

**Bradford County Resource Guide** 

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### **EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT**

# **Bradford/Union Technical Center**

(904) 966-6764 or (904) 966-6780

http://www.butc.eduwww.

Services Offered: Job leads, career assessments, job search and placement assistance

# **Bradford County Public Library**

(904)368-3911

www.bcplibrary.com

Services Offered: Public lending library, computer access, Adult, Teen & Children's Programs. Computer Classes

# **Bradford County School District**

(904)368-3911

www.bradfordschools.org

Services Offered: Public School

#### **Communities in Schools**

(904) 964-7776

www.cisbradford.org

Services Offered: Tutoring H.S. and Middle school kids, CISTO- Free Transportation for Bradford Residents

# Displaced Homemakers Program (Santa Fe College Gainesville)

(352) 395-5047

Services Offered: Classes for displaced women over 35, in goal setting, job search, basic computer skills and communication skills

### **Divine Mercy House**

(904) 268-6282

Services Offered: Maternity Home for unwed pregnant women who fear they have no place to go.

#### **Even Start**

(904) 966-6039 or (904) 966-6800

Services Offered: GED, adult basic education & parenting classes, adult literacy training

### **Head Start - Bradford County Head Start**

(904) 964-8280

**Services Offered**: childcare serves and parent education

Florida Gateway College

(386) 754-4287

http://www.fgc.edu

Services Offered: Education, 2 year degree

Santa Fe College

(904) 964-5382

www.sfcollege.edu/andrews/

Services Offered: Education, academic advising, registration for classes

**University of Florida** 

(352) 392-5447

www.ufl.edu/

Services Offered: Education

Career Source of N. Fl.

(904) 964-8092 ext. 0

www.careersourcenorthflorida.com

Services Offered: Vocational and occupational training

# **FOOD AND NUTRITION**

#### **American Red Cross**

(904) 358-8091

http://www.redcross.org/

Services Offered: Emergency food, clothing, & shelter

**Bradford County Clothes Closet** 

(904) 964-9396

www.starkechurch.org

Services Offered: Clothing & food

**Bradford County Food Bank & Clothes Closet** 

(904) 964-8835

Services Offered: Food & Clothing

New River Community Health Care - Bradford County Public Health Department

(904) 964-7732

www.floridahealth.com

Services Offered: WIC, school health, maternity care, family planning, and immunizations

**Bradford Ecumenical Ministry Food Pantry** 

(904) 964-3984

Services Offered: Free food twice within a 6 month period

**Catholic Charities** 

(904) 964-6155

Services Offered: Food assistance

**Central Florida Community Action Agency** 

(352) 373-7667

**Services Offered**: Rental assistance, utility payment assistance, emergency home repair and weatherization. Food vouchers (when available)

**Department of Children & Families** 

(904) 380-8255 or 1-866-762-2237 (Food Stamps)

www.myflfamilies.com/ or www.myflorida.com/accessflorida

Services Offered: AFDC, food stamps & Medicaid

Lake Area Ministries ("L.A.M. Ministries")

(352) 473-2846

Services Offered: Food, clothing, furniture, medication and help with utilities.

**Outreach Tri-County** 

(352) 493-2310

Services Offered: Food and clothing for Bradford, Columbia and Dixie counties

**Suwannee River Economic Council** 

(904) 964-6696

www.financialhelpresources.com

Services Offered: Emergency medical & food vouchers, utility bills, low income energy assistance

#### **HEALTH AND MENTAL HEALTH**

#### **AIDS HOTLINE**

1-800-TALK-HIV or 1-800-825-5445

www.aids.gov

**Services Offered:** Information on aids prevention, testing & treatments.

Al Non-Al Teen

1-800-851-1795

alanonfla.org

Services Offered: Support and information for families and teens of alcoholics.

Alachua County Organizations for Rural Needs "ACORN"

Medical (352)485-1133

Dental (352)485-2772

www.acornclinic.org

Services Offered: Low cost medical and dental care to low income families in rural North Central Florida.

# **Alcoholics Anonymous**

(904) 399-8535

www.neflaa.org

**Services Offered:** Support and group meetings for alcoholics.

New River Health Care/ Bradford County Public Health Department

(904) 964-7732

**Services Offered:** WIC, school health, maternity care, family planning, and immunizations, primary care for children and adults on a sliding fee scale basis. Open 5 days a week, with a physician/ARNP at this location.

#### **Child Abuse Hotline**

1-800-962-2873

www.kidsafe-caps.org/report.html

Services Offered: Confidential child abuse reporting.

Children's Crisis Center

(904) 529-9228

Services Offered: Intervention, child abuse prevention, & treatment programs.

# **Department of Children & Families**

(904) 380-8255

http://www.myflfamilies.com/

Services Offered: AFDC, food stamps & Medicaid.

# **Family Medical & Dental Centers**

(386) 328-0108

www.fachc.org/fmdc\_palatka.htm

**Services Offered:** Cost-effective primary health care, dental and mental health services. Provides low cost care for low income individuals and migrant workers. Available in Clay, Bradford, Putnam and SJ counties.

Call main number for Satellite office locations.

### Florida Kid Care

1-888-540-5437

www.floridakidcare.org

Services Offered: Low cost health insurance for children.

Lake Area Ministries "L.A.M. Ministries"

(352) 473-2846

Services Offered: Food, clothing, furniture, medication and help with utilities.

# **Narcotics Anonymous Hotline**

1-800-576-4357

1-904-723-5683

www.firstcoastna.org/

Services Offered: Recovery program and support

### **Parents Anonymous**

1-800-352-5683

Services Offered: 24 hour parent help line and support groups for parents, parenting and anger management tips.

#### **Peaceful Paths**

904-966-6878

1-800-393-7233

www.peacefulpaths.org

Services Offered: Emergency shelter for abused women & their children, counseling & crisis intervention.

### **Poison Control Hot Line**

1-800-222-1222

www.fpicjax.org

Services Offered: Poison information & emergency treatment

### Rape Crisis Center Hotline (RAINN)

1-800-656-HOPE (4673)

904-721-7273

https://rainn.org/

Services Offered: 24 hour rape crisis hotline, counseling & medical exams for 12 & up.

### **Suwannee River Economic Council**

904 964-4545 Starke

386-362-4115 Live Oak

Services Offered: Emergency medical & food vouchers, utility bills, low income energy assistance.

### **Village Counseling Center**

352-373-8189

www.villagecounselingcenter.net

**Services Offered:** Children & Youth Counseling, Marriage & Families, Couples, Adoption Counseling. Call the Gainesville office for appointment in Bradford County. Fee set up on sliding scale.

# **RENT/UTILITIES AND HOUSING**

# **Bradford County Community Development**

(904) 966-6382

Services Offered: Assistance with minor home repair, down payment and closing cost, weatherization.

# **Bradford County Ministerial Alliance**

(904) 964-8835

Services Offered: Financial assistance, temporary lodging

## **Catholic Charities**

(352) 372-0294

Services Offered: Assistance with food, one day per month call for location, dates and times

# Central Florida Community Action Agency

(352) 378-5892

**Services Offered:** Rental assistance, utility payment assistance, emergency home repair and weatherization. Food vouchers (when available)

### Florida Power & Light

1-800-226-3545

1-800-4outage

www.fpl.com

Services Offered: Electricity

### City of Starke -Water

(904) 964-5027

Website: www.cityof starke.org

Services Offered: Water connection services

# **Habitat for Humanity**

(904) 782-3550

www.habitat.org

Services Offered: Housing assistance

#### I. M. Sulzbacher Center for the Homeless

(904) 359-0457

www.sulzbachercenter.org/

Services Offered: Shelter for homeless men, women & children, Emergency shelter, food, medical & dental care

### Lake Area Ministries L.A.M. MINISTRIES

(352) 473-2846

Services Offered: Food, clothing, furniture, medication and help with utilities.

#### **Peaceful Paths**

(904) 966-6878

1-800-393-7233

www.peacefulpaths.org

Services Offered: Emergency shelter for abused women & their children, counseling, and crisis intervention

Sprint – Phone Company

1-800-877-7746

1-877-369-0999

www.Sprint.com

Services Offered: Affordable Phone Service

Safe Link

1-800-977-3768

www.safelinkwireless.com

Services Offered: Services: Free cell phones for low income households.

**Section 8 Program** 

1-800-365-9527

Services Offered: Assistance with housing & rent

Starke First Baptist Church

(904) 964-6562

Services Offered: Assistance with electricity, & various bills

**Suwannee River Economic Council** 

(904) 964-6696

Services Offered: Emergency medical & food vouchers, utility bills, low income energy assistance

### **CLOTHING AND HOUSEHOLD**

**Bradford County Clothes Closet** 

904-964-9390

www.starkechurch.org

Services Offered: Clothing and Food

Children's Home Society-Thrift Store Gainesville

352-393-2826

http://www.chsfl.org/

Services Offered: Clothing, Household Goods

# **SPECIAL NEEDS/DISABILITIES**

### **Agency for Persons with Disabilities**

850-488-4257

1-866-APD-CARES

1-866--273-2273

www.apd.myflorida.com/

**Services Offered:** Serves children Ages 3 and above and young adults with disabilities, autism, cerebral palsy or spina bifida, behavior management, consultation, residential services, support coordinators.

### **Alzheimer's National Hotline**

1-800-272-3900

www.alz.org/cnfl

Services Offered: Resources, family education, newsletters, respite care information, support groups.

# **American Lung Association**

(904) 743-2933

1-800-940-2933

www.lungfla.org

**Services Offered:** The American Lung Association in Florida funds vital research on lung disease cures provides education and support programs to both adults and children and advocates for stronger air laws and tobacco prevention and education at the capital. Helping smokers quit with our smoking cessation programs.

### **ARC of Bradford County**

(904) 964-7699

http://www.arcflorida.org/families/facts\_dd.htm

**Services Offered:** Group homes & day programs for mentally & physically handicapped individuals. Counseling and support services.

#### **Autistic Society**

352-846-2761 Gainesville

904-633-0760 Jacksonville

http://www.autismfl.com/resource.shtml

Services Offered: Information, support & educational materials.

### **Brain Injury Association of Florida**

1-800-992-3442

www.biaf.org

**Services Offered:** Support groups, education and information about brain injuries, information and resource center, on line library.

### **CCAR Services Inc.**

(904) 284-9859

www.ccar.org

**Services Offered:** Provides educational & therapeutic learning for physically & medically challenged preschoolers & adults. Job placement & inclusion services.

#### Center for Autism & Related Disabilities "CARD"

(904) 633-0760

1-800-928-2416

1-800-AUTISM

www.card.ufl.edu

**Services Offered:** Home consultation, parent training, workshops, training events, family support, support groups, sib shops, behavior assessment, behavior support plans.

# NEW HEIGHTS of NE Florida (Cerebral Palsy)

(904) 396-1462

http://www.ucp.org/

Services Offered: Therapy and education for children with disabilities from birth to 5 years.

#### **Child Cancer Fund**

(904) 396-4223

www.childcancerfund.org

Services Offered: Respite care, financial assistance, support groups, educational services.

#### **Child Find**

(904) 346-4601

www.fdlrs.org

Services Offered: Screening for special needs children, information about programs for special needs children.

### **Children's Medical Services**

1-800-340-8354

904-360-7070 (Jacksonville)

http://www.cms-kids.com

**Services Offered:** Provides children with special heath care needs with medical support services, prevention, and early intervention services. Medical and Therapeutic specialty care and long term care.

# **Cleft Palate Parent Support Group**

1-800-242-5338

http://www.cleftline.org/

Services Offered: Information, feeding instructions, support group specialized equipment & financial assistance

### **Diabetes Association**

1-800-342-2383

1-800-diabetes

904-730-7200

http://www.diabetes.org

Services Offered: Information, resources & services for people with diabetes

#### **Division of Blind Services**

352-955-2075

1-800-443-0908

http://www.myflorida.com/dbs/

Services Offered: Independent living training, counseling, vocational rehabilitation, & limited eye medical treatment.

### **Down Syndrome Association**

904-353-6300

http://www.dsaj.org/

**Services Offered:** counseling, information, inclusion & educational programs.

## **Dyslexia Association**

904-603-2775

1-800-222-3123

http://www.idafla.org

**Services Offered:** Support groups, seminars and resources for families with children with Dyslexia.

#### Easter Seals at Altrusa House

352 377-7708

Web Site: www.fl.easterseals.com

**Services Offered:** Physical, occupational and speech therapy for children birth to 3 yrs. with developmental delays. Outpatient therapy up to age 10.

# **Epilepsy Foundation of NE Florida**

904-731-3752

www.efof.org

**Services Offered:** support groups, information & summer camp.

# FDLRS/NEFEC

386-329-3811

1-800-227-6036

**Services Offered:** Community programs, consultation, screenings, & information on educational programs for children with special needs

#### Florida Respite Coalition

866-357-3543

floridarespite.org/contact

Services Offered: Information for respite care.

## Florida School for the Deaf & Blind

904-827-2200

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

**Services Offered:** Residential school for Deaf & Blind ages 3-21. Occupational & Physical therapy, athletic program & home intervention program for birth-3years.

# Florida Spinal Cord Injury

1-866-313-2940

www.fscirc.com

**Services Offered:** Information about spinal cord injuries, support groups, mentors, center for independent living, video library

### Hope Haven Children's Clinic

904-346-5100

www.hope-haven.org

**Services Offered:** Mental health, academic support, tutoring, speech and language, counseling, serves children with ADHD, Autism, Down Syndrome, learning disabilities, and dyslexia.

# Haven Hospice of North Central Florida

352-378-2121 Gainesville

800-727-1889 Toll Free

386-328-7100 Palatka

http://www.haven hospice.org/

Services Offered: Grief counseling for the terminally ill & their families, home visits can be scheduled.

# Leukemia & Lymphoma Society of America

904-332-6414

1-800-785-0733

www.lls.org

Services Offered: Family support groups for patients and families coping with cancer.

#### **March of Dimes**

904-398-2821

www.marchofdimes.com

**Services Offered:** Provides information about birth defects, genetic conditions, prenatal care, labor and delivery, and newborn screening test.

#### **Nemours Children's Clinic**

407-567-4000

www.nemours.org

**Services Offered:** Children's clinic, outpatient services for Cardiology, Allergies, Dentistry, Vision, Endocrinology, Epilepsy, Cerebral Palsy, Cystic Fibrosis, Neurology, and many other conditions.

### Spina Bifida Association

904-697-3686

1-800-722-6355

http://www.sbaj.org/site

**Services Offered:** Support group, medical supplies, medication, medical travel, orthopedic supplies & educational supplies.

# **RECREATION AND MENTORING**

# Big Brother/Big sisters

352-375-2525

www.bbbsmidflorida.org

Services Offered: Scouting, Camping, recreation, mentoring

**Boy Scouts of America** 

352-475-5080

www.scouting.org

Services Offered: Scouting, Camping, Recreation, Mentoring

**Bradford County Extension Service** 

904-966-6224

Website: www.bradford.ifas.ufl.edu

Services Offered: 4H programs & camping

Girl Scouts of America

904-388-4653

www.girlschoutsgateway.org

Services Offered: Scouting, Mentoring, Recreation Activities

# **FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE**

# **Bradford County Ministerial Alliance**

(904) 964-8835

Services Offered: Financial assistance, temporary lodging

**Child Support** 

800-622-5437

www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/cse/extinf.html

http://dor.myflorida.com/dor//childsupport/

Services Offered: Assistance with obtaining child support

Federal Student Aid

800-433-3243

https://fafsa.ed.gov/

**Services Offered:** free grant money, student loans

Florida Corporate Tax Credit Scholarship Program

800-447-1636

www.scholarshipfunding.org

Services Offered: Assistance to low income families for private school tuition

### **Social Security Administration**

352-376-1743

www.ssa.gov/

Services Offered: Social Security Benefits, SSI for disabled children and adults

#### **RELATIVE CAREGIVER**

#### **AARP**

888-687-2277

http://www.aarp.org/families/grandparents/

Services Offered: Provides information & referrals for grandparents raising grandchildren, support groups and tips

# DCF-TANF/TCA-ACCESS

866-762-2237

http://www.myflfamilies.com/service-programs/access-florida-food-medical-assistance-cash/temporary-cash-assistance-tca

Services Offered: Temporary cash assistance and cash assistance (needy, relative caregivers)

# **FOSTER CLOSET**

904-382-5959

www.fostercloset.org

Services Offered: Provides clothing and household items for foster families, relative caregivers, and non-relative caregivers

# **GRANDPARENT'S RIGHTS**

http://www.grandparentsrights.org/

Services Offered: Grandparents support, information, & advocacy

### **GRANDPARENTS/RELATIVES RAISING CHILDREN**

http://www.uwex.edu/ces/gprg/qandas.html

Services Offered: Grandparents support, information, & advocacy

# **NCAC**

http://www.nacac.org

**Services Offered**: Support services for parents/grandparents who are adopting children. Information on adoption subsidy, tax credit and resources. Post adoption support & parent support groups

# **LEGAL ASSISTANCE**

# **Three Rivers Legal Services**

352-375-2494

http://www.trls.org/

Services Offered: Lawyer

**Legal Aid Clinics-Lawtey** 

904-782-1054

Services Offered: Legal Aid

**CASA** 

727-895-4912

Services Offered: Legal Aid

University of Florida College of Law: Virgil D. Hawkins Civil Legal Clinic

352-273-0800

Services Offered: Family and juvenile law clinic

Community Legal Services of Mid-Florida-Palatka

386-385-0928

Services Offered: Family, Divorce, Domestic Violence & Estate Planning

### **TRANSPORTATION**

**Suwannee River Economic Council** 

904-964-6696

**Services Offered**: Transportation expenses.

**Greyhound Bus Lines** 

904-964-4444

www.greyhound.com

Services Offered: Bus travel for fee

# **MISCELLANEOUS**

New River Community Health Care

904-964-7732

Services Offered: Birth Certificates

**Bradford County Board of Commissioners** 

http://www.bradford-co-fla.org/

**Services Offered:** Information

**Bradford County Chamber of Commerce** 

904-964-5278 904-967-2863

www.northfloridachamber.com

**Bradford County Sheriff's Office** 

904-966-6380

www.bradford-co-fla.org

**Bradford County Court House** 

904-966-6335

**Poison Control Hotline** 

1-800-222-1222

**Episcopal Children's Services** 

904-964-1543

www.ecs4kids.org

Services Offered: VPK, School Readiness, Child Care Resource and Referral

**United Way First Call for Help** 

211

1-800-318-0211

www.nefl211.org

Services Offered: Referral Services

**ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES** 

www.myfloridahouse.gov

