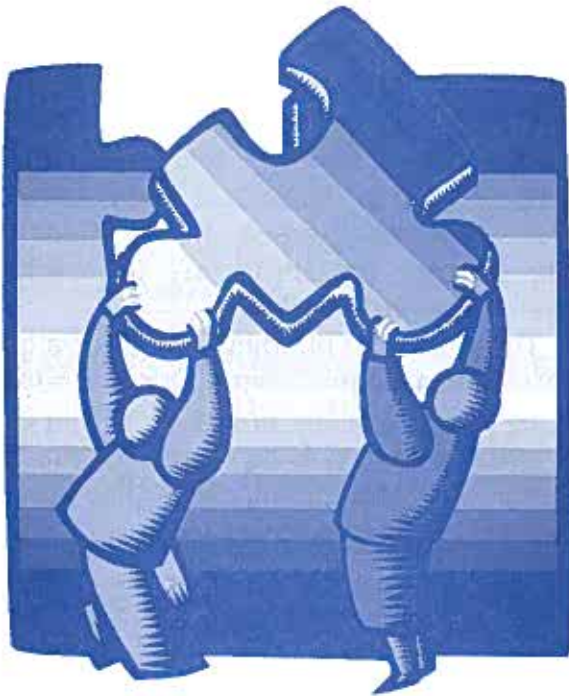


# Van Buren County Resource Guide

**A guide of services provided to  
residents of Van Buren County**



United Way is working to advance the common good by focusing on three areas of concern:

**BASIC NEEDS** - Programs help meet a cross-section of basic needs, such as emergency services for those experiencing fires, natural disasters, domestic abuse, mental and physical health crises, and other disruptive events. Help is also provided for those needing food, utilities, shelter, legal assistance, and other basics, including tools for greater financial stability for the future.

**CHILD DEVELOPMENT AND STRENGTHENING OF FAMILIES** - Funded programs assist with child and elder care, provide expanded youth educational and recreational opportunities, and work with our county's at-risk families to ensure safe environments for all youngsters.

**HEALTH AND WELL-BEING** - Programs connect residents to low and no-cost health, mental health, dental, and prescription services; provide in-home care and nutritional help for the elderly; assist the disabled; and provide support for terminally ill residents and their bereaved families.

These are the building blocks for a good life here in Van Buren County. Our United Way allocates funds to many programs within each target area. Our goal is to create long-lasting changes in our local communities that prevent emergencies from happening.

## EMERGENCY NUMBERS

<b>Police</b>	<b>Dial 911</b>
<b>Fire</b>	<b>Dial 911</b>
<b>Poison Center</b>	<b>(800)222-1222</b>
<b>Van Buren County Sheriff</b>	<b>(269)657-3101</b>
<b>MI State Police-Paw Paw</b>	<b>(269)657-5551</b>
<b>MI State Police-South Haven</b>	<b>(269)637-2125</b>
<b>Domestic Preparedness</b>	<b>(269)657-7786</b>

## HELPFUL NUMBERS

<b>Al-Van Humane Society</b>	<b>(269)637-5062</b>
<b>Friend of the Court</b>	<b>(269)657-7734</b>
<b>MI Road Conditions</b>	<b>(800)381-8477</b>
<b>National Child Abuse Hotline</b>	<b>(800)222-4453</b>
<b>Van Buren County Circuit Court</b>	<b>(269)657-8200</b>
<b>Van Buren County District Court-East (Paw Paw)</b>	<b>(269)657-8222</b>
<b>Van Buren County District Court-West (South Haven)</b>	<b>(269)637-5258</b>
<b>Van Buren County Domestic Animal Control</b>	<b>(269)621-4624</b>
<b>Van Buren County Truancy Officer</b>	<b>(269)674-8091 Ext. 5209</b>

## HOSPITALS

**Allegan General Hospital**  
555 Linn St., Allegan, MI 49010  
(269)673-8424

**Berrien General Hospital**  
6418 Deans Hill Road, Berrien Center, MI  
49102  
(269)471-7761

**Borgess Medical Center**  
1521 Gull Road, Kalamazoo, MI 49001  
(269)226-7000

**Borgess-Lee Memorial Hospital**  
420 West High St., Dowagiac, MI 49047  
(269)782-8681

**Bronson LakeView Hospital**  
408 Hazen St., Paw Paw, MI 49079  
(269)657-3141

**Bronson Methodist Hospital**  
601 John St., Kalamazoo, MI 49007  
(269)341-7654

**Bronson Outpatient Center**  
451 Health Parkway, Paw Paw, MI 49079  
(269)657-8300

**Community Hospital Watervliet**  
400 Medical Park Drive, Watervliet. MI 49098  
(269)463-3111

**South Haven Community Hospital**  
955 South Bailey Ave., South Haven, MI  
49090  
(269)637-5271

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## **ADULT & ALTERNATIVE ED/EMPLOYMENT**

**Adult Citizenship Education Services**  
115-B School St.  
Hartford, MI 49057  
(269)621-7143

*Federal citizenship education center provides citizenship classes, English language classes, and is a US citizenship testing center.*

**Allegan County Area Technical & Education Center**  
2891 116th Ave. (M-222)  
Allegan, MI 49010  
(269)673-3121

[www.alleganaesa.org](http://www.alleganaesa.org)

*The center provides a comprehensive set of technical education programs for students and adults.*

**Alternative Education**  
54080 Gards Prairie Road  
Decatur, MI 49045  
(269)782-9716  
[www.volinia.org](http://www.volinia.org)

*Provides positive and caring learning experiences in which students are expected to meet the challenging academic expectations set forth by the state. Students will also receive the opportunity to achieve the outcomes necessary to direct their lives toward developing habits that will help them become cooperative, self-sufficient, responsible and intellectually curious citizens.*

**Hartford Adult Education**  
(269)621-7009 or (269)621-7143

**South Haven Adult Education**  
(269)639-0359

*Offers high school diploma completion, vocation/employment training, GED program, citizenship classes, family literacy, and English classes.*

**Hartford Public Schools-Teen Parent Program**  
115 School St.  
Hartford, MI 49057  
(269)621-7102

[www.hartford-schools.org](http://www.hartford-schools.org)

*Provides educational services to secondary level students to complete requirements for promotion or academics credits toward graduation.*

**Michigan Avenue Academy**  
600 East Michigan Ave.  
Paw Paw, MI 49079  
(269)657-8831

*Alternative high school program for parenting and pregnant teens, including on-site day and adult basic education classes including GED preparation classes and testing.*

**MSU College Assistance Migrant Program**  
(866)432-9900

[msucamp.msu.edu](http://msucamp.msu.edu)

*(MSU CAMP) is an educational program that offers individuals with migrant or seasonal farm work backgrounds a unique opportunity to begin an undergraduate program at MSU.*

**MSU High School Equivalency Program**  
(866)432-9900

[msuhep.msu.edu](http://msuhep.msu.edu)

*(MSU HEP) is a secondary education program that offers individuals with migrant or seasonal farm work backgrounds a unique opportunity to obtain a General Educational Development certificate (GED).*

**Michigan Works of Berrien/Cass/Van Buren Counties**  
32849 Red Arrow Highway  
Paw Paw MI 49079  
(269)657-7014  
[www.miworks.org](http://www.miworks.org)

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**Michigan Works of Berrien/Cass/Van Buren Counties  
(located inside Lake Michigan College)**

**125 Veterans Blvd.  
South Haven, MI 49070  
(269)655-0095  
www.miworks.org**

*Michigan Works fosters high-quality employment and training programs serving employers and workers by providing support activities and a forum for information exchange for Michigan's workforce development.*

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**Paw Paw Community Education Center  
600 East Michigan Ave.  
Paw Paw, MI 49079  
(269)657-8831  
www.ppps.org**

*A family-based community education service that empowers students to become productive, self-sufficient members of society by providing challenging, progressive, non-traditional educational opportunities.*

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**Telamon Corp c/o MI Works  
32849 Red Arrow Highway, Suite 200  
Paw Paw, MI 49079  
(269)655-9916 Ext. 1277 (800)533-5800 Ext. 1277  
www.telamon.org**

*Provides literacy and early childhood education, job training, emergency services, temporary or permanent opportunities housing, certified HUD referral and a number of other services for Van Buren county migrants.*

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**Van Buren Intermediate School District  
701 Paw Paw St.  
Lawrence, MI 49064  
(269)674-8091  
www.vbisd.org**

*Provides adult educational programs and Migrant/Bilingual education programs.*

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**Van Buren Intermediate School District  
Technology Center**

**250 South St.  
Lawrence, MI 49064  
(269)674-8001  
www.vbisd.org**

*Provides quality career and technical education training to high school students and adults in Van Buren County.*

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*\*Contact your local school district for continuing community education and other special services.*

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**AMBULANCE**

**Angel Med Flight Worldwide Air Ambulance  
(866)694-9310**

*Air and ground service available.*

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**Pine Dale Ambulance Service  
South Kalamazoo St.  
Paw Paw, MI 49079  
(269)657-3101**

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**Van Buren County Emergency Medical Services  
39333 West Red Arrow Highway  
Paw Paw, MI 49079  
(269)657-2996**

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**CHILD ABUSE/NEGLECT**

**Department of Human Services  
57150 CR 681  
Hartford, MI 49057  
(269)621-2800  
www.michigan.gov/dhs**

*Call if you suspect child abuse/neglect or need parenting assistance programs.*

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**Van Buren County Child Abuse & Neglect Council**  
PO Box 23  
Paw Paw, MI 49079  
(269)657-3536

*Committed to the prevention of child abuse and neglect through advocacy, education, and community involvement.*

## CHILDREN'S RESOURCES

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**4-H Leaders Association**  
219 East Paw Paw St., Suite 201  
Paw Paw, MI 49079  
(269)657-8213

*Offers "hands-on" experiences for youth regardless of age, sex, culture or social background, through volunteer leadership by combining fun with practical skills that help make youth more responsible and productive.*

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**Big Brothers Big Sisters**  
3501 Covington  
Kalamazoo, MI 49001  
(269)382-6800

[www.bbbscommunity.org](http://www.bbbscommunity.org)

*Creates, develops, and nurtures quality relationships between children and mentors to guide each child to become a responsible, socially competent, and caring adult.*

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**Boy Scouts of America, Southwest Michigan Council**  
1035 West Maple St.  
Kalamazoo, MI 49008  
(269)343-4687

[www.bsaswmi.org](http://www.bsaswmi.org)

*Character development, citizenship training and physical and mental fitness are all the goals of the program for both boys and girls served.*

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**Catholic Family Services-The Ark**  
990 West Kilgore Road  
Kalamazoo, MI 49008  
(800)873-TEEN

[www.arkforyouth.org](http://www.arkforyouth.org)

*24/7 voluntary short-term (14-day maximum) crisis intervention shelter for youth ages 10-17 who are experiencing difficulties in their relationships or facing any variety of crises, including homelessness.*

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**Catholic Family Services- Van Buren Teen Parent**  
57150 CR 681  
Hartford, MI 49057  
(269)621-2910

[www.catholicfamilyservices.org](http://www.catholicfamilyservices.org)

*Emotional support and practical help are offered to obtain prenatal care, receive information on proper nutrition, referrals to area services and more. Special services are available for teen moms and dads.*

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**Child Care Resources**  
(800)343-3470

[www.workfamilysolutions.com](http://www.workfamilysolutions.com)

*Provides listings of licensed child care providers.*

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**Family Literacy-Teen Parent Program**  
425 East Main  
Hartford, MI  
(269)621-4433

*Education for pregnant and parenting teens, adult education program including on-site day care; alternative and adult education classes.*

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**Girl Scouts Heart of Michigan**  
601 West Maple St.  
Kalamazoo, MI 49008  
(269)343-1516 (800)788-4919

[www.gshom.org](http://www.gshom.org)

*Builds girls of courage, confidence and character, who make the world a better place.*

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**Hartford Community Center-Learning Center**  
2400 West Main  
Hartford, MI 49057  
(269)621-2020  
[www.hpcchartford.com](http://www.hpcchartford.com)

**Hartford Community Center-His Place**  
15 South Maple St.  
Hartford, MI 49057  
(269)621-2020  
[www.hpcchartford.com](http://www.hpcchartford.com)

*An outreach program for children, teens, and adults of Hartford to come together and enjoy a safe, nurturing environment of activities and fellowship.*

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**Michigan Avenue Academy**  
600 East Michigan Ave.  
Paw Paw, MI 49079  
(269)657-8831

*Alternative high school program for parenting and pregnant teens, including on-site day care and adult basic education classes including GED preparation classes and testing.*

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**Teen HEART**  
4200 West Michigan Ave., Suite 20  
Kalamazoo, MI 49006  
(269)342-8336  
[www.teenheart.org](http://www.teenheart.org)

*This nonprofit, educational organization provides the opportunity for young people to develop the strong skills and knowledge they need to make informed choices about the situations they will inevitably face.*

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**Telamon Corp-Head Start Services**  
89210 CR 687  
Hartford, MI 49057  
(269)424-3521 (517)323-7002

*Head Start services for migrant children.*

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**Van Buren County Child Abuse & Neglect**  
PO Box 23  
Paw Paw, MI 49079  
(269)657-3536

*Committed to the prevention of child abuse and neglect through advocacy, education, and community involvement.*

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**Van Buren Intermediate School District**  
701 Paw Paw St.  
Lawrence, MI 49064  
(269)674-8091  
[www.vbisd.org](http://www.vbisd.org)

*Coordinates several programs that involve families with young children, ages birth to eight years. Services range from literacy programs to home visits by family educators prepared to share information on child development, parenting, health, safety and nutrition information, among other topics. Special education provides services to individuals with disabilities in Van Buren County, ages birth to twenty six years, by providing comprehensive educational programs and services appropriate to address individual educational needs. Migrant/Bilingual education provides academic and support services for migratory children.*

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**Van Buren Intermediate School District**  
Technology Center  
250 South St.  
Lawrence, MI 49064  
(269)674-8001  
[www.vbisd.org](http://www.vbisd.org)

*Provides quality career and technical education training to high school students and adults in Van Buren County.*

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**Van Buren Youth Camp Inc.**  
12370 45th St.  
Bloomingtondale, MI 49026  
(269)521-3855

*Serves youth by providing opportunities for mental, physical, and spiritual growth.*

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**WIC (Women, Infants, Children)**  
209 West Michigan Ave.  
Paw Paw, MI 49079  
(269)655-8900  
[www.fns.usda.gov/wic](http://www.fns.usda.gov/wic)

**WIC (Women, Infants, Children)**  
308 Charles St.  
Bangor, MI 49013  
(269)427-7914  
[www.fns.usda.gov/wic](http://www.fns.usda.gov/wic)

*WIC provides federal grants to states for supplemental foods, health care referrals, and nutrition education for low-income pregnant, breastfeeding, and non-breastfeeding postpartum women, and to infants and children up to age five who are found to be at nutritional risk.*

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**Youth & Company PAL**  
PO Box 632  
South Haven, MI 49090  
(269)838-3641

*Improves the quality of life for all area youth while involving the entire community.*

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## DISABILITY/MENTAL HEALTH

**ARC of Michigan**  
1325 South Washington  
Lansing, MI 48910  
(800)292-7851 (517)487-5426  
[www.arcmi.org](http://www.arcmi.org)

*Assists all persons with developmental disabilities and their families to participate fully in the life of their community.*

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**Bronson-LakeView Behavioral Health**  
408 Hazen St.  
Paw Paw, MI  
(269)657-1510 (800)656-3141  
[www.bronsonhealth.com](http://www.bronsonhealth.com)  
*Inpatient mental health services.*

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**CAUSE-Citizens Alliance to Uphold Special Education**  
924 Centennial Way, Suite 460  
Lansing, MI 48917  
(800)221-9105  
[www.causeonline.org](http://www.causeonline.org)

*A non-profit coalition providing free information, referral, support, advocacy, and workshops to parents and professionals working with children with disabilities.*

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**Cohesion Drop-In Center**  
109 North Gremps St.  
Paw Paw, MI 49079  
(269)657-2764

*Drop-in center for individuals with mental disabilities who need peer support or help problem-solving.*

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**Constance Brown Hearing Centers**  
1634 Gull Road (Medical Arts Building)  
Kalamazoo, MI 49048  
(269)343-2601 (877)343-2601  
[www.cbrown.org](http://www.cbrown.org)

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**Constance Brown Hearing Centers**

4855 West Centre Ave.

Portage, MI 49024

(269)343-2601 (877)343-2601

[www.cbrown.org](http://www.cbrown.org)

*Committed to providing personalized service and advanced technology to help each individual find the right solution to change their lives.*

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**Department of Human Services**

57150 CR 681

Hartford, MI 49057

(269)621-2800

[www.michigan.gov/dhs](http://www.michigan.gov/dhs)

*Offers programs that assist with state disability for disabled adults.*

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**Disability Network of SW Michigan  
Independent Living/ Life Mgmt. Program**

517 East Crosstown Parkway

Kalamazoo, MI 49001

(269)345-1516

[www.drccil.org](http://www.drccil.org)

*Educates and empowers people with disabilities to create change in their lives, advocates for social responsibility.*

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**Easter Seals Society**

**West Michigan Therapy Center**

4065 Saladin Drive SE

Grand Rapids, MI 49546

(616)942-2081 (800)75-SEALS

[mi.easterseals.com](http://mi.easterseals.com)

*Services children and adults with mental and physical disabilities and other special needs. Health professionals from a variety of disciplines work with each person to overcome obstacles to independence and to reach their personal goals through person centered planning.*

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**Kalamazoo Michigan Rehabilitation Services**

4210 South Westnedge

Kalamazoo, MI 49008

(269)337-3700 (877)901-9187

[mi.gov/mrs](http://mi.gov/mrs)

*MRS partners with individuals and employers to achieve quality employment outcomes and independence for persons with disabilities.*

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**Leader Dogs for the Blind**

1039 South Rochester Road

Rochester Hills, MI 48307

(888)777-5332

[www.leaderdog.org](http://www.leaderdog.org)

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**MapleView Consultation Center**

181 West Michigan Ave., Suite 3

Paw Paw, MI 49079

(269)657-6025

*Offers outpatient mental health services.*

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**March of Dimes Birth Defects Foundation**

1930 West Milham, Suite A

Portage, MI 4924

(269)343-5586

[www.marchofdimes.com](http://www.marchofdimes.com)

*March of Dimes researchers, volunteers, educators, outreach workers and advocates work together to give all babies a fighting chance against the threats to their health: prematurity, birth defects, low birth weight.*

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**Michigan Association for Deaf, Hearing & Speech  
Services**

2929 Covington Court

Lansing, MI 48912

(800)YOUR-EAR

*Sponsor programs through advocacy, education, special services including interpreter services, equipment rental, and youth programs.*

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**Michigan Protection & Advocacy Service, Inc.**  
4095 Legacy Parkway, Suite 500  
Lansing, MI 48911  
(517)487-1755 (800)288-5923  
[www.mpas.org](http://www.mpas.org)

*Advocates for the physically and mentally disabled.*

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**Michigan Rehabilitation Services**  
499 West Main St., Suite 1  
Benton Harbor, MI 49022  
(877)901-9192

**Michigan Rehabilitation Services**  
4210 South Westnedge  
Kalamazoo, MI 49079  
(877)901-9187 (269)337-3700

*Assists people with physical and mental disabilities to become employed.*

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**Paws With A Cause**  
4646 South Division  
Wayland, MI 49348  
(800)253-7297 (616)877-7297  
[www.pawswithacause.org](http://www.pawswithacause.org)

*Trains assistance dogs nationally for people with disabilities, which helps encourage their independence.*

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**South Haven-Drop In Center**  
970 South Bailey Ave.  
South Haven, MI 49090  
(269) 637-7396

*Drop-in center for individuals with mental disabilities who need peer support or help problem-solving.*

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**State of MI Blind Commission-Training Center**  
1541 Oakland Drive  
Kalamazoo, MI 49008  
(269)337-3848  
[www.michigan.gov](http://www.michigan.gov)

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**United Cerebral Palsy Association of Michigan**  
4970 Northwind Drive  
East Lansing, MI 48823  
(517)203-1200  
[www.ucpmichigan.org](http://www.ucpmichigan.org)

*A non-profit advocacy organization that works for life without limits for people with cerebral palsy and other disabilities.*

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**Van Buren Behavioral Education Center ISD**  
30 South Walnut St.  
Bangor, MI  
(269)427-7961  
[www.vbisd.org](http://www.vbisd.org)

*Offers a special education program for students with emotional impairments who cannot be effectively educated within their local school district.*

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**Van Buren Intermediate School District**  
701 Paw Paw St.  
Lawrence, MI 49064  
(269)674-8091  
[www.vbisd.org](http://www.vbisd.org)

*Special education provides services to individuals with disabilities in Van Buren County, ages birth to twenty six years, by providing comprehensive educational programs and services appropriate to address individual educational needs.*

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## DISASTER RELIEF

**American Red Cross**  
301 North Center St.  
Hartford, MI 49057  
(269)621-6456  
[www.redcross.org](http://www.redcross.org)

*Provides relief to victims of disaster.*

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**The Salvation Army**  
233 Michigan St.  
Benton Harbor, MI 49022  
(269)927-1353  
[www.salvationarmy.org](http://www.salvationarmy.org)

*Meets needs and improves the lives of those coming within its sphere of influences. It is part of the universal Christian church and assists others without discrimination.*

## **DOMESTIC VIOLENCE/HOMELESS SHELTERS**

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**Battle Creek Domestic Violence Shelter**  
(888)664-9832

[www.safeplaceshelter.org](http://www.safeplaceshelter.org)

*Safe shelter for women and children.*

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**Benton Harbor Homeless Shelter**  
(269)925-1131

[www.bentonharboremergencyshelter.org](http://www.bentonharboremergencyshelter.org)

*Provides temporary housing for families and single parents with children and assists these families in finding permanent homes.*

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**Catholic Family Services-The Ark**

990 West Kilgore Road

Kalamazoo, MI 49008

(800)873-TEEN (269)343-7323

[www.arkforyouth.org](http://www.arkforyouth.org)

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**Decatur Family Shelter**

210 East Delaware

Decatur, MI 49045

(269)423-9450

*Provides shelter for families with children, single women.  
No single men, no domestic violence.*

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**Fair Housing Center for Southwest Michigan**  
410 East Michigan Ave.  
Kalamazoo, MI 49007  
(269)276-9100  
[www.fhcswm.org](http://www.fhcswm.org)

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**Kalamazoo Gospel Mission Homeless Shelter**  
448 North Burdick St.  
Kalamazoo, MI 49007  
(269)345-2974  
[www.kzoogospel.org](http://www.kzoogospel.org)

*Provides shelter for men, women and families.*

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**Kalamazoo YWCA Domestic Violence Shelter**  
353 East Michigan Ave.  
Kalamazoo, MI 49007  
(269)385-3587

[www.ywcakalamazoo.org](http://www.ywcakalamazoo.org)

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**Keystone Place Family Shelter**

505 East Market St.

Centerville, MI 49032

(269)467-7078

*Provides emergency shelter for families with children for a maximum 30 day stay.*

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**Next Door Shelter for Women**

1215 West North St.

Kalamazoo, MI 49006

(269)349-2119

[www.opendorrnextdoor.org](http://www.opendorrnextdoor.org)

*Shelter for women and men 17-35 with no children.*

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**Salvation Army Shelter**

(269)927-0414

[www.salvationarmy.org](http://www.salvationarmy.org)

*Provides shelter for men at least 18 years of age.*

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**Sylvia's Place Domestic Violence Shelter**

PO Box 13

Allegan, MI 49010

[sylviasplace.org](http://sylviasplace.org)

(269)673-8700

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**Three Rivers Domestic Violence Shelter**  
**(800)828-2023**  
**www.dasasmi.org**

**EMERGENCY SERVICES**

**American Red Cross**  
**301 North Center St.**  
**Hartford, MI 49057**  
**(269)621-6456**  
**www.redcross.org**

*Provides relief to victims of disaster and is the leading provider of first aid and CPR education and training, life guarding, swim, and water safety education and training in the country.*

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**Child and Family Services**  
**2450 M-139, Suite A**  
**Benton Harbor, MI 49023**  
**(269)925-1725**  
**www.cfsswmi.org**

*Crisis Intervention Center is a residential shelter that provides a safe environment for children 9-17 who are experiencing significant life trauma. West Michigan Guardianship provides guardianship and services to severely mentally ill, developmentally disabled, and elderly citizens who cannot make financial, legal or health decisions.*

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**Department of Human Services**  
**57150 CR 681**  
**Hartford, MI 49057**  
**(269)621-2800**  
**www.michigan.gov/dhs**

*Offers programs that assist low-income people with cash assistance, food assistance, housing and shelter costs, state disability for disabled adults, medical coverage for low-income families, child care assistance, burials, utilities, and other services.*

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**Domestic Violence Coalition**  
**303 Paw Paw St., Suite 7**  
**Paw Paw, MI 49079**

**(269)655-9008 After hours (888)655-9008**

*Provides supportive assistance to survivors of domestic and sexual violence and works toward eliminating these crimes.*

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**Southwest Michigan Community Action Agency**  
**155 North Paw Paw St.**  
**Lawrence, MI**  
**(269)674-7175 (800)968-3905**  
**www.smcaa.com**

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**Southwest Michigan Community Action Agency**  
**185 East Main St., Suite 200**  
**Benton Harbor, MI 49022**  
**(269)925-9077**  
**www.smcaa.com**

*Provides weatherization program, home repairs, volunteer programs, outreach, and shelter referral for homeless, housing programs, emergency food, migrant services, emergency utility and rent assistance.*

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**The Salvation Army**  
**233 Michigan St.**  
**Benton Harbor, MI 49022**  
**(269)927-1353**  
**www.salvationarmy.org**

*Meets needs and improves the lives of those coming within its sphere of influences. It is part of the universal Christian church and assists others without discrimination.*

**FAMILY SUPPORT SERVICES**

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**Adoption Associates Inc.**  
**(800)677-2367**  
**www.adoptassoc.com**

*Assistance with adoption serving West Michigan.*

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**American Cancer Society**  
1400 West Milham  
Portage, MI 49024  
(269)349-8719  
[www.cancer.org](http://www.cancer.org)

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**Bethany Christian Services**  
6687 Seeco Drive  
Kalamazoo, MI 49009  
(269) 372-8800 (800)BETHANY  
[www.bethany.org](http://www.bethany.org)

*Offers services for adoption, foster care, and counseling.*

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**Borgess Visiting Nurse & Hospice**  
348 North Burdick St.  
Kalamazoo, MI 49007  
(269)343-1396 (800)343-1396  
[www.borgess.com](http://www.borgess.com)

*Provides individuals and families with compassionate, quality, innovative and cost-effective home care, hospice and related services.*

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**Child Care Resources**  
(800)343-3470

[www.workfamilysolutions.com](http://www.workfamilysolutions.com)

*Provides listings of licensed child care providers.*

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**Family Adoption Consultants**  
421 West Crosstown Parkway  
Kalamazoo, MI 49001  
(269)343-3316  
[www.facadopt.org](http://www.facadopt.org)

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**Hartford Community Center-Learning Center**  
2400 West Main  
Hartford, MI 49057  
(269)621-2020  
[www.hpcchartford.com](http://www.hpcchartford.com)

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**Hartford Community Center-His Place**  
15 South Maple St.  
Hartford, MI 49057  
(269)621-2020  
[www.hpcchartford.com](http://www.hpcchartford.com)

*An outreach program for children, teens, and adults of Hartford to come together and enjoy a safe, nurturing environment of activities and fellowship.*

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**Heat & Electric Assistance**  
607 Shelby, Suite 400  
Detroit, MI 48226  
(800)866-THAW  
[www.thawfund.org](http://www.thawfund.org)

*The Heat And Warmth Fund (THAW) is an independent non-profit agency that provides low-income individuals and families with emergency energy assistance and advocates for long-term solutions to energy issues.*

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**Hospice at Home-South Haven**  
5055 Blue Star Memorial Highway  
South Haven, MI 49090  
(269)637-3825

[www.hospiceswmi.org](http://www.hospiceswmi.org)

*Hospice Care of Southwest Michigan offers a wide range of nursing, medical, social and grief support services; which are designed to enable the client to live in the comfort and privacy of his or her own home.*

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**Hospice Care of Southwest Michigan**  
801 North Hazen St., Suite L-4  
Paw Paw, MI 49079  
(269)657-7300

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*Supports individuals and their caregivers during chronic or terminal illness with individualized medical, emotional, spiritual, and personal care; compassionate care for those coping with illness, dying, and loss.*

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**Lifespan Visiting Nurse Services**

**166 East Goodale Ave.  
Battle Creek, MI 49037  
(269)660-3600  
www.lifespan4u.org**

*Provides family-like care for patients by offering healthcare services and equipment for all phases of illness and recuperation right at home.*

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**Michigan Prisoner Re-Entry Initiative**

**499 West Main St.  
Benton Harbor, MI 49022  
(800)533-5800 Ext.1138  
www.michpri.com**

*Goal is to promote public safety by increasing the success rates of prisoners transitioning from prison to the community. The vision of the MPRI is that every prisoner released from prison will have the tools needed to succeed in the community.*

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**Pokagon Tribal Social Services**

**58620 Sink Road  
Dowagiac, MI 49047  
(269)782-6323 (888)376-9988  
www.pokagon.com**

*Provides education, social services, housing and a variety of services for members of the Potawatomi tribe.*

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**Samaritan Counseling Center  
(located in First Congregation Church)**

**651 Phoenix St.  
South Haven, MI 49090  
(269)637-6236**

**www.samcounseling.org**

*Professional physiological counseling, consultations, and community educational services, integrating spiritual insights with the values and faith of the client.*

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**South Haven Community Foundation**

**228 Broadway St.  
South Haven, MI 49090  
(269)639-1631  
www.shcf.org**

*Seeks to be a responsive and proactive community partner that works strategically to address existing and emerging community issues.*

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**Southwest Michigan Community Action Agency**

**155 North Paw Paw St.  
Lawrence, MI  
(269)674-7175 (800)968-3905  
www.smcaa.com**

**Southwest Michigan Community Action Agency**

**185 East Main St., Suite 200  
Benton Harbor, MI 49022  
(269)925-9077  
www.smcaa.com**

*Provides weatherization program, home repairs, volunteer programs, outreach, and shelter referral for homeless, housing programs, emergency food, migrant services, emergency utility and rent assistance.*

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**The Salvation Army**

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**Van Buren County Tax Coalition**  
**(800)310-5454**

**Tom Richardson (269)674-8091**

**Van Buren County United Way (269)657-2410**

*Trained tax preparers will complete income tax returns free of charge for low-income filers or persons who are retired, on disability, veterans, and don't have to file taxes but may still be eligible for Michigan tax credits.*

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**Van Buren County United Way**  
**181 West Michigan Ave., Suite 4**  
**Paw Paw, MI 49079**  
**(269)657-2410**

**www.vbcuw.org**

*Van Buren County United Way brings community people together to change human lives over a period of time. By collectively raising money to invest in lives in their community, neighbors make an impact in what matters.*

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**Van Buren District Public Health Department**  
**Human Services-West Building**  
**57418 CR 681**  
**Hartford, MI 49057**  
**(269)621-3143**  
**www.vbcassdhd.org**

**Van Buren District Public Health Department**  
**Human Services-East Building**  
**801 Hazen St.**  
**Paw Paw, MI 49079**  
**(269)657-5596**  
**www.vbcassdhd.org**

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**Van Buren District Public Health Department**  
**520 Main St.**

**Dowagiac, MI 49047**

**(269)782-0064 (888)782-0064**

**www.vbcassdhd.org**

*Offers free immunizations, healthy families & teen parents programs, children's special health care, reproductive health care clinic, STD treatment, HIV testing & counseling, dental clinic, children's vision and hearing screening, substance abuse treatment, & communicable disease control, and environmental health.*

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**We Care In The Name of Christ (located in Church of Christ)**

**214 South Walnut St.**  
**Bangor, MI 49013**  
**(269)427-9581**

**We Care In The Name of Christ**  
**06321 Blue Star Highway**  
**South Haven, MI 49090**  
**(269)637-4342**

*Ecumenical Ministry linking families in need with appropriate church and community resources.*

## **FOOD/CLOTHING**

**Angel Food Ministries**

**www.angelfoodministries.com**

*Angel Food Ministries is a non-profit dedicated to providing grocery relief and financial support. Orders and distribution are handled by church host sites once each month. Each month's menu consists of fresh, frozen and packaged food. Providing quality, nutritious food at significant discounts. There are no restrictions, conditions or forms to fill out. The food relief program is open to all. Accepts Food Stamps (EBT). Check the website to find local host sites throughout Van Buren County.*

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**Bangor Free Methodist Church**  
304 Douglas St.  
Bangor, MI 49013  
(269)427-7091

*Baby pantry by appointment with a referral from We Care.*

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**Christian Church**  
208 East Pine St.  
Bloomingtondale, MI 49026  
(269)521-4233

*Emergency food available for Bloomingtondale area residents.*

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**Church of Christ**  
214 Walnut St., PO Box 146  
Bangor, MI 49013  
(269)427-8503

*Personal care items and baby pantry available Thursday from 10 am to 12 pm.*

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**Church of Nazarene**  
72133 CR 388  
South Haven, MI 49090  
(269)637-8941

*Pantry available Monday from 10 am-12 pm with a referral from We Care.*

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**Covert Community Church**  
PO Box 145  
Covert, MI 49043  
(269)764-1537

*Personal care and baby pantry available from 1-3 pm on Mondays with referral from We Care.*

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**Decatur Human Services**  
Food Pantry-Township Hall  
103 East Delaware  
Clothing Center  
208 East Delaware  
Decatur, MI 49045  
(269)423-6474

*Monday thru Friday from 9 am-12 pm depending upon availability. Decatur and Hamilton township residents only.*

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**First Congregational Church**  
12 Charles St.  
Bangor, MI 49013  
(269)427-5146

*Food bank available with referral from We Care from 10 am-12 pm on Fridays.*

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**First Congregational Church**  
23680 Front St.  
Mattawan, MI 49071  
(269)668-3263

*Food available 3rd Saturday of the month from 10am-12 pm or by appointment for Mattawan residents.*

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**First Congregational Church UCC**  
651 Phoenix St.  
South Haven, MI 49090  
(269)637-3804

*Food bank available with referral from We Care Monday, Wednesday, Friday from 9:30 am-12 pm.*

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**First Presbyterian Church**  
120 Pine St.  
Paw Paw, MI 49079  
(269)657-3111

*Dry goods pantry available Monday thru Friday from 9 am-2 pm with I.D.*

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**Gobles Methodist Church**  
210 South Exchange St.  
Gobles, MI 49055

**Contact Sheila Baker (269)628-4882**

*Food bank available by appointment only for residents of Gobles and Kendall ministerial association.*

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**Goodwill Industries of Southwestern Michigan, Inc.**  
309 East Michigan Ave.  
Paw Paw, MI 49079  
(269)657-3534

[www.goodwillswmi.org](http://www.goodwillswmi.org)

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**Goodwill Industries of Southwestern Michigan, Inc.**

2700 North Pitcher St.

Kalamazoo, MI

(269)382-0490

[www.goodwillswmi.org](http://www.goodwillswmi.org)

*A non-profit which provides employment, education, and training services to people in their community.*

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**Hartford United Methodist Church**

425 East Main St.

Hartford, MI 49057

(269)621-4103

*Food pantry available Saturday from 9 am-12 pm once per month to Hartford and Keeler Township residents.*

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**Immaculate Conception Church**

63559 60th Ave.

Hartford, MI 49057

(269)621-4106

*Offers Christmas baskets.*

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**Keeler General Baptist Church**

63627 Territorial Road

Decatur, MI 49047

(269)621-6572

*Contact church for food pantry availability.*

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**Lakeshore Family Thrift Shop**

Walker Plaza

South Haven, MI 49090

We Care office (269)637-4342

*Clothing and furniture available with a referral from We Care.*

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**Lawrence United Methodist Church**

122 South Exchange St.

Lawrence, MI 49064

(269)674-8381

*Emergency food available Wednesday from 10 am-12 pm.*

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**Matthew 25 Ministries**

25407 6th St.

Gobles, MI 49055

(269)628-0340

*Offers clothing and household items available for free to low-income families.*

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**Paw Paw United Methodist Church**

420 West Michigan Ave.

Paw Paw, MI 49079

(269)657-7727

*Food available Monday thru Friday 10 am-12 pm and 1-2 pm.*

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**Peace Lutheran Church**

06321 Blue Star Highway

South Haven, MI 49090

(269)637-4104

*Baby pantry available Monday thru Friday from 8-3 pm with referral from We Care.*

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**Sacred Heart Catholic Church**

201 South Walnut St.

Bangor, MI 49013

(269)427-7514

*Food pantry available Thursday 1-4 pm. Clothing available at thrift shop downtown Friday afternoon and on Saturday.*

*Must be residents of Bangor, Grand Junction,*

*Bloomington, Breedsville area.*

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**Seventh Day Adventist**

57825 65 1/2 St.

Hartford, MI 49057

(269)621-4700

*Call Glenda Rodgers for food bank appointment for Hartford residents only.*

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**Seventh Day Adventist Church**  
157 Blue Star Highway  
South Haven, MI 49090  
(269)637-4440

*Clothing and small household items, bedding pantry  
available by appointment only.*

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**Seventh Day Adventist Church**  
60261 M-43  
Bangor, MI 49013  
(269)214-7909

*Clothing available from 1-4 pm on Wednesday. Please  
drop off donations after 10 am on Wednesdays.*

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**Southwest Michigan Community Action Agency**  
155 North Paw Paw St.  
Lawrence, MI 49064  
(800)968-3905 (269)674-7175  
www.smcaa.com

*Emergency food available for anyone. Heat, utilities and  
furniture available with a referral from DHS.*

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**St. John Bosco Church**  
23830 Front Ave.  
Mattawan, MI 49071  
(269)668-3312

*Emergency services available to Mattawan residents.*

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**St. Jude Catholic Church**  
13809 M-40 North  
Gobles, MI 49055  
(269)628-2219

*Food bank available by appointment only for residents of  
Gobles and Kendall ministerial association.*

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**St. Mary's Catholic Church**  
500 Paw Paw St.  
Paw Paw, MI 49079  
(269)657-4459

*Food pantry available Tuesday, Wednesday, and  
Thursday with an appointment.*

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**Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church**  
721 Pine St.  
Paw Paw, MI 49079  
(269)657-4840

*Food bank available on Tuesday and Friday from 1-3:30  
pm once per month to Van Buren County residents.*

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**United Civic Organization**  
73292 34th Ave.  
Covert, MI 49043  
(269)764-8854

*Food bank available Monday, Wednesday, Friday from 1-  
3 pm with referral from We Care.*

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**We Care In The Name of Christ- Church of Christ**  
214 Walnut St.  
Bangor, MI 49013  
(269)427-9581

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**We Care In The Name of Christ**  
06321 Blue Star Highway  
South Haven, MI 49090  
(269)637-4342

*Coordinates food, personal care, baby items, clothing,  
furniture, and medical supplies.*

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**WIC (Women, Infants, Children)**  
209 West Michigan Ave.  
Paw Paw, MI 49079  
(269)655-8900

[www.fns.usda.gov/wic](http://www.fns.usda.gov/wic)

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**WIC (Women, Infants, Children)**  
308 Charles St.  
Bangor, MI 49013  
(269)427-7914

[www.fns.usda.gov/wic](http://www.fns.usda.gov/wic)

*WIC provides federal grants to states for supplemental foods, health care referrals, and nutrition education for low-income pregnant, breastfeeding, and non-breastfeeding postpartum women, and to infants and children up to age five who are found to be at nutritional risk.*

## **HIV & SEXUAL DISEASE TESTING**

**Alternatives Pregnancy Care Center**  
4200 West Michigan Ave.  
Kalamazoo, MI 49006  
(269)345-1740

[www.pregnancychoices.com](http://www.pregnancychoices.com)

*Offers HIV testing and information about STD's.*

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### **CARES**

629 Pioneer St.  
Kalamazoo, MI 49008  
(269)381-2437

[www.caresswm.org](http://www.caresswm.org)

### **CARES**

960 Agand  
Benton Harbor, MI 49023  
(800)663-2437

[www.caresswm.org](http://www.caresswm.org)

*CARES provides medical case management to maximize quality of life for those living with HIV; prevention education to minimize the transmission of the virus. Offers free HIV testing and information about STD's.*

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**Planned Parenthood**  
4201 West Michigan Ave.  
Kalamazoo, MI 49006  
(800)559-9093

[www.plannedparenthood.org](http://www.plannedparenthood.org)

*Offers services and information about abortion, birth control, pregnancy, relationships, sex, STDs, fertility, sexual orientation and women's health.*

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**Van Buren District Public Health Department**  
**Human Services-West Building**  
57418 CR 681  
Hartford, MI 49057  
(269)621-3143  
[www.vbcassdhd.org](http://www.vbcassdhd.org)

**Van Buren District Public Health Department**  
**Human Services-East Building**  
801 Hazen St.  
Paw Paw, MI 49079  
(269)657-5596  
[www.vbcassdhd.org](http://www.vbcassdhd.org)

## **HOUSING**

**Bangor Housing Commission**  
820 Second St.  
Bangor, MI 49013  
(269)427-5535

[www.affordablehousingonline.com](http://www.affordablehousingonline.com)

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**Department of Human Services**  
57150 CR 681  
Hartford, MI 49057  
(269)621-2800

[www.michigan.gov/dhs](http://www.michigan.gov/dhs)

*Offers programs that assist with housing and shelter costs.*

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**Habitat for Humanity-Eastern VBC**

PO Box 215  
Paw Paw, MI 49079  
(269)657-8801

[www.habitatmichigan.org](http://www.habitatmichigan.org)

*Volunteers please call Dick Pasman on the signup line at (269) 657-7602 or email at [vanburenhabitat@comcast.net](mailto:vanburenhabitat@comcast.net).*

**Habitat for Humanity-South Haven Area**

225 Broadway Suite 7  
South Haven, MI  
(269)639-2670

[www.habitatmichigan.org](http://www.habitatmichigan.org)

*Provides decent, affordable homes to low-income families and utilizes "sweat equity" and no-interest mortgages.*

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**Pokagon Tribal Social Services**

58620 Sink Road  
Dowagiac, MI 49047  
(269)782-6323 (888)376-9988

[www.pokagon.com](http://www.pokagon.com)

*Provides housing and a variety of services for members of the Potawatomi tribe.*

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**South Haven Housing Commission**

220 Broadway St.  
South Haven, MI 49090  
(269)637-5755

[www.affordablehousingonline.com](http://www.affordablehousingonline.com)

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**Southwest Michigan Community Action Agency**

155 North Paw Paw St.  
Lawrence, MI 49064  
(800)968-3905 (269)674-7175

[www.smcaa.com](http://www.smcaa.com)

*Emergency food available for anyone. Heat, Utilities and furniture available with a referral from DHS.*

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**IMMUNIZATIONS/REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH**

**Planned Parenthood**  
4201 West Michigan Ave.  
Kalamazoo, MI 49006  
(800)559-9093

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Paw Paw, MI 49079  
(269)657-5596  
[www.vbcassdhd.org](http://www.vbcassdhd.org)

**Van Buren District Public Health Department**  
**520 Main St.**

Dowagiac, MI 49047  
(269)782-0064 (888)782-0064  
[www.vbcassdhd.org](http://www.vbcassdhd.org)

*Offers cancer screening, breast examinations, mammogram referrals, cervical-pap test, testicular examinations, colorectal screening, contraceptive management, preconception health counseling, level I infertility screening, pregnancy testing, individualized education and counseling. The immunization clinic offers immunizations to people of all ages. Additional clinics in the autumn to administer flu and pneumonia vaccinations.*

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## LEGAL SERVICES

**Farm Worker Legal Services**  
34276 52<sup>nd</sup> St., PO Box 219  
Bangor, MI 49013

(269)427-1622 (800)968-4046

*Offers legal services to low-income migrants and seasonal farm workers throughout Michigan.*

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**Immigration Assistance Program of the Diocese of Kalamazoo**  
1128 Race St.  
Kalamazoo, MI 49001  
(269)385-1019

[www.dioceseofkalamazoo.org/immigration](http://www.dioceseofkalamazoo.org/immigration)

*The mission of the Immigration Assistance Program is to provide the immigrant population with low-cost, competent legal representation in their immigration matters.*

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**Michigan Migrant Legal Assistance Project-MMLAP**  
648 Monroe NW., Suite 318  
Grand Rapids, MI 49503  
(800)418-3390  
[www.mmlap.com](http://www.mmlap.com)

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**Western Michigan Legal Services**  
201 West Kalamazoo, Ave.  
Kalamazoo, MI 49007  
(800)819-0773 (888)783-8190  
[www.legalaidwestmich.org](http://www.legalaidwestmich.org)

*Secures justice and protects the rights of persons unable to obtain and pay for legal services by the provision of legal assistance and council to such persons.*

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## MEDICAL/DENTAL CARE

**Allegan Seeds of Grace**  
311 ½ Hubbard St.  
Allegan MI 49010

(269)288-0253 (269)355-1049

*Offers free medical services on a walk-in basis Thursdays from 12-6 pm.*

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**Alternative Pregnancy Care Center**  
4200 West Michigan Ave.  
Kalamazoo, MI 49006  
(269)345-1740

[www.pregnancychoices.com](http://www.pregnancychoices.com)

*Provides free pregnancy testing, information about STD's, abortion alternatives, adoption, HIV screening and free clothing for pregnant women and babies.*

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**Borgess Visiting Nurse & Hospice**  
348 North Burdick St.  
Kalamazoo, MI 49007  
(269)343-1396 (800)343-1396  
[www.borgess.com](http://www.borgess.com)

*Provides individuals and families with compassionate, quality, innovative and cost-effective home care, hospice and related services.*

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**Bronson Home Care**  
822 East Michigan Ave.  
Paw Paw, MI 49079  
(269)657-2800

[www.bronsonhealth.com](http://www.bronsonhealth.com)

*Bronson Home Health Care brings high-tech treatments, once available only in the hospital, to your home.*

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**Bronson Nursing and Rehabilitation Center**

99 Walker St.  
Lawton, MI 49065  
(269)624-4311

[www.bronsonhealth.com](http://www.bronsonhealth.com)

*Bronson Nursing and Rehabilitation Center is a not-for-profit, 120-bed, skilled nursing center.*

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**Friends Who Care INC**

532 Dyckman Ave.  
South Haven, MI 49090  
(269)639-7323

[www.friendswhocare.com](http://www.friendswhocare.com)

*Provides quality medical home care service.*

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**Guidance With Care Home Health Service**

452 Blue Star Highway  
South Haven, MI 49090  
(269)637-5920

*Offers home health care services.*

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**Hartford Lifestyle Center**

63680 60th Ave.  
Hartford, MI 49057  
(269)621-2200

*A residential care facility specializing in people with head injuries.*

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**Hospice at Home-South Haven**

5055 Blue Star Memorial Highway  
South Haven, MI 49090  
(269)637-3825

[www.hospiceswmi.org](http://www.hospiceswmi.org)

*Hospice Care of Southwest Michigan offers a wide range of nursing, medical, social and grief support services; which are designed to enable the client to live in the comfort and privacy of his or her own home.*

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801 North Hazen St, Suite L-4  
Paw Paw, MI 49079  
(269)657-7300

[www.hospiceswmi.org](http://www.hospiceswmi.org)

*Supports individuals and their caregivers during chronic or terminal illness with individualized medical, emotional, spiritual, and personal care; compassionate care for those coping with illness, dying, and loss.*

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**Intercare Community Network of Bangor**

308 Charles St.  
Bangor MI 49013  
(269)427-7967

[www.intercare.org](http://www.intercare.org)

**Intercare Community Network of Pullman**

5498 109th Ave.  
Pullman, MI 49450  
Medical (269)236-5021    Dental (269)236-5027

[www.intercare.org](http://www.intercare.org)

*Offers dental care, enabling services, obstetrical and gynecological care, primary and specialty medical care.*

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**Lifespan Visiting Nurse Services**

166 East Goodale Ave.  
Battle Creek, MI 49037  
(269)660-3600

[www.lifespan4u.org](http://www.lifespan4u.org)

*Provides family-like care for patients by offering healthcare services and equipment for all phases of illness and recuperation right at home.*

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[www.vbcassdhd.org](http://www.vbcassdhd.org)

*Offers services of testing, investigating and intervening for possible outbreaks of communicable disease. Offers dental preventative services, restorative services, prosthetic services, and surgical services.*

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## MEDICAL EQUIPMENT

**Hartford Loan Closet**  
(269)621-4266

*Loans medical equipment to low-income Hartford residents only.*

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**Lending Hands**  
5348 Ivanhoe Court  
Portage, MI 49002  
(269)567-4381

[www.lendinghandsmi.org](http://www.lendinghandsmi.org)

*A volunteer non-profit social service organization that lends home medical equipment, for free, on a temporary basis.*

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**We Care In The Name of Christ**  
(located in Church of Christ)  
214 Walnut St.  
Bangor, MI 49013  
(269)427-9581

**We Care In The Name of Christ**  
06321 Blue Star Highway  
South Haven, MI 49090  
(269)637-4342

*Coordinates food, personal care, baby items, clothing, furniture, and medical supplies.*

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## SCHOOLS

**Allegan County Area Technical & Education Center**  
2891 116th Ave. (M-222)  
Allegan, MI 49010  
(269)673-3121  
[www.alleganaesa.org](http://www.alleganaesa.org)

*Early Childhood Even Start strives to break the cycle of poverty by providing educational opportunities for families. Family literacy includes the integration of early childhood education, adult literacy, parent/child interactive literacy, and parenting education. Early On works with families of children birth to 3 years of age who may have educational delay. Tutoring services, supplemental education services, education support for home schooled children or homeless children. Comprehensive technical educational programs for students and adults.*

**Bangor Public Schools**  
(269)427-6800

**Bangor Township No. 8-Wood School**  
(269)427-8562  
*Offers K-8<sup>th</sup> grade.*

**Bloomington Public Schools**  
(269)521-3900

**Covert Public Schools**  
(269) 764-3700

**Decatur Public Schools**  
(269)423-6800

**Faith Baptist Academy-Mattawan**  
(269)668-3391

**Gobles Junior Academy**  
(269)628-2704  
*Offers K-10<sup>th</sup> grade.*

**Gobles Public Schools**  
(269)628-5618

**Hartford Public Schools**  
(269) 621-7000

**Lake Michigan College**  
125 Veterans Blvd.  
South Haven , MI 49090  
(800)252-1562 (269)639-8442  
[www.lakemichigancollege.edu](http://www.lakemichigancollege.edu)

**Lake Michigan College**  
2755 East Napier Ave.  
Benton Harbor, MI 49022  
(800)252-1562 (269)927-3571  
[www.lakemichigancollege.edu](http://www.lakemichigancollege.edu)

**Lake Michigan College/M-TEC**  
400 Klock Road  
Benton Harbor, MI 49022  
(800)252-1562 (269)926-6832  
[www.lakemichigancollege.edu](http://www.lakemichigancollege.edu)

**Lawrence Public Schools**  
(269)674-8232

**Lawton Public Schools**  
(269)624-7901

**Mattawan Public Schools**  
(269)668-3361

**Paw Paw Public Schools**  
(269)651-8800

**South Haven Public Schools**  
(269)637-0520

**St. Mary Catholic Church-Paw Paw**  
(269)657-3750  
*Offers pre-school thru 5<sup>th</sup> grade.*

**St. Basil Catholic School-South Haven**  
(269)637-3529  
[www.saintbasilcatholic.org](http://www.saintbasilcatholic.org)  
*Offers pre-school thru 8<sup>th</sup> grade.*

**St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church-South Haven**  
(269)637-4459  
*Offers a Christian elementary school and pre-school.*



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**Tri-County Head Start**  
775 Hazen St.  
Paw Paw, MI 49079  
(800)792-0366  
[www.tricountyhs.org](http://www.tricountyhs.org)

*Tri-County Head Start provides a pre-school experience for both disabled and non-disabled children. Working collaboratively with local school districts and other community agencies, staff ensure children with disabilities receive the services necessary to participate fully in the program.*

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**Trinity Lutheran Church and School-Bangor**  
(269)427-7102

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**Trinity Lutheran Church and School-Paw Paw**  
(269)657-5921

[www.trinitylutheraneagles.com](http://www.trinitylutheraneagles.com)  
*The school serves infants and toddlers, preschool, childcare, young fives, kindergarten, 1st - 8th grades.*

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**Van Buren Intermediate School District**  
701 Paw Paw St.  
Lawrence, MI 49064  
(269)674-8091  
[www.vbisd.org](http://www.vbisd.org)

*The Early Care and Education Office coordinate several programs that involve families with young children, age's birth to eight years. Services range from literacy programs to home visits by family educators prepared to share information on child development, parenting, health, safety and nutrition information among other topics.*

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**Van Buren Intermediate School District**  
Technology Center  
250 South St.  
Lawrence, MI 49064  
(269)674-8001  
[www.vbisd.org](http://www.vbisd.org)

*Provides quality career and technical education (CTE) training to high school students and adults in Van Buren County and the surrounding communities.*

## SENIOR SERVICES

**AARP Foundation Senior Community Service**  
Employment/Work Search  
960 Agard St.  
Benton Harbor, MI 49022  
(269)925-3838

*For low-income individuals 55 and over. A work training program that helps participants gain skills and work experience to transition into permanent jobs.*

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**Alliance Senior Day Services**  
1515 Helen Ave.  
Portage, MI 49002  
(269)553-3370

*Provides diversity and cultural sensitivity in all activities and associations, medical monitoring, dignified assistance, staff trained in dementia care, nursing, psychology and occupational therapy.*

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**Area Agency on Aging Region 4**  
2900 Lakeview St.  
St. Joseph, MI 49085  
(800)654-2810

[www.areaagencyonaging.org](http://www.areaagencyonaging.org)  
*Offers employment services, in-home and long-term medical care, grandparents raising grandchildren support, a variety of other services for seniors.*

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**Bronson Nursing and Rehabilitation Center**

99 Walker St.  
Lawton, MI 49065  
(269)624-4311

[www.bronsonhealth.com](http://www.bronsonhealth.com)

*Bronson Nursing and Rehabilitation Center is a not-for-profit, 120-bed, skilled nursing center.*

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**Child and Family Services**

**Day Services for Seniors**  
2460 M-139 Suite A  
Benton Harbor, MI 49023  
(269)925-1725  
[cfsswmi.org](http://cfsswmi.org)

**Child and Family Services**

**Day Services for Seniors**  
116 Gremps St.  
Paw Paw, MI 49079  
(269)657-0520  
[cfsswmi.org](http://cfsswmi.org)

*This program is designed specifically for persons with Alzheimer's-related forms of dementia. Day Services for Seniors is offered Monday-Friday, 7:30 am-5:30 pm. The program also offers support groups for caregivers of the elderly.*

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**Evergreen North**

5700 Vintage Lane  
Kalamazoo, MI 49079  
(269)382-6446

*Offers affordable income based apartments for those 62 years of age or older.*

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**Health Connections**

15970 77<sup>th</sup> St.  
South Haven, MI 49090  
(269)639-8288

*Services for seniors to keep them in their homes while dealing with Alzheimer's and other issues from aging.*

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**River Ridge Retirement Community**

706 Kentucky Ave.  
South Haven, MI 49090  
(269)639-7310

[www.leisure-living.com](http://www.leisure-living.com)

*Offers senior apartments and assisted living.*

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**Senior Nutrition Services**

540 Williams St.  
South Haven, MI 49090  
(269)637-4493

**Senior Nutrition Services**

73292 34<sup>th</sup> Ave.  
Covert, MI 49043  
(269)764-8448

**Senior Nutrition Services**

1708 Colfax Ave.  
Benton Harbor, MI 49022  
(269)925-0137

**Senior Nutrition Services**

215 South Wendell Ave.  
Hartford, MI 49057  
(269)621-0112

*Recognizes the needs of the aging population to maintain independence while living at home and helps by providing high-quality meals to the elderly. Provides healthy meals to seniors in the community.*

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**South Haven Area Senior Services**

507 Joy St.  
Bangor, MI 49013  
(269)427-8596

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**South Haven Area Senior Services**

**220 Broadway St.  
South Haven, MI 49090  
(269)637-3607**

**www.leisure-living.com**

*Provides information and help to seniors, recreation, social and educational programs, minivan and medical transportation as well as healthy aging programs like exercise, diet, support group, stop smoking clinic, care watch, and care management.*

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**Van Buren United Civic Organization**

**73292 34th Ave., PO Box 123  
Covert, MI 49043  
(269)764-8854**

*Promotes the general welfare and stimulates interest in the social, moral, educational and political affairs of the community; provides a facility for community activities and programs.*

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**Washington Square Senior Citizens Co-Op  
Apartments**

**710 Collins St.  
Kalamazoo, MI 49001  
(269)344-8778  
www.csi.coop**

*Specializes in low-income housing for senior citizens.*

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**SUBSTANCE ABUSE**

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**AA & Alano Stepping Stones Association**

**319 Hogan's Alley  
South Haven, MI 49090  
(269)637-3284 (269)639-1450**

*The Stepping Stones Association provides a meeting location for AA, Alanon, and other 12 step programs.*

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**Community Healing Center  
777 Riverview Drive, Bldg A, Suite 180  
Benton Harbor, MI 49022**

**(269)926-0121**

**www.communityhealingcenter.org**

**Community Healing Center**

**70050 South Centerville St.  
Sturgis, MI 49091  
(269)651-1212**

*Offers out patient services for drug and alcohol addiction.*

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**Van Buren District Public Health Department**

**Human Services-West Building  
57418 CR 681**

**Hartford, MI 49057**

**(269)621-3143**

**www.vbcassdhd.org**

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**Van Buren District Public Health Department**

**Human Services-East Building**

**801 Hazen Street**

**Paw Paw, MI 49079**

**(269)657-5596**

**www.vbcassdhd.org**

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**TRANSPORTATION**

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**Van Buren Public Transit**

**(269)427-7921**

**Or email rides@vbco.org**

*Offers public transportation. Call or email for ride pick-up. Please make sure to receive a confirmation number when emailing pick-up info.*

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## VISION/HEARING SCREENING

**Van Buren District Public Health Department  
Contact Technician at (269)621-3143, Ext. 348**

*Free children's vision and hearing screening services  
offered by the health department, in Van Buren County.  
Good vision and hearing are essential for healthy growth  
and development.*

## HOTLINES

<b>AARP</b>	<b>(888)687-2277</b>
<b>Al-Anon/Alateen</b>	<b>(800)356-9996</b>
<b>Al-Anon/Alcoholics Anonymous</b>	<b>(269)349-4410</b>
<b>Alzheimer's Association</b>	<b>(800)272-3900</b>
<b>America Parkinson's Association</b>	<b>(800)223-2732</b>
<b>American Cancer Society of Michigan</b>	<b>(800)723-0360</b>
<b>American Council of the Blind</b>	<b>(800)424-8666</b>
<b>American Diabetes Association</b>	<b>(800)342-2383</b>
<b>American Heart Association</b>	<b>(800)242-8721</b>
<b>American Lung Association</b>	<b>(800)LUNG-USA</b>
<b>ARC of Michigan</b>	<b>(800)292-7581</b>
<b>Arthritis Foundation MI Chapter</b>	<b>(800)968-3030</b>
<b>Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America</b>	<b>(800)7ASTHMA</b>
<b>Autism Society of Michigan</b>	<b>(800)223-6722</b>
<b>Bronson Health Answers</b>	<b>(800)451-6310</b>
<b>Center for Disease Control</b>	<b>(800)232-4636</b>
<b>Child Abuse &amp; Neglect Parent Helpline</b>	<b>(800)942-4357</b>
<b>Child Care Resources</b>	<b>(800)343-3470</b>
<b>Cleft Palate Foundation</b>	<b>(800)24CLEFT</b>
<b>Consumer Protection Agency</b>	<b>(877)765-8388</b>
<b>Cystic Fibrosis Foundation</b>	<b>(800)968-1050</b>

<b>Epilepsy Foundation of Michigan</b>	<b>(800)377-6226</b>
<b>Family Support Network</b>	<b>(800)359-3722</b>
<b>Mental Health-24 Hour Crisis</b>	<b>(800)922-1418</b>
<b>MI Adult Abuse Hotline</b>	<b>(800)996-6228</b>
<b>Michigan Sudden Infant Death Syndrome</b>	<b>(800)359-3722</b>
<b>National Brain Injury Foundation</b>	<b>(800)444-6443</b>
<b>National Child Abuse Hotline</b>	<b>(800)4A-CHILD</b>
<b>National Dissemination Center for Children with Disabilities</b>	<b>(800)695-0285</b>
<b>National Domestic Violence</b>	<b>(800)799-SAFE</b>
<b>National Kidney Foundation of Michigan</b>	<b>(800)482-1455</b>
<b>National Organization for Rare Disorders</b>	<b>(800)999-6673</b>
<b>Ronald McDonald House</b>	<b>(800)776-4891</b>
<b>Runaway Assistance Helpline</b>	<b>(800)942-4357</b>
<b>Runaway Assistance Program</b>	<b>(800)292-4517</b>
<b>Senior Info-Line</b>	<b>(800)654-2810</b>
<b>Vulnerable Adult Helpline</b>	<b>(800)996-6228</b>

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