

TRI-COUNTY OPPORTUNITIES COUNCIL

Community Action Agency



Serving the 9 Counties of Bureau, Carroll, LaSalle, Lee, Marshall, Ogle, Putnam, Stark, and Whiteside Illinois

RESOURCE BOOK

Bureau/Putnam County

Tri-County Opportunities Council

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Building opportunities to transform communities.



Tri-County Opportunities Council

Mission Statement

Tri-County Opportunities Council will investigate the impact of poverty throughout our nine county service area and will work, in partnership with individuals, families and communities to provide opportunities that supports movement towards stability and self-sufficiency.



Community Services Block Grant Program (CSBG)

- Provides comprehensive needs assessments, information and referrals and numerous case management programs to eligible customers to obtain self-sufficiency for employment, youth, education, housing, medical, and emergency needs.
- Offers various housing programs to those facing homelessness or on the verge of becoming homeless. In addition, case management is provided to ensure housing is affordable and sustained to prevent future homelessness.
- Annually awards educational scholarships to income-eligible service area residents attending an Illinois institution of higher learning.
- Bureau County Food Pantry – provides food to meet meal gaps to families residing in Bureau County.

Foster Grandparent Program

- Provides meaningful volunteer opportunities for those in the lower income range who are 55 years old and older.
- Offers supportive person-to-person services to at-risk children with special or exceptional needs in reading, math, spelling, art and other constructive projects.

Head Start/Early Head Start Program

- The EHS/HS programs are federal programs that provides comprehensive early childhood education, health, nutrition, and parent engagement services to children from birth to 5 years of age, expectant mothers, and their families.
- The program's services and resources are designed to foster stable family relationships, heighten family resiliency, enhance children's physical and emotional well-being, and establish an environment to develop skills toward school readiness and a love of life-long learning.
- Families must meet the eligibility criteria established by the federal government.

Low-Income Energy Assistance (LIHEAP)

- LIHEAP – makes a one-time payment to the utility company, bills must be in the name of the person applying.
- LIHEAP Furnace Program – Repair or replace furnaces to homeowners who are current on their mortgage and taxes and be within the LIHEAP guidelines.
- PIPP – The Percentage of Income Payment Plan (PIPP) is designed to help client's pay their own bill with a manageable budget bill. Eligibility for this program included being within the LIHEAP guidelines and must have a participating utility company, such as, Ameren, Com-Ed, and Nicor.
- Com-Ed Hardship – helps households that may be having a hardship crisis situation. Income guidelines are 200% of poverty level.
- Neighbor to Neighbor – helps households with utility assistance. Income guidelines are 300% of poverty level.

Illinois Home Weatherization Program

- Make homes more energy efficient, provide safe heating equipment, if needed, replace furnace, and provide clients with safety equipment.

Rental Housing

- Provides decent, safe and affordable housing to low-income clients.

TRI-COUNTY OPPORTUNITIES COUNCIL OFFICES:

Main Office

405 Emmons Avenue
Rock Falls, IL 61071
PH: 815-625-7830
PH: 1-800-323-5434

LaSalle Office

308 N. 30th Road
LaSalle, IL 61301
CSBG: 815-224-0028
CSBG: 815-224-3939
LIHEAP: 815-223-2333
HEAD START: 815-224-2533
HEAD START: 815-220-1602
HEAD START: 815-220-1603

Princeton Office

1019 N. Main Street
Princeton, IL 61356
Food Pantry/CSBG: 815-875-6064
LIHEAP: 815-879-6035

Office Hours

8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Monday-Friday

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BASIC NEEDS

Dream Center

714 Hamilton Blvd.
Peoria, IL 61603
PH: 309/839-1809

Evangelical Covenant Church

24 N. Main Street
Princeton, IL 61356
PH: 815/875-2124

<http://eccprinceton.org/>

Provides general assistance.

Pass It On

124 N. Main Street
Walnut, IL 61376
PH: 815/379-2397

Gently-used Clothing, household items, small furniture

Tabitha's Hands

Church of the Nazarene
30 N. 6th Street
Princeton, IL 61356
PH: 815/643-2571

Donates large furniture and appliances to needy families

The Closet

2026 N. Main Street
Princeton, IL 61356
PH: 815/875-3145

Shopping Hours: Wednesday-Saturday, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Donation Hours: Tuesday-Saturday, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Upscale Resale Shop

214 W. St. Paul Street
Spring Valley, IL 61362
PH: 815/664-2414

<http://www.freedomhouseillinois.org/upscale-resale.html>

Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday, 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.; Thursday, 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. and Saturday 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

CHILD CARE

SAL Child Care Connection

3425 N. Dries Lane
Peoria, IL 61604
PH: 309/686-3750

Assisting families in finding and paying for day care services. Serves Bureau, LaSalle, Marshall, Stark and Putnam counties.

Zearing Child Enrichment Center

633 Masonic Drive
Princeton, IL 61356
PH: 815/875-2335

www.zcec.org

Offers developmentally appropriate programs for children 6 months to 12 years of age.

DISABILITIES

BMP Tri-County Special Education

526 Bureau Valley Parkway
Princeton, IL 61356
PH: 815/875-2645

www.bmpspeced.com

Provides special education services for students 3-21 years of age with special needs.

Child & Family Connections

525 Bureau Valley Parkway, Suite E
Princeton, IL 61356
PH: 815/879-0073

Provides families with children birth to five years' free developmental screenings, child development information, community resources, public awareness, family events, family support groups.

Gateway Center

406 S. Gosse Blvd.
Princeton, IL 61356
PH: 815/875-4548

www.gateway-services.org

Provides services to adults and children with disabilities and their families in Bureau, Marshall and Putnam counties.

Illinois Valley Center for Independent Living

18 Gunia Drive
LaSalle, IL 61301
PH: 815/224-3126
www.ivcil.com

Assists persons with disabilities and families in Bureau, LaSalle, Marshall, Putnam and Stark counties.

Jack Mabley Developmental Center

1120 Washington Ave.
Dixon, IL 61021
PH: 815/288-8300

Serves those with developmental disabilities with meaningful job opportunities.

Personal Mobility

7611 N. Harker Drive
Peoria, IL 61615
PH: 217/441-8331
www.personalmobilityinc.com

Home accessibility devices: elevators, wheelchair lifts, roll-in showers, overhead lift systems, automatic door openers, ramp systems, stair lifts, etc.

EDUCATION

Illinois Valley Community College

815 N. Orlando Smith Road
Oglesby, IL 61348
PH: 815/224-2720
www.ivcc.edu/adulted

Provides one-to-one tutoring to adults with trained volunteers located throughout IVCC's district.

EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

American Red Cross

Bureau County Chapter
435 S. Main Street
Princeton, IL 61356
PH: 815/875-2077 – 815/879-2231

EMPLOYMENT

B.E.S.T. (Business Employment Skills Team)

225 E. Backbone Road
Princeton, IL 61356
PH: 815/872-0255
www.best-inc.org

Provides job assessments, goal setting, labor market information, college assistance, job search and placement, work experience, job training.

FOOD

Bureau County Food Pantry

1019 N. Main Street
Princeton, IL 61356
PH: 815/875-6064
www.tcohelps.org

Hall Township Food Pantry

500 N. Terry Street
Spring Valley, IL 61362
PH: 815/663-2085

Monthly food baskets; Personal care items; Income eligibility is based on 185% of the federal poverty guidelines.

Project Success of Eastern Bureau County

500 N. Terry Street
Spring Valley, IL 61362
PH: 815/663-2085

Food Pantry for residents of Bureau County

Putnam County Food Pantry

103 W. Church Street
Granville, IL 61326
PH: 815/339-6480

United Church of Christ

103 Church Street
Granville, IL 61326
PH: 815/339-2305

Western Bureau County Food Pantry

123 S. Main Street
Sheffield, IL 61361
PH: 630/664-5303

Provides monthly food baskets to families in service area, as well as seasonal assistance with items such as spring cleaning baskets, fall baking baskets, school supplies, holiday food baskets, and Christmas help.

HEALTH

All Star Dental

1261 N. Lake Street
Aurora, IL 60506
PH: 630/801-0002
<http://www.allstardentalclinic.com/>

2239 W. Jefferson
Joliet, IL 60435
PH: 815/207-4442

Bureau County Dental Health Department

526 Bureau Valley Parkway
Princeton, IL 61356
PH: 815/872-1927
www.bchealthdepartment.org

Bureau County Health Department

526 Bureau Valley Parkway
Princeton, IL 61356
PH: 815/872-5091
www.bchealthdepartment.org

Bureau County Health & Wellness Clinic

500 Elm Place
Princeton, IL 61356
PH: 815/879-8794

Primary medical clinic must provide proof of income and be uninsured and low-income to qualify for clinic services.

Cornerstone Community Wellness

302 N. Mason Street
Sheffield, IL 61361
PH: 815/454-8020
www.cwell.org

Dental Dreams

6215 E. State Street
Rockford, IL 61102
PH: 815/399-7777
<http://www.dentaldreams.org/>

350 N. Clark Street
Chicago, IL 60654
PH: 312/274-0308

Accepts the Illinois Medical Card and other insurance plans.

Dental Experts

Malcolm Pediatric Dentistry
163 Cadillac Court, Suite 3
Belvidere, IL 61008
PH: 815/544-0909
<http://mpd4kids.com/>

Accepts the Illinois Medical Card and other insurance.

Department of Human Services

225 E. Backbone Road, #2
Princeton, IL 61356
PH: 815/875-1134
www.dhs.state.il.us

Familia Dental

1403 W. Glenn Ave.
Peoria, IL 61614
PH: 309/692-4721
www.familiadental.com

Hygienic Institute Community Health Center

2970 Chartres Street
LaSalle, IL 61301
PH: 815/223-0196
www.thehygienicinstitute.org

Offers health care for the entire family; Monday-Friday 7:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Putnam County Health Department

220 E. High Street
Hennepin, IL 61327
PH: 815/925-7326
<http://www.bchealthdepartment.org/>

St. Margaret's Hospital

600 E. First Street
Spring Valley, IL 61362
PH: 815/664-1132
www.aboutsmh.org

HOUSING

Bureau County Housing Authority

415 W. Erie Street
Spring Valley, IL 61362
PH: 815/664-4888

444 S. Church Street
Princeton, IL 61356
PH: 815/879-8106

Freedom House

440 Elm Place
Princeton, IL 61356
PH: 815/872-0087
HOTLINE: 800/474-6031

www.freedomehouseillinois.org

Provides a safe and free haven for victim of domestic and sexual violence and their children in Bureau, Henry, Marshall, Putnam and Stark counties.

Habitat for Humanity

628 Columbus Street, Suite 405
Ottawa, IL 61350
PH: 815/434-2041

www.hfhlbpc.org

Partnering with low-income families that qualify, to help them become new home owners. Serves families in Bureau, LaSalle and Putnam counties.

Professional Property Management, LLC

400-413 E. Florence
Oglesby, IL 61348
PH: 815/883-9499

Provides subsidized housing

USDA Rural Development

Single Family Housing Repair Loans & Grants
USDA Service Center
312 E. Backbone Road, Suite B
Princeton, IL 61356
(815) 875-8732 ext. 4

<https://www.rd.usda.gov/il>

Provides loans to very-low-income homeowners to repair, improve or modernize their homes or grants to elderly very-low-income homeowners to remove health and safety hazards.

LEGAL SERVICES

13th Judicial Circuit Probation & Court Services

Department

700 S. Main Street
Princeton, IL 61356
PH: 815/872-8951

Bureau County State Attorney

700 S. Main Street
Princeton, IL 61356
PH: 815/879-4941

Prairie State Legal Services, Inc.

1021 Clinton Street
Ottawa, IL 61350
PH: 815/434-5903

www.pslegal.org

Represents low-income clients (based on income guidelines) in preventing domestic violence, unlawful evictions, preserving their homes, obtaining and maintaining Medicaid, SSI and Social Security benefits, keeping custody of children and resolving other problems that involve basic needs.

MENTAL HEALTH

Allied Counseling Group

146 Gooding Street
LaSalle, IL 61301
PH: 815/224-4522

Catholic Charities

815 2nd Street
LaSalle, IL 61301
PH: 815/223-4007

www.catholiccharitiesusa.org

Provides individual and family counseling.

North Central Behavioral Health Systems

526 S. Bureau Valley Parkway
Princeton, IL 61356
PH: 815/875-4458

www.ncbhs.org

Provides mental health and addictions services for individuals and families.

RESOURCES

Bureau County United Way

618 N. Main Street
Princeton, IL 61356
PH: 815/872-0821

Bureau County Genealogical

629 S. Main Street
Princeton, IL 61356
PH: 815/879-3133
<http://www.genealogytrails.com/ill/bureau/>

Ladd Public Library

125 N. Main
Ladd, IL 61329
PH: 815/894-3254
<http://laddlibrary.com/>

Princeton Public Library

698 E. Peru Street
Princeton, IL 61356
PH: 815/875-1331
<http://princetonpl.org/PPL/Home/Home.html>

Putnam County Library

214 S. McCoy Street
Granville, IL 61326
PH: 815/339-2038

Raymond A Sapp Memorial Library

103 E. Main Street
Wyanet, IL 61379
PH: 815/699-2342
<http://www.raymondasaplibrary.4t.com/>

Shelby Township Library

101 Depot Street
DePue, IL 61322
PH: 815/447-2660

Spring Valley Public Library

215 E. Cleveland Street
Spring Valley, IL 61362
PH: 815/663-4741
<http://richardmautinolibrary.com/>

Tiskilwa Library

119 E. Main Street
Tiskilwa, IL 61368
PH: 815/646-4511
<http://www.tisklib.org/>

Walnut Public Library

101 Heaton Street
Walnut, IL 61376
PH: 815/379-2159

SENIOR OUTREACH

Angels Private Care, Ltd.

122 E. Dakota Street
Spring Valley, IL 61362
PH: 815/664-2626
<http://angelsprivatecare.net/index.htm>

Provides home care, personal care, household care, laundry, etc.

Bureau County Senior Center

16 W. Marion Street
Princeton, IL 61356
PH: 815/879-3981
<http://www.bcseniorcenter.com/>

Provides information and assistance, outreach, legal assistance, senior health insurance program, income tax services, transportation, community meals, activities.

Bureau Valley Volunteer Hospice

530 Park Avenue East
Princeton, IL 61356
PH: 815/876-3375

Provides a free program of supportive care for the terminally ill and their families, which addresses physical, psychological, social and spiritual needs.

In-Home Care VNA

33 W. Crown Plaza
Princeton, IL 61356
PH: 815/875-4114
<http://www.inhomecarevna.com/>

Provides professional health care in the home. The agency serves residents of Illinois in the following counties: Bureau, Putnam, Stark, Marshall, LaSalle, Lee and Northern Peoria.

PrairieLand Home Care

409 E. 2nd Street
Spring Valley, IL 61362
PH: 815/663-2229

<http://www.prairielandhomecare.com/>

Provides in-home care to patients at home in LaSalle, Bureau, Putnam and Marshall counties in Illinois.

Presbyterian Ministries Shopping Service

First Presbyterian Church of Princeton
320 Park Avenue
Princeton, IL 61356
PH: 815/875-1306

<http://1stpresprinceton.com/index.html>

Provides a shopper to shop to a grocery store, post office, bank, etc. for you from a list that is created. The shopper will return receipts from the items purchased.

Putnam County Community Center

128 First Street
Standard, IL 61363
PH: 815/339-2711

Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Provides assistance to seniors 60 and older in the Putnam County area.

Western Illinois Area Agency on Aging

729 34th Avenue
Rock Island, IL 61201
PH: 309/793-6800

www.wiaaa.org

Provides funding to senior centers and adult protective services; advocacy, aging, community care in-home services, family caregiver support, grandparents raising children, information and assistance, legal assistance, senior health assistance and benefits access, senior health insurance program, senior Medicare.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE

Alcoholics Anonymous of Northern Illinois

Hotline: 1-800-452-7990

www.aa-nia.org

Esther House

6847 N. Allen Road
Peoria, IL 61614
PH: 309/676-3000

Rosecrance Treatment Center

3815 Harrison Ave.
Rockford, IL 61108
PH: 815/391-1000

www.rosecrance.org

Substance abuse treatment center dedicated to providing help, hope and recovery to adolescents, adults and families.

TOWNSHIPS/CITY OFFICIALS

Granville Township

2125 McCoy Street
Granville, IL 61326
PH: 815-339-2480

Princeton Area Chamber of Commerce

435 S. Main Street
Princeton, IL 61356
PH: 815/875-2616

www.princeton-il.com

Walnut Police Department

114 Jackson Street
Walnut, IL 61376
PH: 815/379-9000

TRANSPORTATION

Bureau Area Rural Transit Services (B.A.R.T.)

406 S. Gosse
Princeton, IL 61356
PH: 815/875-4548

Illinois Valley City Cab

306 3rd Street
LaSalle, IL 61301
PH: 815/830-1818

Medical transportation, call for an appointment.

YOUTH SERVICES

Bureau County IL Extension Office

850 Thompson Street
Princeton, IL 61356
PH: 815/875-2878

Offers programs of 4H Development, Community Agriculture, Community and Economic Development, Consumer Economics, Environmental and Energy Stewardship, Family Life, Horticulture, Leadership and Local Government, and Nutrition/Wellness.

LaSalle County Youth Service Bureau

1702½ W. Peru Street
Princeton, IL 61356
PH: 815/872-2119
www.ysbiv.org

Responds to the needs of children and youth through a variety of programs to enhance the quality of life for all children, youth and families.

YMCA

300 Walnut
Peru, IL 61354
PH: 815/223-7904
<http://www.ivymca.com/>