This guide is for people who are in need of resources for addictions, financial difficulties, unemployment or retraining needs, free or low-cost healthcare and dental care, affordable housing, and other areas of basic needs and live in Houston County in Minnesota and Buffalo, Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau, and Vernon Counties in Wisconsin
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Many health care providers and counseling agencies offer help for addictions. For more information about specific services contact:

Great Rivers 2-1-1 .................................................................................. 2-1-1 or (800) 362-8255
Internet Web Site: www.greatrivers211.org
Text your zip code to 898211

Wisconsin Addiction Recovery Helpline.............................................2-1-1 or (833) 944-4673
Internet Web Site: https://211wisconsin.communityos.org/addiction-helpline
Text your zip code to 898211

ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUG ADDICTIONS

Addiction Medical Solutions (AMS) of Wisconsin.................................(608) 783-0506
Internet Web Site: www.amswisconsin.com
• Provides treatment of opiate addiction and a provider of comprehensive addictive treatment services

Alcoholics Anonymous – Buffalo and Trempealeau Counties ..............(715) 835-5543
Alcoholics Anonymous - Crawford County ........................................ (608) 222-8989
Alcoholics Anonymous - Houston County (Southeast Minnesota) ...........(507) 452-2348
Alcoholics Anonymous - La Crosse, Monroe, and Vernon Counties ..........(608) 784-7560
National Hotline ..................................................................................(212) 870-3400
Internet Web Site: www.aa.org
• Twelve Step support groups for people with alcoholism

Al-Anon Family Groups – Meeting Information Line..........................(888) 425-2666
Internet Web Site: www.area61afg.org
• Twelve Step support groups for families and friends of people with alcoholism

Celebrate Recovery ................................................................................
Internet Web Site: https://locator.crgroups.info/
• A faith based, Bible-centered support group for individuals struggling with addiction. Group practices are based on a 12 Step system, with 8 Recovery Principles which are founded on Biblical quotations.
• Visit the website for meeting information

Coulee Recovery Center – Coulee Council on Addictions (La Crosse) ..........(608) 784-4177
Internet Web Site: www.couleeecouncil.org
• Provides confidential assistance, information and referral, education, and services to people of all ages dealing with substance abuse and other addictions
Contact Great Rivers 2-1-1 for more information about these or other resources available
Dial 2-1-1 or (800) 362-8255
or
Text your zip code to 898211

County Substance Abuse Services

- Buffalo County: (608) 685-4412
- Crawford County: (608) 326-0248
- Houston County: (507) 725-5811
- La Crosse County: (608) 784-4357
- Monroe County: (608) 269-8600
- Trempealeau County: (715) 538-2311
- Vernon County: (608) 637-5210

Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders Information Line: (608) 265-6392
Internet Web Site: www.fasdeducation.org
- Toll free information number for women and the providers who work with women of childbearing age who are looking for information about women and alcohol, alcohol and pregnancy, and related issues

Ho-Chunk Nation Department of Health: www.ho-chunknation.com
- AODA services for members of the Ho-Chunk Nation

Minnesota Region of Narcotics Anonymous: (877) 767-7676
Internet Web Site: www.namn.org
- Twelve Step support group for people with addictions

- Helps people recover from all types of addictive or self-destructive behaviors. The group focuses on four program points: Enhancing and Maintaining Motivation to Abstain, Coping with Urges, Problem Solving, and Lifestyle Balance.
- Visit the website for meeting information

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA): (877) 726-4727
Internet Web Site: www.samhsa.gov
- Helpline and searchable database of substance abuse treatment options

Wisconsin Region of Narcotics Anonymous: (920) 232-9615
Internet Web Site: https://wisconsinna.org/members/area-services/
- Twelve Step support group for people with addictions
GAMBLING

Gamblers Anonymous ................................................................. (608) 784-4177
Area Served includes: Houston County in Minnesota; La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau and Vernon Counties
- Support groups for people with gambling addictions

Gamblers Anonymous International ............................................. (626) 960-3500
Internet Web Site: www.gamblersanonymous.org/ga/
Area Served includes: Houston County in Minnesota; Buffalo, Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau and Vernon Counties in Wisconsin
- Support groups for people with gambling addictions

Gam - Anon International Service Office ..................................... (718) 352-1671
Gam – Anon – La Crosse Area ....................................................... (608) 784-4177
Internet Web Site: www.gam-anon.org
Area Served includes: Houston County in Minnesota; La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau and Vernon Counties in Wisconsin
- Information and support for families and friends of people with gambling addictions

Minnesota Problem Gambling Helpline ........................................ (800) 333-4673
Internet Web Site: http://mn.gov/dhs/people-we-serve/adults/services/gambling-problems/

National Council on Problem Gambling ..................................... (800) 522-4700
Internet Web Site: www.ncpgambling.org

Wisconsin Council on Problem Gambling ................................... (800) 426-2535
Internet Web Site: www.wi-problemgamblers.org

SMOKING AND TOBACCO USE

American Lung Association in Wisconsin .................................... (800) 566-4072
Internet Web Site: https://www.lung.org/about-us/local-associations/wisconsin.html
- Provides smoking cessation programs and information

ClearWay Minnesota ...................................................................... (866) 243-2337
Internet Web Site: www.clearwaymn.org/
- Provides free telephone counseling, tips, and other information about quit plans and medications

Wisconsin Tobacco Quitline ....................................................... (800) 784-8669
Internet Web Site: www.WIQuitLine.org
- Provides free telephone counseling, tips, and other information about quit plans and medications
Contact Great Rivers 2-1-1 for more information about these or other resources available

Dial 2-1-1 or (800) 362-8255

or

Text your zip code to 898211

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**CHILD CARE ASSISTANCE**

**REFERRALS TO CHILD CARE**

**Buffalo County Department of Health and Human Services – Child Care Referrals...** (608) 685-4412

- Internet Web Site: [www.buffalocounty.com](http://www.buffalocounty.com)
- Area Served includes: Buffalo County

**Families First of Minnesota - Rochester, MN ......................................................... (888) 291-9811**

- Internet Web Site: [www.familiesfirstmn.org/](http://www.familiesfirstmn.org/)
- Area Served includes: Houston County

**Houston County Department of Human Services - Child Care Provider List .......... (507) 725-5810**

- Internet Web Site: [www.co.houston.mn.us](http://www.co.houston.mn.us)
- Area Served includes: Houston County

**The Parenting Place ................................................................. (800) 873-1768**

- Internet Web Site: [www.theparentingplace.net](http://www.theparentingplace.net)
- Area Served includes: Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe and Vernon Counties including the Ho-Chunk Nation

**WI Department of Children & Families Online Licensed Childcare Search (contact via Web site)**

- Internet Web Site: [http://childcarefinder.wisconsin.gov](http://childcarefinder.wisconsin.gov)
- Area Served includes: Wisconsin

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**FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR CHILD CARE**

**Minnesota Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP) - Houston County ............... (507) 725-5811**

- Internet Web Site: [http://co.houston.mn.us/DHS.aspx](http://co.houston.mn.us/DHS.aspx)

**Wisconsin Shares**

- **Western Region for Economic Assistance ......................................................... (888) 627-0430**
  - Internet Web Site: [https://dcf.wisconsin.gov/wishes](https://dcf.wisconsin.gov/wishes)
  - Area Served Includes: Buffalo, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau, and Vernon Counties

- **Southern Consortium............................................................... (888) 794-5780**
  - Internet Web Site: [https://dcf.wisconsin.gov/wishes](https://dcf.wisconsin.gov/wishes)
  - Area Served Includes: Crawford County
EDUCATION

ADULT BASIC EDUCATION AND HIGH SCHOOL EQUIVALENCY/GED

Chippewa Valley Technical College - Eau Claire Campus .............................................. (715) 743-3965 ext. 0
Internet Web Site:  www.cvtc.edu
- Adult basic skills improvement program; adult high school credit courses and GED preparation and testing
Eligibility: General public

Coulee Region Literacy Council – Adult Literacy Programs ........................................... (608) 789-4752
Internet Web Site:  www.couleeregionliteracycouncil.com
Area Served Includes: La Crosse, Monroe, and Vernon Counties
- Provides free one-on-one tutoring for persons who need assistance with reading
Eligibility: Adults who need assistance with reading and writing skills

Hope Academy – Family and Children’s Center .............................................................. (608) 785-0001 ext. 312
Internet Web Site:  www.fcconline.org
- Provides alternative education for parenting mothers
Eligibility: Parenting mothers

Minnesota Literacy Council – Adult Literacy Hotline ...................................................... (800) 222-1990
Internet Web Site:  http://www.mnliteracy.org/home
Area Served Includes: Houston County
- Provide adult basic education services; GED testing preparation, basic reading skills, language arts, math, social studies

Southwest Wisconsin Technical College ..................................................................... (800) 362-3322
Internet Web Site:  www.swtc.edu
- Adult basic education/GED classes
Eligibility: Age 16 or older

Western Technical College ............................................................................................... (800) 322-9982
Internet Web Site:  www.westerntc.edu
- Adult basic education/GED classes; campuses in Black River Falls, Independence, La Crosse, Mauston, Sparta, Tomah, and Viroqua
Eligibility: General public

Winona Area Public School District – Community Education ........................................... (507) 494-0924
Internet Web Site:  www.winona.k12.mn.us
Area Served Includes: Houston County
- Adult basic education/GED classes
CONTINUING EDUCATION AND COLLEGES/UNIVERSITIES

Chippewa Valley Technical College......................................................... (800) 547-2882
Internet Web Site: www.cvtc.edu

Minnesota State College Southeast......................................................... (877) 853-8324
Internet Web Site: www.southeastmn.edu

Saint Mary’s University of Minnesota.................................................... (800) 635-5987
Internet Web Site: www.smumn.edu

Southwest Wisconsin Technical College ................................................. (800) 362-3322
Internet Web Site: www.swtc.edu

University of Wisconsin - Eau Claire Campus....................................... (715) 836-4636
Internet Web Site: www.uwec.edu

University of Wisconsin - La Crosse Campus........................................ (608) 785-8939
Internet Web Site: www.uwlax.edu

University of Wisconsin - Platteville Campus....................................... (608) 342-1491
Internet Web Site: www.uwplatt.edu

University of Wisconsin – Platteville Richland Campus............................ (608) 800-6804
Internet Web Site: www.campus.uwplatt.edu/richland

Viterbo University - La Crosse ............................................................... (800) 848-3726
Internet Web Site: www.viterbo.edu

Western Technical College ...................................................................... (800) 322-9982
Internet Web Site: www.westerntc.edu
   • Also has campuses in Black River Falls, Independence, Mauston, Sparta, Tomah, and Viroqua

Winona State University ......................................................................... (507) 457-5000
Internet Web Site: www.winona.edu
EMPLOYMENT

MINNESOTA FAMILY INVESTMENT PROGRAM

The Minnesota Family Investment Program, or MFIP, is the state’s welfare reform program for low-income families with children. MFIP focuses on helping families and moving people to work. It includes both cash and food assistance. When most families first apply for cash assistance, they will participate in the Diversionary Work Program. This is a four month program that helps parents go immediately to work rather than receive welfare. Some families may be referred to MFIP when they first apply for assistance or after they finish four months of DWP. MFIP helps families transition to economic stability. Parents are expected to work, and are supported in working. Most families can get cash assistance for only 60 months. For information or to apply contact:

Houston County Department of Human Services ................................................................. (507) 725-5811
Internet Web Site: http://co.houston.mn.us/DHS.aspx

WISCONSIN WORKS (W-2)

W-2 is based on work participation and personal responsibility. Under W-2 there is no entitlement to assistance, but there is a place for eligible people willing to work to their ability. There are five paid employment and training plans available. Participation is time limited, although there may be extensions. Employment support services are available to participants which may include child care subsidies, job access loans, transportation assistance, and health care (Medicaid/BadgerCare). For information or to apply contact:

Workforce Connections, Inc. .......................................................... (855) 418-9332
Internet Web Site: www.workforceconnections.org
Eligibility: Parents of minor children and pregnant women (ages 18 and older) with low assets and low income are eligible for W-2 employment and training positions and/or case management; minor parents are eligible for case management services

EMPLOYMENT TRAINING, PLACEMENT, AND SEARCH

Houston County Department of Human Services ................................................................. (507) 725-5811
Internet Web Site: http://co.houston.mn.us/DHS.aspx
- Diversionary Work Program: an intensive short-term, work-focused program to help families with dependent children obtain work
- The Food Support Employment And Training Program: program to help Food Support recipients prepare for and become employed

Area Served includes: Houston County
Contact Great Rivers 2-1-1 for more information about these or other resources available
Dial 2-1-1 or (800) 362-8255
or
Text your zip code to 898211

Job Corps National Call Center .......................................................................................... (800) 733-5627
Internet Web Site: www.jobcorps.gov
- The National Call Center refers youth, age 16 to 24 years, meeting income requirements to their local Job Corp Center and an admissions counselor
Area Served includes: Buffalo, Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau, and Vernon Counties in Wisconsin and Houston County in Minnesota

Western Technical College ....................................................................................................... (800) 322-9982
Internet Web Site: www.westermc.edu
- Educational and career advisement for the general public and enrolled students; works to meet the needs of individuals, especially women and men entering or re-entering school and/or the workforce (displaced homemakers and dislocated workers)
Area Served includes: Buffalo, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau and Vernon Counties (Centers in La Crosse and Tomah)

Western Wisconsin Workforce Development Board........................................................................ (608) 789-5627
Internet Web Site: http://www.westernwdb.org
- Job search assistance and counseling; also job listings through the Job Line and via the internet
Area Served includes: Buffalo, Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau and Vernon Counties

Workforce Connections, Inc........................................................................................................... (800) 742-5627
Internet Web Site: www.workforceconnections.org
- Employment Coordinators work one-on-one to provide direct employment services for workers who have been laid off, self-employed dislocated workers, dislocated farmers, and long-term dislocated workers; also provides services to low-income youth and adults who need additional training in order to become self-sufficient
- Workforce Innovation and Opportunities Act (WIOA); classroom training, work experience, and on-the-job training for youth and adults who are low-income, receiving public assistance, and are unemployed
Area Served includes: Buffalo, Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau, and Vernon Counties

Workforce Development Inc. – Houston County........................................................................... (800) 657-4629
Internet Web Site: www.workforcedevelopmentinc.org
- Comprehensive assistance with employment needs; serves youth and adults with a focus on those who are economically disadvantaged
Area Served includes: Houston County
Contact Great Rivers 2-1-1 for more information about these or other resources available
Dial 2-1-1 or (800) 362-8255
or
Text your zip code to 898211

Wisconsin Department Of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection ............. (800) 422-7128

Internet Web Site:  http://datcp.wi.gov

* Wisconsin Farm Center
  * Offers a free Farmers’ Assistance Hotline; (800) 942-2474
  * Employment and training services including career change counseling, information about training programs, tuition assistance, and job hunting strategies
  * Future Fields assists producers who are transitioning out of farming or looking to supplement farm income with career counseling and educational assistance

Area Served includes: Buffalo, Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau and Vernon Counties
Eligibility: Farmers and their families

STARTING A BUSINESS

* Coulee Region Business Center .......................................................................................... (608) 782-8022
  Internet Web Site:  www.crbc.biz
  * Small Business Development
    * Provides below market-rate rental space on flexible terms; offers administrative services to the tenants that would otherwise be unavailable or unaffordable; and provides an environment where small businesses are not alone, managers share experiences and potentially buy from each other

Area Served includes: La Crosse County
Eligibility: New and expanding businesses

* Farm Service Agency – Houston County.............................................................................. (507) 765-2123 ext. 2
  Internet Web Site:  www.fsa.usda.gov/wmn
  * Youth Business Loans
    * Rural Youth loans for income-producing agricultural projects which provide practical business experience

Area Served includes: Houston County
Eligibility: Farming youth

* Farm Service Agency – Monroe County.............................................................................. (608) 269-8136
  Internet Web Site:  www.fsa.usda.gov/wi
  * Provides emergency loans to farmers suffering from crop disasters and physical losses due to storms

Area Served includes: Buffalo, La Crosse, Monroe and Trempealeau Counties
Eligibility: Must be 18 years of age and unable to secure credit elsewhere

* Farm Service Agency – Vernon County .............................................................................. (608) 637-2183 ext. 203
  Internet Web Site:  www.fsa.usda.gov/wi
  * Provides emergency loans to farmers suffering from crop disasters and physical losses due to storms

Area Served includes: Crawford and Vernon Counties
Eligibility: Farmers and their families
Contact Great Rivers 2-1-1 for more information about these or other resources available

Dial 2-1-1 or (800) 362-8255
or
Text your zip code to 898211

Minneapolis Department of Employment and Economic Development ......................................... (800) 657-3858

Internet Web Site: https://mn.gov/portal/business/

- Counseling and assistance on business regulations, tax, structure, or other issues

Area Served includes: Houston County

Eligibility: General public

Institute for Business and Entrepreneurship ................................................................. (608) 262-3253

Internet Web Site: www.uwex.edu

- Formerly called University of Wisconsin – Extension
- Offers business development resources

Area Served includes: Buffalo, Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau, and Vernon Counties

Eligibility: General public

Rural Development – Dunn County Office ................................................................. (715) 232-2614

Internet Web Site: www.rd.usda.gov/wi

- Business, industry, and community development loans and grants to promote the rural economy and employment

Area Served includes: Buffalo, La Crosse, Monroe and Trempealeau Counties

Eligibility: Rural residents or potential rural residents with very low to moderate income; loans are available to persons with good credit ratings who are unable to secure a loan from a local lender

Rural Development – Iowa County Office ................................................................. (608) 935-2791

Internet Web Site: www.rd.usda.gov/wi

- Business, industry, and community development loans and grants to promote the rural economy and employment

Area Served includes: Crawford and Vernon Counties

Eligibility: Rural residents or potential rural residents with very low to low income; loans are available to persons with good credit ratings who are unable to secure a loan from a local lender

Rural Development - Southern Minnesota ................................................................. (507) 455-3215

Internet Web Site: www.rd.usda.gov/mn

- Community Development Loans; business, industry and community development loans to promote the rural economy and employment

Area Served includes: Houston County

Eligibility: Loans may be made available to persons with solid credit ratings but unable to secure a loan from a commercial lender; guaranteed loan applicants work through their lender to obtain this assistance
University Of Wisconsin - La Crosse (UW-L) ............................................................... (608) 785-8782

Internet Web Site:  www.uwlax.edu/sbdc

Small Business Development Center

- Provides free one-on-one advising for businesses or for business start-ups
- Services are targeted toward businesses that plan to expand, improve efficiency, or resolve problems
- Matches businesses with advanced students under faculty guidance to complete case studies, business plans, financial and market analysis and marketing services

Area Served includes:  La Crosse County

Eligibility:  General public

Western Dairyland Economic Opportunity Council ............................................. (715) 836-7511 ext.1171

Internet Web Site:  www.westerndairyland.org

Business Development

- Assists individuals in the development and expansion of micro and small businesses
- Business management training and resource identification
- One-on-one technical business plan assistance in determining business development feasibility/market

Area Served includes:  Buffalo and Trempealeau Counties

Eligibility:  Low- and moderate-income people, refugees, and W-2 recipients

Wisconsin Department Of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection ............. (800) 422-7128

Internet Web Site:  http://datcp.wi.gov/Farms/Wisconsin_Farm_Center

Wisconsin Farm Center

- Offers a free Farmers’ Assistance Hotline; (800) 942-2474
- Farm Link and Beginning Farmer Program assists retiring, relocating, and beginning farmers in maintaining and establishing successful farm businesses
- Employment and training services include information and support regarding small business development
- Information clearinghouse including links to resources and information on financing options, government programs including disaster response, marketing options, entrepreneurial possibilities, safety and health issues, changes in laws and regulations

Area Served includes:  Buffalo, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau, and Vernon Counties

Eligibility:  Farmers and their families

FINANCIAL COUNSELING/BUDGETING

CareConnect USA ....................................................................................................................... (800) 291-1068

Internet Web Site:  www.careconnectusa.org

- Provides publications for individuals and families struggling with their finances; program is often an alternative to bankruptcy
- Free Bankruptcy Advice Helpline provides free telephone consultation for debtors who cannot get relief from other solutions; callers will speak with an attorney for advice and to assess whether bankruptcy is a viable option

Area Served includes:  Nationwide

Eligibility:  General public
Contact Great Rivers 2-1-1 for more information about these or other resources available

Dial 2-1-1 or (800) 362-8255
or
Text your zip code to 898211

Catholic Charities - La Crosse .................................................................................. (888) 212-4357
Internet Web Site:  www.cclse.org

- Provides financial counseling for individuals and families; credit and debt management; budgeting and money management

Area Served includes: Buffalo, Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau, and Vernon Counties
Eligibility: General public

Consumer Credit Counseling Service of La Crosse (CCCS) ........................................ (608) 784-8380
Internet Web Site:  www.cccsonline.org

- Money management and budgeting education
- Credit counseling and debt management, including debt consolidation
- Bankruptcy counseling

Area Served includes: Buffalo, Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau, and Vernon Counties in Wisconsin and Houston County in Minnesota
Eligibility: General public

Extension Crawford County, UW-Madison ................................................................. (608) 326-0223

- Provides family financial management information and counseling

Area Served includes: Crawford County
Eligibility: General public

Extension La Crosse County, UW-Madison ................................................................. (608) 785-9593

- Provides family financial management information and counseling

Area Served includes: La Crosse County
Eligibility: General public

Extension Trempealeau County, UW-Madison ......................................................... (715) 538-2311 ext. 208

- Provides family financial management information and counseling

Area Served includes: Trempealeau County
Eligibility: General public

FamilyMeans – Financial Solutions ........................................................................... (800) 327-3203
Internet Web Site:  www.familymeans.org

- Credit counseling, debt repayment programs, and financial education
- Bankruptcy counseling and pre-discharge money management education classes

Area Served includes: Buffalo, Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau, and Vernon Counties in Wisconsin and Houston County in Minnesota
Eligibility: General public
FOOD RESOURCES

SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (SNAP)
(FOODSHARE IN WISCONSIN, SNAP IN MINNESOTA)

SNAP is a federal program which helps low income people and families buy the food they need to have good health. People apply for benefits by completing a State application form. Benefits are provided on an electronic card that is used like an ATM card and accepted at most grocery stores or food markets. For information or to apply contact:

Houston County Department of Human Services....................................................... (507) 725-5811 ext.1211
Internet Web Site: http://co.houston.mn.us/DHS.aspx
Area Served Includes: Houston County
To apply: Call for information or complete application at http://applymn.dhs.mn.gov

In Minnesota people may check to see if they are eligible for SNAP or other assistance programs by answering a few questions on the Bridge to Benefits website at mn.bridgetobenefits.org/Home2

Wisconsin Department of Health Services Wisconsin Division of Health Access and Accountability
Internet Web Site: www.access.wi.gov

Southern Consortium.................................................................(888) 794-5780
Internet Web Site: https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/forwardhealth/imagency/southern.htm
Area Served Includes: Crawford County
To apply: Call for information or complete an application on the ACCESS website
Western Region for Economic Assistance ............................................................ (888) 627-0430
Internet Web Site:  http://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/forwardhealth/imagency/western.htm
Area Served Includes: Buffalo, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau, and Vernon Counties
To apply:  Call for information or complete an application on the ACCESS website

In Wisconsin people may check to see if they are eligible for FoodShare or other assistance programs and apply for any of these programs directly online by using the ACCESS Web site at www.access.wi.gov

WIC (WOMEN, INFANTS, AND CHILDREN)

WIC is a federal program which provides access to nutritious foods for women who are pregnant, breastfeeding, or who are new mothers. This program also provides nutritious food for infants and children (age birth through 4 years old). There are income eligibility requirements for this program and participants are also screened for a health or nutrition need. Participants receive an eWIC card which can be used in participating grocery stores or food markets to purchase specified nutritious foods. For more information or to apply contact:

Buffalo County Public Health Department.......................................................... (715) 495-1556
Internet Web Site:  www.buffalocountypublichealth.com
Area Served Includes: Buffalo County
To apply:  Call for an appointment

Ho-Chunk Nation Health Care Center ............................................................ (715) 284-9851 ext.5302
Internet Web Site:  www.ho-chunknation.com
Area Served Includes: Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, and Vernon Counties (This office serves members of the Ho-Chunk Nation, members of other Native American Nations, or employees of the Ho-Chunk Nation only.)
To apply:  Call for information (able to provide interpreters who speak both Ho-Chunk and English)

Houston County Public Health Department..................................................... (507) 725-5816 ext.2298
Internet Web Site:  http://co.houston.mn.us/PHN.aspx
Area Served Includes: Houston County
To apply:  Call for information or to apply

La Crosse County Health Department .......................................................... (608) 785-9865
Internet Web Site:  http://www.co.la-crosse.wi.us/health
Area Served Includes: La Crosse County
To apply:  Call for an appointment

Monroe County Health Department .......................................................... (608) 269-8671
Internet Web Site:  www.co.monroe.wi.us
Area Served Includes: Monroe County
To apply:  Call for an appointment
Contact Great Rivers 2-1-1 for more information about these or other resources available

Dial 2-1-1 or (800) 362-8255

or

Text your zip code to 898211

Southwestern Wisconsin Community Action Program ................................................................. (608) 935-2326 ext. 216
Internet Web Site:  http://www.swcap.org/service-wic.html
Area Served Includes: Crawford County
To apply: Call for an appointment

Trempealeau County Health Department ................................................................................... (715) 538-2311 ext. 220
Internet Web Site:  www.tremplocounty.com/healthdept
Area Served Includes: Trempealeau County
To apply: Call for an appointment

Vernon County Health Department ............................................................................................. (608) 637-5260
Internet Web Site: www.vernoncounty.org/health
Area Served Includes: Vernon County
To apply: Call or walk in for appointment and registration

COMMUNITY MEALS

A Place of Grace Catholic Worker House ...................................................................................... (608) 782-6224
• Lunch is served on Tuesday and Wednesday at 11am; dinner is served Thursday at 5 pm; afternoon meal is served at 1:30pm on the last Sunday of each month; Call or walk in
• 919 Hood Street, La Crosse
Area Served includes: La Crosse County
Eligibility: General public

Come For Supper - Ettrick ........................................................................................................... (608) 582-2196
• Provides a free meal on the 3rd Sunday of each month from 5pm – 6:30pm; take outs and delivery (in town) are available with prior notice
• Living Hope Lutheran Church, 15630 East 4th Street
Area Served includes: The Ettrick Area in Trempealeau County
Eligibility: General public

Come For Supper – La Crosse ...................................................................................................... (608) 782-3468
• Provides a free meal on Tuesday from 5pm – 6pm, doors open at 4pm
• Our Savior’s Lutheran Church, 612 Division Street, La Crosse
Area Served includes: La Crosse County
Eligibility: General public

Come For Supper – Prairie du Chien .......................................................................................... (608) 326-6411
• Provides a free meal on the 3rd Thursday of each month from 5pm – 6:30pm, carry outs available after 6pm
• St Peter Evangelical Lutheran Church, 201 South Michigan Street, Prairie du Chien
Area Served includes: Crawford County
Eligibility: General public
Come For Supper – Westby .......................................................... (608) 634-4871

- Offers social hour on Tuesday from 4pm – 5pm, followed by a free meal at 5pm
- Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 306 South Main Street, Westby

Area Served includes: Westby Area
Eligibility: General public

Community Dinner – United Methodist Church ...........................................................................(608) 783-3380

- Provides a free community dinner on the 2nd Tuesday of each month from 5:30pm – 6:30pm
- Fellowship Hall of the United Methodist Church of Onalaska, 212 4th Avenue North, Onalaska

Area Served includes: Onalaska and surrounding area
Eligibility: General public

Community Meal – New Beginnings Christian Fellowship ................................................... (608) 782-8030

- Provides a free community dinner on Saturday from 5:30pm – 6:30pm
- New Beginnings Christian Fellowship, 122 5th Avenue North, La Crosse

Area Served includes: La Crosse County
Eligibility: General public

Holmen's Hope ......................................................................................................................... Walk-in only

- Free meal served on the last Tuesday of the month, 5pm – 7pm
- Holmen American Legion, 419 1st Avenue West, Holmen

Area Served includes: Residents in the Village of Holmen and Holmen School District
Eligibility: General public

Monday's Meals ....................................................................................................................... (608) 738-3811

- Free meal served on Monday, 5pm – 6pm, doors open earlier
- Trinity Lutheran Church, 1010 Sill Street, La Crosse

Area Served includes: La Crosse County
Eligibility: General public

The Salvation Army - La Crosse ............................................................................................ (608) 782-6126

Internet Web Site: www.usc.salvationarmy.org

- Three meals a day are furnished for individuals and families needing this service; this includes people with no cooking facilities; families between checks; or those whose public assistance has been lost or delayed
- Breakfast is served Monday-Friday 7:30am – 8am, Saturday and Sunday 8:30am – 9am; lunch is served Monday-Friday 11:30am – 12 Noon, Saturday and Sunday 12:30pm – 1pm; and daily supper is served from 4:30pm-5pm
- 223 North 8th Street, La Crosse

Area Served includes: La Crosse County
Eligibility: General public
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Tomah Community Table................................................................. (608) 343-7039
  • Provides a free meal on Monday from 4:30pm – 5:30pm
  • Masonic Lodge, 520 East Saratoga Street, Tomah
Area Served includes: Monroe County
Eligibility: General public

West Salem Community Dinner ........................................................ (608) 786-0910
  • Provides a free community dinner on the 4th Wednesday of each month from 5pm – 6pm
  • Presbyterian Church, 625 West Franklin Street, West Salem
Area Served includes: La Crosse County
Eligibility: General public

FOOD PANTRIES/FOOD PURCHASE ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

A Place of Grace Catholic Worker House ........................................ (608) 782-6224
  • Provides a small food pantry with non-perishable food and personal grooming supplies; baby food, formula, and diapers maybe available
  • 919 Hood Street, La Crosse
Area Served includes: La Crosse County and surrounding communities
Eligibility: General public

AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin.............................................. (800) 947-3353
  • Provides a food pantry and food vouchers, call for more information
  • 811 Rose Street, La Crosse
Area Served includes: La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau, and Vernon Counties
Eligibility: People with AIDS or HIV

Arcadia Community Pantry ............................................................. (608) 323-7116
  • A mobile food pantry; bring sturdy boxes or bags to carry groceries home
  • Bethel Lutheran Church, N29280 Loesel Lane, Arcadia
Area Served includes: Trempealeau County
Eligibility: General public

Bethel Butikk – Bethel Home and Services, Inc. ............................... (608) 634-3473
Internet Web Site: www.bethelhome.org
  • Food pantry providing cereal, meat, eggs, and dry goods; pet food as available
  • 341 Black River Avenue, Westby
Area Served includes: Crawford (Soldier's Grove, Rising Sun, and Towerville), Monroe (Cashton), and Vernon Counties
Eligibility: Must meet income guidelines
Blair Food Pantry ............................................................................................................ (608) 989-2818
- Provides a bag of groceries
- 126 South Peterson Street, Blair

Area Served includes: Blair and Ettrick Cities in Trempealeau County
Eligibility: General public with a Blair or Ettrick address

Buffalo County Food Pantry ......................................................................................... (608) 685-4946
- Food pantry with non-perishable food
- 709 South 2nd Street, Alma

Area Served includes: Buffalo County
Eligibility: Individuals, families, and the elderly who are income eligible

Cashton Cupboard and Closet...................................................................................... (608) 654-5770
- Food pantry providing perishable and non-perishable food items; pet food as available
- 199 Front Street, Cashton

Area Served includes: Monroe County
Eligibility: Individuals and families in need

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of La Crosse, Inc. .................................................... (608) 782-0710

Internet Web Site: [www.cclse.org](http://www.cclse.org)
- Provides a small food pantry with non-perishable food and personal grooming supplies; baby food and formula maybe available
- Food vouchers maybe available
- 413 South 3rd Street, La Crosse

Area Served includes: Buffalo, Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, and Trempealeau Counties
Eligibility: Individuals and families

Coulee Recovery Center – Coulee Council on Addictions ........................................... (608) 784-4177

Internet Web Site: [www.couleecap.org](http://www.couleecap.org)
- Provides a small food pantry with non-perishable foods as well as meat, vegetables and bread when available
- 933 Ferry Street, La Crosse

Area Served includes: La Crosse County
Eligibility: People in recovery

Couleecap – Crawford County ..................................................................................... (608) 326-2463

Internet Web Site: [www.couleecap.org](http://www.couleecap.org)
- A food pantry with perishable and non-perishable food
- 200 East Blackhawk Avenue, Prairie du Chien

Area Served includes: Crawford County
Eligibility: Individuals and families with an emergency need and who qualify within income guidelines
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Couleecap – Monroe County……………………………………………………………………..(608) 424-4187
Internet Web Site:  www.couleecap.org
-  A food pantry with perishable and non-perishable food
-  217 North Black River Street, Sparta
Area Served includes:  Monroe County
Eligibility:  Individuals and families with an emergency need and who qualify within income guidelines

Ecumenical Bread Basket Food Pantry…………………………………………………………..(608) 269-0999
-  Provides a food pantry; baby formula and diapers as available
-  116 North Water Street, Sparta
Area Served includes:  City of Sparta in Monroe County
Eligibility:  Residents of the City of Sparta; no income criteria

First Free Church Food Pantry………………………………………………………………….(608) 782-6022
-  Food pantry with non-perishable food, personal grooming supplies, and sometimes diapers
-  123 Mason Street, Onalaska
Area Served includes:  La Crosse County
Eligibility:  General public

Fountain City Food Pantry – Mobile Food Pantry………………………………………………(608) 687-3496
-  Provides perishable and non-perishable food as available
-  Immaculate Conception Church, 2 North Hill Street, Fountain City
Area Served includes:  Buffalo County
Eligibility:  People in need of food

From the Heart Food Pantry ………………………………………………………………………(608) 780-1283
-  Food pantry with non-perishable food, dairy, produce, diapers, pet food, grooming and hygiene supplies
-  1010 Sill Street, Trinity Lutheran Church, La Crosse
Area Served includes:  La Crosse County
Eligibility:  General public

Gays Mills Food Pantry ……………………………………………………………………………..(608) 606-1269
-  Food pantry with perishable and non-perishable food items
-  120 Sunset Ridge Avenue, Gays Mills
Area Served includes:  Crawford County
Eligibility:  General public

G-E-T Community Food Pantry …………………………………………………………………(608) 582-2034
-  Food pantry with non-perishable items and some personal hygiene products
-  In the basement of the First Presbyterian Church, 20237 West Ridge Avenue, Galesville
Area Served includes:  Trempealeau County
Eligibility:  Galesville, Etrick, and Trempealeau (G-E-T) School District area families
Hokah Area Food Shelf ........................................................................................................ (608) 799-1065
  • Food pantry; baby food, formula and diapers as available
  • 57 Main Street, Hokah

Area Served includes: Hokah and Brownsville areas in Houston County
Eligibility: Individuals and families meeting income guidelines

Holmen’s Hope .........................................................................................................................
  • Mobile food pantry offering non-perishable and perishable items
  • American Legion, 419 1st Avenue West, Holmen
  • Walk-in only on the last Tuesday of each month from 5pm – 7pm

Area Served includes: Holmen School District
Eligibility: Holmen School District residents

Houston Community Food Shelf .............................................................................................. (507) 896-3602
  • Food pantry; laundry detergent provided once a month
  • 118 South Lincoln, Houston Community Center, Houston

Area Served includes: Houston and surrounding area
Eligibility: General public

Independence Food Pantry ...................................................................................................... (715) 985-3055 ext. 10
  • Food pantry offering non-perishable items
  • Independence City Hall, 23688 Adams Street, Independence

Area Served includes: City of Independence in Trempealeau County
Eligibility: Individuals and families meeting income guidelines

La Crescent Food Shelf ........................................................................................................... (507) 895-8123
  • Food pantry
  • 21 North Hill Street, La Crescent

Area Served includes: Houston County
Eligibility: People in need

La Farge Free Methodist Food Pantry .................................................................................. (608) 625-6242
  • A food pantry offering non-perishable food, meat, and personal items
  • 214 South Cherry Street, La Farge

Area Served includes: La Farge School District and villages not served by a food pantry
Eligibility: Anyone in need
Contact Great Rivers 2-1-1 for more information about these or other resources available

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Living Faith Food Pantry .................................................................................................................(608) 542-0651
  • Food pantry offering perishable and non-perishable food items; baby food, formula, diapers, personal grooming
    supplies, and cleaning supplies may be available
  • 209 Sand Road, Viroqua
Area Served includes: Vernon County
Eligibility: Income eligible residents in Vernon County

Mabel Food Pantry ............................................................................................................................(507) 493-5293
  • Provides non-perishables foods as well as milk and eggs; diapers as available
  • Mabel First Lutheran Church, 202 North Oak Street, Mabel
Area Served includes: Houston County
Eligibility: People in need

Mondovi Area Food Pantry .................................................................................................................(715) 926-3115
  • Provides non-perishables, meat, vegetables, and bread as available; grocery store vouchers for milk and eggs
  • 125 East Hudson Street, Mondovi
Area Served includes: Buffalo County
Eligibility: General public; no income requirement

Neighbor for Neighbor, Inc .............................................................................................................(608) 372-6737
  • Food baskets that provide five-day supply of well-balanced nutritionally sound food; assistance is based on need
  • Commodities can be picked up once a month, food shelf is supplementing this program
  • 1118 West Veterans Street, Tomah
Area Served includes: Eastern half of Monroe County
Eligibility: Residents with emergency needs; individuals need to meet federal income guidelines for commodities

New Hope Food Pantry .....................................................................................................................(608) 734-3478
  • Provides non-perishable food and vouchers to purchase perishable foods and household products
  • E2290 State Highway 82, De Soto
Area Served includes: Northwestern parts of Crawford County and Southwestern parts of Vernon County
Eligibility: Low income residents of Crawford and Vernon Counties

Onalaska Schools’ Food Pantry ...........................................................................................................(608) 781-9701
  • Offers a 3 to 4 day supply of perishable and non-perishable food each month; cleaning and personal hygiene supplies
    as available
  • Volunteers may be able to deliver food to families if needed
  • Irving Pertzsch Elementary School, Door I, 524 Main Street, Onalaska
Area Served includes: School District of Onalaska
Eligibility: Families with school aged children living within the Onalaska School District, including homeschooled children
Pepin County Durand Area Food Pantry ................................................................. (715) 672-3203
  • Food pantry offering canned goods, dry goods, frozen food, milk, bread, personal care items, and cleaning products
  • 114 East Main Street, Durand
Area Served includes: Durand School District in Buffalo County
Eligibility: Individuals and families meeting income guidelines

Reaching Out Ministries ..................................................................................... (715) 896-0604
  • Food pantry offering perishable and non-perishable food items
  • W15822 Simonson Road, Whitehall
Area Served includes: Buffalo and Trempealeau Counties
Eligibility: General public

River of Life Food Pantry ................................................................................... (608) 782-2780
  • Provides a food pantry with non-perishable foods as well as meat, vegetables and bread when available
  • 1214 County Road PH, Onalaska
Area Served includes: City of Onalaska
Eligibility: General public

Riverdale Area Food Pantry ............................................................................... (608) 739-4017
  • Provides non-perishable food and vouchers to purchase perishable foods items
  • 116 East Beech Street, Muscoda
Area Served includes: Crawford County
Eligibility: Residents of Riverdale School District

Salvation Army - Buffalo County ....................................................................... (608) 685-4412
  • One time emergency assistance for people in need including food vouchers
  • Contact through the Buffalo County Department of Human Services
Area Served includes: Buffalo County
Eligibility: Anyone with an emergency need including homeless, low-income, or transient populations and disaster victims

Salvation Army - Crawford County .................................................................... (608) 475-9040
  • One time emergency assistance for people in need including food vouchers
Area Served includes: Crawford County
Eligibility: Anyone with an emergency need including homeless, low-income, or transient populations and disaster victims

Salvation Army - Houston County ..................................................................... (608) 406-9190
  • One time emergency assistance for people in need including food vouchers
Area Served includes: Houston County
Eligibility: Anyone with an emergency need including homeless, low-income, or transient populations and disaster victims
Salvation Army - Monroe County ................................................................. (608) 374-4141
  • One time emergency assistance for people in need including food vouchers
  • Contact through Families First Tomah
Area Served includes: Monroe County
Eligibility: Anyone with an emergency need including homeless, low-income, or transient populations and disaster victims

Salvation Army - Trempealeau County .................................................... (608) 989-9921
  • One time emergency assistance for people in need including food vouchers
Area Served includes: Trempealeau County
Eligibility: Anyone with an emergency need including homeless, low-income, or transient populations and disaster victims

Salvation Army - Vernon County ............................................................... (608) 637-5210
  • One time emergency assistance for people in need including food vouchers
  • Contact through the Vernon County Department of Human Services
Area Served includes: Vernon County
Eligibility: Anyone with an emergency need including homeless, low-income, or transient populations and disaster victims

Second Harvest Foodbank of Southern Wisconsin .................................... (608) 223-9121
  Internet Web Site: www.secondharvestmadison.org
  • Food from the Second Harvest warehouse is brought into neighborhood sites throughout the service area at prescheduled times for immediate distribution to residents; bring sturdy boxes or bags to pack food in
  • Phone is for weather related questions only
  • Walk-in only on the 3rd Tuesday of each month from 11am – 12:30pm at 405 East LeGrand Street, Boscobel
  • Walk-in only on the 4th Wednesday of each month from 2pm – 3pm at 212 Main Street, Gays Mills
  • Walk-in only on the last Tuesday of each month from 11am – 12 Noon at 200 North Street, Norwalk
  • Walk-in only on the 2nd Tuesday of each month from 1:30pm – 2:30pm at 231 North Wyalusing Street, Patch Grove
  • Walk-in only on the 3rd Friday of each month from 9:30am – 10:30am at 110 East Mineral Street, Platteville
  • Walk-in only on the third Thursday of each month from 3:30pm – 4:30pm at 26700 Fellowship Lane, Richland Center
  • Walk-in only on the 3rd Monday of each month from 4pm – 5:30pm at 1121 East Montgomery Street, Sparta
  • Walk-in only on the 1st Tuesday of each month from 4pm – 6pm at 1615 Butts Avenue, Tomah
Area Served includes: Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau, and Vernon Counties
Eligibility: General public

Semcac - Houston County Field Office ......................................................... (507) 725-3677
  Internet Web Site: www.semcac.org
  • Food pantry offering nutritious food and personal care items
  • 138 East Main Street, Caledonia
Area Served includes: Houston County
Eligibility: Must meet eligibility guidelines
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St. Elizabeth’s Holmen Area Food Pantry ................................................................. (608) 526-4424
  • A food pantry with non-perishable foods as well as meat, vegetables and bread when available; personal hygiene may be available
  • 515 North Main Street, Holmen

Area Served includes: Holmen and surrounding area
Eligibility: Any person in need (no income guidelines)

Strum Area Food Pantry .......................................................................................(715) 695-3511 ext. 1
  • Food pantry offering perishable and non-perishable food items
  • Immanuel Lutheran Church, 109 Elm Street, Strum

Area Served includes: Towns of Chimney Rock, Eleva, Elk Creek, and Strum in Trempealeau County
Eligibility: Individuals, families, and elderly meeting income guidelines in the Eleva-Strum School District

The Food Basket ......................................................................................................(608) 783-7722
  • Provides a 5-day supply of canned and dry goods, dairy, produce, bread and frozen meat
  • 735 Sand Lake Road, Onalaska

Area Served includes: People living in Onalaska, Holmen, French Island, and Brice Prairie
Eligibility: People in need

The Good Samaritan Food Pantry and Thrift Store ..............................................(608) 489-2492
  • Food pantry offering canned goods, dry goods, peanut butter, infant formula, and baby food
  • 128 Mill Street, Hillsboro

Area Served includes: Vernon County
Eligibility: Low income individuals and families

The Salvation Army - La Crosse ............................................................................(608) 782-6126
  Internet Web Site: www.usc.salvationarmy.org
  • Food pantry; baby food, formula, and diapers are available
  • 223 North 8th Street, La Crosse

Area Served includes: La Crosse County
Eligibility: Must meet income guidelines

The Stoddard Community Food Pantry .................................................................(608) 689-2122
  • Food pantry offering non-perishable items
  • 300 N West Street, Stoddard

Area Served includes: Stoddard, Genoa, Chaseburg, and Coon Valley and DeSoto Area School District (Vernon County)
Eligibility: Individuals with low income

Trempealeau County Food Pantry ..........................................................................(715) 538-2397
  • Food pantry offering perishable and non-perishable food items; bring sturdy boxes and bags to carry groceries home
  • W20410 WI-121, Whitehall

Area Served includes: Trempealeau County
Eligibility: Individuals and families in need
Tri County Food Pantry - Osseo Food Pantry .......................... (715) 597-3213
- Food pantry; non-perishable items
- Walk in only on the third Saturday of each month from 10 am – 11 am
- 50965 Industrial Road, Osseo (Fire Station)

Area Served includes: Osseo Fairchild School District
Eligibility: Low-income individuals, families and elderly

United Church of Christ – Ruby’s Pantry ............................... (715) 577-7372
- Food pantry offering various surplus bulk food items
- 50712 Main Street, Osseo

Area Served includes: Buffalo and Trempealeau Counties
Eligibility: Individuals and families in need

University of Wisconsin – La Crosse .................................... (608) 785-6600
Internet Web Site: https://www.uwlax.edu/university-centers/services/campus-food-pantry/
- Food pantry
- COVE 2220 Student Union, 521 East Avenue, La Crosse

Area Served includes: La Crosse County
Eligibility: UW-La Crosse students and faculty

Viola Food Pantry - United Methodist Church Office .................. (608) 627-1910
- Provides perishable and non-perishable food items; baby food, formula, and diapers as available
- 106 West Wisconsin Street, Viola

Area Served includes: Kickapoo School District (located in parts of Crawford, Richland and Vernon Counties)
Eligibility: Must be a low income resident of the Kickapoo School District

WAFER Food Pantry and Senior Share ................................... (608) 782-6003
Internet Web Site: www.waferlacrosse.org
- A food pantry; baby food, formula, and pet food sometimes available
- 403 Causeway Boulevard, La Crosse

Area Served includes: La Crosse County in Wisconsin; La Crescent in Minnesota
Eligibility: Must meet income guidelines

West Salem Area Community Care and Share Pantry .................. (608) 786-1142
- Food provided to persons in need
- 359 North Leonard Street, West Salem

Area Served includes: Bangor, Barre Mills, Melrose, Mindoro, Rockland and West Salem areas
Eligibility: Persons in need
Whitehall Food Pantry..................................................................................
  • Provides perishable and non-perishable food items
  • Walk in only on the last Wednesday of each month from 11:30am - 1pm
  • Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 36197 Main Street, Whitehall

Area Served includes: Pigeon Falls and Whitehall in Trempealeau County
Eligibility: Families and elderly meeting income guidelines

Wilton Food Pantry ...................................................................................... (608) 435-6922
  • Food pantry providing non-perishable food items
  • 400 East Street, Wilton

Area Served includes: Monroe and Vernon Counties
Eligibility: Persons in need

HEALTH SERVICES

FREE OR LOW COST DENTAL CARE

Chippewa Valley Free Clinic ................................................................. (715) 839-8477
  Internet Web Site: www.cvfreeclinic.org
  Area Served includes: Buffalo and Trempealeau Counties
  Eligibility: General public; individual must not have government insurance or affordable private insurance and meet income guidelines

Chippewa Valley Technical College - CVTC .......................................... (715) 833-6271
  Internet Web Site: www.cvtc.edu
  Area Served includes: Buffalo, Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau and Vernon Counties in Wisconsin; Houston in Minnesota (located in Eau Claire)
  Eligibility: People with low incomes and Wisconsin Medicaid recipients, cannot accept Medicaid from Minnesota or Iowa

Donated Dental Services ................................................................. (866) 338-6852
  Internet Web Site: www.wda.org
  Area Served includes: Buffalo, Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, and Vernon Counties (services may be located at a distance)
  Eligibility: People who are permanently disabled, chronically ill, or of advanced age and have a financial need; not for routine services such as check-ups and cleaning, must have extensive dental need

Family Health Center – Black River Falls Dental Center .................. (715) 670-0400
  Internet Web Site: www.marshfielclinic.org
  Area Served includes: Buffalo, Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau and Vernon Counties
  Eligibility: General public

Marquette University Dental Clinic ....................................................... (414) 288-6790
  Internet Web Site: www.marquette.edu/dentistry
  Area Served includes: Buffalo, Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau and Vernon Counties (located in Milwaukee)
  Eligibility: General public, including people without insurance
Scenic Bluffs Community Health Center ................................................................. (608) 654-5100
Internet Web Site:  www.scenicbluffs.org
Area Served includes: Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, and Vernon Counties (located in Cashton)
Eligibility: General public regardless of income-level or insurance status

COMMUNITY (FREE OR LOW COST) CLINICS

Bridges Health Winona ......................................................................................... (507) 457-5129
Internet Web Site:  www.bridgeshealthwinona.org/
Area Served includes: Houston County (located in Winona)
Eligibility: General public

Chippewa Valley Free Clinic .................................................................................. (715) 839-8477
Internet Web Site:  www.cvfreeclinic.org
Area Served includes: Buffalo and Monroe Counties
Eligibility: General public; individual must not have government insurance or affordable private insurance and meet income guidelines

Decorah Community Free Clinic ........................................................................... (563) 419-0962
Internet Web Site:  www.firstlutherandecorah.org/ministries/free-clinic/
Area Served includes: Houston County (located in Decorah, Iowa)
Eligibility: People who do not have access to or are unable to afford health care services

Free Clinic of the Greater Menomonie Area .............................................................. (715) 308-3808
Internet Web Site:  http://www.menomoniefreeclinic.org/
Area Served includes: Buffalo and Trempealeau Counties
Eligibility: Individuals and families who meet income guidelines

Ho-Chunk Healthcare Clinic
   La Crosse Office .................................................................................................(608) 783-6025
   Tomah Office .....................................................................................................(608) 372-5202
Internet Web Site:  www.ho-chunknation.com
Area Served includes: La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau and Vernon Counties in Wisconsin; Houston County in Minnesota
Eligibility: Members of the Ho-Chunk Nation

InHealth Community Wellness Free Clinic .............................................................. (608) 375-4324
Internet Web Site:  https://www.inhealthwc.com/
Area Served includes: Crawford County (located in Boscobel)
Eligibility: People who are uninsured and people with high deductibles and those who do not qualify for government health insurance
Neighborhood Family Clinics

La Crosse Site ..................(608) 781-9880 ext. 2
Sparta Site .........................(608) 351-2820
Viroqua Site .........................(608) 518-3745

Internet Web Site:  www.mynfclinics.com
Area Served includes: Buffalo, Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau, and Vernon Counties in Wisconsin; Houston County in Minnesota
Eligibility: General public

Planned Parenthood of Wisconsin (formerly Essential Health Clinic) .................(800) 657-5177

Internet Web Site:  www.essentialclinic.org
Area Served includes: Buffalo, Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau and Vernon Counties (sites in Blair, La Crosse, and Sparta)
Eligibility: Females and males, including adolescents, for reproductive health care services

Scenic Bluffs Community Health Center .................................................. (608) 654-5100

Internet Web Site:  www.scenicbluffs.org
Area Served includes: Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, and Vernon Counties (locations in Cashton and Norwalk); Houston County in Minnesota
Eligibility: General public regardless of income-level or insurance status

Semcac Clinic ......................................................................................... (507) 452-4307

Internet Web Site:  www.semcac.org/semcac-clinic/
Area Served includes: Houston County (located in Winona)
Eligibility: General public

St. Clare Health Mission – La Crosse .................................................... (608) 519-4623

Internet Web Site:  www.stclarehealthmission.org
Area Served includes: Buffalo, Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau, and Vernon Counties in Wisconsin and Houston County in Minnesota
Eligibility: People who otherwise cannot afford medical care

St. Clare Health Mission of Monroe County ........................................ (608) 366-5343
Area Served includes: Monroe County (located in Sparta)
Eligibility: Adult residents of Monroe County without public or private medical insurance; must meet financial guidelines
FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR HEALTH CARE BILLS OR PRESCRIPTIONS

Buffalo County Department of Health and Human Services.............................................. (608) 685-4412
Internet Web Site:  www.buffalocounty.com
• Financial assistance with prescriptions expense
Area Served includes: Buffalo County
Eligibility: Income and disability restrictions vary according to program

CareConnect USA............................................................................................................. (800) 291-1206
Internet Web Site:  https://careconnectusa.org/
• Prescription discount card
Area Served includes: Minnesota and Wisconsin
Eligibility: General public

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of La Crosse, Inc ......................................................... (608) 782-0710
Internet Web Site:  www.cclse.org
• Assistance with applications to pharmaceutical patient assistant programs; emergency short term medications
Area Served includes: Buffalo, Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau, and Vernon Counties
Eligibility: People of all faiths with no prescription medicine coverage and who qualify by income

Catholic Charities of Southern Minnesota ................................................................. (507) 454-2270 ext. 245
Internet Web Site:  www.ccsomn.org
• Assistance with applications to pharmaceutical patient assistant programs; emergency short term medications
Area Served includes: Houston County
Eligibility: People of all faiths with no prescription medicine coverage and who qualify by income

Chippewa Valley Free Clinic............................................................................................ (715) 839-8477
Internet Web Site:  www.cvfreeclinic.org
• Prescription assistance
Area Served includes: Western Wisconsin
Eligibility: Low income individuals who have no medical insurance (or have a high deductible), and no money for medical care or prescriptions

Crawford County Human Service Department............................................................ (608) 326-0248
Internet Web Site:  www.crawfordcountywi.org
• Offers financial assistance with medical, dental, and prescription expenses
Area Served includes: Crawford County
Eligibility: People with low or poverty level incomes
Decorah Community Free Clinic ................................................................. (563) 419-0962
  • Prescription medications are free or low cost
Area Served includes: Houston County
Eligibility: People who do not have access to or are unable to afford health care services

Families First of Monroe County ............................................................... (608) 374-4141
Internet Web Site: www.familiesfirstofmonroecounty.org
  • Limited funding for prescription medications
Area Served includes: Monroe County
Eligibility: Adults meeting income guidelines; must show a clear need in the form of temporary decrease in income

Familywize Prescription Drug Discount Card .............................................. (800) 222-2818
Internet Web Site: www.familywise.org/
  • PDF discount card maybe downloaded and printed OR pick up a card at Great Rivers United Way's office
Area Served includes: Buffalo, Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau and Vernon Counties in Wisconsin; Houston County in Minnesota
Eligibility: General public

Free Clinic of the Greater Menomonie Area ............................................... (715) 308-3808
Internet Web Site: www.menomoniefreeclinic.org
  • Provides free prescriptions for some medications; does not provide controlled substances or birth control
Area Served includes: Buffalo and Trempealeau Counties
Eligibility: People who are underinsured or uninsured and meeting income guidelines

HealthWell Foundation ........................................................................... (800) 675-8416
Internet Web Site: www.healthwellfoundation.org
  • Provides financial assistance for prescription medications
Area Served includes: Buffalo, Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau and Vernon Counties in Wisconsin; Houston County in Minnesota
Eligibility: General public; must meet some guidelines

Partnership for Prescription Assistance - PPA ........................................... 
Internet Web Site: www.pparx.org
  • Helps people without prescription drug coverage get the medicines they need for free or at a low costs
  • Visit the website to screen and identify programs individuals may be eligible for
Area Served includes: Buffalo, Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau and Vernon Counties in Wisconsin and Houston County in Minnesota
Eligibility: People without prescription drug coverage or who are having difficulty paying for their prescription medication
RX Outreach ................................................................................................. (888) 796-1234
Internet Web Site: www.rxoutreach.org
  • Offers discounted prescription medicines to uninsured and underinsured individuals and families, as well as those who have limited prescription drug coverage
Area Served includes: Buffalo, Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau and Vernon Counties in Wisconsin and Houston County in Minnesota
Eligibility: Individuals and families whose household income is at or below 300% of the Federal Poverty Level

Salvation Army - Trempealeau County ............................................................ (608) 989-9921
Internet Web Site: www.usc.salvationarmy.org
  • Assistance in the form of vouchers for prescriptions for anti-biotics and possible assistance for one-time prescription for pain medication
  • For emergencies afterhours, contact the sheriff’s office at (715)538-4509
Area Served includes: Trempealeau County
Eligibility: People with an emergency need including homeless, low-income, or transient populations and disaster victims

Scenic Bluffs Community Health Center ...................................................................... (608) 654-5100
Internet Web Site: www.scenicbluffs.org
  • Staff will assist patients with applying for pharmaceutical companies’ free and reduced cost prescription medication programs
Area Served includes: Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, and Vernon Counties
Eligibility: People who otherwise cannot afford medical care and prescriptions; patients are screened for eligibility

St. Clare Health Mission ............................................................................................... (608) 519-4623
Internet Web Site: www.stclarehealthmission.org
  • Prescriptions can be filled, except for prescriptions written by physicians in private clinics
Area Served includes: Buffalo, Crawford, La Crosse, Trempealeau and Vernon Counties
Eligibility: People who otherwise cannot afford medical care; patients are screened for eligibility

St. Clare Health Mission of Monroe County ................................................................. (608) 366-5343
  • An in-house pharmacy for prescribed medications (narcotics are not prescribed)
Area Served includes: Monroe County
Eligibility: Adult, age 18 years of age and older with no public or private medical insurance

Trempealeau County Department of Human Services............................................. (877) 538-2311 ext. 290
  • Financial assistance for psychotropic medications, treatment of mental illness, or chemical dependency
Area Served includes: Trempealeau County
Eligibility: People with mental illness, chemical dependencies (alcohol/drug abuse), or developmental disabilities
MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

There are government programs which provide health care coverage for income-eligible people in Wisconsin and Minnesota.

MINNESOTA

**Medical Assistance** provides coverage for children and families, pregnant women, senior citizens, and people with disabilities meeting eligibility criteria. For more information or to apply contact:

Houston County Department of Human Services ................................................................. (507) 725-5811, or
Minnesota Department of Human Services ................................................................. (800) 657-3739, or
Minnesota Department of Human Services Web site ............................................. www.mn.gov/dhs

**MinnesotaCare** provides coverage for children and families, pregnant women, and adults without children meeting eligibility criteria. For more information or to apply contact:

Minnesota Department of Human Services ................................................................. (800) 657-3739, or
Minnesota Department of Human Services Web site ............................................. www.mn.gov/dhs

In addition to the programs above there may be other resources to provide some limited medical care coverage assistance for certain populations such as Minnesota Family Planning Program or Medical Assistance for Breast/Cervical Cancer. There is also access to some medical care coverage for certain non-citizen populations in Minnesota. Information about these additional resources can be obtained by contacting:

Houston County Department of Human Services ................................................................. (507) 725-5811, or
Minnesota Department of Human Services ................................................................. (800) 657-3739, or
Minnesota Department of Human Services Web site ............................................. www.mn.gov/dhs

**MN Sure**

MN Sure is Minnesota’s health insurance Marketplace offering information, assistance, and enrollment services for people seeking to choose health insurance coverage. For more information or to apply contact:

Call Center ................................................................................................................. (855) 366-7873
MN Sure Web Site: ........................................................................................................ www.mnsure.org

WISCONSIN

**BadgerCare Plus** provides coverage for pregnant women, individuals, children and families meeting eligibility criteria. For information or to apply contact:

Western Region for Economic Assistance ................................................................. (888) 627-0430
Area Served Includes: Buffalo, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau, and Vernon Counties
Southern Consortium .................................................................................................(888) 794-5780
Area Served Includes: Crawford County
Contact Great Rivers 2-1-1 for more information about these or other resources available
Dial 2-1-1 or (800) 362-8255
or
Text your zip code to 898211

Or

Visit the Web site at access.wisconsin.gov. This Web site provides information and allows people to check and see if they are eligible for BadgerCare Plus or other assistance programs and apply for any of these programs directly online.

In addition to the programs listed here there may be other resources to provide some limited medical care coverage assistance for certain populations such as BadgerCare Plus Family Planning Waiver, Wisconsin Well Woman Medicaid which covers Well Woman Program members for treatment of breast or cervical cancer, or BadgerCare Plus Prenatal Program which provides healthcare coverage for certain pregnant women who would not typically be eligible for BadgerCare Plus because they are either an inmate of a public institution or not a citizen or qualifying alien. Information about these additional resources can be obtained by contacting:

Well Badger Resource Center..............................................................(800) 642-7837

Health Insurance Marketplace
Provides access to online enrollment for a health insurance plan
Call Center ..............................................................................................................(800) 318-2596
Web Site: ........................................................................................................www.healthcare.gov

Public Health Departments
Basic screenings, immunizations, and other health services may be available at through your county health department.

Ho-Chunk Nation Health Care Centers
La Crosse ..............................................................................................................(608) 783-6025
Tomah ....................................................................................................................(608) 372-5202

Buffalo County Health Department ........................................................................(608) 685-4412
Crawford County Health Department ....................................................................(608) 326-0229
Houston County Health Department .....................................................................(507) 725-5810
La Crosse County Health Department ..................................................................(608) 785-9872
Monroe County Health Department ......................................................................(608) 269-8666
Trempealeau County Health Department ..............................................................(715) 538-2311 ext.220
Vernon County Health Department ....................................................................(608) 637-5251

HOUSING

RENT OR MORTGAGE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

There are several organizations which provide financial assistance for people having temporary difficulties in meeting their rent or mortgage payments. Typically these charitable organizations will assist as they are able (based on the funds they have available at the time) and they generally cannot cover the entire cost of the rental or mortgage bill. These programs have eligibility criteria. For information regarding available assistance contact the agencies below or Great Rivers 2-1-1.
Contact Great Rivers 2-1-1 for more information about these or other resources available
Dial 2-1-1 or (800) 362-8255
or
Text your zip code to 898211

Bethel Home and Services – Bethel Butikk .................................................. (608) 634-3473
Internet Web Site: www.bethelhomeservices.org
Area Served: Crawford, Monroe and Vernon Counties

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of La Crosse, Inc. ........................................ (888) 212-4357
Internet Web Site: www.ccse.org
Area Served Includes: Buffalo, Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau, and Vernon Counties

Couleecap, Inc. - Community Action Program ........................................ (608) 424-4187
Internet Web Site: www.couleecap.org
Area Served Includes: Crawford, Monroe, and Vernon Counties

Families First of Monroe County ............................................................... (608) 374-4141
Internet Web Site: www.familiesfirstofmonroecounty.org
Area Served includes: Monroe County

Houston County Department of Human Services ....................................... (507) 725-5811
Internet Web Site: http://co.houston.mn.us/DHS.aspx
Area Served Includes: Houston County

Houston County Veterans Services ......................................................... (507) 725-5805
Internet Web Site: http://co.houston.mn.us/Veterans_Services.aspx
Area Served Includes: Houston County

La Crosse County Veterans Service Office ................................................ (608) 785-9719
Internet Web Site: www.co.la-crosse.wi.us/departments/veterans
Area Served Includes: La Crosse County

Rural Housing, Inc. .................................................................................... (888) 400-5974
Internet Web Site: www.wisconsinruralhousing.org
Area Served Includes: Buffalo, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau, and Vernon Counties

Semcac - Houston County Field Office ...................................................... (507) 725-3677
Internet Web Site: www.semcac.org
Area Served Includes: Houston County

The Salvation Army - La Crosse ............................................................... (608) 782-6126
Internet Web Site: www.usc.salvationarmy.org
Area Served Includes: La Crosse County
FORECLOSURE OR EVICTION PREVENTION

There are some agencies which can provide counseling and assistance for people who are experiencing financial difficulties and have concerns about foreclosure or eviction. Contact the following agencies for information and services.

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of La Crosse, Inc. ......................................................... (888) 212-4357

Internet Web Site:  www.cclse.org

• Provides credit/budget counseling

Area Served Includes: Buffalo, Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau, and Vernon Counties

Consumer Credit Counseling ................................................................. (608) 784-8380

Internet Web Site:  www.cccsonline.org

• Provides credit/budget counseling

Area Served Includes: Buffalo, Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau and Vernon Counties in Wisconsin; Houston County in Minnesota

GreenPath Financial Wellness of Madison .............................................. (800) 550-1961

Internet Web Site:  www.greenpath.com

• Provides credit/budget counseling and full service debt management programs including mortgage delinquency and default resolution counseling and mortgage foreclosure information

Area Served Includes: Buffalo, Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau and Vernon Counties in Wisconsin and Houston County in Minnesota

HOME Line - Tenant Hotline ................................................................. (866) 866-3546

Internet Web Site:  http://www.homelinemn.org

• Provides information and advice for tenants regarding concerns including eviction, repairs, security deposits, and their rights

Area Served includes: Houston County

Homeowner’s HOPE Hotline ............................................................... (888) 995-4673

Internet Web Site:  www.995hope.org

• Can provide 24-hour connection to a counselor by phone or online to help homeowners avoid foreclosure; an independent nonprofit that provides counselors from HUD-approved agencies dedicated to helping homeowners

Area Served Includes: Buffalo, Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau and Vernon Counties in Wisconsin and Houston County in Minnesota
La Crosse County Bar Association – Free Legal Clinic ........................................... (608) 784-3540
  Internet Web Site:  www.wisbar.org/Directories/LawRelatedOrgs/Pages/La-Crosse-County-Bar-Association.aspx
  • Offers a free 15 minute consultation; legal service advice offered include landlord-tenant issues and financial problems
  • Meets on the 3rd Wednesday of each month from 6pm-7:30pm at the First Free Baptist Church, 1209 Main Street in La Crosse
  Area Served Includes:  La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau and Vernon Counties
  Eligibility:  People in need of assistance and are a low income household

Legal Action of Wisconsin................................................................. (855) 947-2529
  Internet Web Site:  www.legalaction.org/contact-us/la-crosse-area-office
  • Advice and representation in civil cases including concerns regarding eviction or foreclosure
  Area Served Includes:  Buffalo, Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau and Vernon Counties

Lutheran Social Services of Wisconsin & Upper Michigan............................... (800) 235-5191
  Internet Web Site:  www.lsswis.org/lss.htm
  • Provides credit/budget counseling
  Area Served Includes:  Buffalo, Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau and Vernon Counties

Southern Minnesota Regional Legal Services - SMRLS .......................... (888) 575-2954
  Internet Web Site:  www.smrls.org
  • Provides free legal assistance for housing problems including eviction, substandard housing, or landlord-tenant issues
  Area Served includes:  Houston County
  Eligibility:  Low-income residents

Tenant Resource Center (information available through the Web site only)
  Internet Web Site:  www.tenantresourcecenter.org
  • Web site provides information regarding concerns from tenants and landlords (problems include eviction, repairs, security deposits, tenant rights regarding landlord foreclosure, and other consumer protections); no direct services
  Area Served Includes:  Buffalo, Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau, and Vernon Counties

The Salvation Army - La Crosse ......................................................... (608) 782-6126
  Internet Web Site:  www.usc.salvationarmy.org
  • Provides a program that works with qualified individuals and families to help prevent homelessness
  Area Served includes:  La Crosse County
  Eligibility:  Individuals and families at risk of eviction; other criteria applies
There are several organizations which provide assistance for people having temporary difficulties in meeting utility payments. Typically, charitable organizations which offer financial assistance will assist as they are able (based on the funds they have available at the time) and they generally cannot cover the entire cost of the utility bill. These programs have eligibility criteria based on income and sometimes other criteria. In addition, there are resources often through the utility companies which will assist in creating affordable payment programs or offer discounted services for low income households. For more specific information regarding available assistance contact the agencies below or Great Rivers 2-1-1.

**Catholic Charities of the Diocese of La Crosse, Inc.** ....................................................... (888) 212-4357

Internet Web Site:  [www.cclse.org](http://www.cclse.org)

Area Served Includes: Buffalo, Crawford La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau, and Vernon Counties

**Families First of Monroe County** ................................................................. (608) 374-4141

Internet Web Site:  [www.familiesfirstofmonroecounty.org](http://www.familiesfirstofmonroecounty.org)

Area Served Includes: Monroe County

**Ho-Chunk Nation Department of Social Services** ................................................. (888) 343-8190

Internet Web Site:  [www.ho-chunknation.com](http://www.ho-chunknation.com)

Area Served Includes: Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, and Vernon Counties

**Houston County Department of Human Services** ............................................... (507) 725-5811

Internet Web Site:  [http://co.houston.mn.us/DHS.aspx](http://co.houston.mn.us/DHS.aspx)

Area Served Includes: Houston County

**Minnesota Public Utilities Commission - Consumer Affairs Office - MPUC** .......... (800) 657-3782

Internet Web Site:  [www.mn.gov/puc/](http://www.mn.gov/puc/)

Area Served Includes: Houston County

**Rural Housing, Inc.** ........................................................................................... (888) 400-5974

Internet Web Site:  [www.wisconsinsruralhousing.org](http://www.wisconsinsruralhousing.org)

Area Served Includes: Buffalo, Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau and Vernon Counties
Contact Great Rivers 2-1-1 for more information about these or other resources available
Dial 2-1-1 or (800) 362-8255
or
Text your zip code to 898211

Salvation Army – Wisconsin Divisional Headquarters
Buffalo County...........................................................(608) 685-4412
Crawford County .......................................................(608) 475-9040
Vernon County ...........................................................(608) 637-5210
Trempealeau County ...................................................(608) 989-9921
Internet Web Site: www.usc.salvationarmy.org
Area Served includes: Buffalo, Crawford, Trempealeau, and Vernon Counties
Eligibility: People with low/poverty level incomes or no health insurance; works with the local rural population especially the elder population, the local Amish community residents, and Latino workers

The Salvation Army - La Crosse ........................................(608) 782-6126
Internet Web Site: www.usc.salvationarmy.org
Area Served Includes: La Crosse County

Xcel Energy Company ...................................................(800) 895-4999
Internet Web Site: www.xcelenergy.com
Area Served Includes: Buffalo, Crawford La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau, and Vernon Counties

MINNESOTA ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The Minnesota Energy Assistance Program can assist eligible households with their energy costs during the heating season (October 1 through June 1). Services that may be available through this program include: direct financial assistance for heating costs; education regarding home heating efficiency and safety; crisis assistance to prevent disconnections or ensure fuel deliveries; and emergency heating system repair or replacement.

Eligibility: Based on last 3 months gross income, number of people in the household, and last year’s energy costs

For information and application assistance for the Minnesota Energy Assistance Program contact:

Minnesota Department of Commerce – Division of Energy Resources .................. (800) 657-3710
Internet Web Site: https://mn.gov/commerce/industries/energy/

Semcac.................................................................(800) 944-2181
Internet Web Site: www.semcac.org/community-development/energy-assistance/
WISCONSIN HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (WHEAP)

The Wisconsin Home Energy Assistance Program can assist eligible households with their energy costs during the heating season (October 1 through May 15). Services that may be available through this program include: a one-time payment each heating season to help cover a portion of the household’s heating costs; crisis assistance for households without heat, a disconnect notice or nearly out of heat with no way to pay for heating needs; assistance with paying for non-heating electric costs; assistance with cost of emergency furnace repair or replacement (must have approval prior to work being done); provision of a home energy audit and assistance with weatherization of the home (insulation, sealing air leaks, heating systems update, etc.); and budget counseling and assistance in creating a payment plan for people with high arrearages in their heating bills.

Eligibility: Individuals and families which meet income guidelines or categorical eligibility criteria

KEEP WISCONSIN WARM FUND

A statewide, non-profit, public/private partnership that raises money to provide financial assistance for heating/energy costs. Applications are considered on a case-by-case basis with the most vulnerable households being given the highest priority (households with elderly people, people who are disabled or have health conditions, or young children; also those with very high medical bills or heating/energy costs). This is a limited fund so assistance is available only while there is money in the fund.

Eligibility: Households meeting income requirements

For more information about WHEAP or the Keep Wisconsin Warm Fund contact:

Buffalo County Human Services Department.................................................................(608) 685-4412
Internet Web Site: www.buffalocounty.com
Area Served Includes: Buffalo County

Crawford County Human Services Department .........................................................(608) 326-0248
Internet Web Site: www.crawfordcountywi.org
Area Served Includes: Crawford County

Flocks Guardians – (WHEAP) .......................................................................................(608) 487-9356
Area Served Includes: Monroe County

Keep Wisconsin Warm Fund State Office .................................................................(800) 891-9276
Internet Web Site: www.kwwf.org

Home Energy Plus – Wisconsin Division of Energy Services .....................................(866) 432-8947
Internet Web Site: www.homeenergyplus.wi.gov/

La Crosse County Human Services Department.....................................................(608) 785-5582
Internet Web Site: www.co.la-crosse.wi.us
Area Served Includes: La Crosse County
Contact Great Rivers 2-1-1 for more information about these or other resources available
Dial 2-1-1 or (800) 362-8255
or
Text your zip code to 898211

Trempealeau County Human Services Department.......................................................(715) 538-2311 ext. 290
Internet Web Site:  www.tremplocounty.com/socialservices
Area Served Includes:  Trempealeau County

Vernon County Department of Human Services ...........................................................(608) 637-5210
Internet Web Site:  www.vernoncounty.org
Area Served Includes:  Vernon County

Western Dairyland Economic Opportunity Council – (WHEAP).................................(715) 985-2391
Internet Web Site:  www.westerndairyland.org
Area Served Includes:  Trempealeau County

WEATHERIZATION

Weatherization programs assist renters and/or homeowners in making their homes more energy efficient thereby reducing their monthly utility bills.  These programs often provide an energy audit as well as assistance with energy saving measures such as windows, insulation, sealing air leaks, heating systems updates.  Assistance may be financial or through the provision of labor and materials.  For more information contact:

Buffalo County Department of Health and Human Services.................................(608) 685-4412
Internet Web Site:  www.buffalocounty.com
Area Served includes:  Buffalo County
Eligibility:  Individuals and families who meet income guidelines or are categorically eligible

Couleecap, Inc. - Community Action Program .......................................................(866) 904-4508
Internet Web Site:  www.couleecap.org
Area Served includes:  Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, and Vernon Counties
Eligibility:  Individuals and families who meet income guidelines (at or below 150% of the poverty level) or are categorically eligible

Habitat for Humanity...........................................................................................................(608) 785-2373 ext. 104
Internet Web Site:  www.habitatlacrosse.org
Area Served includes:  La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau, and Vernon Counties in Wisconsin; Houston County in Minnesota
Eligibility:  Individuals and families who meet income guidelines or are categorically eligible

La Crosse County Human Services Department.......................................................(608) 785-5582
Internet Web Site:  www.co.la-crosse.wi.us
Area Served includes:  La Crosse County
Eligibility:  Individuals & families which meet income guidelines (at or below 150% of the poverty level) or be categorically eligible
Contact Great Rivers 2-1-1 for more information about these or other resources available

Dial 2-1-1 or (800) 362-8255

or

Text your zip code to 898211

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SEM-CAC ......................................................................................................................... (800) 944-3207
Internet Web Site: https://www.semcac.org/community-development/weatherization/
Area Served includes: Houston County
Eligibility: Homeowners and renters who meet income guidelines

Vernon County Department of Human Services ..................................................... (608) 637-5210
Internet Web Site: www.vernoncounty.org
Area Served includes: Vernon County
Eligibility: Individuals and families who meet income guidelines or are categorically eligible

Western Dairyland Economic Opportunity Council ............................................ (715) 985-2391
Internet Web Site: www.westerndairyland.org
Area Served includes: Buffalo and Trempealeau Counties
Eligibility: Individuals and families who meet income guidelines or are categorically eligible

LOW INCOME HOUSING

There are a number of low income and qualifying Section 8 rental units in the Buffalo, Houston, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau, and Vernon County areas. Some have other eligibility criteria (such as age or disability requirements). For more information about these units contact Great Rivers 2-1-1. You may speak to an Information and Referral Specialist 24 hours/day, 7 days/week by dialing 2-1-1 or 1-800-362-8255. You may also search for information on their Web site at www.greatrivers211.org or text your zip code Monday – Friday in the afternoons and evenings to 898211.

Local Housing Authorities also provide access to low income housing through the use of Section 8 housing vouchers and in some cases by maintaining Section 8 housing units in their area. For information and applications contact:

Allegiant Property Management .............................................................................. (888) 393-3282
Internet Web Site: www.allegiantpropertymgmtllc.com
Area Served Includes: Buffalo, Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau and Vernon Counties in Wisconsin; Houston County in Minnesota
Eligibility: Low-income individuals and families, older adults, and people with disabilities; must meet income guidelines

Bethel Home and Services....................................................................................... (608) 637-2171
Internet Web Site: https://bethelhomeservices.org
Area Served Includes: Vernon County
Eligibility: General public

Blackhawk Apartments ............................................................................................. (608) 326-8323
Area Served Includes: City of Prairie du Chien, Crawford County
Eligibility: General public and people with disabilities; income based eligibility
Bluffview Apartments ........................................................................................................ (608) 483-2649
Area Served Includes: Vernon County
Eligibility: Individuals and families, older adults, and adults with disabilities meeting income eligibility criteria

Buffalo County Housing ........................................................................................................ (608) 685-3663
Area Served Includes: Buffalo County
Eligibility: Individuals aged 62 and over or adults with disabilities

Community Health Services – Labatisse Senior Apartments on Dousman ............. (608) 326-3200
Internet Web Site: www.chscwi.org/independent-living/labatisse-on-dousman
Area Served Includes: Crawford County
Eligibility: Individuals, couples, and/or people with disabilities with moderate incomes who can live independently or with live-in assistance

CouleeCap – Community Action Program ........................................................................ (608) 796-2915
Internet Web Site: www.couleeicap.org
Area Served Includes: Crawford and La Crosse Counties
Eligibility: Individuals and families meeting income guidelines

Crawford County Housing Authority – Allegiant Property Management .............. (608) 784-1381
Internet Web Site: www.allegiantpropertymgmtllc.com
Area Served Includes: Crawford County
Eligibility: Older adults, people with disabilities, and families meeting income eligibility

Dak Management Co ........................................................................................................... (608) 822-7368
Internet Web Site: www.dakgroup.org
Area Served Includes: Crawford, Monroe and Vernon Counties
Eligibility: Families, older adults, and people with disabilities; must meet income guidelines

Dodge Hillside Apartments .............................................................................................. (608) 989-2511
Area Served Includes: Trempealeau County
Eligibility: General public 18 and older; older adults and people with disabilities; must meet low-income guidelines

Hillsboro Housing Authority .............................................................................................. (608) 604-3563
Internet Web Site: www.hillsborowi.com
Area Served Includes: Vernon County
Eligibility: Low-income families, older adults, and people with disabilities; must meet income guidelines
Contact Great Rivers 2-1-1 for more information about these or other resources available

Dial 2-1-1 or (800) 362-8255

or

Text your zip code to 898211

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**Homz Management Corporation**

La Crosse .................................................................(608) 783-6229
Monroe .................................................................(608) 269-4070

Area Served Includes: La Crosse and Monroe Counties

Eligibility: Low-income families, older adults, and people with disabilities; must meet income guidelines

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**Horizon Management Group** .......................................(800) 944-4866

Area Served Includes: Buffalo, La Crosse, Trempealeau and Vernon Counties

Eligibility: Low-income families, older adults, and people with disabilities; must meet income guidelines

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**Housing Authority of the City Of La Crosse** ....................(608) 782-2264

Internet Web Site: [www.lacrossehousing.org](http://www.lacrossehousing.org)

Area Served Includes: City of La Crosse

Eligibility: Low-income families, older adults, and people with disabilities; must meet income guidelines

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**Houston Housing and Redevelopment Authority** .................(507) 896-2431

Internet Web Site: [www.houstonhousingauthority.org/](http://www.houstonhousingauthority.org/)

Area Served Includes: Houston County

Eligibility: Older adults meeting income criteria

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**La Crosse County Housing Authority** .....................................(608) 781-5365

Internet Web Site: [www.lcha.net](http://www.lcha.net)

Area Served Includes: La Crosse County

Eligibility: Low-income families, elderly, people with disabilities, single persons (all eligible U.S. citizens)

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**Landmark Company Property Management** ..........................(715) 834-3411

Internet Web Site: [www.landmark-company.com](http://www.landmark-company.com)

Area Served Includes: Buffalo and Trempealeau Counties

Eligibility: Individuals and families, older adults, and adults with disabilities meeting income eligibility criteria

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**Lawler School Lofts** .................................................(608) 306-0493

Internet Web Site: [www.lawlerschoollofts.com](http://www.lawlerschoollofts.com)

Area Served Includes: Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, and Vernon Counties in Wisconsin; Houston County in Minnesota

Eligibility: Income-eligible individuals and families; preference given to veterans and individuals at risk of homelessness

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**Life Style** ........................................................................(507) 451-8524

Internet Web Site: [www.lifestyleinc.net](http://www.lifestyleinc.net)

Area Served Includes: Buffalo, La Crosse, and Monroe Counties in Wisconsin; Houston County in Minnesota

Eligibility: Individuals and families who are income-eligible
Loretto Heritage Haven

Area Served Includes: Houston County
Eligibility: Older adults and adults with disabilities

Meridian Group

Internet Web Site: www.meridiangroupinc.net
Area Served Includes: Crawford County
Eligibility: Low or moderate-income elderly, individuals, families, and people with disabilities

Monroe County Housing Authority

Internet Web Site: www.mocohousing.com
Area Served Includes: Monroe County
Eligibility: Income eligible families, elderly, or people with disabilities

Pioneer Property Management

Internet Web Site: www.ppmirentals.com
Area Served Includes: Crawford County
Eligibility: Income eligible families and individuals

Southeastern Minnesota Multi-County Housing Authority

Internet Web Site: http://www.semmchra.org
Area Served Includes: Houston County
Eligibility: Low-income residents

Sparta Housing Authority

Area Served Includes: Monroe County
Eligibility: Individuals over 62 years of age and people with disabilities who meet income guidelines

Spring Grove Manor

Internet Web Site: www.lloydmanagementinc.com
Area Served Includes: Houston County
Eligibility: Older adults and adults with disabilities; must meet HUD income guidelines

St Vallerie

Area Served Includes: La Crosse County
Eligibility: Senior citizens over 62 years of age and people with disabilities
Contact Great Rivers 2-1-1 for more information about these or other resources available
Dial 2-1-1 or (800) 362-8255
or
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Tomah Community Development & Housing Authority ................................................. (608) 374-7455
Internet Web Site:  www.tomahonline.com
Area Served Includes: City of Tomah, Monroe County
Eligibility: Individuals and families who meet income and other eligibility guidelines

Trempealeau County Housing Authority ................................................................. (715) 538-2274
Internet Web Site:  www.tremphousing.com
Area Served Includes: Trempealeau County
Eligibility: Income eligible families, elderly, or people with disabilities

Village Of La Farge Housing .................................................................................. (608) 625-4422
Internet Web Site:  www.lafarge-wisconsin.com
Area Served Includes: Vernon County
Eligibility: Persons 60 years and over whose income falls within certain limits set by HUD; people with disabilities of all ages

Viroqua Housing Authority .................................................................................... (608) 637-2626
Area Served Includes: City of Viroqua, Vernon County
Eligibility: Individuals and/or families who meet income guidelines

Westby Housing Authority ..................................................................................... (608) 634-4810
Area Served Includes: The City of Westby, Vernon County
Eligibility: Elderly over 62 years old; low-income families and individuals or people with disabilities

Whispering Pines ....................................................................................................... (507) 725-2797
Internet Web Site:  www.nationwidehousingcorporation.com
Area Served Includes: Houston County
Eligibility: Older adults and adults with disabilities; must meet HUD income guidelines

TRANSITIONAL HOUSING

Transitional housing programs can provide time-limited affordable housing for people in need. Often other assistance such as credit counseling, employment search assistance, and case management services are available to assist individuals and families in returning to independent living situations. For more information contact:

Bluff Country Family Resources ............................................................................ (507) 894-2676 ext. 104
Internet Web Site:  www.bluffcountry.org
Area Served Includes: Houston County
Eligibility: Homeless, income eligible women survivors of domestic violence and their children; call for additional criteria
Hope Gospel Mission – Hope Renewal Center for Men ............................................ (715) 552-5566 ext 1310
Internet Web Site:  www.hopegospelmission.org
Area Served Includes: Buffalo and Trempealeau Counties
Eligibility: Men eighteen and over who are homeless, have limited income and drug and alcohol-free at the time of intake

Hope Gospel Mission – Ruth House................................................................. (715) 834-4000
Internet Web Site:  www.hopegospelmission.org
Area Served Includes: Buffalo and Trempealeau Counties
Eligibility: Women eighteen and over who are homeless, have limited income and drug and alcohol-free at the time of intake; cannot to accommodate children

Rock Valley Community Program ............................................................... (608) 741-4500
Internet Web Site:  www.housing4ourvets.org
Area Served Includes: Buffalo, Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau and Vernon Counties
Eligibility: Homeless or at risk of homelessness, single, male veterans with a discharge other than dishonorable

Veterans Housing and Recovery Program - Chippewa Falls (Klein Hall) ............... (715) 726-2541
Internet Web Site:  www.vafvets.org
Area Served Includes: Buffalo, Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau and Vernon Counties
Eligibility: Male veterans, National Guard, and Service Members; must not have been convicted of a violent crime; must be homeless or at risk of becoming homeless, including those diagnosed with a mental illness or substance abuse issues

YWCA of the Coulee Region – Transitional Housing........................................... (608) 781-2783 ext. 250
Internet Web Site:  www.ywcalax.org
Area Served Includes: Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, and Vernon Counties in Wisconsin; Houston County in Minnesota
Eligibility: Parent(s) who are 18 years old or older with children under the age of 18 who are homeless as defined by HUD; other criteria apply

EMERGENCY SHELTER

There are agencies which can provide emergency shelter to people who have an immediate shelter need. The manner in which this service is provided, the length of time that people can stay, and the eligibility criteria varies depending on the agency. Great Rivers 2-1-1 can provide information about and referrals to emergency shelters. Contact Information and Referral Specialists at Great Rivers 2-1-1 by calling 2-1-1 or (800) 362-8255. The Great Rivers 2-1-1 line is available 24 hours/day, 7 days/week including all holidays. You can also text your zip code Monday – Friday in the afternoons and evenings to 898211.
Contact Great Rivers 2-1-1 for more information about these or other resources available

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or
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MATERIAL RESOURCES

THRIFT SHOPS

ABC – Ability Building Center – Twice is Nice Resale Shop ............................................ (507) 725-2092
521 Old Highway Drive, Caledonia

Area Thrift Shop ...................................................................................................................... (715) 926-5268
113 East Hudson Street, Mondovi

Bethel Butikk Food Pantry and Thrift Shop ................................................................. (608) 634-3473
341 Black River Avenue, Westby

Bargain Boutique – CouleeCap – Community Action Program.......................................... (608) 326-2463
200 East Blackhawk Avenue, Prairie du Chien

Cashton Cupboard and Closet ............................................................................................... (608) 654-5770
199 Front Street, Cashton

Catholic Charities – Men’s Clothes Closet ............................................................................ (608) 782-0710
413 South 3rd Street, La Crosse
• Provides free-of-charge clothing for men

Chippewa Valley Habitat for Humanity – Habitat ReStore ........................................... (715) 895-8177
145 North Clairemont Avenue, Eau Claire

Clothes Closet – Good Shepherd Lutheran Church ......................................................... (608) 637-3978
504 South Main Street, Viroqua
• Provides free-of-charge clothing and coats

First Teen Clothes Closet ...................................................................................................... (608) 783-2236
1010 Sill Street, La Crosse
• Provides free-of-charge clothing for teens

G.I. Need That ........................................................................................................................ (608) 372-4506
312 Superior Avenue, Tomah

Good Steward Resale Shop ................................................................................................. (608) 779-9763
1930 Rose Street, La Crosse
Goodwill Industries – La Crosse ................................................................. (608) 783-2710
3954 Mormon Coulee Road, La Crosse

Goodwill Industries – Onalaska ................................................................. (608) 783-1581
200 Theatre Road, Onalaska

Goodwill Industries – Platteville ................................................................. (608) 348-5490
2001 Progressive Parkway, Platteville

Goodwill Industries – Richland Center ....................................................... (608) 649-2110
2496 Highway 14 East, Richland Center

Goodwill Industries - Tomah ................................................................. (608) 372-7464
1516 North Superior Avenue, Tomah

Grace Place ............................................................................................... (507) 452-2283
66 East 2nd Street, Winona

Habitat for Humanity - Winona ................................................................. (507) 474-6075
77 Laird Street, Winona

Habitat for Humanity ReStore – La Crosse ................................................... (608) 785-2375 ext. 106
3181 Berlin Drive, La Crosse

Harvest Lane Treasures Thrift Store ............................................................. (608) 796-0977
W4910 Harvest Lane, La Crosse

Hope Gospel Mission – Bargain Center ....................................................... (715) 839-9498 ext 1100
2511 West Moholt Drive, Eau Claire

Hope Gospel Mission – Bargain Center - Mondovi ........................................... (715) 598-4778
121 North Eau Claire Street, Mondovi

Hope Gospel Mission – Building Materials Re-Use Center ............................ (715) 838-2084 ext 1208
2108 Western Avenue, Eau Claire

Mary Morrow’s Attic ..................................................................................... (608) 269-1047
116 South Water Street, Sparta
Northside Kids Clothes Closet ......................................................... (608) 780-8443
1010 Sill Street, La Crosse
  • Provides free-of-charge clothing and coats

The Good Samaritan Food Pantry and Thrift Store ........................................ (608) 489-3627
128 Mill Street, Hillsboro

The Salvation Army Thrift Shop ........................................................ (608) 784-1421
728 Copeland Avenue, La Crosse

Thrift Store – Our Lady of Perpetual Help Mission ...................................... (608) 323-7116
411 South Washington Street, Arcadia

The Wee Repeat ............................................................. (608) 785-7111
1732 Market Street, La Crosse

Western Dairyl and Economic Opportunity Council – Cents and Sensibility .......... (715) 985-3301
23741 Washington Street, Independence

Women Clothes Closet. ............................................................... (608) 784-5745
612 Division Street, La Crosse
  • Provides free-of-charge new and used work-appropriate clothing for women

Consignment Stores also sell pre-owned items. They are listed in the Yellow Pages under CONSIGNMENT & RESALE SHOPS or CONSIGNMENT SHOPS & SERVICES.
Mental Health Resources

Counseling and Related Resources

There are a number of resources for people who are seeking assistance with life concerns as well as for people who have ongoing mental health concerns. These include:

- Area counseling agencies providing individual or family counseling regarding a variety of concerns,
- Support groups,
- Agencies providing ongoing mental health and psychiatric management services, and
- Mental health drop-in centers offering recreational and social support for people with mental illness.

Some of these services are available for free and many agencies offer their services based on a sliding fee scale or can bill Medical Assistance or other insurances. Great Rivers 2-1-1 can provide information about and referrals to these and other supportive services.

Contact Information and Referral Specialists at Great Rivers 2-1-1 by calling 2-1-1 or (800) 362-8255. The Great Rivers 2-1-1 line is available 24 hours/day, 7 days/week including all holidays. You can also text your zip code Monday – Friday in the afternoons and evenings to 898211.

Mental Health Crisis Intervention Resources

Buffalo County Department of Health and Human Services..............................................(608) 685-4412
Internet Web Site: www.buffalocounty.com
Area Served includes: Buffalo County

Crawford County Human Services Department .........................................................(608) 326-0248
Internet Web Site: www.crawfordcountywi.org
Area Served includes: Crawford County

Great Rivers 2-1-1
Internet Web Site: www.greatrivers211.org
24-hour 3-Digit Crisis Line .........................................................................................2-1-1
24-hour Toll Free Crisis Line.....................................................................................(800) 362-8255
Monday–Friday afternoons and evenings, text your zip code to ................................898211
Area Served includes: Buffalo, Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau, and Vernon Counties in Wisconsin and Houston County in Minnesota

La Crosse County Human Services Department.....................................................(608) 784-4357
Internet Web Site: www.co.la-crosse.wi.us/humanservices/integrated.asp
Area Served includes: La Crosse County

Monroe County Department of Human Services.......................................................(608) 269-8600
Internet Web Site: www.co.monroe.wi.us
Area Served includes: Monroe County
Contact Great Rivers 2-1-1 for more information about these or other resources available
Dial 2-1-1 or (800) 362-8255
or
Text your zip code to 898211

Trempealeau County Department of Human Services ...........................................(877) 538-2311 ext. 290
Internet Web Site: www.tremplocounty.com/tchome/human_services
Area Served includes: Trempealeau County

Vernon County Department of Human Services .......................................................(608) 637-5210
Internet Web Site: www.vernoncounty.org
Area Served includes: Vernon County

Zumbro Valley Health Center .................................................................................(844) 274-7472
Internet Web Site: www.crisis2southeastmn.com
Area Served includes: Houston County

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, SEXUAL ASSAULT, AND CRIME VICTIMS RESOURCES

Bluff Country Family Resources (Domestic violence and sexual assault) ...............(866) 367-4297
Internet Web Site: www.bluffcountry.org
Area Served includes: Houston County in Minnesota; Crawford, La Crosse, and Vernon Counties in Wisconsin

Bolton Refuge House (Domestic violence and sexual assault) .................................(855) 526-5866
Internet Web Site: www.boltonrefuge.org
Area Served includes: Buffalo and Trempealeau Counties

Brighter Tomorrows (Domestic violence and/or sexual assault)

Sparta .....................................................................................................................(608) 269-7853
Tomah .............................................................................................................(608) 374-6975
Area Served includes: Monroe County

Family and Children’s Center (Domestic Abuse Project) ......................................(608) 637-7052
Internet Web Site: www.fcconline.org
Area Served Includes: Vernon County

Great Rivers 2-1-1 (Crime victim, domestic violence and sexual assault)

Internet Web Site: www.greatrivers211.org

24-hour 3-Digit Crisis Line ....................................................................................2-1-1
24-hour Toll Free Crisis Line .............................................................................(800) 362-8255
Monday–Friday afternoons and evenings, text your zip code to .......................898211
Area Served includes: Buffalo, Crawford La Crosse, Monroe, and Vernon Counties in Wisconsin and Houston County in Minnesota
Contact Great Rivers 2-1-1 for more information about these or other resources available
Dial 2-1-1 or (800) 362-8255
or
Text your zip code to 898211

Gundersen Crime Victim Services ................................................................. (608) 775-5557
Internet Web Site: www.gundersenhealth.org/for-clinicians-professionals/center-for-violence-prevention-and-intervention/
Area Served includes: Buffalo, Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau, and Vernon Counties in Wisconsin and Houston County in Minnesota

Gundersen Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Program................................. (608) 775-5950
Internet Web Site: www.gundersenhealth.org/patients-visitors/social-services/domestic-abuse-and-sexual-assault-program/
Area Served includes: Buffalo, Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau, and Vernon Counties in Wisconsin and Houston County in Minnesota

Mayo Clinic Health System - Safe Path (Domestic violence and sexual assault) ..............(608) 392-7804
Internet Web Site: https://mayoclinichealthsystem.org/locations/la-crosse/services-and-treatments/domestic-abuse
Area Served includes: Buffalo, Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau, and Vernon Counties in Wisconsin and Houston County in Minnesota

New Horizons Shelter and Outreach Centers (Domestic violence and sexual assault)
Internet Web Site: www.nhagainstabuse.org
La Crosse Office .........................................................................................(608) 791-2610
Trempealeau Office .................................................................................(715) 538-2810
Area Served includes: La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau, and Vernon Counties; Houston County in Minnesota

Passages (Domestic violence and sexual assault) ...........................................(608) 647-6317
Area Served includes: Crawford and Vernon Counties

RAINN – Rape, Abuse, and Incest National Network ..............................................(800) 656-4673
Internet Web Site: www.rainn.org
Area Served includes: Buffalo, Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau, and Vernon Counties in Wisconsin and Houston County in Minnesota

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

La Crosse Municipal Transit Utility and Apple Express .............................................(608) 789-7350
Internet Web Site: www.cityoflacrosse.org/mtu
Area Served includes: City of La Crosse, French Island and part of Onalaska in Wisconsin; City of La Crescent in Minnesota

Onalaska, Holmen, West Salem Public Transit (Running, Inc.) .............................(608) 784-0000
Internet Web Site: www.runninginc.net
Area Served includes: Onalaska, West Salem, French Island, and to Bridgeview Plaza in north La Crosse
Scenic Mississippi Regional Transit (SMRT) ................................................................. (877) 444-6543
   • Provides a four-county, fixed route, commuter bus system to connect La Crosse, Prairie du Chien, Sparta, Tomah, Viroqua, and other communities along I-90

Internet Web Site: www.rideSMRT.com
Area Served Includes: Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, and Vernon Counties

SEMCAC ......................................................................................................................... (800) 528-7622

Internet Web Site: www.semcac.org
Area Served includes: Houston County

For other transportation information (such as medical transportation or transportation for seniors, individuals with disabilities, domestic violence victims, or runaways) or to learn if there are resources for gas vouchers or bus tokens contact Great Rivers 2-1-1 by dialing 2-1-1 or (800) 362-8255, visit the Web site at www.greatrivers211.org or by texting your zip code to 898211.

SPECIAL POPULATIONS

FARMERS

Extension Buffalo County, UW-Madison ................................................................. (608) 685-6256

Internet Web Site: https://buffalo.extension.wisc.edu
Area Served includes: Buffalo County
   • Provides research-based information to groups and individuals on agricultural practices including dairy herd management, forage crop management, pest management, farm financial analysis, and record keeping

Extension Crawford County, UW-Madison ......................................................... (608) 326-0223

Internet Web Site: https://crawford.extension.wisc.edu
Area Served includes: Buffalo County
   • Provides information on dairy industry, horticulture, livestock education and practices, land use planning and development, rural small business development, and energy conservation

Extension La Crosse County, UW-Madison......................................................... (608) 785-9593

Internet Web Site: https://lacrosse.extension.wisc.edu
Area Served includes: La Crosse County
   • Provides information on dairy/livestock care and management, crop production, horticulture and resource development
Extension Monroe County, UW-Madison .............................................................. (608) 269-8722
Internet Web Site: https://monroe.extension.wisc.edu
Area Served includes: Monroe County
  • Agricultural programs on farm business management, crop production, horticulture, dairy and livestock management
  • Works with agricultural organizations and groups to solve agricultural, water quality and environmental issues
  • Will assist with identifying insects/bugs that are on crops

Extension Trempealeau County, UW-Madison.................................................. (715) 538-2311 ext. 376
Internet Web Site: https://trempealeau.extension.wisc.edu
Area Served includes: Trempealeau County
  • Provides information to groups on agriculture practices, farm financial management, livestock care, and general farm production and management

Extension Vernon County, UW-Madison .......................................................... (608) 637-5276
Internet Web Site: https://vernon.extension.wisc.edu
Area Served includes: Vernon County
  • Provides information on agriculture practices, farm financial management, livestock care, and general farm production and management

Farm Aid ............................................................................................................. (800) 327-6243
Internet Web Site: www.farmaid.org
Area Served includes: Buffalo, Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau, and Vernon Counties in Wisconsin and Houston County in Minnesota
  • Through the hotline, counseling, and emergency financial assistance Farm Aid reaches out to the farming families in greatest need

Houston County - UM Extension Office .............................................................. (507) 725-5807
Internet Web Site: https://local.extension.umn.edu/local/houston
Area Served includes: Houston County
  • Information regarding crop production, dairy farm management, and farm management; work with groups and individuals involved with agriculture and agribusiness

Minnesota Department of Agriculture .............................................................. (800) 967-2474
Internet Web Site: www.mda.state.mn.us
Area Served includes: Houston County
  • Provides extensive information and assistance for farmers including business/farm management assistance; legal information regarding farm business; financial counseling and analysis; grants to promote new value-added products and technologies, research and market development, and feasibility studies; and start-up or expansion assistance
Contact Great Rivers 2-1-1 for more information about these or other resources available
Dial 2-1-1 or (800) 362-8255
or
Text your zip code to 898211

United States Department of Agriculture ...........................................(202) 720-2791
Internet Web Site:  www.fsa.usda.gov
Area Served includes: La Crosse, Monroe, and Vernon Counties in Wisconsin and Houston County in Minnesota
- Oversees the Farm Service Agency which administers farm commodity loan and surplus purchase programs, crop insurance, resource conservation programs for farmers, emergency assistance for farmers in disaster areas, and loans through a network of State and County offices.
  Farm Service Agency – Houston County ..................................................(507) 765-2123 ext. 2
  Farm Service Agency – Buffalo, La Crosse, Monroe and Trempealeau Counties ................(608) 269-8136
  Farm Service Agency – Crawford and Vernon Counties .............................................(608) 637-2183 ext. 203

Wisconsin Farmers’ Assistance Hotline .......................................................(800) 942-2474
Internet Web Site:  https://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/growing_WI/FarmCenterOverview.aspx
Area Served includes: Buffalo, Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau, and Vernon Counties
- Provides extensive information and assistance for farmers including business/farm management assistance; legal information regarding farm business; financial counseling and analysis; grants to promote new value-added products and technologies, research and market development, and feasibility studies; and start-up or expansion assistance

VETERANS

Fort McCoy Army Community Service .....................................................(608) 388-3505
Internet Web Site:  https://mccoy.armymwr.com/programs/army-community-service
Area Served includes: Buffalo, Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau, and Vernon Counties
- Provides quality of life programs and information about services and resources in the Fort McCoy community to link people who need assistance with appropriate services and resources

HonorBound Foundation ............................................................................(800) 521-0198
Internet Web Site:  www.honorboundfoundation.org
Area Served includes: Nationwide
- Information and referral services to resources available to veterans and their families; limited emergency assistance available on a case-by-case basis

HorseSense for Special Riders .................................................................(608) 791-4868
Internet Web Site:  www.hssr.org
Area Served includes: La Crosse and Vernon Counties in Wisconsin and Houston County in Minnesota
- Therapeutic riding program for veterans with mental, emotional, or physical disabilities
La Crosse Area Veterans Mentor Program ............................................................... (608) 785-6420
Internet Web Site:  www.lavmp.org
Area Served includes: La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau, and Vernon Counties in Wisconsin and Houston County in Minnesota
  • Veterans work with fellow veterans by assisting and encouraging them to participate in Veterans Affairs, community-based treatment and intervention programs and navigate the court system, if necessary

La Crosse Vet Center ............................................................................................... (608) 782-4403
Internet Web Site:  www.va.gov
Area Served includes: Buffalo, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau, and Vernon Counties in Wisconsin and Houston County in Minnesota
  • Vet Center provides readjustment counseling and outreach services

River Valley Integrated Health Center ................................................................. (608) 787-6411
Internet Web Site: www.tomah.va.gov/locations/Lacrosse.asp
Area Served includes: Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau, and Vernon Counties in Wisconsin and Houston County in Minnesota
  • Health screening, disease prevention, primary care, and mental health services

US Department of Veteran Affairs Call Center for Homeless Veterans ............... (877) 424-3838
Internet Web Site:  www.va.gov/homeless
Area Served includes: Nationwide
  • Veterans who are homeless and in need of advocacy and information

Veterans Benefits Administration Information ................................................... (800) 827-1000
Internet Web Site:  www.benefits.va.gov
Area Served includes: Nationwide
  • Veterans benefits advocacy and information

Veterans Affairs Medical Center - Tomah ...........................................................(800) 872-8662
Internet Web Site:  www.tomah.va.gov
Area Served includes: Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau, and Vernon Counties in Wisconsin and Houston County in Minnesota
  • Inpatient and outpatient services
  • Medical care, mental health care, substance abuse treatment, dental care, and socialization and support programs

Veterans Crisis Line ......................................................................................... (800) 273-8255 ext. 1
Internet Web Site:  www.veteranscrisisline.org
Area Served includes: Nationwide
  • Provides a suicide prevention service available to veterans in emotional crisis who are seeking help

Veterans Assistance Center - Chippewa Falls (Klein Hall) ............................... (800) 947-8387
Internet Web Site:  www.vafvets.org
Area Served includes: Wisconsin
  • Provides a transitional housing program for veterans

Contact Great Rivers 2-1-1 for more information about these or other resources available
Dial 2-1-1 or (800) 362-8255
or
Text your zip code to 898211
Veterans’ Employment and Training Service (VETS) ......................................................... (866) 487-2365

Internet Web Site:  www.dol.gov/agencies/vets

Area Served includes:  Buffalo, Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, Trempealeau, and Vernon Counties in Wisconsin; Houston County in Minnesota

Veterans Services Offices

Area Served includes:  Each county serves its own residents

- Buffalo County ........................................................................................................(608) 685-6219
- Crawford County ....................................................................................................(608) 326-0204
- Ho-Chunk Nation ....................................................................................................(715) 284-4563
- Houston County ....................................................................................................(507) 725-5805
- La Crosse County ..................................................................................................(608) 785-9719
- Monroe County .....................................................................................................(608) 269-8618
- Trempealeau County ..............................................................................................(715) 538-2311 ext. 218
- Vernon County .....................................................................................................(608) 637-5323

- Coordinates county-wide veteran services and provides information on federal and state veteran benefits including disability, burial benefits, education benefits, home loans, life insurance, pension, and other programs
- Or apply for benefits online at  www.va.gov/onlineapps.htm

Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs ................................................................. (800) 947-8387

Internet Web Site:  https://dva.wi.gov/Pages/home.aspx

Area Served Includes:  Wisconsin

- Public service group offering volunteer opportunities, resources for homeless veterans, and supportive listening

MILITARY FAMILIES

American Red Cross – Northwest Wisconsin Chapter .............................................. (877) 618-6628

Internet Web Site:  www.redcross.org/local/wisconsin/about-us/locations/northwest-chapter.html

Area Served includes:  Buffalo and Trempealeau Counties

- Provides emergency notifications and referrals for service members and their families

American Red Cross – Southwest Chapter ................................................................. (877) 618-6628

Internet Web Site:  www.redcross.org/local/wisconsin/about-us/locations/southwest-chapter.html

Area Served includes:  Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, and Vernon Counties in Wisconsin and Houston County in Minnesota

- Provides emergency notifications and referrals for service members and their families

Army Community Service - Fort McCoy ................................................................. (608) 388-3505

Internet Web Site:  https://mccoy.armymwr.com/programs/army-community-service

Area Served includes:  Wisconsin

- Provides information about services and resources in the Fort McCoy community to link people who need assistance with resources.
Military OneSource

Internet Web Site: www.militaryonesource.mil

Area Served includes: Nationwide
  • Provides comprehensive information, resources, and assistance on every aspect of military life.

Operation Homefront Region 2 – Central Midwest

Internet Web Site: www.operationhomefront.org

Area Served includes: Wisconsin
  • Provides emergency assistance to families of deployed troops, including help with auto repair, disaster relief, home and appliance repairs, food assistance, vision care, financial assistance, furniture and household items, moving assistance

For information about resources for other special populations (individuals with disabilities, senior citizens, members of the Hmong Community, or other special populations) contact Great Rivers 2-1-1 by dialing 2-1-1 or (800) 362-8255, visit the Web site at www.greatrivers211.org or by texting your zip code to 898211

UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION

Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development

Internet Web Site: www.uimn.org/uimn/

Area Served: Minnesota

Unemployment Insurance Program
  • Provides temporary benefits to qualified persons out of work through no fault of their own

Eligibility: Individuals who are unemployed or partially unemployed due to no fault of their own and available for work

Application:
  The online and automated phone application systems are available 6 am - 6 pm Monday - Friday
  Apply by phone: (877) 898-9090
  Apply by TTY: (866) 814-1252
  Apply online: www.uimn.org/uimn/

When applying people need:
  ✓ Their social security number
  ✓ Their Minnesota driver’s license number or other state government ID number
  ✓ Their mailing address and telephone number
  ✓ Names and addresses of employers, the dates the person worked for them, the person’s pay rate, and the reason the person no longer works for them (from the previous 18 months)
Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development

Internet Web Site:  http://dwd.wisconsin.gov/uiben

Area Served:  Wisconsin

Unemployment Insurance Division  .................................................................(414) 435-7069

- Provides temporary economic assistance to Wisconsin’s unemployed workers

Eligibility:  Individuals who are unemployed or partially unemployed due to no fault of their own and available for work

Application:

Applicants must apply online

Create an account on my.unemployment.wisconsin.gov

Logon to access online benefits services and complete the application process

Claim Specialists are available by phone 7:35 am - 3:30 pm Monday – Friday to walk applicants through the online process

Claim Specialist. .................................................................................................................(414) 435-7069

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Directions on how to apply online..............................................................................https://dwd.wisconsin.gov/uiben/online/

When applying people need:

✓ Their social security number
✓ Their Wisconsin driver’s license number (if they have one)
✓ Names and addresses of employers and the dates the person worked for them (from the previous 18 months or since the last time the person claimed)
✓ To select a 4 digit PIN number (people who have previously filed (including by phone) should already have a number)
We’re here any time you don’t know where to turn for help.

Dial 2-1-1 or (800) 362-8255
Free and Confidential
24 hours a day, 7 days a week
Text your zip code to 898211

When you need information about community services or are looking for help with a personal or family matter, Great Rivers 2-1-1 will answer questions about what is available, who to contact for the details you want, and how to take the next step toward solving your problems or meeting your needs.

Need help? Call, text, or search online at

www.greatrivers211.org

Great Rivers United Way