

COMMUNITY RESOURCES

Sumter, Lake & Marion Counties

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EMERGENCY

Life Threatening Emergencies		Call 911
Mental Health 24-HOUR CRISIS LINE		(866) 355-9394
Florida Abuse Hotline (Child & Elder)		(800) 962-2873
Florida Elder Helpline		(800) 963-5337
Domestic Violence		(352) 753-5800 or (800) 799-7233
Missing Child		(800)-THE-LOST (843-5678)
National Human Trafficking Resource Center		(888) 373-7888
Poison Control		(800) 222-1222
Sexual Assault Hotline (Lake & Sumter)		(352) 787-1379
Substance Abuse and Mental Health Helpline		(800)622-HELP (4357)
Suicide Prevention Hotline		(800) 273-8255 or 988
Veteran's Crisis Line		(877)424-3838
National Elder Fraud Hotline		(833) 372-8311
National Disaster Distress Hotline		(800-985-5990
Non-Emergency Numbers – The Villages, FL		
Villages Public Safety and Fire		(352) 205-8280
Fire Dept. Lake County		(352) 343-9458
Fire Dept. Marion County		(352) 291-8000
Fire Dept. Sumter County		(352) 689-4400
Lady Lake Police		(352) 751-1560
Sheriff Lake County		(352) 343-2101
Sheriff Marion County		(352) 732-8181
Sheriff Sumter County		(352) 569-1600
Florida Highway Patrol		(850) 617-3416 or (352)512-6630
Community Watch – 24-HOUR		(352) 753-0550 or (352) 750-8201
Villages Health Care System		(352) 674-1700
UF/The Villages Regional Hospital		(352) 751-8000
Victim Advocate – Sumter County Resources		(352) 793-2621 or (352) 569-1685 (Susan Cook)

CHILDREN/FAMILY SERVICES

Kid's Central, Inc. Administrative Offices 901 Industrial Dr, Ste 200, Wildwood, FL 34785 Kid's Central Kinship Care Shawanna Felton, Supervisor Services: Support services meet the needs of children in households headed by other relative caregivers	(352) 873-6332 https://www.kidscentralinc.org/ Mon-Fri 8:00 am – 5:00 pm (352) 787-0391 Shawanna Felton@kidscentralinc.org
Leesburg Family Resource Center Sandra Wilson, Director 1041 County Road 468, Leesburg, FL 34748 Keara McKnight, Community Facilitator Services: A multi-purpose facility that provides various services for families to enhance education and employability skills of Leesburg residents.	(352) 728-9765
Children's Home Society Healthy Families Healthy Families Program (Sumter, Lake & Marion, Citrus & Hernando Counties) Noreen Harmon, Supervisor 1800 NE 32nd Ave. Ocala, FL 34470 (Main Office) Services: Families receive guidance, tools and resources in the comfort of their homes at no cost.	(352) 742-6170 https://chsfl.org/locations/greater-ocala/
Choices Pregnancy Center 306 Oxford Street, Wildwood, FL 34785 Terri Kemper, Executive Director Services: Life skills classes and other non-medical services, and resources for new and future mothers.	(352) 354-2179 https://choices-pregnancy.org/ Mon-Fri by appt. Closed Saturday
Early Learning Coalition of the Nature Coast Sandra Woodard, Director of Communications 11527 W Emerald Oaks Drive, Crystal River, FL 34428 Services: School readiness, VPK Program, Child Care Resources, Parent Resources.	(352) 563-9939 https://www.elc-naturecoast.org/ Mon-Fri 8:00 am-5:00 pm
Early Learning Coalition of Lake County Teresa Parrish, Coordinator 1300 Citizens Boulevard, Suite 206, Leesburg, FL 34748 Services: School readiness, VPK Program, Child Care Resources, Parent Resources.	(352) 435-0566 www.elclc.org Mon-Thurs 8:00 am-5:00 pm Closed Friday-Sunday
Early Learning Coalition of Marion County LaTrisha Sims, Chief Operations Officer 2300 SW 17th Road, Ocala, FL 34471 Services: School readiness, VPK Program, Child Care Resources, Parent Resources.	(352) 369-2315 www.elc-marion.org Mon-Thurs 7:00 am-5:00 pm Fri 7:00 am- 12:00 pm Closed Sat & Sun
Florida Kid Care Services: Affordable health & dental insurance for children	(888) 540-5437 www.floridakidcare.org

Florida's School Readiness Program Services: Financial assistance to low-income families for early education and care for children from birth to 12 years of age. Before and after school programs also available.	(866)357-3239 (TTY: 711) www.fldoe.org/schools/early-learning
Infant/Toddler Pantry The Congregational Church in Summerfield 15421 S. US Hwy 301, Summerfield, FL 34491 Services: Free diapers, food, clothing & furniture	(352) 693-4545 https://thecongregationalchurch.org/infant-toddler-pantry/ Tues. and Sat. 10:00 am – 2:00 pm
Interfaith Family Services Karla Grimsley, Executive Director 435 NW 2 nd Street, Ocala, FL 34475 Services: Food 4 Kids Program, free medical dental, vision and mental health services, prescription assistance, food pantry, eyeglasses, ID cards, clothing, and hygiene for families & individuals in Marion County.	352-629-8868 www.iesmarion.org
Kimberly's Center for Child Protection 2800 NE 14 th Street, Ocala, FL 34470 Services: Counseling for kids that have had traumatic experiences.	(352) 873-4739 or 1-800-96-ABUSE to report abuse https://kimberlycenter.org/ Open 24 hours
Marion County Children's Alliance Beth McCall, Executive Director 3482 NW 10 th St., Ocala, FL 34475 Services: family violence prevention and substance abuse prevention	(352) 438-5990 https://mcchildrensalliance.org/
COMMUNITY SERVICES	
Alzheimer's Association of Central & North Florida Dr. Joanne Pike, President/CEO Services: Provides counseling and assistance for both patient and caregiver.	(352)-372-6266 or 800-272-3900 www.alz.org/cnfl
Christian Care Center- Samaritan Inn 108 N. 14th St, Leesburg, FL 34748 Kathy Salerno, Director Services: A transitional housing facility for homeless children and their parents or caregivers.	(352)-314-8733 or 352-434-1832 kathys@christiancarecenter.org www.chrstiancarecenter.com/saminn Mon-Fri 9:00am-5:00pm
Community Legal Services Services: Provide no cost legal services for families and individuals in Central Florida. Areas of services include: Older adults, wills, estates & power of attorney, veterans, housing, student & children's rights, divorce & children, etc.	1-800-405-1417 Helpline www.clsmf.org Mon-Thurs 8:30 am– 4:30 pm Tues -Wed 8:30 am–6:30 pm Fri 8:30 am–3:30 pm
Hands of Mercy Everywhere Tina Talton, Marketing and Volunteer Manager 6017 SE Robinson Rd, Belleview, FL 34420 Services: Provide housing and support for teen girls, teen mothers & their babies through education on prenatal care, parenting skills and allowing for spiritual development and growth	(352) 347-4663 https://www.handsofmercyeverywhere.org/ Mon-Fri 9:00 am- 4:00 pm Closed Sat & Sun
Haven of Lake and Sumter Counties Karyn Lambert, Community Liaison 2600 South Street, Leesburg, FL 34748 Services: 24-hour crisis intervention and emergency shelter for victims of domestic and sexual violence and their children.	(352) 753-5800 (Helpline) k.lambert@havenlakesumter.org
Healthy Start (Lake, Sumter, Citrus, & Hernando Counties) Heather Schwartz, Provider Liaison	(352)-727-3169 Fax: 352-313-6513 Call CONNECT 877-678-9355 and ask to be enrolled in Healthy Start

Services: Healthy Start is a free home visiting, support program serving pregnant women and families with infants under age three. Education and support in childbirth, newborn care, breastfeeding, child development, nutrition, family planning, help to quit smoking, infant safety and more.	www.chsandhsncfcoalitions.org/programs/healthy-start/
Hope Lutheran Church Lenea Carnes, LCSW & Social Services Advocate 250 Avenida Los Angeles, The Villages, FL 32162 Services: diabetes support group, blessing bags, baby quilt ministry, Angel Tree	(352) 750-2321 Lenea@hope4all.church
Brother's Keeper Jason Halstead, Executive Director 320 NW 10 th St., Ocala, FL 34470 Services: Assistance with housing, food, clothing, soup kitchen, thrift store, medication, gas cards. You must have a Marion County ID and social security card	320 NW 10 th St., Ocala, FL 34470 www.brotherskeeper.org/ Mon-Fri 9:00 am – 11:30 am Tues –Thurs 9:00 am – 2:30 pm Fri 9:00 am – 11:30 am
Sumter County Schools Families in Transition Ellen Coomer, Homeless Liaison Lisa Melendez, Homeless Liaison 2680 W. CR 476, Bushnell, FL 33513 Services: Assistance with school enrollment & referrals to health care, mental health, dental services and other appropriate services	352-793-2315 https://assets.sumter.k12.fl.us/StudentServices/Homeless/InfoForParents-English.pdf
Love INC. Dana Parker, Executive Director 15797 S. Hwy 441, Summerfield, FL 34491 Services: Centsible Furnishings Resale Shop, Clothe-A-Kid Program	(352) 245-8774, Ext. 6011 https://loveincflorida.org/
Christian Care Center Kathy Salerno, Director 115 N. 13 th St., Leesburg, FL 34748 Services: Pregnancy & Family Care Center, Children's Shelter, Samaritan Inn (families), Men's Residence – alcohol/drug abuse, food, clothing, household items	(352) 314-8733 https://www.christiancarecenter.org/ KathyS@ChristianCareCenter.org Mon. – Thurs. 8:00 am-5:00 pm
New Beginnings of Central Florida Heather Krukoski, Case Manager 415 Citrus Tower Blvd. Clermont, FL 34711 Services: Free counseling, emergency food, affordable housing solutions, financial literacy and job preparedness training, homeless diversion program, thrift store voucher program	(352) 404-6946 or (352) 638-5412 https://www.nbcfl.org/ Mon-Sat 9:00am – 6:00pm Closed Sunday
Nurse-Family Partnership (Lake, Marion & Sumter Counties) Gloria Hill, Program Coordinator 17850 NW 80th Blvd., Gainesville, FL 32606 Services: Free home visiting, support program with a Registered Nurses for pregnant women affected by substance use by offering prenatal and newborn care, breastfeeding, parenting classes, health and wellness; infant safety planning and assessment; tobacco cessation; referrals to community service providers; developmental screenings and support activities	(352) 317-5194 https://www.nursefamilypartnership.org/newmoms@nursefamilypartnership.org
Senior Legal Helpline Services: Provides free legal advice by telephone appointment to eligible Florida residents ages 60 and older for civil (not criminal) legal problems. (elder abuse, advance directives, housing, family law, etc.)	(888)-895-7873 https://law.elderaffairs.org Mon-Fri 9:00am-4:30pm (excluding holidays)

Sumter County Transit 7375 Powell Road, Wildwood, FL 34785 Services: Provided through the Transportation Disadvantaged Program. An application is required, and reservations must be made three days in advance. Medical appointments are first priority.	(352) 568-6683 https://www.sumtercountyfl.gov/184/Reservations-Shuttle-SchedulesRoutes Mon-Fri 8:00am-1:00pm *door-to-door shuttle reservations
Sumter County Veteran's Services 7375 Powell Road, Wildwood, FL 34785 Services: Provide assistance to all former, present and future members of the Armed Forces of the United States and their dependents.	(352) 689-4400 www.sumtercountyfl.gov VeteransServices@sumtercountyfl.gov
St. Theresa Catholic Church Andre Parchment, Case Manager 11528 US-301, Belleview, FL 34420 Services: Food pantry, soup kitchen, rent, utility payments, rent assistance, help for homeless families & Individuals must have proof of residency for Belleview or Summerfield within the past 30 days.	(352) 245-1359 https://mystcc.org/social-services/social-services/ Mon-Fri: 9:00am-12:15pm
The VHA'S Helping Hands 1104 Main St. Lady Lake, FL 32159 (behind Kilwins) Services: Durable medical equipment, long & short-term loan program for residents of The Villages.	(352) 973-2284 https://www.thevha.net/hh-equipment-request/ Call to request equipment: Mon-Fri 8:00am-3:00pm, Closed Sat & Sun Pick-Up and Return: Mon-Fri 11:00 am- 1:00 pm; Closed Sat & Sun
United Way of Lake & Sumter Counties Jessica Davis Pres./CEO 32644 Blossom Lane, Leesburg, FL 34788 Services: Veteran resources, tax preparation assistance, financial literacy education, master teacher program, community grant program, mortgage/rental & utility assistance when funding is available	(352) 787-7530 www.uwls.org info@uwls.org Mon-Fri 8:30 am- 4:30 pm; Closed Sat & Sun
Arnette House, Inc. Mark Shearon (Sumter, Lake, Marion, Citrus & Hernando Counties) 2310 NE 24th St. Ocala, FL 34470 Services: Provide emergency shelter for youths ages 10-17 who are runaways, lock-outs, abandoned, homeless, truant, or experiencing parent/child conflict.	352) 622-6135 https://arnettehouse.org/ Open 24 hours
YOUR Humane Society SPCA Leann Schoenagel, Animal Counselor 994 CR 529A, Lake Panasoffkee, FL 33538 Services: Provide free pet food & spay/neuter free or low cost to Sumter County pet owners in need.	(352) 793-9117 www.hssPCA.org
Mid Florida Homeless Coalition 1512 US 41, Inverness, FL 34450 Services: Promote partnerships in Sumter, Lake, Hernando and Citrus to reduce homelessness.	(352) 860-2308 http://midfloridahomeless.org mfhc.information@gmail.com Mon. – Fri. 8:00 am – 5:00 pm
The Refuge at Jumper Creek James Krom, Executive Director 4912 SE 7 th Dr., Bushnell, FL 33513 Services: Emergency housing for families, and dedicated housing for veterans	(352) 568-8400 www.therefugeatjumpercreekinc.com Jameskrom@live.com
Salvation Army of Sumter County Family Service Center 2605 South St., Leesburg, FL 34749	(352) 365-0079 https://leesburgsalvationarmyflorida.org Mon. – Thurs. 8:30 am – 4:00 pm Closed Fri, Sat, and Sun

Services: Rent, utilities, and housing assistance through case management, food, low-cost furniture and other assistance in both Sumter and Lake Counties, after-school tutoring and seasonal summer employment.	
Shepherd's Lighthouse Yolanda East, Executive Director 5930 SE Robinson Rd, Belleview, FL 34420 Services: Transitional housing for homeless families, thrift store	(352) 347-6575 www.sheperdslighthouse.org
SoZo Kids Director: David Houck 19186 NE 13 th St., Silver Springs, FL 34488 14148 E. Hwy 40, Silver Springs, FL 34488 (food bank) Services: Emergency food/clothing/furniture to those in need in Ocala National Forest, After school and summer programs for kids	(352) 299-5830 Mon. – Fri. 8:30 am – 5:30 pm http://sozokids.org
Supportive Service for Veteran Families Program 111 NE 12 th Ave., Ocala, FL 34470 Brenda Vazquez-Alvarez, N. FL Program Supervisor Services: Rapid rehousing & stabilization services	(352) 260-1226 OcalaSSVInfo@voa-fla.org
Twice Blessed Clothing Cottage A mission of the Wildwood United Methodist Church Lana Young, Coordinator 303 N. Old Wire Road, Wildwood Services: Free clothes and household items	(352) 748-1275 Wednesdays: 1:30-5:30 pm Fridays: 9:00 am - noon
GOVERNMENT SERVICES	
State of Florida Government Services – www.myflorida.com	
Agency for Health Care Administration - Nursing Home, Long-term Care & Assisted Living Facility Information - Fraud, Abuse and Complaint Investigations in Facilities - Health Facility Regulation – hospitals, clinics, hospice care, etc.	www.ahca.myflorida.com/
Agency for Persons with Disabilities - Resources for Persons with Disabilities – autism, cerebral palsy, spina bifida, intellectual disabilities, down syndrome, etc. - Supported Living and Employment - Behavioral & Mental Health Resources - Group Home Monitoring	apd.myflorida.com/
Florida Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services - Consumer Services – landlord tenant, scams & fraud, how to file a consumer complaint, etc. - A-Z Resource Guide - Food, Nutrition & Wellness - Food Emergencies & Disaster Preparation - Concealed Weapon Licensing	www.fdacs.gov/
Florida Department of Business Regulation - Business Application & Licensure Management - Consumer Protection - Condominiums, Timeshare & Mobile Home Residents	www2.myfloridalicense.com/

• Drugs, Devices and Cosmetics regulation • Unlicensed Activity Complaints – contractors, leasing companies, etc. • Food & Lodging Inspections	
Florida Department of Children and Families • Hope Florida • Food Assistance Program • Temporary Cash Assistance • Refugee Services • Medicaid Assistance • Homelessness	https://www.myfloridafamilies.com/
Florida Department of Citrus • Promotion, Protection & Regulation of the Florida Citrus industry • Family Activities and Citrus-related Recipes • Health Benefits & Nutrition Facts	www.floridacitrus.org/oj/
Florida Department of Commerce • Employ Florida Job Resources • Minority Business Information • Reemployment Assistance – applying for benefits • Rural Community Programs • Economic & Workforce Development Resources	www.floridajobs.org/
Florida Department of Corrections • Inmate Search • State Correctional Institution & Visitor Information • Probation Services – court ordered payments, community corrections • Chaplaincy Services – spiritual support to inmates & offenders	www.fdc.myflorida.com/
Florida Department of Education • Childcare Resource & Referral • School Readiness Program & Voluntary Prekindergarten (VPK) • Career & Adult Education Technical Assistance • State University & Florida State College Information • K-12 Public School Information • Blind Services & Vocational Rehabilitation	www.fldoe.org/
Florida Department of Elder Affairs • Senior Employment • Alzheimer's & Dementia Information • Caregiving Information • Medicaid Long-Term Care Services • Community based Services • Elder Protection Programs • Aging & Disability Resource Centers	www.elderaffairs.org/

Florida Department of Environmental Protection • Florida State Parks - 175 state parks, trails and historic sites • Online Trail Guide and Maps • Disposal of Unwanted Medication • Sinkhole Information • Water Conservation Tips	www.floridadep.gov/
Florida Department of Financial Services • Consumer Insurance Information • Worker's Compensation • Funeral, Cemetery & Consumer Services • Unclaimed Property • MySafeFLHome Program	www.myfloridacfo.com/

Florida Department of Law Enforcement • Florida Sex Offender Registry • Florida Crime Information Center • Firearm Purchase Program • Florida Silver Alert – missing persons suffering from an irreversible deterioration of intellectual faculties • Florida Purple Alerts – missing adults suffering from a mental or cognitive disability • Missing Child Alert Program	www.fdle.state.fl.us/
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Florida Department of Management Services • Florida Disaster & Recovery Resources – hurricane, flood, fire, etc. • Disaster Mental Health Resources • Disaster Supply Checklist and Maps • Disaster Pet Plan	www.floridadisaster.org
Florida Department of Transportation • Roadway Safety • Transportation Disadvantaged • Traffic Information • Sunpass Toll Program • Vehicle Registration, Tag, Titles	www.fdot.gov/

LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES

City Government Services This directory includes the names of all city officials, city websites and other pertinent information for Florida's 411 cities, towns and villages	https://www.floridaleagueofcities.com/research-resources/municipal-directory
County Government Services	The links below provide a gateway to information about county government in these areas: • Sumter - www.sumtercountyfl.gov/ • Lake - www.lakecountyfl.gov/ • Marion - www.marionfl.org/

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES	
USAGov Contact Center – 1-844-872-4681 Main Topics: • Information about the U.S. Government • Voting and Elections • Disability Services • Disasters & Emergencies • Education • Health • Housing Information • Government Benefits • Immigration & U.S. Citizenship • Jobs, Labor Laws & Unemployment • Laws and Legal Issues • Military & Veterans • Money & Credit • Scams & Fraud	www.usa.gov
A-Z Index of U.S. Government Departments and Agencies • This A-Z index provides contact information for U.S. federal government agencies /departments.	https://www.usa.gov/agency-index
SUBSTANCE ABUSE/RECOVERY	
AA/NA	1-800-662-HELP (4357)
House of Hope (Men's Program) Building New Location Services: Residential program for men dealing with substance abuse.	(352) 272-7696 (352) 348-0840 www.houseofhopefl.org
LifeStream Behavioral Center 2018 Tally Road, Leesburg, FL 34748	(352) 315-7800 24-hour Crisis Line 866-355-9394
The Sanctuary Mission & The Grace House 7463 Grover Cleveland Blvd., Homosassa, FL 34446 Services: A Christ-centered recovery program for both men and women that offers residents short-term emergency shelter service, transitional housing, case management, life skills and a job training/readiness program.	(352) 621-3277 www.sanctuarymission.org sanctuarymission@gmail.com
FINANCIAL	
Mid Florida Community Services, Inc. 820 Kennedy Blvd., Brooksville, FL 34601 PO Box 896, Brooksville, FL 34605 Services: Energy assistance, family self-sufficiency, emergency support services, Head Start, senior services, transportation	1-888-802-7483 www.mfcs.us.com housingspecialist@midflhe.org
St. Theresa Catholic Church 11528 US-301, Belleview, FL 34420 Services: Provides financial and other forms of assistance as needed. As funds are available, it may include: Utility payments, rent, emergency short-term motel stays, employment assistance, help for the Homeless, and various other financial needs	352-245-2458
St. Vincent de Paul Parish 5323 E. County Rd. 462 Wildwood 34785 (Rent, Mort, & Utility thru Outreach)	(352) 330-0220

The Salvation Army of Lake & Sumter 2605 South St. Leesburg, FL (Past due utilities; meds)	(352) 365-0079
ADULT EDUCATION	
Lake Tech. Center, Lake County Public Schools – Adult Basic Ed, GED Testing	(352) 589-2250
Marion County Literacy Council Adult Basic Educ., GED Prep	(352) 690-7323
Marion Tech. College Adult Basic Educ., GED Prep, GED Testing	(352) 671-7200
Sumter Adult & Community Education Center, 1425 County Road 526A, Sumterville, FL (GED)	(352) 793-5719
EMPLOYMENT	
Career Source Central Florida	1-800-757-4598(Lake & Sumter)
Career Source Citrus, Levy, Marion	(352) 249-3278 (Citrus) (352) 493-6813 (Levy) (352)840-5700 (Marion)
Goodwill Industries	(352) 404-7755 (Lake & Leesburg)
MEDICAL/ MENTAL/ DENTAL/EYES	
Mission Cataract USA Offers free cataract surgery to people of all ages who cannot afford it.	http://missioncataractusa.org/
Center for Sight 2601 South Tamiami Trail, Sarasota, FL	(941) 277-9041 www.centerforsight.net
Frantz Eye Care 9617 Gulf Research Lane., Ft. Myers, FL	(239) 418-0999 www.bettervision.net
Operation Sight Services: Cataract surgery program for financially vulnerable or under insured individuals.	https://ascrs.org/foundation/operation-sight
Community Medical Care Center at The Christian Care Center 115 N 13 th Street, Leesburg, FL Tammy Youngren, Director Services: Offers primary medical and dental care to the qualified uninsured and medically indigent of the surrounding area. The clinic offers primary care, specialty care, chronic disease management and dental care to a segment of the community who might otherwise do without necessary medical care.	(352) 787-8489 www.christiancarecenter.org tyoungren@thecmcc.org
EyeCare America Services: Free comprehensive eye exams to people age 65 and older or those with a high risk of glaucoma	https://www.aao.org/eyecare-america/resources/eye-glasses
Lenscrafters “Give the Gift of Sight” Program 2701 SW College Rd. Suite 105 Ocala, FL Services: Serves adults and children in need of glasses. Retail floor side not the Doctor side. Accept voucher with a prescription.	(352) 237-3788
Lions Club 1513 Canal St. The Villages Charles LeCare, President Services: Provides eyeglasses or assistance for individuals with vision care needs	www.lionsclubs.org to find the nearest Lions Club

<u>New Eyes for the Needy</u> Jean Gajano, Executive Director Provides vouchers for new eyeglasses for those with financial need <u>Prevent Blindness</u> Patients who participate in a vision screening and receive a referral for an exam may then bring their new prescription with the card to a participating location <u>Respectacle</u> Services: User needs to enter prescription information, fill out basic demographic info, and used eyeglasses will be mailed within 7-10 days of order. <u>State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP)</u> Services: Regular check-ups, doctor visits, immunizations, prescription drug coverage, and emergency room visits for eligible children <u>Vision Service Plan – Sight for Students</u> Free eye care and eyewear available to needy children 18 and under who qualify. <u>EyeBuy Direct</u> Web-based organization selling generic frames and lenses for as little as \$8 <u>39 Dollar Glasses</u> Web-based organization that offers discounts up to 70% on prescription eyeglasses and sunglasses. <u>ZenniOptical</u> Web-based organization selling generic frames including lenses with anti-scratch coating for as little as \$6.95	(973) 376-4903 info@neweyes.org For Voucher Application: new-eyes.org (800) 331-2020 preventblindness.org http://www.respectacle.org/faq (877) 543-7669 (888) 290-4964 Vsp.com www.eyebuydirect.com (800) 672-6304 www.39dollarglasses.com www.zennioptical.com
<u>Johnson & Johnson Patient Assistance Foundation, Inc.</u> Services: Helps eligible patients without insurance coverage receive prescription products donated by Johnson & Johnson operating companies. There are income requirements.	(800) 652-6227 https://www.jjpaf.org/
<u>Lake Children's Dentistry</u> 3261 US Hwy 441, Suite F1, Fruitland Park, FL	(352) 360-6602 www.freedental.org
<u>Langley Health Services</u> 1389 US 301, Suite #8, Sumterville, FL Services: Medical, dental & Healthy Start	(352) 793-5900 Langleyhealth.com/sumterville
<u>Lazarus Free Medical Clinic</u> 210 Wonders Street, Wildwood, FL	(352) 748-4567 cflcc.org
<u>LifeStream Behavioral Center</u> Hope & Recovery Center 2018 Tally Road, Leesburg, FL	(352) 315-7800 lsbc.net
<u>Patient Advocate Foundation</u> – National Financial Resource Directory for medical needs National and regional resources to help with medical care	800-532-5274 https://www.patientadvocate.org/explore-our-resources/national-financial-resource-directory/
<u>Pregnancy Center</u> 1701 E. Silver Springs Blvd., Ocala, FL	(352) 629-2811 info@wpcocala.com

The Assistance Fund (TAF) 4700 Millenia Blvd. #410, Orlando Services: An independent charitable patient assistance organization that helps patients and families facing high medical out-of-pocket costs by providing financial assistance for copayments, coinsurance, deductibles and other health-related expenses.	(855) 845-3663 https://tafcares.org/ Mon-Fri. 8:00am-7:00pm
Veteran's Health Administration 8900 SE 165 th Mulberry Ln, The Villages 32162	(352) 674-5000 https://va.gov
FOOD	
LAKE COUNTY	
Act of Hope Ministries 1011 E. Hazard Ave., Eustis, FL 32726	352-434-5267 2 nd Wednesday each month 9:00am-12:00pm
Agape House Ministry Food Pantry - Lake Eustis Christian Church 315 East Orange Ave, Eustis, FL 32726	352-589-2235 Tuesday and Thursday 9:30am-12:00pm
Beyond the Walls Food Pantry Ministry of Heritage Community Church 609 W. Berckman St., Fruitland Park, FL	(352) 365-2552 8:30 am–11:30am Mondays, Wednesdays & Thursdays by appointment only
Benevolence Center at the Christian Care Center Glenn Shires, Director – Benevolence Ministry 118 N. 14 th St., Leesburg, FL 34748	352-787-5289
Christian Food Pantry 103 High Ave., Lady Lake, FL Utility Bill required	(352) 259-0788 Food Bank, Mon, Tues, Thurs 10:00 am -2:00 pm
Clermont Baptist Church- His Hands Food and Clothing Pantry 16115 Old Hwy 50, Clermont, FL 34711	352-242-0919 3 rd Saturday of each month 11:00am-1:00pm
Community Church of Tavares 510 W Lanthe St. (corner of N Barrow Ave.), Tavares, FL	352-343-2761 1 st and 3 rd Fridays of the month 10:00am – 11:30am
Community United Methodist Church Pantry 309 College Ave, Fruitland Park, FL	(352) 787-1829 Tues & Thurs 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm
Faith Neighborhood Center 14727 Timber Village Rd. Groveland, FL 34736	352-429-1200 Tues., Wed., Fri., 9:00am-Noon; Thurs. 1:00pm-4:00pm
First Baptist Church, Groveland 14727 Timber Village Rd. Groveland, FL 34736	352-429-2651 Tuesday 6:00pm-7:30pm
First Baptist Church-Leesburg 220 N. 13 th St., Leesburg, FL 34748	352-787-1005 Appt. Only
First Baptist Church of Tavares 124 N. Joanna Ave. Tavares, FL 32778	352-343-7131 Mon and Fri, 1:00pm – 4:00pm Weds, 9:00 am – 12:00 pm
First Baptist Church of Umatilla 4 East Collins St., Umatilla, FL 32784	352-629-3214 Wednesdays and Saturdays 9:00am-Noon
First Presbyterian Church-Eustis 117 S. Center St., Eustis, FL 34726	352-357-2833 Mon thru Thurs, 9:00am – 3:00 pm
Gloria Dei Food Distribution Center (Joining Hands in Food Ministry) 130 South Lone Oak Drive, Leesburg, FL Bring photo ID, proof of residency; & Harvest USDA minimum wage guidelines.	(352) 267-2200 2 nd Friday of the month from 8:30am – 10:30am
Howie Community Church 420 Palm Ave, Howie in the Hills, FL	352-324-2639 1 st and 3 rd Wed of the month, 9:00am - 11:00am
Lake Cares Mobile Pantry Neighborhood Resource Center 1128 Clifford St. Eustis, FL 32726 420 Palm Ave., Howie in the Hills, FL	No Mobile Phones on Site 4 th Fri of the month, 9:00am - 11:00am 1 st Weds of the month, 9:0am - 11:00am

803 Florida Ave, Mount Dora, FL 32757 440 Spring Creek Rd., Paisley, FL 32767 1951 Dora Ave, Tavares, FL, 32778	3 rd Fri of the month, 8:30am - 9:30am 2 nd Sat of the month, 9:00am - 11:00am 1 st Sat of the month 9:00am - 11:00am
Leesburg Food Bank 503 N. 13 th Street, Leesburg, FL	(352) 326-5463 Mon, Weds, and Thurs, 8:30am – 11:30am
Logos Christian Fellowship 8839 County Rd. 44, Leesburg, FL 34788	352-638-0909 Last Fri of each month 10:00am-1:00pm
North Lake Presbyterian Church Operation Home Bound 103 E Lady Lake Blvd., Lady Lake, FL Meals delivered to shut-ins who reside within the boundaries of The Villages, Fruitland Park, and north to Highway 42 in Marion County.	352-259-0788 (Food Pantry) Mon, Tue, Thurs 10:00am-2:00pm
Northside Church 3115 Eagles Nest Rd., Fruitland Park, FL	352-326-8400 Thursdays 10:00am-11:00pm
Salvation Army, Lake County and Sumter County 2605 South St. Leesburg, FL Residents of Lake & Sumter County Proof of need required	(352) 365-0079 Mon-Thurs, 8:30am-4:00pm Closed from 12:00pm-1:00pm
Seventh Day Adventist Hilltop Community Center 41444 N. Central Ave., Umatilla, FL 32784	352-409-5576 2 nd & 4 th Sunday of each month 10:00am-1:00pm
Stepping Stone Coalition 10401 US Hwy 441, Leesburg, FL 34788	352-988-7854 Fridays 1:00pm-3:00pm
St. Mary of the Lakes Church 218 Oklawaha Ave, Eustis, FL 32726	352-589-2603 Mon, Tues, and Thurs: First Come, First Serve
St. Timothy Catholic Church 1351 Page Place, Lady Lake, FL 32159	352-753-0989 Tues. & Thurs. 9:00am-3:00pm Closed for Lunch 12:00-1:00
MARION COUNTY	
Altoona Baptist Church 42226 State Rd 19, Altoona, FL 32702	352-669-2806 1 st & 3 rd Thursday Each Week; 9:00 am-Noon
Community of Gratitude (Behind Methodist Church) 13335 Hwy 25, Ocklawaha, FL	(352) 288-3499 Tues 10:00 am – Noon; Thurs. 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm; Sat. 10:00 am - Noon
Our Savior Lutheran Church's Food Pantry 260 Marion Oaks Lane, Ocala, FL 34473 Provides quality food items for families in partnership with Interfaith Emergency Services	(352) 347-0567 Tuesday: 10:00 am until supplies are depleted
Ramah Missionary Baptist Church Food Pantry provides food items to households experiencing food insecurity	10545 Southeast 8 th Ave. Belleview, FL 34420 Tues. 8:30-9:30 am Wed. 8:30-9:30 am
Real Life Christian Church 1501 Steve's Rd, Clermont, FL 34711	352-394-3553 Mon-Fri. 9:00am-1:00pm (Wed close at Noon)
Sunshine Ministries Manna Food Blessings 10634 SE 123 rd Street Road, Belleview, FL	352-256-6165 Thursday 9:00 am – until food is gone
Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida 4045 NE 36th Ave, Ocala, FL 34479	352-732-5500
Village View Community Church Food Pantry 8585 SE 147 th Place Summerfield, FL	352-307-7303 Wed & Fri 10:00 am to 1:00 pm
Belleview United Methodist Food Pantry 5514 SE Hames Road, Belleview, FL 34420	(352) 245-2100 Wed 2 nd & 4 th 9:30 am -11:30 am Dinner - Wed only 5:00 pm. – 6:00 pm
St. Theresa Catholic Church Food Pantry	(352) 245-2458

11528 SE Hwy 301, Belleview, FL Services: Provide meals and groceries for the impoverished. Must have proof of residency for Belleview or Summerfield. Registration required.	Food Pantry: Mon – Fri 9:00 am – 12:30 pm Soup Kitchen: Lunch 11:00 am – 1:00 pm Meals served 365 days.
SUMTER COUNTY	
Caring Hands Food and Clothing Ministry First Baptist Church of Wildwood 307 Hall St., Wildwood, FL	Church: (352) 748-1822 Pantry: (352) 748-2553 2 nd & 4 th Tuesdays only 9:30 am – 12:30 pm
Cross Connection Food Pantry 1451 W. CR 47 Bushnell, FL	352-793-2240 2 nd Saturday 1:00pm-3:00pm 4 th Tues. 9:00am-11:00am
First Baptist Church of Bushnell @ The Hope Ministries Center 5260 South US Highway 301, Bushnell, FL	352-568-7729 Call for scheduled distribution times or visit www.hopeministriesfl.org
First Baptist Church of Lake Panasoffkee Sarah's Helping Hands 802 N. CR 470 Lake Panasoffkee, FL	(352) 793-5510 Tuesday 9:30 am – 11:00 am
First United Methodist Church of Bushnell 221 W. Noble Bushnell, FL	(352) 793-3221 Mon thru Thurs, 10:00am – 2:00pm Fri - Closes
Hope Lutheran Church – Lake Weir Campus 10495 SE Sunset Harbor Road Summerfield, FL 34491	(352) 750-2321 Every Thursday from 10:00am – 12:00pm (Sumter County Residents Only)
Hope Ministries Food Pantry Ministry of First Baptist Church of Bushnell 5260 South US Highway 301 Bushnell, FL 33513	(352) 568-7729 Food Pantry: 1 st & 3 rd Thursday 9:00am-12:00pm; 4 th Sat 9-10 drive thru (South Sumter County Residents Only) Thrift Store Donations accepted Mon., Tues, & Fri 9:00am-1:30pm Food Pantry Donations accepted during normal business hours
Our Mother of Mercy Food Pantry Ministry of St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church 201 Barwick St., Wildwood, FL	(352) 748-0778 9:00 am – 12:00 pm on the 2 nd & 4 th Fridays and the following Mondays of each month
The Salvation Army, Bushnell 870 N. Main Street, Bushnell Services: Clothing, financial assistance, food, medications	(352) 568-2284 Monday-Thursday 9:00 am – 12:00 pm and 1:00 pm -4:00 pm
Salvation Army, Lake County and Sumter County 2605 South St. Leesburg, FL Residents of Lake & Sumter County Proof of need required	(352) 365-0079 Mon-Thurs, 8:30am-4:00pm Closed from 12:00pm-1:00pm
St. Vincent de Paul Society 201 Barwick Street Wildwood, FL	(352) 753-1455 9:00am – 12:00pm 2 nd and 4 th Mondays
Sunshine Ministries Food Pantry	10634 SE 123 rd Street Rd. Belleview, FL 352-256-6165
The Church of the Fisherman Lake Panasoffkee United Methodist Church 589 N County Road 470, Lake Panasoffkee, FL 125 W. Anderson Ave, Bushnell, FL	(352) 793-3438 www.lakepanumc.org/food-pantry Food Pantry: Wed 9:00 am -12 noon Distribution: 1 st & 3 rd Wed's from 9:00 am-12:00 pm 352-793-4612 Mon, Wed, & Thurs 9:00am-Noon; Tues. 5:00pm-7:00pm

Webster United Methodist Church 173 SE 3 rd St., Webster, FL 33597 Drive-through food pantry	(352) 793-3734 5:00 pm – 6:30 pm Mondays
West Leesburg Community Development Corp. Food Pantry 813 McCormick St. Leesburg, FL	(352) 365-0947 8:30 am -11:30 am Wednesdays
Wildwood Food Pantry Ministry of Wildwood United Methodist & New Covenant United Methodist Church 300 Mason Street, Wildwood	(352) 748-1275 1 st & 3 rd Fridays; 9:00 am -12:00 pm
Wildwood Soup Kitchen First Presbyterian Church of Wildwood 203 Barwick Street, Wildwood	(352) 748-1008 Mon-Fri (Including Holidays: home deliveries) Tues., Thurs., Sat. 11:00 am – 12:30 pm Drive-through or dine-in
Wildwood United Methodist Church 300 Mason St., Wildwood	(352) 748-1275 Free Community dinner every Wed 4:30-5:30pm
W.I.N. Ministries Food Pantry 612 S. Bay St., Eustis, FL 32726	352-589-0035 3 rd Tuesdays each month, 11:00am-3:00pm
Whistling Pine Church 16311 Whistling Pine Rd., Umatilla, FL 32784	352-589-9622 1 st Tuesday of Each month 9:30am-10:30am
Lady Lake Church of God Food Pantry 216 Oak Hill Road, Lady Lake, Florida 32159	(352) 753-3378
Lake Panasoffkee Food Pantry 589 N County Rd 470, Lake Panasoffkee, FL 33538	(352) 793-3438 Wednesdays from 9 am to 12 pm. With USDA every other week.

MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES

Brave Hearts Counseling Services, Inc. Counseling services.	(352) 867-8477 BraveHeartsCounseling.com .
Christian Counseling of Clermont Services: Provides outpatient mental health counseling for children, adolescents, adults, couples and families.	(352) 242-5181
Cornerstone Hospice Tavares and The Villages	1-866-742-6655
Counseling and Behavioral Solutions, Inc. Services: Mental health counselor/certified behavioral analyst	(352) 323-8872
Fairway Christian Church: Provides Christian mental health counseling for adults, couples and families.	(352) 259-9305
Grieving Students Services: Support for grieving children and families	1-877-536-2722
Harmony United Psychiatric Care Services: Provides outpatient counseling; psychiatric evaluation and medication management	(352) 431-3940
Hospice Grief Counselor & Bereavement Camp – Marion County only Amy Rath, LCSW, or Monika Morrisette, LCSW	(352) 873-7456
Gentiva Hospice – Marion County only Edwin Button, Bereavement Counselor	(352) 622-9331

La Amistad Behavioral Services 24-help line Services: Provides adult residential, partial hospitalization, or intensive outpatient services mental health and co-occurring substance abuse treatment; adolescent inpatient and outpatient mental health and co-occurring substance abuse.	1-800-433-1122 or 1-407-647-0660
LifeStream Behavioral 24-hour Access Center Services: Provides adult and geriatric psychiatric inpatient care; crisis stabilization; sub-acute detoxification unit; outpatient mental health counseling; psychiatric evaluation and medication.	1-866-355-9394 or 352-315-7800
NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) Lake, Marion & Sumter Counties John Podkomorski, Executive Director Services: Provides information and education about mental illness and local resources; offers monthly family support group meetings.	(352) 368-2405 www.namilocala.org info@namilocala.org
New Covenant United Methodist Church Services: Provides Christian counseling and mental health care for adults, couples, children and families	(352) 750-4529
Ocala Psychiatric Associates Timothy Byrd MD, Psychiatrist Services: Provides outpatient counseling, psychological and psychiatric evaluation and medication management, (private pay).	(352) 629-4350
SIMED Primary Care Joyce Smolarski, MD, Psychiatrist Services: Provides outpatient psychiatric evaluation and medication management.	(352) 753-6887
The Villages Counseling Center Services: Provides outpatient mental health counseling for adults and couples.	(352) 350-5552
The Vines Mental Health and Substance Abuse 24-hour access Services: Provides acute inpatient treatment; acute psychiatric stabilization; partial hospitalization program; intensive outpatient program; women-only trauma unit; detoxification and substance abuse treatment.	1-866-671-3130
SENIOR SERVICES	
AARP Caregiver Resource Free Hotline	1-877-333-5885
Home Care or Nursing/Companion Care	(352) 365-7866
Day-Break Club of The Villages At Odell Recreation Respite for family members w/special needs.	(203) 376-2820 LTCRicciardi@me.com
Elder Helpline – Lake, Marion & Sumter Counties Information for elder services and programs	800-262-2243
Home Instead Senior Care – Leesburg Franchise Services: In home care (client's home) based on 25-hour week. One-on-one 4-5 hours; companionship/light housekeeping; meal prep; transportation; errands; showers.	(352) 323-6100
Hospice of Marion County 9730SE 43 rd Ct., Belleview, FL 34420 Services: Provide comfort and support and end-of-life care.	352-245-8175
New Covenant United Methodist Church H.E.L.P. (Helping Everyone Locate Providers)	(352) 750-4529

Designed to help locate additional community resources through the Care Department.	
Right at Home Services: Companionship Care and Homemaking; services for dementia; skilled nursing; respite care for caregivers; minimum 3 hours.	(352) 835-0101
Visiting Angels Peg Pickett, Owner Services: Numerous assists; hygiene assistance; light housekeeping; meal prep; incontinence care; colostomy assistance; transportation, etc.	(352) 643-0702 or 352-290-8528
Visiting Nurses Association of Florida Services: Companionship; meal planning and preparation; personal care; bathing, dressing and grooming; memory care monitoring.	800-318-0399 or 352-693-4871
Safe & Secure Home Care LLC of Mt. Dora Services: Homemaking; companionship; light housework.	(352) 729-2855
Cornerstone Hospice- Tavares 2445 Lane Park Rd Tavares, FL 32778	(866) 742-6655 https://cornerstonehospice.org/
Kathy's Kare Services: Kathy Graham is a CNA, not in an agency. She provides companionship, transportation, respite care, and laundry. Minimum of four hours a week and no weekends	(352) 460-3783
SENIOR WELLNESS CHECK	
Sumter County Sheriff Services Peace of Mind Register with Sheriff's office. Resident calls in; if they do not, someone is dispatched to check at their home.	(352) 689-4600
The Villages Adult Watch Program Register at (352) 753-4508 for public safety welfare check. Will call 2 times; if no answer, a patrol driver is sent to the home.	(352) 753-0550
SENIORS' SAFETY	
Seniors vs Crime (Lake, Marion & Sumter Counties) Services: to reduce the victimization of seniors who are targeted for specific crimes or scams based on their age.	800-203-3099
Sumter County Sheriff Service: Vial of Life Needed info in home located for emergency personnel to easily find when you are not able to do so	(352) 689-4600 or (352) 569-1600
Sumter County Sheriff Human Scent Preservation Kit Service tool that is used to assist in finding a lost person.	(352) 689-4600
TRANSPORTATION	
Sumter County Public Transportation (located in Wildwood) ***Registration required. You must fill out the Transportation Disadvantaged form and have it signed by doctor to be eligible for "door to door" shuttle. Mail completed form to: Sumter County Transit, 1525 Industrial Dr., Wildwood, FL 34785 To request a form or for more information call phone: (352) 568-6683 or go to https://www.sumtercountyfl.gov/95/Transit To make reservations: call (352) 568-6683 between 8AM – 1PM Monday thru Friday. Note: Fares vary for children, adults and seniors depending on income and for travel within or outside of Sumter County. • Appointments within Sumter County: Appointments must be between: 8:30AM – 3PM • Appointments outside Sumter County (Leesburg) Appointments between: 9AM – 2PM	

- Appointments in **Gainesville** (Shands or Vet Admin) Mon, Wed & Friday Appointments between 9AM – 11AM
- Appointments to **Vet Administration – Summerfield** Tuesday & Thursday Appointments between 8AM – 2PM
- Sumter County Transit does not travel to Ocala.
- Ocala Transit does not travel outside Marion County

HOSPITAL LIST

Name	Phone	Address / Directions
Advent Health- Ocala (formerly Munroe Regional Medical Center & Florida Hospital)	(352) 351-7200	1500 SW 1st Avenue, Ocala, FL - North on 441/27 from The Villages; turn right on 1st Ave in Ocala; hospital at right.
Advent Health – Orlando (formerly Florida Hospital)	(407) 303-5600	601 East Rollins St, Orlando, FL 32803. From Villages take US 301 south to FL Turnpike. To Orlando take I-4 East exit. Stay on I-4 through downtown Orlando. Take Exit 85, Princeton Ave., turn right & immediately get in left turning lane. Turn left on Orange Ave & immediately get in right lane. Turn left at Wendy's. Rollins St is across railroad tracks.
Advent Health- Tampa (formerly University Community Hospital & Florida Hospital)	(813) 971-6000	3100 East Fletcher Ave, Tampa, FL 33613
Advent Health for Women – Orlando (formerly Florida Hospital for Women)	(407) 543-4650 833-205-6670 Toll Free	601 Rollins St. Orlando, FL 32803
Advent Health – Waterman (formerly Florida Hospital)	(352) 253-3333	100 Waterman Way, Tavares, FL 32778 - From The Villages go south on 27/441. At split in Leesburg, turn left onto 441. Go approximately 6 miles to Tavares. Hospital on left.
UF Health Leesburg Hospital (formerly Leesburg Regional Medical Center [LRMC]) - North	(352) 323-5762	Rehab Facility: 700 N. Palmetto Street, Leesburg, FL 34748
UF Health Leesburg Hospital (formerly Leesburg Regional Medical Center [LRMC]) (Main Hospital)	(352) 323-5070	600 E. Dixie Avenue, Leesburg, FL 34748 - 441/27 south from The Villages. At 441/27 split in Leesburg, continue straight on 27. Left at 7th light: Dixie Ave., SR 44. Left at 4th light- just beyond the hospital.
Mayo Clinic - Jacksonville	(904) 953-2000	4500 San Pablo Rd., S. Jacksonville, FL. 32224 (appointments phone: 904-694-2394)
Moffitt Cancer Center	(888) 663-3488	12902 USF Magnolia Dr., Tampa, FL
HCA Florida Ocala Hospital	(352) 401-1000	1431 SW 1st Street, Ocala, FL 34471

Orlando Health (Formerly Orlando Regional Medical Center [ORMC])	(321) 841-5111	52 West Underwood Street, Orlando, FL 32806
Promise Hospital	(352) 689-6400	5050 County Rd 472, Oxford, FL
UF Health - Jacksonville	(904) 244-0411	665 W 8th St, Jacksonville, FL 32209
Shands Hospital - University of Florida	(352) 265-0111	1600 Archer Road, Gainesville, FL - From The Villages, go north on I-75. Take exit 384 and go right on Archer approx. 3 mi.; hospital on left.
UF Health The Villages Hospital (Formerly The Villages Regional Hospital [TVRH]) (Frances, Winnie, Rose at front desk) (also info on Leesburg Reg. Medical Ctr. (LRMC))	(352) 751-8000	1451 El Camino Real, The Villages, FL 32159. From NC, go west on Hwy. 466 to Buena Vista Blvd, turn left. Go to El Camino Real (1st round-about), turn rt. Continue for a few miles - on left.
HCA Florida West Marion Hospital (also info on Ocala Regional Medical Center)	(352) 291-3000	4600 SW 46th Court, Ocala, FL 34474 - North on I-75 from The Villages; exit Hwy. 200; turn left and go west 1.5 miles.
UF Health Ocala	(352) 355-1282	I-75 at exit 354 and US Highway 27

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