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## Caldwell County Emergency Contact Numbers

<u>Contact</u>	<u>Emergency</u>	<u>Non-Emergency</u>
<b>Law Enforcement</b>		
Caldwell County Sheriff	911	816-586-2681
Braymer PD	911	660-645-2355
Cowgill PD	911	660-255-4777
Hamilton PD	911	816-583-7311
Polo PD	911	816-354-2251
Highway Patrol	800-525-5555	816-387-2345
<b>Ambulance</b>		
Caldwell County	911	583-3801
<b>Fire</b>		
	911	
<b>Poison Control</b>	1-800-366-8888	
<b>Child Abuse</b>		
<b>Eldery Abuse</b>		
<b>Mental Health and Crisis Intervention</b>		
<b>Other Law Enforcement</b>		
Detention Center	816-586-5245	
Juvenile Office	816-649-1011	
Court Services Program	816-632-3003	
MO Probation & Parole	660-646-4535	
Kingston Office	816-586-2081	

## **Caldwell County Courthouse Offices**

Associate Circuit Judge: Jason Kanoy  
Telephone: 816-586-2771  
Fax: 816-586-2332

County Assessor: Beverly Alden  
Telephone: 816-586-5261  
Fax: 816-586-3600

County Clerk: Beverly Bryant  
Telephone: 816-586-2571  
Fax: 816-586-3600

County Treasurer: June Grooms  
Telephone: 816-586-2781  
Fax: 816-586-3600

County Recorder of Deeds: Julie Hill  
Telephone: 816-586-3080  
Fax: 816-586-3600

Circuit Clerk: Carrie Miller  
Telephone: 816-586-2581 OR 816-586-2771  
Fax: 586-2333

License Bureau: Lisa Prater  
Telephone: 816-586-3851

Planning & Zoning: Gary Whitmer  
Telephone: 816-586-2571

Public Administrator: Richard Lee  
Telephone: 816-583-2086

Caldwell County Commissioners: Dale Hartley, Dennis Cox, Gerald MacBrayer  
Telephone: 816-586-2571  
Fax: 816-586-3600  
Meetings held Monday at Courthouse

## **Caldwell County School Districts & Early Childhood Education**

Braymer C-4 School District (Pre-K; K-12)  
400 Bobcat Ave, Braymer, MO 64624  
660-645-2284

Breckenridge School District (K-12)  
Superintendent: 660-644-5717  
660-644-5222 or 660-644-5715

Cowgill School District (K-6)  
660-255-4415

Hamilton RII School District (K-12)  
<http://www.hamilton.k12.mo.us/>  
Superintendent: 816-583-2134

Elementary:

300 E. Middle Street  
Hamilton, MO 64644  
816-583-4811

Middle School:

Hwy 13 South, PO Box 128  
Hamilton, MO 64644  
816-586-2173

High School:

Hwy 13 South, PO Box 128  
Hamilton, MO 64644  
816-583-2136

Vocational/Agriculture: 816-583-2135

Athletic Dept.: 81-583-2174

Kingston School District (Pe-K; K-8)  
139 E Lincoln, Kingston, MO 64050  
816-586-2065  
816-586-3903  
816-586-3111

Mirable C-1 School District (K-8)  
2954 SW St. Route D, Polo, MO 64671  
660-586-4129

New York R-IV School District (K-8)  
6061 NE State Route U, Hamilton, MO 64644  
816-586-2563

Polo RVII School District (K-12)  
<http://polo.k12.mo.us/>  
300 W. School Street  
Polo, MO 64671  
Superintendent's Office: 660-354-2326

Elementary: 660-354-2200  
High School: 660-354-2524

### **Commercial Preschool/Early Childhood Education Centers**

Golden Rule Preschool  
210 Main Street  
Polo, MO 64671  
660-354-2220  
Teacher:  
Director:

Kountry Kare Preschool  
201 W. Arthur  
Hamilton, MO 64644  
816-583-7724  
Teacher: Kelly Pingleton  
Director: Julie Chadwick

Green Hills HeadStart  
601 West Samuel  
Hamilton, MO 64644  
816-583-2705  
Teacher: Velma Wallace  
Home Visitor: Patricia Shipley

**Green Hills Head Start**  
**[www.greenhillsheadstart.org](http://www.greenhillsheadstart.org)**  
205 West 18<sup>th</sup> Street  
Trenton, MO 64683

The Green Hills Head Start Program is funded through a grant from the Administration for Children and Families (US Department of Health and Human Services). The Grant is awarded to the North Central Missouri College to serve 277 preschool children in the nine-county Green Hills area. Children are served in eleven Head Start Centers or by Home Visitors who serve families located in areas which cannot be served by a Center. Centers are located in Bethany, Brookfield, Chillicothe, Gallatin, Hamilton, Milan, Trenton and Unionville.

The components of Head Start are:  
Education,  
Health,  
Nutrition,  
Mental Health,  
Disabilities,  
Social Services, and  
Parental Involvement.

If you have any questions regarding your child and the Head Start Program, contact the Teacher or Home Visitor in your area or the Green Hills Head Start Central Office at 660-359-2214

Centers in Caldwell County:  
Hamilton Center  
816-583-2705  
Teacher: Velma Wallace  
Home Visitor: Patricia Shipley

## **First Steps**

Contact: Cathy Dalton  
816-691-5155

A program for children ages 0-3 years with learning disabilities or delays. [MORE INFO?](#)

## **Parents as Teachers**

Contact: Judy Fairchild  
816-583-4811

Parents as Teachers provides parent education and family support to families throughout pregnancy until their child enters kindergarten, usually age 5.

Parents are supported by Parents as Teachers- certified parent educators trained to translate scientific information on early brain development into specific when, what, how and why advice for families. By understanding what to expect during each stage of development, parents can easily capture the teachable moments in everyday life to enhance their child's language development, intellectual growth, social development and motor skills.

As a Parents as Teachers family you receive:

Personal at-home visits with a parent educator;  
Parent group meetings and organized activity nights;  
Age-appropriate screenings; and  
An invaluable resource network that links your family to other community services.

## **M.A.R.C.H Mediation**

Mediation Achieving Results for Children

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

Telephone: 800-595-9750

MARCH Mediation is a program sponsored by Missouri Department of Social Services, Family Support Division. Support by US Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Child Support Enforcement.

Mediation is a confidential, down to earth way to resolve problems with the help of an impartial third party. Mediation allows parents to seek practical solutions which are customized to fit their circumstances. It also helps parents find new ways to work with one another regarding their children.

With the assistance of a mediator, parents look at a variety of options rather than arguing with each other. The mediator works with both parents to help them make decisions with confidence, because parenting success is more likely to occur with both parents are committed to a plan that makes sense to them.

Parents who have never been married or parents who are divorced are eligible for up to four (4) hours of free mediation services. Parents may also be eligible for assistance in preparing paperwork necessary to have their agreement made into a court order.

## **Hamilton United Methodist Church**

Contact: Steve Pinnell  
Lisa Morris  
Office Hours: Monday – Friday 8:00am- 2:00pm  
Telephone: 816-583-2325

The Hamilton United Methodist Church offers the following programs:

**Angel Food:** This program originated in Georgia. It provides quality at an affordable price. Each food box (currently \$30) is delivered to the church and includes food for seven meals serving four people each. Special boxes are also available for purchase at an additional cost. The food is pre-ordered and paid for in advance at the church office in the Family Life Center building. Checks are not accepted, however, we do accept food stamp cards. Orders are accepted during normal business hours, and we accept orders through the first Saturday of the month from 9:00 am-11:00am.

**Church Thrift Store:** The church has a thrift that is open Thursday, Friday & Saturday from 9:00am until 4:00 pm and serves two purposes:

To offer goods, clothes, etc. inexpensively priced; and

The money raised by this program is used to help folks in the county with utility bills and medical expenses (Rx). There is a process in place to help those that are in need. But as with all other institutions in the community we have limited resources available (a person or family must come to the office and fill out a request for funds. The request is considered based on need and fund availability. We do not help with deposits. The request is paid directly to the utility/company, we sometimes will ask the folks to contact other sources to help with the full amount). We also use these funds to help purchase food and/or gas. Again there are limits as to the amount we can help.

**Assistance to Fire Victims:** The church will assist fire victims with items from the thrift store. In the past, the help has been offered without cost to help to the fullest extent. We have sources that from time to time have furniture but we may not have that in the store.

**Parenting Classes:** The church also offers parenting classes. We've offered or are currently offering:

Parenting 101: The Basics of Becoming a Proactive Parents

Single Parenting

Handling Anger in the Home

Your Family and Money

Discipline with Children and Teens

And Communication with Your Child or Teen

Each class are 4 session studies. Qualified church members lead these.

**Missouri Victim Assistance Network (MOVA)**

Website: <http://mova.missouri.org/>

Contact:

Telephone:

MOVA is a non-profit organization whose mission is to promote fair treatment for victims of crime.

Our goal is to create a community of concerned citizens, agencies and organizations which shall work to:

- Assist in the exchange of information and ideas relevant to the field
- Encourage the sharing and utilization of resources
- Identify and address issues of concern to the field.

To develop and present educational materials and events for public and professional information.

To provide for cooperation on policies and programs which affect victims and network members.

To increase the efficiency of MoVA members, law enforcement personnel, other members of the criminal justice system, and the interested public in responding to the needs of victims of crime.

To encourage and support the development and continuation of victim services throughout the State.

**Missouri State Victim Resources Hotlines:**

Missouri Child Abuse Hotline (DFS).....	(800)-367-2543
Missouri Elderly Abuse Hotline.....	(800)-392-0210
LEAD Institute (interpreter services for hearing-impaired d.v. victims)...	(800) 380-3323
MADD, State Office.....	(800) 736-MADD
Missouri Attorney General's Office.....	(573) 751-3321
Missouri Child Support Enforcement Unit.....	(800) 859-7999
Missouri Coalition Against Domestic Violence.....	(888) 666-1911
Missouri Crime Victims Compensation Program.....	(800) 347-6881
Missouri Department of Corrections.....	(573) 526-6516
Missouri Department of Public Safety.....	(573) 751-4905
Missouri Victim Assistance Network.....	(800) 698-9199
Missouri State Highway Patrol, DWI Advocate.....	(888) 773-1800
Parental Stress Helpline.....	(800) 367-2543

### **Golden Rule Pre-School**

210 Main Street  
Polo, MO 64671  
660-354-220

Golden Rule Preschool was established in 1999, under the leadership and direction of the First Christian Church of Polo. This ministry project was developed to offer Polo community, as well as the surrounding communities, a Christian preschool, where families can bring their children to help prepare them for grade school with a strong emphasis on “The Golden Rule” (do unto other as you would have them do unto you) and a biblical foundation.

At the present time we offer two classes. A 3 year old class that is in session on Tuesday and Thursday mornings and a 4/5 year old class that is in session from 12:00-2:30 on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons. Our teacher, Demetria White, has been our preschool teacher for the past year and a half. She does an excellent job with the children, giving each one the individual attention he/she needs. We are a license exempt facility but do meet both health and fire codes. The cost for preschool is \$50.00 per month and class size is limited.

If you have any questions, you may contact Demetria White at Golden Rule Preschool 660/354-2220 or Paster Wally Aubrey at 660/354-2225.

**Family Support Enforcement Unit  
Office of the Prosecuting Attorney for Caldwell, Clinton, Daviess, DeKalb & Livingston  
Counties**

Contact: Myra Jan Stout – Assistant Prosecuting Attorney  
816-583-2758 (Telephone)  
816-583-2788 (Facsimile)  
Margaret Evans – Child Support Technician  
[Margaret.J.Evans@dss.mo.gov](mailto:Margaret.J.Evans@dss.mo.gov)  
Melody Pease – Child Support Technician  
[Melody.A.Pease@dss.mo.gov](mailto:Melody.A.Pease@dss.mo.gov)

Our office serves the following counties: Livingston, Caldwell, Clinton, Dekalb and Daviess. We are more than glad to help with any information that you may require. Our office is located at 306 N. Davis Street, Hamilton, MO 64644.

Call Center (for inquiries on your case): 1-866-313-9960

Payment Information: To make a payment, mail your money order or check with your case IVD # and/or your social security number. These identifying numbers must be on the payment as the Payment Center will have no way of knowing who you are or where the money is to be applied. Mail payments to: Family Support Payment Center, PO Box 109002, Jefferson City, MO 65110-9002  
Hotline Number for payment center: 1-800-225-0530

Modifications: To request a modification your order must be at least three (3) years old and you must have a substantial change of circumstance. You must make your modification request in writing to: Division of Child Support Enforcement, 12737 State Route E #1, Savannah, MO 64485-2298. The Division of Child Support Enforcement will review your request and contact you at their earliest possible convenience.

**ACCESS II – ILC, Inc.**  
**Independent Living Center**  
611 West Johnson  
Gallatin, MO 64640  
Telephone: 660-663-2423  
TDD: 660-663-2663  
Fax: 660-663-2517  
Email: [access@accessii.org](mailto:access@accessii.org)  
[www.accessii.org](http://www.accessii.org)

Access II – ILC, Inc. is a consumer controlled, community-based, nonresidential program designed to promote Independent Living Philosophies and improve the quality of life for persons living with disabilities in Northwest Missouri.

The mission of Access II is to remove architectural and attitudinal barriers that limit the independence of persons with disabilities, promote a positive change in attitudes about disability and persons with disabilities, and encourage greater independence for persons with disabilities within our communities. As a center for independent living, Access II is committed to the provision of a full range of independent living services.

The 4 Core Service:  
Information & Referral, Peer Counseling, Advocacy and Independent Living Skills Training.

Service Programs Provided:  
Consumer Directed Services (CDS)  
Transportation- 1 Lift Equipped Van  
Internet Access- disability related issues  
American with Disability Act (ADA) training, education, compliance & technical assistance  
Low Vision Center  
Durable Medical Equipment Loan Program  
Disability Awareness Programs  
Ramps/Home Modifications  
Telecommunications Access Program for the Internet (TAP-I)  
Telecommunications Access Program for the Telephone (TAP-T)  
Community Education  
Individualized Education Plan Services  
Individual and Systems Advocacy  
Legislative Alerts, State & National  
Resource Library  
Service areas: Caldwell, Carroll, Daviess, Grundy, Harrison, Mercer, Livingston & Ray Counties

## **Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services**

Division of Senior and Disability Services

www.dhss.mo.gov

Contact: Carol Solomon  
Social Service Worker  
400 W. Berry, PO Box 8, Hamilton, MO 64644  
Email: Carol.Solomon@dhss.mo.gov  
Telephone: 816-583-2166 Fax: 816-583-4910

**Missouri Care Options** is a philosophy that supports an individual's right to make informed choices when facing decisions about long term care by:

Informing individuals of available care options;

Providing home and community based services for low-income older or disabled adults; and offering individuals residing in long-term care facilities the option of home and community based services.

**Adult Protective Services** are provided on behalf of older and/or disabled adults who are reported to have been abused, neglected or exploited either by other individuals or self-neglect. Reports are investigated by the Division of Senior and Disability Services staff.

The Elder Abuse and Neglect Hotline responds to reports of alleged abuse, neglect or financial exploitation of persons 60 years of age or older and other eligible adults between age 18 and 59. The program provides investigation, intervention and follow-up services to victims and stresses the mentally competent adult's right to make their own decisions.

Reports of abuse, neglect or other complaints regarding Long Term Care Facilities are also registered at the Elder Abuse and Neglect Hotline. Investigations are completed by Long Term Care survey staff around the state.

The hotline **1-800-392-0210** operates 24 hours per day, 365 days per year and is staffed by Social Service Workers

### **Home and Community Based Services:**

Disabled adults between the ages of 18 and 50 as well as seniors over the age of 60 who are recipients of Missouri Medicaid may be eligible for a variety of services in the community.

To inquire about Medicaid eligibility, contact the Department of Social Services, Family Support Division (FSD) office by calling 573-751-3221 or you may visit [www.dss.mo.gov/offices.htm](http://www.dss.mo.gov/offices.htm) for information regarding local offices.

To request an assessment for home and community based services contact the Division of Senior and Disability Services at **800-392-0210**

The following programs are offered: Personal Care, Authorized Nurse Visits, Respite Care, Homemaker, Chore, Adult Day Health Care and Counseling

Area Agencies on Aging (AAA): The AAA provides local leadership in the development and implementation of programs to seniors age 60 and over who are of greatest social or economic

need with special emphasis on serving low income and minority seniors. To locate an AAA in a particular area call 800-235-5503 or visit [www.moaging.com](http://www.moaging.com).

**Caldwell County Health Department**

PO Box 66  
275 South Washington  
Kingston, MO 64050

Contact: Shelly Sims RN, BSN  
Administrator

Office Hours: 8am- 4:30pm Mon- Fri.  
Telephone: 816-586-2311

Services Available for 2008:

Annual School Physicals  
Birth/Death Certificates  
Blood Pressure, Blood Sugar & Cholesterol Testing  
Emergency Planning  
Environmental Inspections (Food facilities, daycare facilities & on-site sewage)  
Health Education Programs (community events, nutrition, infection control & safety programs)  
Home health; RN & Public Health Visits  
Immunizations  
Lead Screening  
Medicaid Application (temporary)  
Pregnancy Testing  
TB Screening  
Free Tobacco Cessation Program  
WIC Program

**RED CROSS**

Contact: Linda Odom (DAT)  
Caldwell County & Ray County  
Telephone: 660-354-3272 (Home)  
816-810-1967 (Cell)

Dawn Cline  
816-586-1344 (Home)

Disaster Duty Officer Pager (24 hours/day): 816-346-0950

**2-1-1**

**Supported by Missouri Foundation for Health  
WWW.211missouri.org**

Contact: Haley Schwarz  
Resource Specialist  
1209 East Walnut, Suite 208  
Columbia, MO 65201  
Email: Schwarz@stl.unitedway.org  
Telephone: 573-874-1287  
Cellular: 314-578-3724  
Fax: 573-874-1285

## **Northwest Health Services**

www.nwhealth-services.org

Telephone: 816-271-8261

Northwest Health Services will provide excellent comprehensive patient-centered primary and preventative health care to our entire community.

### **Services Provided:**

Primary and Preventative Health Care

Internal Medicine

Pediatrics

Diagnostic Lab and X-Ray

Behavioral Health Care

Dental Care

Pharmacy

Family Planning/Reproductive Health

Northwest provides services by scheduled appointments at the clinic nearest you; Urgent Health Care (call for assistance and evaluation) and Emergencies with after-hours on call providers.

We file most commercial insurance as well as Medicare and Medicaid. We also offer a sliding fee discount program and pharmacy assistance. The sliding fee scale is based on household income and family size.

### **Local Service Centers**

Braymer Clinic

660-645-2218

Hamilton Medical Clinic

816-583-2151

Northwest Pharmacy Services (Hamilton)

816-583-2881

### **Other Service Centers:**

Rural ~

Cainsville Medical Clinic, King City Clinic, Mound City Clinic, Mound City Annex, Northwest Dental Services/Savannah, Oregon Clinic, Savannah Medical Clinic, Wathena Medical Center

St. Joseph ~

Family Medicine Associates, Family Health Center, North End Health Center, South Side Health Center, Northwest Behavioral Health, RAISE/HIV & AIDS Services, Northwest Family Dental, Administration

Please refer to the website listed above for contact information or call 816-271-8261.

## **Prescription Medication and Medical Equipment Resources**

### **Prescription Assistance**

#### Access II

Gallatin

Contact: Debbie Hawman 660-663-2423

Access II is an organization dedicated to assisting individuals with disabilities. If you are an individual who has a disability and do not have insurance or Medicaid, you MAY be eligible to apply for assistance for money to obtain prescriptions on a one-time basis. Additional requirement apply. Please contact Debbie Hawman for further information.

#### Free Medicine Foundation

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

Telephone: 573-996-3333

Those who have no prescription coverage, low-income, or maxed out insurance benefits are encouraged to apply for this program which was highlighted on the Montel Williams Show. Free Medicine Foundation is a patient-advocacy program which connects patients with sponsors who are willing to provide free or very low-cost prescriptions. For a \$5.00 fee per prescription, they wade through the complicated paperwork and coordinate drug distribution to eligible applicants.

#### Free Medicine Program

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

The mission of this organization is to help patients obtain prescription drugs and medications absolutely free of charge. They work directly with the drug manufacturers. To begin the process visit their website listed above and apply online.

#### Green Hills Community Action Service Center

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

Caldwell County: 816-583-2423

Sometimes Green Hills has funds available to assist with the purchase of prescriptions on a one-time-only basis. To find out if funds are available, or if you qualify, contact your local service center as listed above.

#### Hy-Vee Pharmacy \$4.00 Prescription Plan

[www.hy-vee.com/pharmacy/prescriptions.asp](http://www.hy-vee.com/pharmacy/prescriptions.asp)

Hy-Vee has developed a program available to all customers to provide certain generic prescription medications for a \$4.00 flat fee per prescription. A list of prescriptions available on this plan can be found at the website listed above.

#### MORx

Telephone: 800-375-1406

This organization helps low-income seniors and disabled individuals with the costs of prescription drugs covered by the Medicare Part D plans. It pays for 50% of the deductible and co-payments, including the coverage gap and beyond. It is designed to “wrap around” the federal Medicare Part D and help those who might not be eligible for the federal low-income assistance but whose income is below the 200% of the federal poverty level. The application is available at local pharmacies, Area Agency on Aging offices or by calling the number listed above.

My Medicine Source

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

Telephone: 770-761-0911 866-856-6337 (toll free)

Email: info@mymedicinesource.com

This organization helps people determine whether they can qualify for Patient Assistance Programs. They also have an APAC (Canadian Pharmacy) program through their website which has no income qualifications.

Northwest Area on Aging

Contact: Melissa 888-844-5626

This program is open to those who are in a Medicare prescription drug plan.

Pain Management Assistance

Telephone: 660-265-1042

Northeast Missouri Family Medical Clinic in Princeton is a medical clinic which provides services on a sliding fee scale. They have a partner in Kirksville to whom they refer for pain management assistance on a sliding fee scale.

Prescription Hope, Inc.

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

Telephone: 877-296-HOPE (4673)

This program offers qualifying individuals access to over 1,200 prescription medications from more than 80 pharmaceutical companies for \$5.00 per prescription, per month. Applicants may not be on Medicaid or have prescription insurance coverage but they may have health insurance. Seniors on Medicare Part D prescription coverage may qualify.

Salvation Army-Chillicothe

Contact: Lieutenant Michelle 660-646-3538

The Salvation Army reworks their annual budget shortly after the bid drive for fundraising in connection with the Christmas holiday is complete. Depending upon the amount they have raised, each year they MAY have funds available to help people without insurance or Medicaid to obtain prescription medication on a one-time basis. Additional funding options are required. For more information please contact Lieutenant Michelle.

The Medicine Program

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

573-996-7300

This program is open to any US citizen of any age who lacks insurance or who has exhausted their insurance limit. The person must be able to demonstrate financial need.

The Needy Meds Program

www.needymeds.com

This program is open to those who meet the income requirements. Those who qualify can apply for free name brand drugs.

Wal-Mart \$4.00 Prescriptions

To contact the pharmaceutical manufacturers directly for additional assistance here are some of the most well-known companies:

AstraZeneca 800-236-9933

Geneva 800-525-8747

Glaxo Smith Kline 888-825-5249 or www.druginfo.gsk.com

Medical Informatics 800-207-8049 or 800-552-3656

Merck 800-672-6372

Mylan 304-599-3595

Ortho McNeil 800-682-6532 or 800-631-5273 or www.ortho-mcneil.com

Parke Davis 800-438-1985 or 800-533-4535

Roche 800-526-6367

Roxane 800-962-8364

Watson 800-272-5525

**Medical Equipment Resources**

This includes walkers, wheelchairs, hospital beds, crutches, toilet lift seats and handicapped bathtub benches

Access II

Telephone: 660-663-2423

Lending Program: Individuals who qualify may be able to borrow needed durable medical equipment for Access II for a limited amount of time. Requests are considered on the basis of available equipment and other factors.

Consumer Assistance Fund Request: Upon request, those eligible to apply for help may request a Consumer Assistance Fund Request form. This form may be submitted only once by an individual to Access II. The form covers requests for not durable medical equipment but may also help with one-time prescription assistance or other items.

Collins Rentals

Contact: Gentry Turpin

Telephone: 800-333-4407

The Green Hills Women's Shelter has a partnership with Collins Rentals in Trenton, Missouri whereby they may be able to obtain low-cost rental or free use of durable medical equipment for victims of domestic violence for a limited amount of time.

## **Dental, Vision and Counseling Resources for Low-Income Families**

### **DENTAL**

#### Elks Mobile Dental Plan

Telephone: 816-404-6904

This program, the major philanthropic project of the Missouri Elks, provides for the dental needs of children and adults with developmental delays throughout the State of Missouri. Utilizing three 33-foot self propelled dental vans, the program brings accessible free dental services to the areas of the state that need it most.

Truman Medical Center Lakewood/Jackson County Health Department, along with the Missouri Department of Health, provides administrative expertise to operate and coordinate the program. Patients must meet criteria to be eligible.

#### Messanie Family Dental

3510 Messanie, St. Joseph, MO  
816-364-6444

This program provides dental care (including wisdom teeth) on a sliding fee scale.

#### Missouri Dental Association DDS Program (Doctors Donated Services)

Contact: Tina Paris 573-635-9988

This program provides free services. This is a program that is headquartered out of the Missouri Dental Association's Office in Jefferson City. The association identifies private practice dentists throughout the state who are willing to provide services at no charge for those who cannot afford them.

#### Northeast Missouri Dental Clinic

302 W. Jefferson Street, Kirksville, MO  
660-626-2741

This clinic provides dental services including wisdom teeth issues on a sliding fee scale.

#### Randall Lowrey, DDS

1129 Washington Street, Chillicothe, MO  
660-646-1050

Dr. Lowrey charges very reasonable rates for dental work and he is willing to work with patients on payment arrangements. The office is open Mon, Tues, Wed and Fri.

#### UMKC (University of Missouri at Kansas City) School of Dentistry

650 E. 25<sup>th</sup> Street, Kansas City, MO  
[www.umkc.edu/dentistry](http://www.umkc.edu/dentistry)

Contact: Pam Haney 816-235-2123

The school provides dental services to anyone. Their fees are approximately half of what a normal private practice dentist charges. Only those services which students may provide are available. They do have an oral surgery program and those services are also available. Please be

aware that appointments average 3 hours compared to private practice appointment time of 45 minutes.

## **VISION**

### John Holcomb, O.D.

1210 Oklahoma Avenue, Trenton, MO  
660-359-2204

Dr. Holcomb offers reduced rates to low-income individuals and works through the Lion's Club vision project as well.

### Lion's Club

Contact: Chris and Tina Anderson  
802 N Gallatin  
Hamilton, MO 64644  
Telephone: 816-583-2777

The Hamilton Lions Club is proud to assist those in the community that are in need of assistance with purchasing eyeglasses. An application is required and applicants are reviewed by the Board of Directors. Examinations are performed by local eye doctors and the club notifies them of approved applicants. The applicant may be required to pay a portion of the examination. The Club does not provide for "extras", such as Transitions Lenses, designer frames, or contacts. If the eye doctor requests other features, such as scratch resistant coating, the Club will deal with these on an individual basis. If you, or someone you know, needs assistance in purchasing eyeglasses, please contact the Hamilton Lions Club Eyeglass Coordinators,

## **COUNSELING**

North Central Missouri Mental Health  
401 Youssef Drive, Chillicothe, MO  
660-646-6872

NCM Mental Health provides psychiatry, counseling and case management/community support on a sliding fee scale.

## **Legal Resources**

## **Transportation Resources**

**!UNDER CONSTRUCTION!**

## OATS Transportation

OATS transportation is available to anyone regardless of age, income, disability, race, gender, religion or national origin.

OATS transportation is available from Caldwell County to:

Hamilton	1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday each month
Polo	3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday in April
Cameron	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday each month
Richmond	1 <sup>st</sup> Monday each month

WIC	2 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesday each month
Breckenridge, Braymer, Cowgill to Chillicothe-	2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Fridays each month
Hamilton, Kingston, Polo to Chillicothe-	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Fridays each month

To schedule a ride on any of these routes, call the contact number in your town:

Braymer	Viola Kellers	816-645-2833
	Viola Gibson	816-645-2368
Cowgill	Juanita Darrah	660-255-4732
Polo	Laura or Peggy Guinan	660-354-3145
	Jo Ann Smith	660-354-3149
Hamilton/ Kingston	Ella Leeper	816-583-2644
	Melba Dunscomb	816-583-7763
Breckenridge	Val Harris	660-644-5696
	Lola Evans	660-644-5546

## **Vehicle Repair Resources**

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## **Hamilton Public Library**

312 N. Davis

Hamilton, MO 64644

<http://hamiltonpublic.lib.mo.us>

Telephone: 816-583-4832

The mission of the Hamilton Public Library is to provide our patrons with an environment where lifelong learning, self-improvement and self-expression are encouraged.

We accomplish this by:

- offering a diverse collection of reading and reference materials;
- having readily accessible and up-to-date technology for patron use; and
- providing knowledgeable staff that can meet the needs of the community and each individual

Services available:

- Public fax & copy machine
- Reading programs for children & adults (promoting literacy at any age)
- Study Area
- Reference Desk
- Wireless Internet Access
- Online Exam Practice

Learning Express Library offers academic practice tests for the ACT, SAT, GED, LSAT, etc; Professional Certification practice test in real estate, law enforcement, EMT, etc and also tests to check for core skill improvements in elementary, middle and high school students.

- Free family cards to Hamilton City residents
- \$10 family cards for residents outside Hamilton Public Library
- Two week check out periods, including movies and audio books
- Interlibrary Loan programs
- Home School materials
- Referrals for additional services

**Green Hills Community Action Agency**

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

1506 Oklahoma Ave-PO Box 278

Trenton, MO 64683

Phone: 660-359-3907 Fax: 660-359-6619

**Caldwell County Office**

Contact: JoEllen McKinney or Paula McCoy

101 South Frame Hamilton, MO 64644

Telephone: 816-583-2022 Fax: 816-583-2942

**Our Promise**

Green Hills Community Action positively impacts people's lives, embodies the spirit of hope, improves communities, and makes our region a better place to live. We care about the community and are dedicated to empowering people to help themselves and each other.

**Our Mission**

Green Hills Community Action works through partnerships to make self-sufficiency a reality for individuals and families, by empowering them to achieve the knowledge, skills, and motivations needed to build strong families and communities.

**Motto**

"STRONG FAMILIES = STRONG COMMUNITIES"

Serving the Green Hills Counties of Caldwell, Daviess, Grundy, Harrison, Linn, Livingston, Mercer, Putnam, and Sullivan with limited services to Carrol, Chariton, and Ray Counties.

**Family Development Programs & Services Offered:**

Life Skills Classes

Pre-Employment Training Services

Family Support

MO Property Tax Credit (Elderly & Disabled)

Energy Conservation

Section 8

## **Christ's Cupboard Food Pantry**

Polo, MO 64671

Christ's Cupboard is a non-for-profit food pantry. The pantry is operated 100% by donations. These donations are from various citizens and different groups from and around our area that feel there is a need for this type of ministry. The pantry is staffed by volunteer citizens of the area that who are deeply concerned about the welfare and care of others. We provide all types of unprepared food and food items for those that need the assistance of the pantry. We do not discriminate, nor put any conditions or restrictions on the clients of the pantry. It is for this reason that name "Christ's Cupboard" was chosen, because the LORD would never turn anyone away.

Because the pantry is operated totally by generous donations of individuals as well as various groups and organizations, it is imperative that we, the staff who operate the pantry, take good care of the donated items. This pantry is a miracle each and every week that it is open. It is operated by GOD and for HIS glory. It is meant to be a blessing to those in need in and around the Polo area. Those people that staff Christ's Cupboard receive payment and compensation only from our LORD through blessings that they receive by helping others.

If you would like to help this ministry in any way or if you have other questions, please feel free to contact any of the following: Jerry and Rhonda Sprouse: 660/354-2306; Dave and Alice Zeikle: 816/586-4727 or Pastor Wally Aubrey: 660/354-2225.

**Missouri Department of Social Services**  
**Family Support Division**  
Caldwell County  
400 W Berry  
PO Box 8  
Hamilton, MO 64644  
**Phone: 816-583-2166**  
**FAX: 816-583-4190**

**CHILD CARE:**

**What Is The Child Care Assistance Program?**

The Child Care Assistance program in Missouri provides assistance with payment for child care on a sliding fee basis for eligible parents/guardians. The purpose of the Child Care Assistance program is to enable families to gain employment and remain employed.

**FOOD STAMPS:**

**How Are Food Stamps Used?**

Each participating household receives an allotment of food benefits based on the USDA's "Thrifty Food Plan". This allotment is adjusted annually according to the U. S. Department of Labor's analysis of the cost of food. Missouri Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) is the method by which households receive and use food stamp benefits.

Households may use their Missouri EBT card in any grocery store or retail location anywhere in the United States that has been authorized by the USDA Food and Nutrition Service and displays the Quest® sign. The benefits may be used to purchase any food or food products prepared for human consumption except alcoholic beverages and tobacco, hot foods, or foods prepared for immediate consumption. Benefits may also be used to buy seeds and plants for use in gardens to produce food for the personal consumption of the household. Under certain conditions, members of the eligible households who are 60 years of age or older may use the benefits to pay for home delivered meals and other meals prepared for elderly persons.

**Download a Food Stamp application (English or Espanol)**

**[www.dss.mo.gov/fsd/fstamp/pdf/fs1\\_2006.pdf](http://www.dss.mo.gov/fsd/fstamp/pdf/fs1_2006.pdf)**

**Return your completed Food Stamp application by mail or fax to any FSD office.**

**[Medical Assistance](#)**

**[Medicaid](#)**

MO HealthNet coverage is automatically available to all recipients of [MO HealthNet](#), [Nursing Care](#), [Home and Community-based Services](#), [Supplemental Aid to the Blind](#), [Blind Pension](#), and [Adult Supplemental Payments](#).

The purpose of the MO HealthNet program is to provide medical services to persons who meet certain eligibility requirements as determined by FSD. The goals of the MO HealthNet program are to promote good health, to prevent illness and premature death, to correct or limit disability, to treat illness, and to provide rehabilitation to persons with disabilities. Eligible persons receive a "MO HealthNet Identification Card" or a letter from the local FSD office.

The Family Support Division (FSD) determines client eligibility for the MO HealthNet program: the MO HealthNet Division administers the MO HealthNet program including establishment of benefit coverage, rates, claims processing, and all other aspects of daily operations.

### [Medical Assistance for the Elderly, Blind and Disabled](#)

The MO HealthNet for the Aged, Blind and Disabled program provides medical care for persons who are aged, or permanently and totally disabled, or who are blind.

#### **Who Is Eligible?**

Any person who:

- is permanently and totally disabled, or is 65 years of age or older, or is 18 years of age or older and is determined by law to be blind (vision less than 5/200);
- has net income less than 85% Federal Poverty Level. (If monthly income exceeds this amount, the participant may become eligible when their incurred medical expenses reduce their monthly income below this limit. For more information, see the section below labeled Spenddown Coverage.)
- who lives in Missouri and intends to remain;
- who is a United States citizen or an eligible qualified non-citizen;
- if aged or disabled and if single, owns cash, securities or other total non-exempt resources with a value of less than \$1,000, or if married and living with spouse, individually or together, \$2,000 or less (Note: Exempt resources include the home in which the participant or participant's spouse or dependents live, one automobile, household goods and certain other property. If a disabled child under age 18 is living with his parents, the non-exempt resources of the parents will be included);
- if blind and single, does not own personal property worth more than \$2,000 or, if married and living with spouse, does not own property worth more than \$4,000 individually or together,. The following is not considered; the home in which the blind person lives, clothes, furniture, household equipment, personal jewelry, or any other property used directly by the blind person in earning a living.);
- if blind, does not have a sighted spouse who can provide support
- if blind, does not publicly solicit alms; and
- is not a resident of a public, private, or endowed institution except a public medical institution.

### [Nursing and Residential Facility Care](#)

There are two nursing care programs in Missouri: supplemental nursing care (SNC) and MO HealthNet vendor payments.

Supplemental nursing care provides monthly cash benefits. An eligible adult living in a licensed nursing facility (NF) and found medically eligible may receive a maximum of \$390. If not found medically eligible while living in a nursing facility, or if living in a licensed assisted Living (ALF) or residential care facility II (RCF-II) an eligible adult may receive a maximum of \$292 monthly. If living in a licensed residential care facility the maximum is \$156. Persons eligible for these cash benefits also receive a \$30 personal needs monthly allowance unless such needs are being met by the Department of Mental Health (DMH).

MO HealthNet vendor payments do not provide a direct cash benefit. Instead, this program pays the nursing facility directly for nursing care charges above the amount the resident is expected to pay. A resident covered under this program is expected to use all available income to pay for care except for a personal needs standard (usually \$30 per month). The participant may also keep enough to pay medical insurance premiums. In some cases, the participant may allot some or all income to a spouse or dependents who remain outside the nursing facility.

### **Who Is Eligible?**

For supplemental nursing care (cash benefits) the person who:

- is 21 years of age or older and is living in a licensed facility;
- is determined to need the specific level of care if residing in a nursing facility;
- meets the other eligibility requirements outlined under [MO HealthNet for the Aged, Blind and Disabled](#).

For vendor payments, the person who:

- is certified for nursing facility care or state mental hospital care;
- has been screened before entry into a MO HealthNet-certified nursing facility;
- is 65 years or older for state mental hospital care;
- has not given away, sold, or transferred real or personal property within the period prescribed by law without receiving fair and valuable consideration, and
- meets the other eligibility requirements outlined under "[MO HealthNet for the Aged, Blind and Disabled](#) "

A special provision applies to married couples when one spouse enters a nursing facility and the other spouse does not live in a nursing facility. This provision allows for protection of a portion of the couple's assets for the spouse remaining at home.

Some nursing care participants may also be eligible for [Qualified Medicare Beneficiary](#) or [Specified Low-Income Medicare Beneficiary](#) benefits.

**[Download the application for Medical Assistance for Aged, Blind and Disabled or Nursing and Residential Care @ www.dss.mo.gov/fsd/pdf/im1ma\\_0706.pdf. and return the completed application to any local FSD office.](http://www.dss.mo.gov/fsd/pdf/im1ma_0706.pdf)**

**\*\*[Medical Assistance for Families](#)**

This program provides healthcare coverage for families with income that does not exceed the July 16, 1996 Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) income standards.

### **Who Is Eligible?**

Children under age 19 and their parent(s), or other caretakers, with whom they live:

- who apply for a social security number;
- who live in Missouri and intend to remain;
- who are United States citizens or eligible legal immigrants;
- parents must cooperate with Child Support Enforcement (CSE) in the pursuit of medical support; and
- whose countable family income for household size does not exceed the July 16, 1996 AFDC income standards.

Currently, income limits are:

<b>Family Size</b>	<b>Income Limit*</b>
2	\$234
3	\$292
4	\$342
5	\$388

\*Income limits in effect on July 1, 2005.

\*\*[MO HealthNet for Kids](#)

This program provides healthcare coverage for children under 19 years of age whose family income falls within certain guidelines.

### **Who Is Eligible ?**

A child:

- who is under 19 years of age;
- who applies for a social security number;
- who lives in Missouri and intends to remain;
- who is a United States citizen or an eligible qualified non-citizen (NOTE: receipt of MO HealthNet benefits does NOT subject qualified non-citizens to public charge consideration
- the parent must cooperate with Child Support Enforcement (CSE) in the pursuit of medical support; and
- whose countable family income meets the income guidelines below

### **MO HealthNet for Kids Non-SCHIP**

Children (regardless of insurance status) are eligible if monthly net family income does not exceed the following:

- 185% FPL for children under age 1

- 133% FPL for ages 1-5
- 100% FPL for ages 6-18

Uninsured children whose income is over the above limits, and whose monthly gross family income is under 150% FPL, are also eligible.

Children with monthly family income above the limits referenced above may be eligible under the State Children's Health Insurance Program if the following criteria are met.

### **MO HealthNet for Kids (SCHIP)**

- family gross income over 150% FPL up to 300% FPL;
- they are uninsured for 6 months;
- have family assets with a net worth of less than \$250,000;
- children in families with gross income over 150% FPL cannot have access to affordable health insurance and the family must pay a monthly premium. Premiums amounts change July of each year. The premium is based on family size and income to insure that no family pays more than 5% of their income for coverage.

### **\*\*MO HealthNet for Pregnant Women and Newborns**

This is the state's MO HealthNet program for pregnant women and newborns. This program provides healthcare coverage, including sixty-day postpartum coverage, for pregnant women whose family income does not exceed 185% of the federal poverty level for their household size. Once eligible, the coverage continues through the postpartum period despite subsequent increases in income.

Children born to a woman eligible for and receiving MO HealthNet for Pregnant Women or other MO HealthNet health care coverage on the date of the infant's birth continue to be eligible for MO HealthNet coverage throughout the first year of life as long as the child remains in the mother's home and maintains Missouri residence.

### **Who Is Eligible?**

A woman:

- who is pregnant and provides pregnancy verification;
- who applies for a social security number for herself;
- who lives in Missouri and intends to remain;
- who is a United States citizen or an eligible qualified non-citizen; and
- whose net family income for household size does not exceed 185% of the federal poverty level. For purposes of this program, the pregnant woman is counted as two people (mother and unborn child).

**\*\*Apply on the internet for Medicaid for Families, Mo HealthNet for Kids and Mo HealthNet for Pregnant Women and Newborns @ [www.dss.mo.gov/mhk/appl.htm](http://www.dss.mo.gov/mhk/appl.htm)**

Temporary Assistance for Needy Families:

The purpose of the Temporary Assistance Program is to provide assistance to needy families with children so they can be cared for in their own home and to reduce dependency by promoting job preparation, work and marriage. Funds may also be used to prevent non-marital pregnancies and encourage the formation and maintenance of two-parent families.

Major provisions include:

- Able bodied adult cash assistance recipients must work or be in work activities (job training, subsidized employment, job search and job readiness assistance, etc.) after two years of receiving assistance. This provision is subject to good cause exemptions on a limited basis.
- Receipt of cash assistance under Temporary Assistance is restricted to a lifetime limit of five years.
- States are required to meet certain levels of recipient work participation or face losing a portion of their TANF block grant: Twenty-five percent of a state's eligible welfare population (families that include an adult or minor child head of household receiving cash assistance) must be participating in approved work activities (outlined in the bill) in FY 1997. This level of participation rises by 5 percent each year until FY 2002, when it becomes 50 percent thereafter. The work participation rate for two-parent families is required to be at 75 percent in FY 1997 -1998 and 90 percent in 1999 and beyond.
- Individuals receiving cash assistance (unless exempt) must work a minimum number of hours per week (averaged over a month) to be counted toward meeting the work participation rate. Those minimum hours are:

All Families:

FY 2000 and beyond 30 hours

Two-Parent Families:

FY 1997 and beyond 35 hours (first parent)

20 hours (second parent)

Temporary Assistance offers two types of services to families. The services available are cash assistance and case management.

### **Who Is Eligible?**

The child who:

- is under the age of 18 years or 19 and attending high school or equivalent and expected to graduate;
- is in need of assistance because there is insufficient income to meet basic needs;
- is deprived of support because of the death, physical or mental incapacity or the continued absence from the home or unemployment;
- is living with one or both parents or a close relative who makes application for assistance.

and whose parent(s) with whom he or she is living:

- has not been convicted after August 22, 1996 in a Federal or State court of a felony or any crime related to illegal possession, use, or distribution of a controlled substance;

- does not own resources valued at more than \$1,000 at application, excluding the home and one car. Recipients may own resources valued to \$5000 once a self-sufficiency pact is signed;
- assigns his or her rights for child support to FSD and further cooperates in identifying, locating and collecting child support from any parent who is absent from the home because of divorce, desertion, or abandonment;
- uses the money for the benefit of the children;
- attempts to support or help support the children by accepting employment when offered;
- applies for social security numbers for all members of the assistance group;
- is not a fleeing felon and is not in violation of a condition of probation or parole imposed under a Federal or State Law.

### **Refugee Resettlement**

The goal of the refugee resettlement program is to promote economic self-sufficiency within the shortest possible time after a refugee's entrance into the state through the planned and coordinated use of support services, with cash and medical assistance as transitional aid where necessary, to achieve the self-sufficiency goal.

### **Who Is Eligible?**

Persons who are identified as refugees or Cuban/Haitian entrants by immigration identification cards issued by the U. S. Immigrations and Naturalization Services (INS).

**Referrals** are available for other programs administered by other Sections of the Family Support Division or other Divisions of the Department of Social Services including:

- **Rehabilitation Services for the Blind**
- **Child Support Services**
- **Community Partnerships of Missouri**
- **Community Services Block Grants**
- **Early Childhood Services**
- **Food Distribution Program**
- **Investigations for Medicaid and Welfare Fraud**
- **Low Income Energy Assistance**
- **Missouri Rx Plan**
- **Vocational Rehabilitation**

**United State Department of Agriculture  
Rural Development**

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Richmond, MO 64085  
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[www.rurdev.usda.gov/mo](http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/mo)

The USDA Rural Development (RD) has been proudly serving rural America for over 70 years. Although the name has changed over the years, the mission remains the same: To enhance economic opportunity and improve the quality of life in rural America. The USDA Rural Development mission area includes housing programs, community programs, business programs, utility programs and cooperative programs.

The programs consist of a variety of loan, loan guarantee and grant programs, plus technical assistance in the areas of business and industry, cooperative development, rural housing, community facilities, water and waste disposal, electrification and telecommunications, including distance learning, broadband and telemedicine.

It is USDA's policy: "that no person shall be discriminated against on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability and where applicable, sex, marital status, familial status, parental status, religion, sexual orientation, genetic information, political beliefs, reprisal, or because all or part of an individual's income is derived from any public assistance program. (Not all prohibited bases apply to all programs). This policy will be communicated to the public through local population and in alternative means of communication (Braille, large print, audiotape, etc...)."

For further information contact Allen Gentry, Area Specialist, 816-776-2266 ext 4 or E-Mail: [allen.gentry@mo.usda.gov](mailto:allen.gentry@mo.usda.gov)

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[www.rurdev.usda.gov/rhs/index.html](http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/rhs/index.html)