http://leon.ifas.ufl.edu>

Recreational Resources & Camps

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

UF-IFAS, Taylor County Cooperative Extension Service

*Up-to-date information about food safety, nutrition and health, human development, parent education, family resource (debt) management

*Latest data on natural resources, wildlife conservation, horticulture, forestry, agriculture, marine industries, coastal issues, and aquaculture

*4-H youth development

*Newspaper columns, newsletters, phone calls, workshops, and seminars

203 Forest Park Dr

Perry, FL 32347

(850) 838-3508

cbolson@ufl.edu

<http://taylor.ifas.ufl.edu>

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Recreational Resources & Camps

UF-IFAS, Wakulla County Extension Office, 4-H

- *Learn by doing" experiences for youth from ages 5 to 18 to provide positive relationships, acquire knowledge, develop life skills and form attitudes to become self-directed adults
- *Diversity of project areas ranging from agriculture to rocketry, mostly delivered by trained volunteer leaders
- *One-week sleep-away camp held each summer

84 Cedar Avenue
Crawfordville, FL 32327-2063
(850) 926-3931

sjkraeft@ufl.edu

<http://wakulla.ifas.ufl.edu>

Recreational Resources & Camps
Vocational & Young Adult Programs

United Cerebral Palsy of Tallahassee

- *Non-profit advancing independence of people with developmental disabilities by obtaining services available to them
- *LIFELINKS - three adult centers that emphasize the development of work and daily living skills
- *Therapy services
- *Behavior analysis and counseling

1830 Buford Court
Tallahassee, FL 32308
(850) 878-2141

jdormann@sunrisegroup.org

<http://www.unitedcerebralpalsy.com>

Disability Specific Programs & Services
Medical & Dental Resources
Residential Programs, Housing & Respite Care Programs
Vocational & Young Adult Programs

US Dept of Health and Human Services Health Resources and Services

- *Searchable website that lists health centers within a zip code, city, or address

1101 Wootton Pkwy, Ste LL100
Rockville, MD 20852
(877) 464-4772

CallCenter@hrsa.gov

http://findahealthcenter.hrsa.gov/Search_HCC.aspx

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services
Medical & Dental Resources

US Dept of Labor, Job Corps

*Offers tuition-free training and other career development services to at-risk young women and men, ages 16 to 24, to prepare them for successful careers

*A career development training approach integrates academic, vocational, employability skills and social competencies through a combination of classroom, and practical learning experiences

*Job Corps centers are located nationwide, with five (5) locations in Florida; persons living in the Big Bend area should contact the Gainesville or Jacksonville center; actual work site location will depend on area of study

200 Constitution Ave, NW N4463

Washington DC 20210

(800) 733-5627

<http://www.jobcorps.gov>

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

US Dept of Labor, Office of Disability Employment Policy

*Job Accommodation Network (JAN) offers free, expert, and confidential guidance for persons with disabilities and employers on work related issues

*Topics include workplace accommodations, the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), self-employment / entrepreneurship opportunities, and many other issues related to persons with disabilities and employment

200 Constitution Ave, NW

Washington DC 20210

(800) 526-7234

jan@askjan.org

<http://www.askjan.org>

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Volunteer Health Services Program, Regions 1&2

*Increases access to medical care for uninsured Floridians lacking financial resources

*Regional coordinators work with private and public volunteer health providers, CHD's, Children's Medical Services, and other health services

*Have extensive knowledge of services available in counties covered

221 Hospital Way

Ft. Walton Beach, FL 32548

(850) 833-9233

jerry_moellenkamp@doh.state.fl.us

<http://doh.state.fl.us/workforce/vhs/>

Medical & Dental Resources

VolunteerLEON: Leon County Volunteer Center

- *Key resource on volunteerism for individuals, non-profit agencies, government, faith communities and other civic groups connecting people with local volunteer programs
- *Internship programs available
- *Participates in strategic initiatives that mobilize volunteers from all sectors: disaster planning and response
- *Volunteer Connection (online recruitment database for service opportunities at more than 395 programs), Leon County Mentoring Initiative, Project LEAD (county employee volunteer program), and the Leon County Library Volunteer Program
- *Interested persons may apply on web site using a self matching database, or call to request an application and additional information

918 Railroad Ave

Tallahassee, FL 32310

(850) 606-1970

volunteerleon@leoncountyfl.gov

<http://www.volunteerleon.org>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

VSA Florida

- *Statewide support network responsible for the implementation of arts programs to ensure inclusion, learning and success through the arts for students with disabilities

325 W Gaines Street, Ste 614

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 245-0475

mwinters@usf.edu

<http://www.vsafl.org/>

Florida Department of Education Resources

Wakulla County Autism Support Group

- *Support group for any individual with a family member or student who has autism spectrum disorder

- *Meets first Tu of each month at the Wakulla County Library

Confidential Location, Call

Crawfordville, FL 32327

(850) 933-2316

worrillc@yahoo.com

Disability Specific Programs & Services

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Wakulla County Coalition for Youth

- *Provides website of information for parents and youth to prevent and reduce substance abuse, violence, delinquency, school drop-out, and problems of depression, anxiety, and risky sexual behavior among youth

- *Publishes resource directory of programs and services available in Wakulla County

PO Box 1688

Crawfordville, FL 32326-1688

(850) 926-3526

Campbell.Gail@gmail.com

<http://www.wakullacoalition.net>

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Mental Health Resources

Parent Information, Training & Support Group

Wakulla County Schools, Adult and Community Education

- *GED preparation and testing

- *Educational programs for adults with disabilities

- *Certified Nursing Assistant program

126 High Dr

Crawfordville, FL 32327

(850) 926-2151

william.walker@wcsb.us

<http://www.wakullaschooldistrict.org>

Educational Programs & Services

Vocational & Young Adult Programs

Wakulla County Schools, Exceptional Student Education

- *Provides exceptional student education programs for students ages 3-21 who have disabilities and students who are gifted

- *Responsible for providing instruction and related services to students who are eligible for the following exceptional student education (ESE) programs:

- *Autism Spectrum Disorder, Deaf/Hard of Hearing, Developmentally Delayed, Dual Sensory Impaired (Deaf-Blind), Emotional/Behavioral Disabilities, Gifted, Homebound or Hospitalized, Intellectual Disabilities, Orthopedically Impaired, Other Health Impaired, Specific Learning Disabilities, Speech or Language Impaired, and Visually Impaired

- *Persons with need for physical or occupational therapies may be eligible for services

69 Arran Rd

Crawfordville, FL 32327

(850) 926-0065

tanya.english@wcsb.us

<http://www.wakullaschooldistrict.org>

Early Intervention Programs (Birth-3)

Educational Programs & Services

Pre-K Programs (3-5)

Wakulla Senior Citizens Council, Transportation

*Non-emergency transportation for anyone of any age in need: Medicaid recipients, seniors and other persons who qualify as "Transportation Disadvantaged" due to disability, low-income, age or other extenuating circumstances

*Trips available to Wakulla and Leon Counties, but individuals may request transportation outside these areas in special circumstances

*Reservations for all riders should be made 72 hours in advance

*Wheelchair and stretcher transportation available; stretcher transportation requests should be made 4 days in advance

*New Medicaid recipients call the office as soon as possible to be registered in system

33 Michael Dr

Crawfordville, FL 32327

(850) 926-5921

Transportation Resources

Whole Child Leon

*Assists families in identifying mental and physical needs of their young children

*Connects families with appropriate service providers; parents or guardians fill out Connection, on-line, and create a family plan based on their needs

*Encourages service providers to build collaborative networks

*Identifies service gaps in communities

725 S Calhoun St

Tallahassee, FL 32301

(850) 487-7316

wholechildleon@gmail.com

<http://www.wholechildleon.org>

Basic Needs (Food, Clothing, Utilities & Shelter)

Before & After School Programs

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Medical & Dental Resources

Whole Child, Jefferson, Taylor, and Madison

- *Web-based listing of community programs serving young children and families; parents/guardians may access information by calling or making appointment
- *Advisor available to assist parents or guardians fill out on-line profile of child (up to 5 years of age) noting his/her needs
- *Program lists resources; system matches child/family to community services; upon request by parent or guardian, profile forwarded to selected agencies dealing with needs indicated
- *Agency contacts parents who decide how to move forward in getting help

1336 SW Grand St
GreenvilleFL32331

(850) 253-5355

tbell@healthystartjmt.org

<http://www.wholechildtricity.com>

Basic Needs (Food, Clothing, Utilities & Shelter)

Before & After School Programs

Emergency Hotlines and Telephone Referral Services

Medical & Dental Resources

Wholistic Wellness Center, NFEDC

- *Offers food pantry when food is available, 1pm-3pm, the last Thursday of the month; callers are urged to call the program prior to attending since it will not be open if there are no food donations, and to add their name to a notification list
- *Nutrition education, free blood pressure and diabetes screenings, weight management consultations when nurse is available; fitness equipment available in center
- *During summer months (June - Aug), youth food program serves approximately 1000 lunch meals daily to school age students and persons with disabilities at various sites throughout county

1006 W 4th St
Quincy, FL 32351

(850) 856-5025

bossnfedc@gmail.com

<http://www.nfedconline.org>

Medical & Dental Resources

Wigs for Kids

*Provides hair replacement solutions for children, under 18, affected by hair loss due to alopecia, chemotherapy, burns, and other medical conditions; unable to fully finance a hairpiece after checking all possible resources; must be referred by a medical professional (verified through the Patient Application)

*No cost to child/family

*Donated hair must be clean, dry, minimum length of 10-12 inches, in braids or ponytails; can not be colored or permed or have any other chemical treatments; can be cut at local salon, placed in plastic bag and mailed to address listed

*Donation of one dollar with each ponytail helps offset costs involved in administration, processing and production

24231 Center Ridge Rd

Westlake, OH 44145-4211

(440) 333-4433

info@wigsforkids.org

<http://www.wigsforkids.org>

Assistive Technology

Working With the Experts (WWE)

*Professional development opportunities for school-based speech-language professionals, occupational and physical therapy professionals, teachers of students with visual impairments, and teachers of students who are deaf or hard-of-hearing

*Free to all registered participants and provides a way for school-based practitioners to earn continuing education units (CEUs)

325 W Gaines Street, Ste 614

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

(850) 245-0475

msulliva@fgcu.edu

<http://www.flwwe.net/>

Florida Department of Education Resources

Workshop for Adult Vocational Enrichment, Inc. (WAVE)

*Providing teens and adults with developmental disabilities monthly social activities, music therapy, performing chorus, and life skills training

*SERVICES ARE NOT PROVIDED ON SITE

*Life skills training, First Presbyterian Church, W and Th, 9:30am-3:30pm

*Music therapy, Gretchen Everhart School, W, 4pm-5pm

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