

# EightCAP, Inc.

# Community Resource Directory



## Gratiot County 2017

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EightCAP, Inc. is an equal opportunity employer/program.

Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities.

In this directory you will find valuable information for resources in your community. Names and phone numbers of local agencies that provide medical care, dental care, emergency assistance (such as food, clothing, shelter, utility payment assistance, etc.), and other services are included. At the time of this printing all information in the directory was accurate, but it can change at any time. We try to keep all contact information changes up-to-date, on our website at [www.eightcap.org](http://www.eightcap.org) as we become aware of them.

**EightCAP's mission is to improve our community by delivering programs that alleviate the local cause of poverty and its effects.**

**0-5 HEAD START** – EightCAP, Inc. 0-5 Head Start provides comprehensive early childhood programming to families with children and pregnant women ages prenatal through age 5. 0-5 Head Start services are available in Clinton (Early Head Start), Gratiot, Ionia, Isabella, and Montcalm counties. Services are offered to families that qualify. Services range from weekly home visits, center-based infant/toddler care to high quality preschool. **Call (866) 754-9315, ext. 3369 with questions or to apply.**

**COMMUNITY SERVICES** - EightCAP, Inc. Community Services assists income-eligible households with heat and utility assistance, food distributions, transportation vouchers for employment purposes or medical appointments, medical prescription copays, and various needs depending on funding availability. Community Services also offers assistance with Michigan Enrolls, food pantry information or distributions, and referrals to other services not provided by EightCAP.

For all financial assistance, an Emergency Assistance Application must be completed and reviewed for eligibility before an appointment for assistance is made. The Emergency Assistance Application is located on our website, [www.eightcap.org](http://www.eightcap.org). With assistance from Community Services, empowerment is given to households by providing them with a stepping stone to self-sufficiency.

To assist with employment searches, daycare options, completing Department of Health and Human Services applications, or to search the internet for other reasons, each office is equipped with a Computer Access Station that has many reliable sites and information throughout the State of Michigan.

**COURT APPOINTED SPECIAL ADVOCATES (CASA)** – Montcalm CASA serves abused and neglected children in Montcalm County. The mission of CASA is to help recruit, train, supervise, and support a staff of volunteers who work with and stand up for children within the juvenile court system. Our staff of volunteers become empowered officers of the court, appointed by a judge to recommend the best possible outcome for an abused or neglected child's future. The ultimate goal for CASA is to help ensure that every one of these children can live in a safe, permanent home. CASA volunteers review records, research information and talk to everyone involved – social workers, attorneys, judges, parents, teachers, family members and most

importantly, the children themselves. Volunteers then present their recommendations to the court as to what they feel is best for the child. Judges rely heavily on this testimony to make an informed decision on the child's future. CASA's mission is to help a child replace a life of hurt with one of hope.

**FOSTER GRANDPARENT/SENIOR COMPANION PROGRAM** – The Senior Corps Program exists for the dual purpose of engaging persons 55 and older, particularly those with limited incomes, in volunteer service to meet critical community needs; and to provide a high quality experience that will enrich the lives of the volunteers and those that they serve. Foster Grandparents provide supportive, person to person services to children with exceptional or special needs. They serve in schools, Head Start centers, and other community based sites that provide programming for children. Senior Companions help homebound clients with chores such as light housekeeping, paying bills, buying groceries, finding transportation to medical appointments, or tutor to increase literacy proficiency. They also can provide a few hours of respite for a caregiver.

Both Foster Grandparents and Senior Companions must be 55 years of age or older, meet established income eligibility guidelines and be willing to serve at least 15 hours a week. They earn a tax-free hourly stipend, mileage reimbursement, a meal or equivalent for each day of service, an annual physical examination, accident, personal liability and excess automobile coverage, recognition, and training. Most importantly, these volunteers make a difference in the lives of those they serve!

**HOUSING PROGRAMS** – EightCAP, Inc. Housing Programs assists low-income households with rental assistance, deposit assist, emergency shelter (hotel/motel vouchers) and limited utility payment assistance; these services are offered through the Emergency Solutions Grant and the Emergency Shelter Program.

Through the Supportive Services for Veterans Families, services can include; rental assistance, deposit assistance, emergency shelter stays, moving costs, emergency housing services, transportation assistance and limited car repair assistance. These services are available to low-income households, who have served at least one-day active duty and were discharged under any other circumstances than dishonorable.

The Family Rehousing Program is available to literally homeless households with children under 18. This program will pay up to 18 months of rental assistance and security deposit. It is an intensive case management program where clients work to address barriers that are present and develop skills to retain housing and become self-sufficient.

EightCAP, Inc. as the Housing Assessment and Resource Agency (HARA) in the county registers and places homeless households on the Housing Choice Voucher Waitlist with a Homeless Preference Code. This rental assistance voucher program is administered by Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA) in conjunction with Community Management Associates, Inc. (CMA).

**WEATHERIZATION** – EightCAP, Inc. Weatherization serves Gratiot, Ionia, Isabella, Montcalm, Muskegon and Oceana counties. Weatherization is free to income-eligible applicants. The purpose of Weatherization is to help reduce energy costs by insulating, weather-stripping, caulking, and installing door sweeps. The furnace, water heater, and refrigerator are also checked for efficiency and safety. To be eligible for Weatherization, the household gross income must be under 200% of the Federal Poverty level.

Weatherization serves home owners and renters; however, landlords are required to pay a portion of the cost of weatherizing their rental home.

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# Community Resources

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**ADDICTION SOLUTIONS COUNSELING CENTER (ASCC)** (989) 968-4048

525 N State Street, Suite 5, Alma, MI 48801

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

Hours: Monday-Thursday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm (extended hours upon request)  
Substance Abuse counseling, abuse and trauma therapy, outpatient therapy, family/marital therapy, EMDR therapy, gambling treatment. Medicaid accepted. Payment assistance is available for substance abuse therapy.

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**ADDICTION SOLUTIONS COUNSELING CENTER** (989) 779-9449

218 S Washington Street, Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858

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

Hours: Monday-Thursday 9:00 am - 9:00 pm, Friday 9:00 am - 2:00 pm  
This program accepts most insurance. Outpatient Mental Health Substance Abuse Counseling as well as outpatient psychiatric care is available. Offers group, family, couple, individual and adolescent counseling treatment.

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**ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS (AA)** (800) 821-3014

Call Community Mental Health for local listings

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

Provides local listings for educational services for persons with alcohol, drug, or other related concerns. Services are also offered to families and friends of chemically dependent persons.

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**ALMA COLLEGE** (989) 463-7111

614 W Superior Street, Alma, MI 48801

[www.alma.edu](http://www.alma.edu)

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**ALMA HOUSING COMMISSION** (989) 463-4200

400 E Warwick Drive, Alma, MI 48801

Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 am - 4:00 pm (closed 12:00 pm - 1:30 pm)  
Safe, affordable 2, 3 and 4 bedroom apartments for low-income persons using Section 8 vouchers. One and two bedroom units are available to senior/ disabled individuals. Assistance vouchers are also available to rent from private landlords.

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**ALMA PUBLIC LIBRARY** (989) 463-3966

351 N Court Street, Alma, MI 48801

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

Hours: Monday & Friday 12:00 pm - 9:00 pm;  
Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 9:30 am - 9:00 pm; Saturday 9:30 am - 5:30 pm

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**ALMA PUBLIC SCHOOLS** (989) 466-7511

1500 N Pine Avenue, Alma, MI 48801

[www.almaschools.net](http://www.almaschools.net)

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**ALTERNATIVE COUNSELING CENTER** (989) 831-9111

129 E Main Street, Stanton, MI 48888

Offer services for abuse: child/adult, child services, counseling services, parenting and substance abuse.

**AMERICAN RED CROSS****(989) 463-3209***525 N State Street, Suite 3, Alma, MI 48801*[www.redcross.org](http://www.redcross.org)

Hours: Monday-Friday 8:30 am - 5:00 pm

Armed Forces Emergency Services.

Baby Pantry: Wednesday 11:00 am - 3:00 pm

Used clothing, formula, diapers, jar food, personal care items and car seats available by appointment.

Blood drives held year-round.

Disaster Services- provides immediate, disaster-related needs to people facing emergency situations such as a home fire. Health and Safety Services-Certifications available from trained Red Cross instructors for Adult, Child and Infant CPR, standard first aid, babysitter training, water safety, lifeguarding. Please sign up for classes at the website listed above.

**ASHLEY COMMUNITY SCHOOLS****(989) 847-4000***104 N New Street, PO Box 6, Ashley, MI 48806*[www.ashleyschools.net](http://www.ashleyschools.net)**ASHLEY DISTRICT LIBRARY****(989) 847-4283 opt.6***104 N New Street, Ashley, MI 48806*

School Year Hours: Monday 8:00 am - 4:00 pm; Tuesday 8:00 am - 7:00 pm and Thursday 8:00 am - 7:00 pm

Summer Hours: Tuesday 12:00 pm - 7:00 pm and Wednesday/Thursday 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

**BABY PANTRY - ST. JOHNS****(989) 224-2636***First Congregational Church: 100 Maple Avenue, St. Johns, MI 48879*

Hours: Tuesdays (except fifth Tuesday of the month) 11:00 am - 5:00 pm

As available: food, clothing and special items for infants and toddlers (0-5 sizes).

**BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS****(989) 463-3434***525 N State Street, Suite 9, Alma, MI 48801*[www.bbbsgm.org](http://www.bbbsgm.org)

Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm and other times by appointment.

Establishing and supporting one-on-one mentoring relationships with at risk youth in our community. Serving youth ages 5 to 14 years, and offering parental support as well as mentor training.

**BRECKENRIDGE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS****(989) 842-3182***700 Wright Street, Breckenridge, MI 48615*[www.breck.edzone.net](http://www.breck.edzone.net)**CAREER CLOSET****(989) 463-4171***150 W Center Street, PO Box 771, Alma, MI 48801*[www.wrcmm.clubexpress.com](http://www.wrcmm.clubexpress.com)

Hours: Tuesday 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm; Thursday 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

Offering gently worn, professional clothing at no cost to women interested in entering the job market or advancing their careers.

**CATHOLIC FAMILY SERVICES****(989) 773-9328***210 Court Street, Suite A, Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858*[www.cfssite.org](http://www.cfssite.org)

Hours: Monday-Thursday 9:00 am - 7:00 pm

Fees are based on a sliding scale. This program participates with some insurance. Counseling services for children and adults, couples, and families, substance abuse assessments and counseling are provided.

Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Free legal assistance to low-income persons if the problem affects a number of low-income persons. Deals with problems with Michigan's welfare system, health, childcare, work, nutrition and subsidized housing programs. The attorneys will provide workshops and trainings on many topics to agencies. The center also helps clients understand and speak out on legislative and policy issues that affect them. For poverty law and public benefits log on to [www.mplp.org](http://www.mplp.org). To determine whether you are eligible for food stamps, log on to [www.foodstampshelp.org](http://www.foodstampshelp.org) or call (800) 481-4989.

**CMU CARLS CENTER FOR CLINICAL CARE & EDUCATION****(989) 774-3904**

*1280 E Campus Drive, Health Professions Building 1101, Mt. Pleasant, MI 48859*

[www.carlscenter.cmich.edu](http://www.carlscenter.cmich.edu)

The Carl's Center for Clinical Care and Education is a specialized rehabilitation center of excellence, located in the modern Health Professions Building on the beautiful campus of Central Michigan University. The Center offers state-of-the-art diagnostics, rehabilitation and education services in the fields of Audiology, Physical Therapy, Psychology and Speech-Language Pathology. Other medical and health disciplines, provided by the Physician Assistant program, Dietetics and Gerontology complement these core services as needed, so that individualized patient-centered care is provided. We take great pride in serving a wide range of specialized clinical and rehabilitation needs for persons from infancy through adulthood. Here is a list of some of the many services and programs operated through the Carl's Center:

- Adult Weight Management Program
- Audiology Clinics, including Comprehensive Hearing Evaluations and Screenings, Central Auditory Processing (CAP) Evaluations, Assistive Listening Device Consultations, Vestibular Rehabilitation, Assessment of Dizziness and Balance Disorders, Hearing Aid Selections and Fitting, Cochlear Implant Evaluations, Fitting & Rehabilitation, and Audiological Rehabilitation.
- Driving Evaluation, Education, and Research (D.E.E.R.) Program, a driving safety program for older drivers, persons with history of attention deficit disorder, and persons who have had a stroke, brain injury, or neurodegenerative disease.
- Fall and Balance Clinic, a Vestibular Diagnostic and Physical Rehabilitation Program.
- Speech Clinics offering diagnostic and treatment services with speech or language impairments relating to neurological disease and brain injury, speech and language delay, developmental disorders, hearing impairment, stuttering, voice disorders, or foreign accents.
- Physical Therapy Clinics offering neuro-rehabilitation, vestibular rehabilitation, fall and balance screenings, senior fitness and wellness programming, as well as orthopedic rehabilitation services.
- Psychology Clinics (989)774-3147, offering individual, couple, family and group mental and behavioral health counseling for improving learning, addressing parent-child interactions, managing trauma and anxiety disorders, addressing violence reduction needs and managing ADHD.

**CHILD ADVOCACY OF CENTRAL MICHIGAN****(800) 552-4489 or (989) 463-1422***525 N State Street, Suite 4, Alma, MI 48801*[www.linkforfamilies.org](http://www.linkforfamilies.org)

Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Services available in Isabella and Gratiot Counties: training of childcare providers and aides, childcare resource and referral services, parenting classes, child abuse and neglect (CAN) prevention education, and substance abuse coalition.

**CHOICE ALTERNATIVE SCHOOL****(989) 423-9915***840 W Cheeseman Road, St. Louis, MI 48880*[www.stlouisschools.net/choice](http://www.stlouisschools.net/choice)

Alternative education for students ages 17 years and up.

**COMMISSION ON AGING****(989) 875-5246***515 S Pine River Street, Ithaca, MI 48847*[www.gratiotmi.com/departments/commission-on-aging](http://www.gratiotmi.com/departments/commission-on-aging)

Assistance for seniors 60 years and over including case management, personal care, respite care, homemaking, home chore service, minor home repair, home-delivered meals, Senior Gratiot Newspaper, Food With Friends Program, Medicare-Medicaid Assistance Program, and referrals, help for prescriptions and utilities (when funds are available). Volunteer services available for transportation to appointments. Caregiver training. For information on the Foster Grandparent/Senior Companion Programs call the Isabella County Commission on Aging at (989) 772-0748.

**COMMUNITY CAFÉ****(989) 463-2940***First Presbyterian Church: 495 Charles Avenue, Alma, MI 48801*[www.firstpres.net](http://www.firstpres.net)

Hours: Thursday 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm

A free well-balanced meal to help people experiencing hard times.

**COMMUNITY HOPE CHRISTIAN COUNSELING & MENTAL HEALTH CENTER****(616) 225-8220***6728 Vining Road, Greenville, MI 48838*

Hours: Monday-Thursday 9:00 am - 7:00 pm

Some insurance accepted. A sliding fee scale and Hope Fund for those without insurance.

Counseling services for child/spousal abuse, family substance abuse, as well as domestic violence screening, psychological evaluations, and parenting classes.

**COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES OF GRATIOT COUNTY****(989) 463-4971***608 Wright Avenue, PO Box 69, Alma, MI 48801*[www.gccmha.org](http://www.gccmha.org)

After hours &amp; weekends (989) 463-4971 or 1-800-622-5583

Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 am - 5:00 pm (evenings by appointment)

Participates with Medicaid, Medicare, sliding fee determined by ability to pay. 24-hour mental health emergency services; family support and respite care; counseling and support groups; psychiatric services; mental health hospital care; infant mental health; outreach services for children, adults and geriatrics; case management or support coordination; Club House program; vocational/employment services; and community living support and skill building for developmentally disabled adults.

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**COMMUNITY RESOURCES INFORMATION & REFERRAL****(888) 636-4211 or 211**[211nemichigan.org](http://211nemichigan.org)

Provides callers with information about and/or referrals to human services for every day needs and in times of crisis.

- Basic Human Needs Resources: food banks, clothing closets, shelters, rent assistance, utility assistance
- Physical and Mental Health Resources
- Employment Supports
- Support for Older Americans and Persons with Disabilities
- Support for Children, Youth and Families
- Volunteer Opportunities and Donations

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**COMMUNITY SERVICES OF SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST****(989) 875-2149***939 N Pine River, Ithaca, MI 48847*

Hours: Tuesday 8:00 am - 12:00 pm

Clothing, bedding, and layettes available to Gratiot County residents based on need. Agency referrals preferred.

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**COUNSEL ADVOCACY LAW LINE (CALL)****(888) 783-8190**[www.michiganlegalhelp.org](http://www.michiganlegalhelp.org)

Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 9:00 am – 4:00 pm and  
Wednesday 11:00 am – 6:00 pm

An attorney-staffed telephone advice, brief service, pro se and referral system serving low income and senior people throughout much of Michigan. You will speak directly with an attorney, but the wait time may be long. Many court forms available on website.

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**DAVENPORT UNIVERSITY****(888) 896-9172***Saginaw and Midland Campuses available*[www.davenport.edu](http://www.davenport.edu)

Davenport University provides educational opportunities in higher education. The institution offers diplomas, associate, bachelor and masters programs in business, health and technology. Directory information can be found at the number and website listed above.

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES (DHHS) (888) 642-7434 or (989) 875-5181***201 Commerce Drive, Ithaca, MI 48847*[www.michigan.gov/mibridges](http://www.michigan.gov/mibridges)

Hours: Monday-Friday 7:30 am - 5:00 pm

New intakes will not be taken on Wednesdays.

Food assistance program (FAP), FIP (Family Independence Program), medical assistance, child day care funding, State Emergency Relief for shelter and utilities, crisis prevention services, State Disability, delinquency services, child foster home licensing, foster care placement, employment services, adult services and volunteer services. Toys for Tots applications may be filled out in the office in November.

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**ADULT/CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES****(855) 444-3911**

This number is available 24 hours a day 7 days a week to report any incident of suspected child or adult abuse or neglect.

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**DIAL-A-RIDE****(989) 463-6016***Dial-A-Ride and Bus Depot: 1105 Willow Run Drive, Alma, MI 48801*[www.ci.alma.mi.us](http://www.ci.alma.mi.us)**Hours**

- Office Hours: Monday-Friday 6:15 am – 8:00 pm
- Service Hours: Monday-Friday 7:30 am - 8:00 pm

**DIAL-A-RIDE****(CONTINUED)**

- St. Louis Service Hours: Monday, Wednesday and Friday 9:00 am, 12:00 pm and 3:00 pm; Tuesday, Thursday 9:00 am and 3:00 pm
- Breckinridge to St. Louis Service Hours: Monday-Friday 8:45 am – 9:30 am, 10:45 am – 11:30 am, 12:45 pm – 1:30 pm and 3:30 pm – 4:00 pm
- Ithaca Service Hours: Monday-Friday 9:45 am, 11:45 am and 4:15 pm.

**Fares** (one-way)

- Alma City Limits 7:30 am - 5:30 pm: Adults \$2.00, Children \$1.75, Senior/ Disabled \$1.00  
5:30 pm - 8:00 pm: Adults \$4.00, Children \$3.50, Senior/Disabled \$2.00
- St. Louis to Alma/Alma to St. Louis: Adults and Children \$4.00, Seniors \$2.00
- To Gratiot County Airport: Adults \$4.00, Children \$3.50, Senior/Disabled \$2.00
- After 5:30 pm-all fares are doubled
- Preschool children-ride free when accompanied by an adult

**DIAL IN FREE****(800) 713-8030**[www.dialinfree.net](http://www.dialinfree.net)

Provides free dialup internet service to Michigan users with area codes: 231, 248, 269, 313, 517, 586, 616, 734, 810, 947, or 989.

**DONATED DENTAL SERVICES OF MICHIGAN****(866) 263-4067**

Serves low income, developmentally disabled, physically handicapped, chronically ill or elderly. Call for an application or more information.

**EARLY ON****(989) 433-2962**

*3771 N Mission Road, Rosebush, MI 48878*

Contact person: Peggy Jackson, Ext. 120

Coordination of services for children 0-3 years of age with special needs, and developmental delays. Services include in-home evaluations, referring families for specialized care, and acting as a service coordinator. There are no income restrictions for eligibility. Local playgroups are available to eligible children. Call for more information.

**EAST MONTCALM BABY PANTRY****(989) 268-5551**

*Ferris Church of Christ: 3443 N Crystal Road, Vestaburg, MI 48891*

Hours of distribution: Second and Fourth Tuesday of each month, 10:00 am – 5:00 pm

Serving children newborn to age 5years. As this is a supplemental pantry, each family will be restricted as to the number of items they may take each week. Items available free of charge to infants, toddlers and preschoolers through age 5years in need: baby food, formula, diapers, clothing (up to size 7), blankets, furniture (when available), and miscellaneous items. Need two proofs of identification. You must live within the following boundaries: Gratiot County West of Warner or Montcalm County East of Stevenson and Wyman Roads.



**Administrative Offices****(866) 754-9315 or (616) 754-9315**

904 Oak Drive, Greenville, MI 48838

**Community Services****(989) 463-5693****Services Offered:**

- Heat/utility assistance when funding is available
- USDA/Mid-Michigan commodity cards and distribution
- Referrals to food banks, legal services, etc.
- Certified Michigan Enrolls counselor
- Computer Access Station- Use this FREE service to discover other helpful information that goes beyond EightCAP Community Services range of assistance.

**Clients will be seen by appointment only for heat/utility assistance. For heat/utility assistance, an Emergency Assistance Application must be filled out and submitted to the mailing address above. The application can be found on our website, [eightcap.org](http://eightcap.org).**

**To apply for heat/utility assistance, you must supply the following:**

- Completed Emergency Assistance Application – found at [eightcap.org](http://eightcap.org) website
- Birth dates for everyone in the home
- Social Security card for applicant and Social Security numbers for everyone in the home
- Proof of income for the last 90 days for the entire household
- Additional information may be required

**Heat/utility assistance requirements:**

- Past Due notice or below 25% for deliverable fuels
- Copy of Home Heat Credit or explanation of why you didn't apply

**0-5 Head Start****(616) 754-9315 x 3369**

A federally funded child development program serving pregnant women, infants, toddlers, and children thru age 5 years. Participants must meet specific income and eligibility criteria.

**Housing Assistance Programs****(616) 754-9315****Housing Hotline****(866) 754-9315 ext. 3335****ESG (Emergency Solutions Grant)**

- Literally homeless or court ordered eviction notice
- Deposit and/or rental assistance
- Call the Housing Hotline for assistance

**MSHDA Housing Choice Voucher Homeless Preference**

- Literally homeless
- Must be able to prove residency, identity, and age
- Call the Housing Hotline for assistance

**ESP Motel Funding**

- Literally homeless
- Up to 7 nights per fiscal year
- Call the Housing Hotline for assistance



**SSVF (Supportive Services for Veteran Families)**

- Assists veterans with at least one day of active duty.
- Literally homeless or court ordered eviction notice
- Deposit and/or rental assistance
- General housing stability assistance
- Moving costs, childcare, and/or utility payment assistance
- Call the Housing Hotline for assistance

**Weatherization****(616) 754-9315 x 3420**

- Free program that will help lower your fuel costs and make your home more energy efficient
- Services offered: water heater insulation blanket, low-flow shower head, wall, ceiling and floor insulation/ventilation, caulking, glass replacement, door sweeps, and weather stripping
- Proof of household income for the last 3 months
- Call for an appointment

**ELSIE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH FOOD BANK****(989) 862-5239***Elsie American Legion: 220 S Ovid Street, PO Box 189, Elsie, MI 48831*[www.elsieumc.org](http://www.elsieumc.org)

Hours: Monday & Wednesday 8:00 am - 9:00 am; one bag per month. Free produce - first Tuesday & third Thursday 8:00 am - 9:00 am

**EMERGENCY HOUSING COMMISSION****(989) 466-0709***PO Box 611, Alma, MI 48801*

Provides assistance with emergency housing situations to low-income families including repairs, rent, security deposits, shut-off notices, utilities and propane. Lending up to \$300 in a no interest loan. No emergency shelter.

**ERA CENTRAL REAL ESTATE, INC.****(989) 773-6000***925 S Mission Street, Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858*

Helps process loan information for FHA/MSHDA mortgages.

**FARMWORKER LEGAL SERVICES****(800) 968-4046***3030 S 9th Street, Suite 1A, Kalamazoo, MI 49009*[www.farmworkerlaw.org](http://www.farmworkerlaw.org)

Farm Worker Legal Services is a division of Legal Services of South Central Michigan, providing free civil legal assistance to low-income persons, including migrant and seasonal farm workers. FLS represents and assists migrant and seasonal farm workers with legal problems in the areas of employment, benefits, housing, education and immigration.

**FEDERAL STUDENT AID (FAFSA) - FREE APPLICATION****(800) 433-3243**

Information available by phone: Monday-Friday 8:00 am – 12:00 pm

[www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov)**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH FOOD PANTRY****(989) 463-2940***495 Charles Avenue, Alma, MI 48801*[www.firstpres.net](http://www.firstpres.net)

Tuesday (except 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month) 1:30 pm – 3:30 pm  
Serving Alma, Riverdale, Elm Hall and Elwell.

You may receive food every other month, six times a year. Bring a picture ID.

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH FOOD PANTRY****(989) 875-4437***218 E Newark Street, Ithaca, MI 48847*

Hours: Wednesday 9:30 am - 11:30 am

Gratiot County residents south of Tyler Road only. You may receive food once every two months. Bring one picture identification.

**FRIEND OF THE COURT****(989) 875-5226***214 E Center Street, Ithaca, MI 48847*

Caseworkers available: Monday-Thursday 9:00 am - 12:00 pm &amp; 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm;

Friday 9:00 am - 11:45 am &amp; 1:15 pm - 3:00 pm

**FULTON ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAM****(989) 462-0130***Fulton Adult Education, 525 N State Street, Suite 7, Alma, MI 48801*

Hours: Monday-Thursday 11:00 am - 6:00 pm; Friday 8:00 am – 3:00 pm

Provides free personalized tutoring for Mid-Michigan residents desiring to improve their reading, writing, spelling and math; High School Diploma; and Online/Alternate Education.

**FULTON ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION****(989) 236-5404***129 E George Street, Middleton, MI 48856*[www.fulton.edzone.net](http://www.fulton.edzone.net)

Adult alternative education classes offered in Middleton, St. Louis, and Shepherd. Providing opportunities for students 16 years and over to earn their High School Diploma. Online classes available.

**FULTON SCHOOLS****(989) 236-7300***8060 S Ely Highway, Middleton, MI 48856*[www.fulton.edzone.net](http://www.fulton.edzone.net)**GRATIOT COUNTY CLERK****(989) 875-5215***214 E Center Street, Suite 16, Ithaca, MI 48847*[www.gratiotmi.com](http://www.gratiotmi.com)Obtain birth and death certificates, marriage and divorce certificates. To order an out-of-county Michigan birth certificate visit, [www.michigan.gov/mdch](http://www.michigan.gov/mdch)**GRATIOT ISABELLA REGIONAL EDUCATION SERVICE DISTRICT (RESD) (989) 875-5101***Mahoney Center: 1131 E Center Street, PO Box 310, Ithaca, MI 48847*

Gratiot-Isabella RESD Early Childhood serves children birth to 5 years old; including special education evaluations, speech and language therapy, occupational and physical therapy, and special education preschool programs.

**GRATIOT COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT****24-Hour (989) 875-5211***226 E Center Street, Ithaca, MI 48847***Administration (989) 875-5214****GREAT START READINESS PROGRAM****(800) 227-2437**

Offers preschool programs for four year old children who may be “at risk” of school failure as well as family involvement/parent education components. Call this number or your local elementary school to request a preschool registration.

**HABITAT FOR HUMANITY (HFH)****(989) 463-2244***501 Gratiot Avenue, Alma MI 48801*Email: [hfhgratiotcounty@gmail.com](mailto:hfhgratiotcounty@gmail.com)

Provides decent, affordable housing for needy families who are willing to partner with Habitat by contributing sweat equity hours toward building the house and are able to repay a 7-30 year mortgage. They must have had a one year residency in Gratiot County.

## **HOME IMPROVEMENTS AND STRUCTURAL ALTERATIONS (HISA)**

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<http://www.prosthetics.va.gov/HISA2.asp>

Under the Home Improvements and Structural Alterations (HISA) program, Veterans with service-connected disabilities may receive assistance for any home improvement necessary for the continuation of treatment or for disability access to the home and essential lavatory and sanitary facilities. A HISA grant is available to Veterans who have received a medical determination indicating that improvements and structural alterations are necessary or appropriate for the effective and economical treatment of his/her disability. A Veteran may receive both a HISA grant and either a Special Home Adaptation (SHA) grant or a Specially Adapted Housing (SAH) grant.

## **HOWE MEMORIAL LIBRARY**

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**(989) 842-3202**

*128 E Saginaw Street, Breckenridge, MI 48615*

[www.howemempl.michlibrary.org](http://www.howemempl.michlibrary.org)

Hours: Monday 10:00 am - 7:00 pm; Tuesday 10:00 am - 5:00 pm; Wednesday 10:00 am - 5:00 pm; Thursday 12:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Reference information, faxing, copying, computer use, adult reading group, DVD rentals, music CD's, and audio books.

## **HUD-VASH**

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**(989) 497-2500 x 11773**

Veterans' housing voucher program.

## **ITHACA PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

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**(989) 875-3700**

*710 N Union Street, Ithaca, MI 48847*

[www.ithacaschools.net](http://www.ithacaschools.net)

## **LEGAL HOTLINE FOR MICHIGAN SENIORS**

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**(866) 400-9164**

*3815 W St Joseph Street, Suite C200, Lansing, MI 48917*

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

A hotline number for questions regarding common legal issues for senior citizens.

Free legal advice and information by appointment for any Michigan resident 60 years or older. To access the Michigan Pension Rights Project, call the Legal Hotline for Michigan Seniors Monday-Thursday 9:00 am – 3:00 pm and specify that you have a pension-related question. You may also sign up for the Medicare Drug Program. (Serving Gratiot, Isabella, Ionia and Montcalm counties).

## **LEGAL SERVICES OF EASTERN MICHIGAN**

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**(800) 322-4512**

*320 S Washington, Third Floor, Saginaw, MI 48607*

Hours: Monday 9:00 am - 7:00 pm; Tuesday-Friday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

A non-profit law firm that provides free legal assistance and advice in civil matters to eligible low-income persons-such as housing, DHHS and SSA denials, consumer, family law, bankruptcy, garnishment and more. Representation is not guaranteed. Divorce kits and clinics are also available.

## **LION'S CLUB**

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**(989) 463-6477 or (989) 875-3688**

*Alma/Breckenridge/Ithaca/St. Louis school districts*

Contact Ray Knapp

Furnishes glasses for anyone in need, repairs hearing aids, diabetes program and free camp for sight-impaired children. Provides funding for various community projects.

## **MCKINNEY VENTO HOMELESS STUDENT SUPPORTS IN GRATIOT, ISABELLA, MONTCALM, IONIA COUNTIES**

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**(616) 225-6260**

*621 New Street, PO Box 367, Stanton, MI 48888*

“Leading, collaborating and serving to create education without Boundaries.”

Works with the students, families, and schools to provide support, safety, and success to students and their families experiencing homelessness. Works with agencies, churches, and organizations to accomplish stability and school success for these students.

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**MICHIGAN ENROLLS****(888) 367-6557**

EightCAP, Inc. Michigan Enrolls Counselor

**(866) 754-9315 x 3306**

Beneficiary Help Line for non-enrollment issues

**(800) 642-3195**

Call for Medicaid information or to apply for a managed care health plan.

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**MICHIGAN LEGAL HELP**

Free and accurate legal information for simple civil legal matters.

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

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**MICHIGAN STATE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY****(877) 796-8883**

Community Management Associate, Inc. Income based/low cost rental assistance.

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**MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY EXTENSION OFFICE****(989) 875-5233***Secretary of State Building, 219 N State Street, Alma, MI 48801*[www.msue.msu.edu](http://www.msue.msu.edu)

Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 am - 4:30 pm

Services offered: family resource management, food and nutrition planning, parenting education, 4-H, and budgeting skills. Provides information concerning agriculture.

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**MICHIGAN WORKS! SERVICE CENTER****(888) 811-4832 or (989) 466-4832***GTEC Building: 327 E Center Street, Alma, MI 48801*[www.michiganworks.com](http://www.michiganworks.com)

Hours of operation: Monday-Friday 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

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

Eligible populations: Michigan Works! Service Center employment services are open to everyone.

Specialized services may be available to dislocated workers, displaced homemakers, unemployed or underemployed adults and youth.

Services available: job search preparation and skills, resume writing, applications, interviewing, labor market information, Pure Michigan Talent Connect, career assessment, occupational training and employment related support services.

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**MICHILD/HEALTHY KIDS****(888) 988-6300**

Provides health insurance for uninsured children of Michigan's working families. Covers regular check-ups, shots, emergency dental care, pharmacy, hospital care, prenatal care and delivery, vision, hearing, mental health and substance abuse services for a small monthly fee. Call for an application. You may also call the Mid-Michigan District Health Department.

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**MID-MICHIGAN COMMUNITY COLLEGE****(989) 773-6622***2600 S Summerton Road, Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858*[www.midmich.edu](http://www.midmich.edu)

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**MID-MICHIGAN DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT****(989) 875-3681***151 Commerce Drive, Ithaca, MI 48847*<http://www.mmdhd.org>

Hours: Monday-Friday 8:30 am - 4:30 pm (closed 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm)

**Environmental Health Services**

- Campground Inspections
- Child and Adult Care Facility Inspections-Day care, foster care, children's camps, and all social service licensed facilities to assure safe food and water.
- Disease Outbreak Investigations
- Food Safety
- General Environmental Health
- Groundwater Quality Control
- Home Loan Evaluations-inspects water supply, sewage system, and other environmental parameters for home mortgage loans.
- On-Site Wastewater Treatment and Disposal
- Public Swimming Pool Inspections

- School Facilities-Evaluates sanitary facilities and kitchen and food service areas by reviewing building plans for new and remodeled schools.
- Subdivision/Site Condominium Program
- Provides Radon test kits

**Family Planning**

- Promotes the well-being of families by giving couples the opportunity to time pregnancies when they are best able to care for children.
- Promotes healthy babies by reducing infant deaths and other health related problems.
- Maintains women's health by detecting problems through routine screening and examinations.
- Birth control options.

**Health Promotion and Preparedness**

- Personal Health Services
- Children's Special Health Care Services
- Hearing and vision screenings
- Community based activities
- CPR First Aid and blood-borne pathogens training
- HIV testing and counseling
- TB control

**Immunizations**

- Immunizations are available for children eight weeks of age through adulthood.
- Please call to make an appointment.

**Women, Infants and Children (WIC)**

- Services by appointment.
- For pregnant women, children under five years and breast-feeding mothers.
- Clients must meet certain income guidelines, and be considered at nutritional risk.
- If eligible, the client will receive EBT cards for specific food redeemable at local stores.
- For an appointment or more information call (989) 875-3681(#5)

**MID-MICHIGAN HOME CARE AND HOSPICE****(989) 463-4121***175 E Warwick Drive, Suite C, Alma, MI 48801***After Hours (800) 862-5002**

Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm. Store open until 6:00 pm

Post-mastectomy and post-lumpectomy bras and prostheses, medical equipment, life line, oxygen, Hospice, private duty and home care.

**MID-MICHIGAN MIGRANT & EL PROGRAM****(616) 794-4753***Orchard Hills Elementary School: 1975 Orchard Street, Belding MI 48809*[www.bas-k12.org/mmmep](http://www.bas-k12.org/mmmep)

Operated by Belding Area Schools, the program provides supplemental education services for eligible migrant students and for English Language Learners (EL) in 19 school districts covering most of Montcalm, Ionia, Clinton and Gratiot Counties. The primary purpose of the program is to provide direct tutorial services to eligible students. In addition, the program provides written translations of school documents and classroom communications, spoken interpretation during parent meetings at school, assistance to families in enrolling students in school, and professional support for regular education staff. The program also operates a 30-day summer school for eligible migrant and EL students in the four counties. Transportation is provided to the schools in Belding and St. Johns from the four county area.

**MONTCALM COMMUNITY COLLEGE** (989) 328-2111  
2800 College Drive, Sidney, MI 48885 [www.montcalm.edu](http://www.montcalm.edu)  
Offers associate degrees and certificates in Liberal Arts and Occupational Programs, job training programs, educational opportunities via credit and non-credit classes, both online and in a traditional classroom setting. On-site workforce training is also available.

**MONTCALM COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT** (989) 831-7590  
659 N State Street, Stanton, MI 48888 [www.montcalm.org](http://www.montcalm.org)

**M-46 TABERNACLE FOOD PANTRY** (989) 833-7625  
11098 Howard City-Edmore Road, Riverdale, MI 48877  
Hours: Tuesday 10:00 am – 11:00 am. Family size requested.

**MT. PLEASANT COMMUNITY COUNSELING ASSOCIATES** (989) 773-0222  
500 S Main Street, Suite B, Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858 [www.mtpleasantcounselors.com](http://www.mtpleasantcounselors.com)

Outpatient mental health counseling services to individuals, couples, families, children, teens, and adults. Accepts most insurance; also has a sliding scale based on income. Fee starts at \$45.00.

**OFFICE OF HUMAN SERVICES** (989) 681-4289  
232 N Mill Street, PO Box 2, St. Louis, MI 48880

Hours: Monday- Friday 9:00 am – 12:00 pm  
Provides food to those in need in Gratiot County. Provides clothing and furniture (when available) for a donation. Donations of all types accepted. Can pick up & deliver furniture.

**PINE REST CHRISTIAN MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES** (800) 678-5500  
300 68<sup>th</sup> Street SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49548 [www.pinerest.org](http://www.pinerest.org)

Inpatient mental health services for children, adolescent and adults.  
Sub-acute detox services-adults. Substance abuse-intensive outpatient program. Residential services-inpatient for adults, long term care for teenagers and individuals with development disabilities.

**PLAID DOOR** (989) 463-1914  
220 E Superior Street, Alma, MI 48801

Hours: Monday-Friday 10:30 am - 5:00 pm, Saturday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm  
Consignment shop selling high-end, low-priced, used clothing.

**POISON CONTROL CENTER** (800) 222-1222  
Helen DeVos Children's Hospital with Spectrum Health  
Twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week. Call for any possible poisoning concerns.

**POMPEII UNITED METHODIST BABY PANTRY** (989) 838-2249  
135 Burton Street, Pompeii, MI 48874  
Hours: First and Third Thursday of the month 10:00 am - 5:00 pm or by appointment  
Offers large baby items, clothing, food, formula, and diapers

**POTTER'S HOUSE FAMILY WORSHIP CENTER AND STOREHOUSE PANTRY** (989) 772-5681  
5346 E Deerfield Road, Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858 [www.pottershousefwc.org](http://www.pottershousefwc.org)  
Offers a food pantry the Third Thursday of each month from 11:30 am - 1:30 pm





**PREGNANCY SERVICES OF GRATIOT COUNTY****(989) 466-2295***303 W Superior Street, PO Box 74, Alma, MI 48801*24-hour helpline **(800) 712-4357**

Office hours: Monday-Thursday 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Services available: free pregnancy tests, abstinence information, adoption information, H.E.A.R.T. (Healing Effects of Abortion Related Trauma), sexual health, parenting classes, playgroups, book clubs for teenage girls concerning relationships, marriage and premarital relationship strengthening sessions, speakers, and referrals. Help with maternity, baby clothing, and baby equipment is also available.

**PROJECT FIND****(989) 875-5650**

Provides information about special education programs and services. Helps to arrange free evaluation to find out if a child is eligible for free extra help from Michigan public schools.

**REGISTER OF DEEDS****(989) 875-5217***214 E Center Street, PO Box 5, Ithaca, MI 48847*[www.gratiotmi.com](http://www.gratiotmi.com)

Monday-Friday 8:00 am - 4:30 pm

Holds land records including but not limited to: land ownership files and surveys. Passports obtained here.

**ST. LOUIS CHURCH OF CHRIST FOOD PANTRY****(989) 681-2524***1075 W Monroe Road, St. Louis, MI 48880*

Food Pantry open fourth Thursday of the month 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm. If the Fourth Thursday falls on a holiday, food pantry will be open the Third Thursday of that month. Please bring a box, bag or basket to take home food items.

**ST. LOUIS FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH FOOD PANTRY****(989) 681-3223***120 Michigan Avenue, St. Louis, MI 48880*

Monday, Wednesday and Thursday 9:00 am - 12:00 pm. Other times by appointment.

**ST. LOUIS HOUSING COMMISSION****(989) 681-5100***308 S Delaware Street, St. Louis, MI 48880*[www.stlouismi.com](http://www.stlouismi.com)

Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 am - 4:30 pm; closed 11:30 am - 1:00 pm.

Income based rental programs (Section 8 voucher and low rent units).

**ST. LOUIS PUBLIC SCHOOLS****(989) 681-2545***113 E Saginaw Street, St. Louis, MI 48880*[www.stlouisschools.net](http://www.stlouisschools.net)**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD PANTRY****(989) 828-5720***205 Maple Street, Shepherd, MI 48883*

Hours: Call Monday 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm for Tuesday pick-up; or Wednesday 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm for Thursday pick-up. By appointment only.

Available for North Gratiot and Isabella County residents. Need to provide driver's license and Social Security cards for all members of household. Provides 2 sacks of groceries per family once every 4 weeks. Must bring proof of income.

**SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH (ALMA TWIN CITIES)****(989) 463-4512***3067 W Monroe Road, Alma, MI 48801*[www.alma22.adventistchurchconnect.org](http://www.alma22.adventistchurchconnect.org)

Food pantry open the fourth Monday of the month 10:00 am - 11:30 am.

Will help each month.



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**SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH OF ITHACA****(989) 875-4433***935 N Pine River Street, Ithaca, MI 48847*

Clothing available every Tuesday morning, or call for possible arrangements for alternate time.

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**SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH OF RIVERDALE****(989) 427-5297***6392 N Lumberjack Road, Riverdale, MI*[www.riverdale22.adventistchurchconnect.org](http://www.riverdale22.adventistchurchconnect.org)

Food pantry third Monday of the month 10:00 am - 11:00 am.

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**SEVILLE TOWNSHIP PUBLIC LIBRARY****(989) 833-7776***6734 N Lumberjack Road, Riverdale, MI 48877*[www.seville.michlibrary.org](http://www.seville.michlibrary.org)

Hours: Monday, Tuesday and Friday 10:00 am - 5:00 pm; Wednesday 2:00 pm - 6:00 pm; and Saturday 10:00 am - 1:00 pm.

Primary services include book, audio book and video checkout. Computers available for public use, printing, copying, faxing available for a small fee. Wi-Fi also available. Story hour and summer reading program.

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**SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION****(800) 772-1213***1940 Sweeney Street, Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858***(877) 405-7667***730 Water Tower Road, Big Rapids, MI 49307***(800) 772-1213***3045 Knapp Street NE, Grand Rapids, MI 49525***(877) 319-5710****TTY (800) 325-0778**[www.socialsecurity.gov](http://www.socialsecurity.gov)

Administers the Social Security and SSI income program for disabled persons of any age.

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**SOUTHWEST GRATIOT AREA FOOD PANTRY****(989) 236-5109***New Haven Church of the Brethren: 7587 Grant Road, Middleton, MI 48856*

Open second and fourth Thursday of the month 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Must know monthly income &amp; bring photo ID.

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**SPECIAL OLYMPICS MICHIGAN****(800) 644-6404 or (989) 774-3911***Central Michigan University, East Campus Drive, Mt. Pleasant, MI 48859 (State Office)*

Year-around sports training and competition to individuals who are intellectually disabled. The minimum age for competition is 8 years but we do offer training opportunities for young athletes, ages 2 to 7 years.

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**T.A. CUTLER MEMORIAL LIBRARY****(989) 681-5141***312 Michigan Avenue, St. Louis, MI 48801*[www.stlouismi.com](http://www.stlouismi.com)

Hours: Monday - Friday 10:00 am – 7:00 pm all year; Saturday 10:00 am - 2:00 pm October-May only.

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**THE SALVATION ARMY****(989) 463-2864***425 Republic Street, Alma, MI 48801*[www.saalma.org](http://www.saalma.org)

Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 am - 4:00 pm; closed 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm. Shelter for fire victims, utilities and discretionary fund for prescription assistance (when available), Christmas assistance, food pantry, and distribution of commodities. Building is available for use by the community.

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**THOMPSON HOME PUBLIC LIBRARY****(989) 875-4184***125 W Center Street, Ithaca, MI 48847*

Hours: Monday &amp; Wednesday 10:00 am - 8:00 pm; Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 10:00am - 5:00 pm

**TRI-COUNTY PEOPLE FUND****(800) 421-8956**[www.homeworks.org](http://www.homeworks.org)

The mission of Tri-County People Fund is the accumulation and disbursement of funds for charitable purposes for the benefit of persons in the Tri-County Electric service area. This shall be accomplished by disbursement of funds to individuals and organizations for food, shelter, clothing, health, and other humane needs for programs or services that benefit a significant segment of a community. Provides coverage to the southern portion of Gratiot County.

**UNITED METHODIST CHURCH FOOD PANTRY****(989) 842-3632***125 Third Street, Breckenridge, MI 48615*

Tuesday 10:00 am - 1:00 pm

Available to Breckenridge, Wheeler and Merrill residents only. Pickup once every 60 days.

**UNITED WAY OF GRATIOT & ISABELLA COUNTIES****(989) 463-6245***525 N State Street, Suite 1, Alma, MI 48801*[www.UWGIC.org](http://www.UWGIC.org)

Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm (call for an appointment)

Community fund raiser to support non-profit agencies in Gratiot County.

**USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT****(800) 944-8119 or (989) 673-8173***1075 Cleaver Road, Caro, MI 48723*[www.rurdev.usda.gov](http://www.rurdev.usda.gov)

Ask to be transferred to Caro Area office then press ext. 6.

Finances direct home loans in rural areas for modest housing to households at or below 80% of the adjusted median income. Provides guaranteed loans to eligible low and moderate income rural residents for moderately priced housing. Issues loans and grants to very-low income rural homeowners to improve or modernize their home; make their home decent, safe and sanitary; remove health and safety hazards; or to repair or remodel their dwelling to make it more accessible and usable for household members with disabilities.

**VETERAN'S AFFAIRS****(989) 875-5258***114 S Main Street, Ithaca, MI 48847*

Assists veterans with benefits available through federal or local agencies. May help with emergency grant programs.

**WOMEN'S AID SERVICE****(989) 463-6014***PO Box 743, Mt. Pleasant, MI 48804*

Service Areas: Isabella, Gratiot, and Clare Counties

24-Hour Crisis Intervention

**Emergency Shelter Services**

- For women and children who are victims of domestic violence and/or sexual assault. Intervention and prevention services are provided for survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault.

**Legal Advocacy**

- Helps clients with paperwork and support in obtaining a personal protection order (PPO) against abuser.

**Children's Services**

- Are designed to help meet the needs of children from homes experiencing domestic violence. The children's counselor also works with mothers in the shelter on parenting skills.

**Outreach Services**

- Are available to victims of domestic violence who are seeking emergency shelter services or who are former shelter residents or victims of sexual assault. This program is offered in the women's home when appropriate. Services include counseling, advocacy, support, community referrals, and transportation to appointments.

**Support Groups**

- Are offered for domestic violence victims, facilitated by staff members in Isabella, Gratiot and Clare counties.

**Men Overcoming Violent Experiences (MOVE)**

- 24-hour crisis line. Group counseling program provides education and alternatives for men to halt abusive/violent patterns. Individual and crisis counseling are also available.

**Women Overcoming Violent Experiences (WOVE)**

- Group counseling program to provide education and alternatives for women to halt abusive/violent patterns.

**SANE Exam Services**

- Free exams for victims of sexual assault done by contracted nurses in the Mt. Pleasant area. Available to all adults and minors of a certain age with parent/guardian present- (989) 506-3095



# Community Access Stations

## **Put your PLAN into ACTION**

*Community Access Stations offer a place for you to come and make connections with potential employers, landlords, daycare providers or any other human service agency. These are located at your local EightCAP, Inc. Offices.*

<u>GRATIOT COUNTY</u>	<u>IONIA COUNTY</u>	<u>ISABELLA COUNTY</u>	<u>MONTCALM COUNTY</u>
525 N State Street, Ste 2 Alma Phone: (989) 463-5693 Fax: (989) 463-6872	5827 Orleans Road Orleans Phone: (616) 545-2093 Fax: (616) 545-2097	310 W Michigan Street Mt. Pleasant Phone: (989) 772-0110 Fax: (989) 775-3907	1464 W Sidney Road Sidney Phone: (616) 754-9315 Fax: (616) 225-8761

Access Stations have the following equipment:



- Computer
- High-Speed Internet
- Printer
- Telephone
- Scanner
- Fax



**All of these services are available for you to use during regular office hours  
(Monday - Friday: 8:00 am - 4:30 pm)**

# Dentists

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**BAY CITY DENTAL CLINIC****(989) 892-7062***1411 Center Avenue, Bay City, MI 48707*

Participates with Medicaid, Healthy Kids, MICHild, and Delta Dental. Call for more information for adults under Medicaid. Discount programs available.

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**DEXTER, SCOTT****(517) 321-8280***815 Kids Court, Lansing, MI 48917 (Tuesday-Thursday 8:00 am - 4:00 pm)**1234 E Broomfield, Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858 (Friday Hours only)***(989) 772-3046**

Participates with Healthy Kids, Delta Dental & MICHild.

Does not participate with Medicaid. Pedodontist-serves children 1-14 years old.

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**DONAHUE, TERRY; DONAHUE, TIM; & DONAHUE, KELLY, DDS****(989) 584-3100***323 W Maple Street, PO Box 848, Carson City, MI 48811*

Monday-Thursday 8:00 am - 5:00 pm; Friday 8:00 am - 3:00 pm

Does not accept Medicaid. Participates with Delta Dental and Healthy Kids. Will see children as early as 1 year old.

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**DOWNEY, JOHN****(989) 875-4832***108 S Main Street Ithaca, MI 48847*

Participates with Healthy Kids, Delta Dental and Blue Cross. Will see children when 3 years old (unless there is a problem).

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**EDMORE FAMILY DENTISTRY****(989) 427-3430***1315 E Howard City-Edmore Road, Edmore, MI 48886*

Participates with Delta Dental, MICHild and Healthy Kids. Does not participate with Medicaid. Does infant oral exams.

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**FERRIS STATE UNIVERSITY DENTAL HYGIENE CLINIC****(231) 591-2260***200 Ferris Drive, Big Rapids, MI 49307*[www.ferris.edu](http://www.ferris.edu)

Clinic is only open September to April. Reasonable fees; participates with Medicaid. Services provided by student dental hygienists under the supervision of registered dental hygienists and dentists. Services provided: teeth cleaning, sealants, fluoride, and x-rays.

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**GOODELL, STEPHEN G.****(989) 681-2002***405 E Washington Street, St. Louis, MI 48880*

Hours: Monday and Thursday 8:30 am - 5:00 pm

No Medicaid & No benefit plans.

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**HICK, ALAN R.****(989) 842-3151***422 W Chestnut Street, Breckenridge, MI 48615*

Hours: Monday-Thursday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Participates with Healthy Kids and MICHild, with current patients only. Will see children as early as 4 years old (unless there is a problem).

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**LENNAN, JAMES R. & PIESKO, FRANK M.****(989) 642-2750***15741 Gratiot Road, Hemlock, MI 48626*

Participates with Delta, Healthy Kids and MICHild.

Will see children as early as 2 years old (unless there is a problem).

**LOWE, GREG W.** (989) 681-3050

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622 E Washington Street, St. Louis, 48880

Participates with Healthy Kids and MICHild. Not accepting new Medicaid patients. Will see children at 4 years old.

**MCDC- ST. JOHNS DENTAL CLINIC** (855) 878-5026 or (989) 224-3053

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1307 E Townsend Road, St. Johns, MI 48879

Providing adult care for Gratiot and Clinton County residents with some Medicaid plans.

**MCDONALD, THOMAS** (989) 463-4036

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306 N State, Alma, MI 48801

email: [almadentalexcellance@yahoo.com](mailto:almadentalexcellance@yahoo.com)

Participates with Healthy Kids and MICHild.

**PUTMAN, BRIAN & PUTMAN, JENNA** (989) 875-2888

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610 N Pine River, Ithaca, MI 48847

Monday 10:00 am - 5:00 pm; Tuesday-Thursday 8:00 am - 4:30 pm

Participates with Delta Dental, Healthy Kids & MICHild. Will see children as early as 1 year old.

**SCHLUCKEBIER, GARY** (989) 875-4721

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921 N Pine River, Ithaca, MI 48847

Participates with Healthy Kids and MICHild. Will see children as early as 1 year old.

**SIKORA, KEITH G.** (989) 463-4711

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1317 Pine Avenue, Alma, MI 48801

Participates with Healthy Kids and MICHild. Will see children as early as 1 year old.

**UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN DENTAL SCHOOL** (888) 707-2500

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1011 N University, Ann Arbor, MI 48109-1078

[www.umich.edu](http://www.umich.edu)

Accepts Medicaid

Adults (734) 763-6933

Call for more insurance information.

Pediatric (734) 764-1523

**WASSENAAR, SARA; FRUTIGER, RICH;  
MOEGGENBURG, BRENT; & MOEGGENBURG, AARON** (989) 463-5392

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226 N State Street, Alma, MI 48801

Participates with Healthy Kids and MICHild. Will see children as early as 1 year old.

*\*Call for appointments at above offices and ask if they participate with your type of insurance.  
Participation in insurance programs may change.*

# Doctors

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## ALMA FAMILY PRACTICE

(989) 463-2181

1335 N Pine Avenue, Alma, MI 48801

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

Gruca, Paul MD

Holmes, Jeffrey MD

Strom, Scott DO

Offers evening hours Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday until 8:30 pm. Participates with McLaren Medicaid plan.

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## ASHLEY CLINIC

(989) 847-2621

320 S Sterling Street, PO Box 96, Ashley, MI 48806

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

Morris, Roger DO

Anderson, Russell DO

Participates with Medicaid.

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## SPARROW MEDICAL GROUP CARSON

(989) 584-1308

102 S Third Street, Suite 100, Carson City, MI 48811

Fax (989) 584-0307

Grentz, Diepmar MD

Young, Cheryl NP

Terry, Patricia CSFNP

Participates with Medicaid, but not Molina.

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## CENTER FOR WOMEN'S HEALTHCARE

(989) 875-4800

1210 E Center Street, Ithaca, MI 48847

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

Becher, Michelle L. DO FACOOG

Russell, Janice A. OGNP

Betancourt, Shelly L. WHNP

Participates with Medicaid.

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## FAMILY MEDICAL CARE

(989) 842-3118

302 W Chestnut Street, Breckenridge, MI 48615

Kastning, Scott PA

Participates with Medicaid.

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## FAMILY MEDICAL CARE

(989) 875-5111

121 N Pine River Street, Ithaca, MI 48847

Stack, Michael MD

Morrisey, Crystal PA-C

White-Lin, Ginny NP

Participates with Medicaid.

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## GRATIOT FAMILY PRACTICE

(989) 463-3101

1910 Pine Avenue, Alma, MI 48801

Asa, Angela PA

Chessin, Vicki MD

Murray, Christopher DO

Novak, Troy PA

Stefanek, Gregg DO

**MID-MICHIGAN HEALTH URGENT CARE & OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH (989) 466-3332**

*321 E Warwick, Alma, MI 48801*

Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 am - 8:00 pm; Saturday-Sunday 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

Holiday Hours: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm. Participates with Medicaid-Molina, McLaren and Meridian Health Plan of Michigan. 20% discount for non-insured persons. Walk-in clinic.

**SPARROW MEDICAL GROUP ITHACA (989) 875-4166**

*114 N Main Street, Ithaca, MI 48847*

Anderson, Russell DO

Ellsworth, Paula NP

Freestone, David MD

Knight, Thomas PA

Offers evening hours on Tuesdays until 8:00 pm. Participates with Medicaid.

Not accepting Molina or Mid-Michigan Health Plan for new adult patients.

**LOSSIO PEDIATRICS (989) 462-0048**

*245 E Warwick Drive, Suite D, Alma, MI 48801*

Lossio, Francisco MD

Participates with straight Medicaid, Molina, and McLaren.

**LYONS FAMILY CARE CENTER (989) 855-3345**

*505 E Bridge Street, Lyons, MI, 48851*

Participates with Medicaid, Priority Health and most private insurances. Does not currently accept Molina.

**PEDIATRIC SPECIALTY CENTER (989) 463-2966**

*160 E Warwick Road. Alma, MI 48801*

Regmi, Hem MD

Monday-Friday 8:00 am - 5:00 pm; participates with Molina, McLaren, Health Plan of Michigan, and straight Medicaid only.

**PLEASANT WOMEN'S CARE (989) 772-3009**

*1621 E Broomfield, Suite B, Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858*

Traenkle, Diane DO

Participates with McLaren, Molina, and straight Medicaid.

**SHERIDAN CARE (989) 291-5077**

*303 Congress Street, Sheridan, MI 48884*

Steury, Niki DO

Thwaites, Brian PA-C

Levand, Betsey PA - C

Participates with Medicaid.

**STANTON 1st CARE (989) 831-7200**

*620 W Main Street, Stanton, MI 48888*

Piazza, Richard DO

Aultman, Deb PA-C

*\*Call for appointments at above offices and ask if they participate with your type of insurance.  
Participation in insurance programs may change.*



# Eye Doctors

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**ALLEN, JOHN** (989) 875-4600

531 E Center Street, PO Box 100, Ithaca, MI 48847

Will see 3-5 year old children. Does not participate with Medicaid.

**EVANS EYE CENTER** (989) 463-3937

120 Warwick Drive, Alma, MI 48801

Evans, Lawrence DO

Not seeing pediatrics. Does not participate with Medicaid.

**NEAR, STEPHEN K.** (989) 681-2684

235 N Mill Street St. Louis, MI 48880

Will see 3-5 year old children. Participates with straight Medicaid, Molina, McLaren, and Meridian Health Plan of Michigan.

**SEALS, TACIA, BARTZ, WHITMORE OPTOMETRISTS** (989) 463-1139

1321 Pine Avenue, Alma, MI 48801

Will see 3-5 year old children. Infancy program also. Participates with Straight Medicaid, McLaren and Meridian Health Plan of Michigan.

**THE EYESITE** (989) 773-2020

1234 E Broomfield, Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858

Accepts most optical insurance.

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

**VISION SERVICE PLAN** (866) 754-9315 or (616) 754-9315

Contact: EightCAP, Inc. 0-5 Head Start at extension 3384

The gift certificate will pay for an eye exam and glasses for any child 0-18 who has not graduated from high school who does not have vision insurance. Available once a year.

**WALMART VISION CENTER** (989) 463-6292

7700 Alger Road, Alma, MI 48801

Will see 3-5 year old children. Participates with Medicaid – Molina only.

**WALMART VISION CENTER** (989) 773-9714

4730 Encore Boulevard, Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858

Zarr, Jeffery OD

Bennett, Jason OD

Many vision insurances accepted. Doctor is available Monday-Friday 9:00 am – 4:30 pm; Saturday 9:00 am - 4:30 pm. Vision assistance available Tuesday - Wednesday 9:00 am - 7:00 pm

**WOLVERINE OPTICAL** (989) 463-1838

7314 N Alger Road, Alma, MI 48801

Will see 3-5 year old children. Participates with Straight Medicaid, Meridian, and McLaren Medicaid plan.

*\*Call for appointments at above offices and ask if they participate with your type of insurance.  
Participation in insurance programs may change.*

# Food Pantries

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## **ALMA**

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**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH FOOD PANTRY** (989) 463-2940

*495 Charles Avenue, Alma, MI 48801*

[www.firstpres.net](http://www.firstpres.net)

Open Tuesday 1:30 pm – 3:30 pm. Serving: Alma, Riverdale, Elm Hall and Elwell. You may receive food the first and third Tuesday, every other month. Bring a picture ID.

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**SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH OF ALMA** (989) 463-4512

*3067 W Monroe Road, Alma, MI 48801*

[alma22.adventistchurchconnect.org](http://alma22.adventistchurchconnect.org)

Open fourth Monday of the month from 10:00 am - 11:30 pm. Will help each month.

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**THE SALVATION ARMY** (989) 463-2864

*425 Republic Street, Alma, MI 48801*

Open Monday-Friday 9:00 am – 4:00 pm (no morning pantry hours the first Friday of each month.)

## **BRECKENRIDGE**

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**UNITED METHODIST CHURCH** (989) 842-3632

*125 Third Street, Breckenridge, MI 48615*

Open Tuesday 10:00 am - 1:00 pm. Breckenridge, Wheeler, and Merrill residents only. Pick up once every 60 days.

## **ELSIE**

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**ELSIE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH FOOD PANTRY** (989) 862-5239

*Elsie American Legion: 220 S Ovid Street, Elsie, MI 48831*

Open Monday & Wednesday 8:00 am - 9:00 am. One sack per month. Free produce first Tuesday and third Thursday 8:00 am - 9:00 am.

## **ITHACA**

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**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH FOOD PANTRY** (989) 875-4437

*218 E Newark Street, Ithaca, MI 48847*

Open Wednesday 9:30 am - 11:30 am. Gratiot County residents south of Tyler Road only. You may receive food once every two months. Bring picture form of identification.

## **MIDDLETON**

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**SOUTHWEST GRATIOT AREA FOOD PANTRY** (989) 236-51096

*New Haven Church of the Brethren, 7587 Grant Road, Middleton, MI*

Call for an appointment.

Open second and fourth Thursday of the month from 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Must know monthly income & bring photo ID

## **RIVERDALE**

### **M-46 TABERNACLE FOOD PANTRY**

**(989) 833-7625**

*11098 Howard City-Edmore Road, Riverdale, MI 48877*

Open Tuesday 10:00 am – 11:00 am. Family size requested.

### **SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH OF RIVERDALE**

**(989) 427-3848**

*6392 N Lumberjack Road, Riverdale, MI 48877*

[riverdale22.adventistchurchconnect.org](http://riverdale22.adventistchurchconnect.org)

Open third Monday 10:00 am - 11:00 am.

## **SHEPHERD**

### **ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD PANTRY**

**(989) 828-5720**

*205 Maple Street, Shepherd, MI 48883*

Call Monday 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm for Tuesday pick-up or call Wednesday 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm for Thursday pick-up. By appointment only. Available for North Gratiot and Isabella Counties. Need to provide driver's license, Social Security cards, and income for all members of the household. Two sacks of groceries available per family once every 4 weeks.

## **ST. LOUIS**

### **OFFICE OF HUMAN SERVICES**

**(989) 681-4289**

*232 N Mill Street, PO Box 2, St. Louis, MI 48880*

Open Monday-Friday 9:00 am - 12:00 pm. Supported by St. Louis Ministerial Association. Food available once every 90 days for Gratiot County residents only. Need to provide proof of income, and Social Security numbers for all members of household.

### **ST. LOUIS CHURCH OF CHRIST**

**(989) 681-2524**

*1075 W Monroe Road, St. Louis, MI 48880*

Open 8:00 am - 4:00 pm, by appointment only.

### **ST. LOUIS FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**

**(989) 681-3223**

*120 Michigan Avenue, St. Louis, MI 48880*

Food available every fourth Thursday of the month; 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm.  
Please bring tote, bag, or box to take home groceries.

# Hospitals

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<b>HELEN-DEVOS CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL</b> <i>100 Michigan NE, Grand Rapids, MI 49503</i>	(616) 391-9000 <a href="http://www.helendevoschildrens.org">www.helendevoschildrens.org</a>
<b>MCLAREN CENTRAL MICHIGAN</b> <i>1221 South Drive, Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858</i>	(989) 772-6700
<b>MCLAREN GREATER LANSING</b> <i>401 W Greenlawn Avenue, Lansing, MI 48910</i>	(517) 975-6000 <a href="http://www.mclaren.org">www.mclaren.org</a>
<b>METRO HEALTH HOSPITAL</b> <i>5900 Byron Center Avenue, Wyoming, MI 49519</i>	(616) 252-7200 <a href="http://www.metrohealth.net">www.metrohealth.net</a>
<b>MID-MICHIGAN MEDICAL CENTER CLARE</b> <i>703 N McEwan Street, Clare, MI 48617</i>	(989) 386-0051 <a href="http://www.midmichigan.org">www.midmichigan.org</a>
<b>MID-MICHIGAN MEDICAL CENTER GRATIOT</b> <i>300 E Warwick, Alma MI 48801</i>	(989) 463-1101 <a href="http://www.midmichigan.org">www.midmichigan.org</a>
<b>MID-MICHIGAN MEDICAL CENTER MIDLAND</b> <i>4000 Wellness Drive, Midland, MI 48670</i>	(989) 839-3000 <a href="http://www.midmichigan.org">www.midmichigan.org</a>
<b>PENNOCK HOSPITAL</b> <i>1009 W Green Street, Hastings, MI 49058</i>	(269) 945-3451 <a href="http://www.pennockhealth.com">www.pennockhealth.com</a>
<b>PINE REST CHRISTIAN MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES</b> <i>300 68<sup>th</sup> Street SE, PO Box 165, Grand Rapids, MI 49548</i>	(800) 678-5500 <a href="http://www.pinerest.org">www.pinerest.org</a>
<b>SHERIDAN COMMUNITY HOSPITAL</b> <i>301 N Main Street, PO Box 279, Sheridan, MI 48884</i> Walk-in-clinic 24 hours a day.	(989) 291-3261 <a href="http://www.sheridanhospital.com">www.sheridanhospital.com</a>
<b>SPARROW CARSON HOSPITAL</b> <i>406 E Elm Street, Carson City, MI 48811</i>	(989) 584-3131 <a href="http://www.carsonhealth.org">www.carsonhealth.org</a>
<b>SPARROW HOSPITAL</b> <i>1215 E Michigan Street, Lansing, MI 48912</i>	(517) 364-1000 <a href="http://www.sparrow.org">www.sparrow.org</a>
<b>SPARROW IONIA HOSPITAL</b> <i>500 E Washington Street, Ionia, MI 48846</i> Urgent Care 24 hours a day.	(616) 523-1400 <a href="http://www.sparrow.org/sparrowionia">www.sparrow.org/sparrowionia</a>
<b>SPARROW HOSPITAL TONY BALICE WALK-IN CLINIC</b> <i>550 E Washington Street, Ionia, MI 48846</i> Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 am - 7:00 pm and Saturday 8:00 am - 12:00 pm	(616) 523-1644

**SPECTRUM HEALTH BLODGETT HOSPITAL**

*1840 Wealthy Street SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49506*

**(616) 774-7444**

[www.spectrum-health.org](http://www.spectrum-health.org)

**SPECTRUM HEALTH BUTTERWORTH HOSPITAL**

*100 Michigan Street NE, Grand Rapids, MI 49503*

**(616) 391-1774**

[www.spectrum-health.org](http://www.spectrum-health.org)

**SPECTRUM HEALTH KELSEY HOSPITAL**

*418 Washington Avenue, Lakeview, MI 48850*

**(989) 352-7211**

**SPECTRUM HEALTH UNITED HOSPITAL EMERGENCY**

*615 S Bower Street, Greenville, MI 48838*

**(616) 754-4691**

[www.spectrum-health.org/united](http://www.spectrum-health.org/united)

**ST. MARY'S HEALTH CARE**

*200 Jefferson Avenue SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49503*

**(616) 685-5000**

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

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# Hotline Numbers

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**BOYS & GIRLS TOWN NATIONAL HOTLINE** (800) 448-3000

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

Counselor on hand to talk about problems or concerns with parents and children. Helps to resolve child/parent conflict.

**CENTER FOR DISEASE CONTROL & PREVENTION INFORMATION** (800) 232-4636

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[www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov)

Provides health information on diseases and health topics.

**CENTER FOR MISSING & EXPLOITED CHILDREN** (800) 843-5678

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

Report missing children and child pornography, provides publications on missing children.

**CHILD & ADULT LICENSING COMPLAINTS** (866) 856-0126

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

**CHILD FIND OF AMERICA** (800) 426-5678

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

Helps locate children under the age of 18 years, runaways and parental or stranger abductions. Provides mediation for child custody disputes. Safety information and prevention material available.

**CHILDHELP USA INFORMATION CENTER** (800) 422-4453

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

The Hotline offers crisis intervention, information, literature, and referrals to thousands of emergency, social service, and support resources. Childhelp® exists to meet the physical, emotional, educational, and spiritual needs of abused, neglected and at-risk children. We focus our efforts on advocacy, prevention, treatment, and community outreach.

**CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENTS** (877) 464-3324

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

**CONSUMER CREDIT COUNSELING SERVICE** (800) 388-2227

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

National Foundation for Credit Counseling.

**CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION** (800) 638-2772

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[www.cpsc.gov](http://www.cpsc.gov)

Report unsafe products or get information on product recalls.

**DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HELPLINE** (800) 799-7233

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

**ELDERCARE SERVICES FOR THE ELDERLY** (800) 677-1116

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

Eldercare Locator connects older adults and their families to services.

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**FAMILY SUPPORT NETWORK/CSHCS** (800) 359-3722

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Tries to match families to other families with similar concerns and problems for support of one another in raising children with special needs. Offers health resource information and emotional support to all Michigan families of children with special needs.

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**FOOD & NUTRITION PROGRAM HELPLINE** (800) 481-4989

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

Food stamp eligibility screening and advocacy.

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**HOMELESS EMERGENCY & SUPPORT** 211

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Anyone in need of shelter, or anyone who knows of someone in need, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, year-round.

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**HOUSING & HOMELESS HOTLINE** (866) 754-9315 X 3335

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Housing or homeless prescreen services in the county; available 8:00 – 4:30 Monday – Friday.

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**MOTHERS AGAINST DRUNK DRIVING (MADD)** (800) 323-6233

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

Donations accepted, victim assistance, statistics, and local information.

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**MEDICAID HELPLINE** (800) 642-3195

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**MI-RX** (800) 259-8016

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

The MiRx (My Prescription) Card is a prescription drug discount program for Michigan residents who do not have any prescription drug coverage. This is free program.

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**MICHIGAN PROBLEM GAMBLING HELPLINE** (800) 270-7117

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

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**PARENT HELPLINE** (800) 942-4357

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Statewide hotline for parents concerned with parenting skills and for anyone concerned with child abuse and neglect.

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**PARENTING HOTLINES:**

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**DEPRESSION AFTER DELIVERY** (800) 944-4773

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[www.postpartum.net](http://www.postpartum.net)

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**ENFAMIL'S FAMILY BEGINNINGS PROGRAM** (800) 222-9123

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

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**GERBER HOTLINE** (800) 284-9488

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

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**POISON CONTROL** (800) 222-1222

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

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**RUNAWAY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (RAP)** (877) 427-8629

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Crisis hotline for runaway teens and their families. 24 hours/7 days a week. Helps teens find shelter and other referrals. Crisis intervention for parents concerned with at-risk runaways.

**SAFE DELIVERY OF NEWBORNS****(866) 733-7733**Search “Safe delivery” at: [www.michigan.gov](http://www.michigan.gov)**SEXUAL ASSAULT HOTLINE****(877) 656-4673**[www.rainn.org](http://www.rainn.org)**SUICIDE PREVENTION LIFELINE****(800) 273-8255**[www.suicidepreventionlifeline.org](http://www.suicidepreventionlifeline.org)**THAW FUND****(800) 866-8429**[www.thawfund.org](http://www.thawfund.org)

Provides low-income families with energy assistance.

**THURSDAY’S CHILD****(800) 872-5437 or (818) 831-1234**[Thursdayschild.org](http://Thursdayschild.org)

A 24-hour live-answered hotline listed for teens who need help or direction with anorexia, bulimia or for teen suicide. Deals with runaways, missing children, exploited children, teen pregnancy, teen prostitution, teen substance abuse, self-cutting, and STD’s, and bullying.

**USDA MEAT AND POULTRY HOTLINE****(888) 674-6854**[www.fsis.usda.gov](http://www.fsis.usda.gov)

Helps answer questions about meat, safe handling, storage, and preparation.

**VETERAN’S CRISIS LINE-VETERAN’S AFFAIRS****(800) 273-8255**[www.va.gov](http://www.va.gov)**VULNERABLE ADULTS & SENIORS HELPLINE****(855) 444-3911**Search “APS” at [www.michigan.gov](http://www.michigan.gov)

Connects adults with local Adult Protective Services if sexual or physical abuse or exploitation is suspected.

**WE TIP HOTLINE****(800) 782-7463**[www.wetip.com](http://www.wetip.com)

A national hotline to report criminal activity.



# Housing

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## APARTMENTS

<b>ALMA APARTMENTS</b>	<b>(989) 463-5829</b>
<i>240 Windsor Street, Apt. A-1, Alma, MI 48801</i>	
<b>ALMA HOUSING COMMISSION</b>	<b>(989) 463-4200</b>
<i>400 Warwick Drive, Alma, MI 48801</i>	
<b>CAMBRIDGE WOODS APARTMENTS</b>	<b>(989) 681-0104</b>
<i>203 Hidden Oaks Drive, St. Louis, MI 48880</i>	
<b>COUNTRYSIDE APARTMENTS</b>	<b>(989) 466-5971</b>
<i>1346 Charles Avenue, Alma, MI 48801</i>	<a href="http://gidmanagement.com">gidmanagement.com</a>
<b>FREED APARTMENTS</b>	<b>(989) 463-4660</b>
<i>1497 Wright Avenue Suite B, Alma, MI 48801</i>	
<b>GREENLAND PLACE APARTMENTS</b>	<b>(989) 466-5000</b>
<i>1346 Charles Avenue, Alma, MI 48801</i> Senior housing	
<b>HEATHER LANE APARTMENTS</b>	<b>(616) 835-3471</b>
<i>1589 Mary Court, Alma, MI 48801</i>	
<b>ITHACA APARTMENTS</b>	<b>(310) 266-1868</b>
<i>531 N Pine River, Ithaca, MI 48847</i>	
<b>ITHACA ONE APARTMENTS</b>	<b>(989) 875-7006</b>
<i>532 S St. Johns Street, Ithaca, MI 48847</i>	
<b>OAK RIDGE APARTMENTS</b>	<b>(989) 681-5100</b>
<i>308 S Delaware Street, St. Louis, MI 48880</i>	
<b>PARK COLONY APARTMENTS</b>	<b>(989) 875-3873</b>
<i>935 E Arcada Street, Ithaca, MI 48847</i> Senior & handicapped housing	
<b>PERRINTON APARTMENTS</b>	<b>(517) 526-1291</b>
<i>Contact: Kevin Rademacher</i>	
<b>PINE RIVER APARTMENTS</b>	<b>(989) 285-1184</b>
<i>502 N River Road, Alma, MI 48801</i>	
<b>PINE RIVER MEADOWS</b>	<b>(989) 842-5126</b>
<i>509 S Pine River Street, Ithaca, MI 48847</i> Senior housing	

<b>PINESTEAD PLACE</b>	<b>(989) 842-5805</b>
<i>224 Pine Street, Breckenridge, MI 48615</i>	
Senior & handicapped housing	
<b>PINE VILLA</b>	<b>(989) 463-5666</b>
<i>425 E Warwick Drive, Alma, MI 48801</i>	
<b>PINE WINDS APARTMENTS</b>	<b>(989) 463-2586</b>
<i>1050 Bridge Avenue, Building J, Alma, MI 48801</i>	
<b>SHEPLEY APARTMENTS</b>	<b>(989) 463-2934</b>
<i>1050 Bridge Avenue, Building J, Alma, MI 48801 (Office)</i>	
<i>Fairway Dr, St. Louis, MI 48880 (Physical Location of Apartments)</i>	
<b>SCOTTISH PINES SENIOR APARTMENTS</b>	<b>(989) 466-5126</b>
<i>1575 Pine Avenue, Alma, MI 48801</i>	
<b>ST. LOUIS HOUSING COMMISSION</b>	<b>(989) 681-5100</b>
<i>308 S Delaware Street, St. Louis, MI 48880</i>	
<b>UNION SQUARE APARTMENTS</b>	<b>(989) 875-4236</b>
<i>425 N Union Street, Ithaca, MI 48847</i>	

## **MOBILE HOME PARKS**

<b>BRIARWOOD MOBILE HOME PARK</b>	<b>(248) 690-7831</b>
<i>315 Linwood, Alma, MI 48801</i>	
<b>EVERGREEN VILLAGE</b>	<b>(989) 681-2953</b>
<i>11 Evergreen Drive, St. Louis, MI 48880</i>	
Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 am – 5:00 pm	
	<a href="http://www.evergreenvillagemhc.com">www.evergreenvillagemhc.com</a>
<b>MEADOW LANE ESTATES</b>	<b>(989) 875-4700</b>
<i>401 S St. Johns Street, Ithaca, MI 48880</i>	
	<a href="http://www.meadowlaneestates.com">www.meadowlaneestates.com</a>
<b>MEADOWS MOBILE HOME PARK</b>	<b>(989) 463-5187</b>
<i>411 S Grover Street, Alma, MI 48801</i>	
<b>SCOTSDALE ESTATES</b>	<b>(989) 463-3212</b>
<i>3382 Alma Drive, Alma, MI 48801</i>	
	<a href="http://www.scotsdaleestates.com">www.scotsdaleestates.com</a>

## **PRIVATE LANDLORDS**

**TC PROPERTIES**

**(989) 388-6627**

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**MCCRACKEN PROPERTIES**

**(989) 463-6148**

[www.mccrackenproperties.biz](http://www.mccrackenproperties.biz)

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**MINARIK, RICK**

**(989) 763-0273**

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**WEAVER, RUSS**

**(989) 763-5607**

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*For a more complete list of available rentals in Gratiot County as well as details about each unit please visit  
[www.michiganhousinglocator.com](http://www.michiganhousinglocator.com)*

# Military Resources

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## **AMERICAN RED CROSS OF GREATER GRAND RAPIDS**

**(616) 456-8661**

[www.redcross.org/local/michigan](http://www.redcross.org/local/michigan)

Services to the Armed Forces. Partnering with Congress, the Department of Defense and the Department of Veterans Affairs, our volunteers provide military personnel and their families with a worldwide integrated support network to help them cope with the stress of military life in the following ways: 1) Stay In Touch and Obtain Verification of Emergency Leave Information; 2) Secure Emergency Financial Assistance; and 3) Obtain Counseling, Information, Referrals and Other Social Needs. They also assist with veteran benefit applications.

## **BETTER BUSINESS BUREAU**

**(800) 684-3222**

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

Has an agreement with the Department of Defense to offer BBB Military Line, which gears its well-known consumer education and advocacy services to experiences and circumstances unique to the military. As a partner in the Department of Defense (DOD) Financial Readiness Campaign, BBB Military Line® brings BBB services to military personnel (including Reservists and National Guard), retirees, DOD civilians, and their families. Through Memoranda of Understanding with the Army, Navy, Air Force and Marine Corps, and through status as a Coast Guard Qualified Organization, BBB Military Line offers a variety of free services and consumer education to the military via local BBB outreach.

## **BLUE STAR MOTHERS OF IONIA, KENT AND MONTCALM COUNTIES**

**(989) 814-0650**

Chapter # 188-Contact Kathy Barnes. This new local organization is for mothers who now have, or have had, children discharged honorably, or actively serving in the military.

## **FAMILY ASSISTANCE CENTER- GRAND VALLEY ARMORY**

**(517) 481-7323**

Family Assistance is a focal point of information by providing six essential services in times of contingency call up, mobilization, and large scale deployments. Family Assistance is critical in providing help to all military families during these long term or short term deployments. The Grand Valley regional Family Assistance Center provides assistance and referrals for families in a region of counties including Gratiot, Montcalm, Ionia and Isabella. Contact the Family Assistance Coordinator in the following counties: Gratiot and Isabella Counties-Melissa Alex (517) 481-7323; Ionia County-Stephanie Rogers (517) 481-8850; and Montcalm County-Ami Gould (616) 249-2741.

## **GOODWILL INDUSTRIES**

**(231) 206-0127**

Has a Veterans Workforce Investment Program that addresses the unique needs of veterans seeking employment. Serving Clare, Gladwin, Ionia, Isabella, Mecosta, Montcalm, and Osceola Counties. Goodwill assists eligible veterans in a variety of areas relating to job training, placement, and retention with an emphasis on green career fields. Those who have been dishonorably discharged cannot participate.

## **MILITARY ONESOURCE**

**(800) 342-9647**

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

This service is provided by the Department of Defense at no cost to active duty, Guard and Reserve (regardless of activation status) and their families. It is a virtual extension of installation services.

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**OPERATION: MILITARY KIDS****(517) 432-7618**

U.S. Army's collaborative effort with America's communities to support children and youth impacted by deployment. Regardless of whether Families are experiencing deployment for the first time, the second time or another in a series of multiple deployments, OMK's goal is to connect military children and youth with local resources in order to achieve a sense of community support and enhance their well-being. In Michigan, Operation: Military Kids is an ongoing community support system for families, particularly children of parents in the National Guard and the Army Reserves. It provides an outlet with recreational, educational and social opportunities for military youth, which helps them to deal with their parents being in a risky atmosphere. OMK is a 4-H program, which joins with the school and community to educate the public about what military children may be experiencing. For more information, call the Michigan Chapter at (517) 432-7618, [kmoyes@anr.msu.edu](mailto:kmoyes@anr.msu.edu). 4-H Military Liaison-B'Onko S. Sadler (517) 432-7618, [sadlerbo@msu.edu](mailto:sadlerbo@msu.edu).

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**SERVICE TO SOLDIERS LEGAL ASSISTANCE REFERRAL PROGRAM****(517) 371-5140**

Service to Soldiers Legal Assistance Referral Program through Cooley Law School helps service men and women resolve legal problems they face upon return from deployment by matching them with volunteer attorneys across Michigan. Contact-Heather Spielmaker.

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**SUPPORTIVE SERVICES FOR VETERAN FAMILIES (EIGHTCAP, INC.)****(866) 754-9315 ext. 3335**[www.eightcap.org](http://www.eightcap.org)

Assists with Veterans' Homeless Prevention & Rehousing efforts in Isabella, Gratiot, Montcalm, and Ionia counties.

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**VETERANS AFFAIRS****(989) 875-5258**

Located in Ithaca, MI, The veterans' office is normally open Monday through Friday. Although the days sometimes vary due to holidays, vacation, or out of town conferences, the office is normally open Monday through Friday from 8:00 A.M. to noon, and 12:30 P.M. until 4:30 P.M.

**What We Do:**

Gratiot County Veterans' Affairs provides assistance to veterans and dependents to access benefits provided to veterans by county, state, and federal agencies. NO FEES -- all services provided by Gratiot County Veterans Affairs are free of charge

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**“VETERANS BENEFITS AND SERVICES” PUBLICATION**

The information listed in this booklet has been organized into categories- Federal, State, and Local Programs. State benefits are shaded gray in each specific category. Much of the information contained in this booklet is a condensed version of Federal Benefits for Veterans and Dependents, 2008 Edition; U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs; the Michigan government web site at [www.Michigan.gov](http://www.Michigan.gov); and other federal, state, and community resources. This booklet also provides valuable contact information with names, telephone numbers, addresses, and web site locations, when available. Hard copies of this publication are available from your local legislator, but the on-line version is the most current.

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**VFW NATIONAL HOME FOR CHILDREN****(800) 313-4200**

Located in Eaton Rapids, Michigan, this organization provides personal information and referral assistance as a gateway to help for any military family. They also offer several programs including military family, veteran family, single parent, and residential.

# Michigan Government Directory

## Governor of Michigan

The Honorable Rick Snyder  
PO Box 30013  
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517-373-3400

[Rick.Snyder@michigan.gov](mailto:Rick.Snyder@michigan.gov)

## United States Senators

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Detroit, MI 48226  
313-226-6020

The Honorable Debbie Stabenow  
West Michigan Office  
3280 E Beltline Court NE, Suite 400  
Grand Rapids, MI 49525  
616-975-0052

[senator@stabenow.senate.gov](mailto:senator@stabenow.senate.gov)

## United States House of Representatives

The Honorable John Moolenaar  
135 Ashman Street  
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989-631-2552  
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**District 4**

The Honorable Justin Amash  
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Grand Rapids, MI 49503  
616-451-8383  
**Serves Ionia & Kent**  
**District 3**

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The Honorable Judy Emmons  
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[senjemmons@senate.michigan.gov](mailto:senjemmons@senate.michigan.gov)  
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**District 33**

The Honorable Mike Nofs  
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517-373-1760  
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**District 19**

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[rickoutman@house.mi.gov](mailto:rickoutman@house.mi.gov)  
**Serves Montcalm & Ionia: District 70**

The Honorable Mike Callton  
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**Serves Gratiot & Clinton:**  
**District 93**

The Honorable Kevin Cotter  
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Lansing, MI 48909-7514  
517-373-1789  
**Serves Isabella & Midland: District 99**