

Social Service Referral List

The following is a list of Elkhart County social service agencies. Please contact the individual organization for more information regarding its programs, application process and assistance available.

2-1-1 United Way Hotline

2-1-1 is a social service referral hotline offered through the United Way. It provides free and confidential information and referral. Call 2-1-1 from any touch tone phone for help with food, housing, employment, health care, counseling, income tax returns and more.

Assurance Wireless Lifeline Program

Apply at www.assurancewireless.com or call 1.888.898.4888

Assurance Wireless is an eligible telecommunications carrier for the Lifeline phone program that provides free wireless phones and service to income-eligible consumers in certain US states eligible consumers will receive a FREE Virgin Mobile phone and 250 FREE monthly minutes.

ADEC

P O Box 398, 19670 SR 120
Bristol, IN 46507
574.848.7451

Advocates for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families. Also provides services to those with disabilities, including community living services, and more.

BrightPoint

2020 Industrial Parkway
Elkhart, IN 46516
574.524.7586

www.mybrightpoint.org

BrightPoint, Previously CANI, is an agency that provides family development programs and childcare vouchers to low-income families in Elkhart County. The Child Care Voucher Program is designed to help families afford quality child care for parents that are working, going to school and/or receiving job training.

Church Community Services

907 Oakland Avenue
Elkhart, IN 46516
574.295.3673

www.churchcommunityservices.org

CCS is a faith-based interdenominational non-profit agency that assists people in crisis and empowers them to move out of poverty. Services include a client choice food pantry, emergency financial assistance, plus our Soup of Success Job and Life Skills Training Program. Pantry Hours: Monday 11a-3p, Tuesday 11a-3p and 4p-7p, Wednesday 11a-3p, Thursday 11a-3p and 4p-7p, Friday 11a-3p

□ **CAPS**
Child And Parent Services

1000 W Hively Ave
PO Box 773
Elkhart, IN 46515
574.295.2277

www.capselkhart.org

Child And Parent Services is a nonprofit organization dedicated to the cause of ensuring that every child in Elkhart County has the benefit of safe, stable, nurturing relationships in their childhood. Through education, advocacy, and intervention, CAPS works with others in the community to build strong families, safe environments, and a life free from abuse and neglect for every child.

□ **Cleveland Township Trustee**

52019 C.R. 5
Elkhart, IN 46514
574.264.6196

The Cleveland Township Trustee office provides general financial assistance for residents in need of assistance with rent, utilities, medicine, etc.

□ **Concord Township Trustee**

228 Waterfall Drive
Suite A
Elkhart, IN 46516
574.293.9431

The Concord Township Trustee provides general financial assistance to eligible township residents. Assistance is based on financial need and available funds.

□ **Council on Aging**

131 Tayler St
Elkhart, IN 46516
(574) 295-1820

info@elkhartcoa.org

Located in the Elkhart Train Station. Hours are 8am -4:30pm M-F
The Council on Aging of Elkhart County serves older adults in Elkhart County by providing them with the necessary services to maintain them in their homes, support their independence, and preserve their dignity and respect

□ **Community Education**

Darcy Mitschelen, Director
Elkhart Area Career Center
2424 California Road
Elkhart, IN
574.262.5478

Provides continuing education services with High School Equivalency preparation, ESL, and other community Ed programs.

□ **Center for Legal Justice**

121 South 3rd Street
Elkhart, IN 46516

www.centerforlegaljustice.net

574.295.6149

The center for legal justice is a non-profit organization that provides compassionate legal services, on an income-contingent fee scale, with a focus on the low and middle income community in Northwest Indiana to ensure equal access to justice for its clients.

□ **Elkhart County Division of Family Resources**

1120 N Main St.
Suite 201
Elkhart, IN 46514
1-800-403-0864

Elkhart County Division of Family Resources is the local office which administers cash assistance (TANF), child care assistance (CANI), food stamps, and employment and training services for low-income clients as well as Medicaid.

□ **The Elkhart County Women's Shelter
Safe Haven**

PO Box 2684
Elkhart, IN, 46515
574.233.9491

The Elkhart County Women's Shelter is the only domestic violence shelter in Elkhart County. The Elkhart County Women's Shelter provides a safe and secure environment for women and children of domestic violence. The shelter also provides assistance with obtaining housing, protective orders, job search, counseling, and child care. In order to be eligible to stay at the shelter a client must be: a victim of domestic violence or homeless, at least 18 years of age or emancipated, a non-sex offender and mentally and physically able.

Indiana's Domestic Violence 24 hour hotline 1.800.332.7385
Or 800.YES.YWCA

□ **Elkhart Housing Authority**

1396 Benham Ave
Elkhart, IN 46516
574.295.8392

As one of the leading housing authorities in Indiana, the Housing Authority of the City of Elkhart (EHA) provides safe, desirable, and affordable housing to eligible members of the Elkhart Community while maintaining an atmosphere that encourages self sufficiency. The Elkhart Housing Authority provides subsidized housing assistance through its Low Income Public Housing and Housing Choice Voucher programs.

- **Elkhart Legal Aid**
330 W Lexington Ave
Elkhart, IN 46516
574.294.2658

Consults on legal services regarding government benefits, housing, family, education, and consumer issues

- **Emerge Ministries Care Center**
207 Saint Joseph Street
Elkhart, IN 46516
574.294.1303

Emerge Ministries offers case management, and when possible financial assistance to clients on the verge of becoming homeless. Emerge also manages a transitional housing program for women and women with children.

- **The Faith Mission**
801 Benham Avenue
PO Box 162
Elkhart, IN, 46516
574.293.3406

The Faith Mission of Elkhart is an inter-denominational Christian social service agency which provides food, shelter, clothing and other services for needy individuals.

- **Goshen Interfaith Hospitality Network**
105 S. Third Street
Goshen, IN 46526
574.534.2300

Goshen Interfaith Hospitality Network (GIHN) is one of approximately 100 Interfaith Hospitality Networks nationwide. GIHN's primary program is to provide shelter to homeless families. From 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM GIHN provides access to its day center, located at 105 S. Third Street, Goshen and then offers transportation to one of 18 local host/partner churches for a ministry of nurturance

- **Guidance Ministries, Inc.**
216 N. 2nd Street
Elkhart, IN 46516
574.296.7192

Guidance Ministries is a faith-based organization which offers numerous social service programs including, but are not limited to, a food and clothing pantry, addiction support groups, homeless services, and computer classes.

□ **Healthy Beginnings**
Elkhart County Health Department
1400 Hudson Street
Elkhart, IN 46516
574.522.0104

Healthy Beginnings offers programs aimed at prevention, education, and early intervention to enhance the health and lives of infants, children, and pregnant and breastfeeding women. The programs are Breastfeeding Education & Support, Dental Services for children, Healthy Babies prenatal care coordination, Pregnancy Testing, (WIC)

□ **Heart City Health Center**
236 Simpson Avenue
Elkhart, IN 46516
574.293.0052
148 E Hively Ave Suite 1
Elkhart, IN 46516
574.350.2500

Heart City Health Center is a non-profit, Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) providing affordable, high quality, health and dental care to Elkhart County residents. We offer a sliding fee scale based on income and family size for the Uninsured and also accept Medicaid, Medicare and some private insurances.

□ **Habitat for Humanity
Of Elkhart County**
2526 Peddler's Village Road
Goshen, IN 46526
574.533.6109
www.habitathec.com

Habitat for Humanity of Elkhart County Inc. is a non-profit organization working in partnership with GOD and people from all walks of life to build quality, sustainable and affordable homes in which people can live and grow into all God intends.

□ **Home Matters - City of Elkhart**
229 S. Second Street
Elkhart, IN 46516
574.294.5471

Home Matters is part of the City of Elkhart, Community and Redevelopment department. This program offers rehabilitation assistance of single family, owner-occupied homes. This program is designed to bring homes up to acceptable Health and Safety Standards.

□ **HEA**
Horizon Learning Center
1396 Benham Ave, Suite A
Elkhart, IN
www.heaindiana.org

Provides continuing education services with High School Equivalency preparation programs

□ **Just Help: Elkhart County Legal Advocacy Center**

400 W. Lincoln Ave
Goshen, IN 46526
574.537.8592

Just Help's mission is to help Elkhart County residents' access quality, timely and affordable legal services. Center staff will receive clients and direct them to the most appropriate community agency, such as Elkhart Legal Aid, the Volunteer Lawyer Network or La Casa of Goshen. Clients whose needs cannot be met by other community organizations may be served by Just Help's attorneys, according to a sliding fee scale.

□ **La Casa, Inc**

202 N. Cottage Ave
Goshen, IN 46528
574.533.4450
www.lacasainc.net

LaCasa works in partnership with individuals and community partners to create opportunity for personal growth, family stability and neighborhood improvement. Among its many services, La Casa offers financial literacy and homeownership education classes, Individual Development Accounts and its Immigration and Language Services answers questions and completes paperwork for immigrants from any country who qualify for an immigration benefit under the U.S. law

□ **Notre Dame Law Clinic**

725 Howard St
South Bend, In 46617
574.631.6704

Provides free legal services to those who qualify.

□ **Oaklawn**

2600 Oakland Avenue
Elkhart, IN 46517
574.533.1234

Oaklawn is Elkhart County's community mental health facility. Oaklawn offers a comprehensive array of mental health and addictions services for children, adolescents, adults and seniors.

□ **Osolo Township Trustee Relief Office**

25600 County Road 4
Elkhart, IN 46514
574.262.2175

The Relief office provides general financial assistance to eligible township residents. Assistance is based on financial need and available funds.

☐ **Real Services**

(Located in Concord Mall—next to Carson’s)
3701 S. Main St. #1005
Elkhart, IN 46517
875-0606

Real Services administers a network of services that are used by older adults and low income households in Elkhart County. Services offered include: energy assistance, weatherization, meals on wheels, case management, etc.

☐ **RETA**
Reason Enough To Act
300 W High St
Elkhart, IN 46516
574.522.3888

RETA is a family resource center committed to helping you find the support you need when facing a pregnancy and beyond. We are here to provide free pregnancy tests, limited ultrasounds, a listening ear and information on all your options.

☐ **Ryan’s Place**
203 North 5th St
Goshen, IN 46526
574.535.1000

Ryan’s Place is dedicated to children who grieve. They provide support in a safe environment where grieving children, teens and their families can share their experience as they move through the healing process.

☐ **Salvation Army**
300 N. Main Street
Elkhart, IN 46516
574.970.0088

The Salvation Army of Elkhart County offers numerous social service programs which include, but are not limited to, the following: Emergency Financial Assistance, Food & Nutrition Programs, and seasonal services like energy assistance.

☐ **Vocational Rehab**
1659 Mishawaka St.
Elkhart, IN
574.262.2086

Provides assistance for people with disabilities to obtain services to help them prepare and maintain employment.

□ **WorkOne of Indiana**

430 Waterfall Dr.

Elkhart, IN

574.295.0105

Theresa DeMauro #210

tdemauro@gotoworkone.com

Work Indiana allows you to brush up on your education, such as earning a high school equivalency while working towards an industry recognized certification in high demand occupations. Career certificate training improves your chances of securing a good job in higher wage occupations.

□ **YWCA Elkhart County**

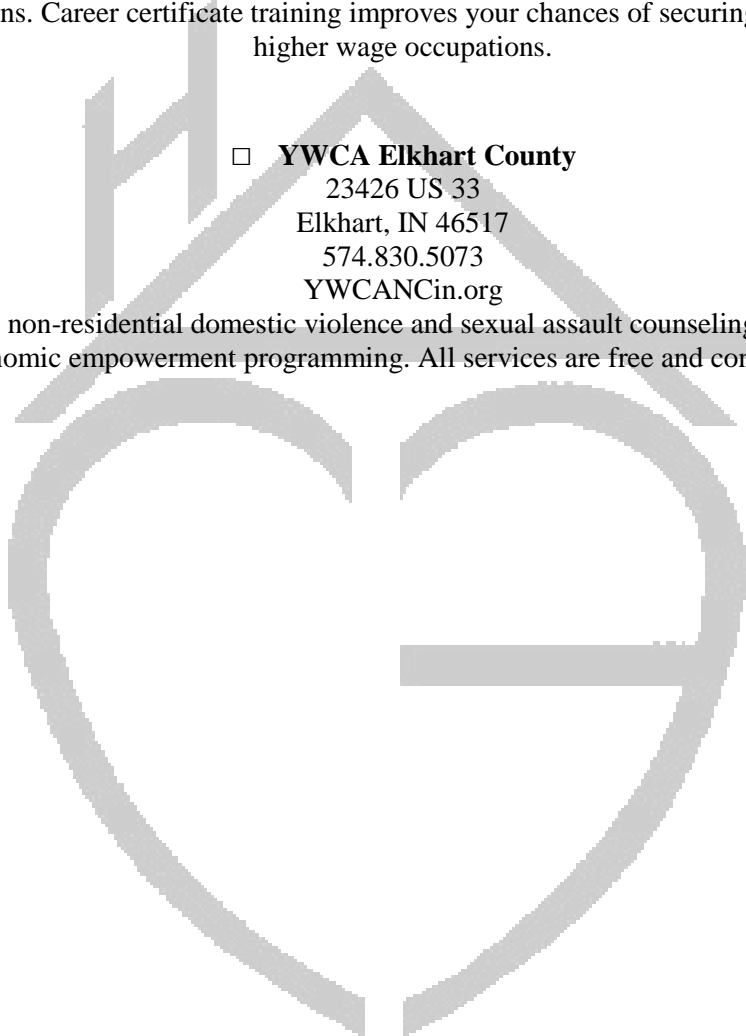
23426 US 33

Elkhart, IN 46517

574.830.5073

YWCANCin.org

Provides non-residential domestic violence and sexual assault counseling services and economic empowerment programming. All services are free and confidential.



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