



I NEED FOOD

Food and hot meals are available to those in need. You may be eligible for food assistance through the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services. To see if you qualify, contact the Franklin County Department of Job and Family Services at 614.233.2000.

Several food pantries operate around Franklin County, serving those who need groceries. To find out more contact one of the following:

HandsOn Central Ohio FOODLINK
614.341.2282 or call 2-1-1

Free meals are available from many area organizations at their soup kitchens. Call for locations and hours of operation.

- Broad St. UMC**, 614.221.4571
- Community Kitchen**, 614.252.6428
- Faith Mission**, 614.224.6617
- First English Lutheran Church**, 614.252.3191
- Holy Family Soup Kitchen**, 614.461.9444
- Mt. Olivet Baptist Church**, 614.221.3446
- New Life UMC**, 614.294.0134
- The Open Shelter**, 614.222.2885
- St. Johns Evangelical**, 614.224.8634
- St. Lawrence**, 614.228.0799
- St. Sophia's Orthodox**, 614.299.8760
- Wings of Hope**, 614.561.9993
- Vineyard Church**, 614.259.5441



I NEED IDENTIFICATION

You need current, valid identification to make your navigation through social services, job interviews, and reentry a much smoother process. Obtaining these documents is not always easy or inexpensive. Once you have these documents, keep them safe! Carry your State photo ID with you at all times in a wallet or purse. Keep your birth certificate and Social Security card information in a safe place at your home or with a trusted relative or friend.

Never loan out your identification to anyone else.

Birth Certificate (\$21.50 - cash, check, or money order)

If you do not have money to pay for your birth certificate, you may request assistance from the Joint Organization for Inner City Needs (JOIN) at 578 E Main St, Columbus, Ohio 43215; phone 614.241.2531 or 614.241.2530.

You can obtain a copy of your birth certificate if you were born in Ohio by walking in to the Ohio Department of Health Office

of Vital Statistics. The office is located at 225 Neilston Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215; phone: 614.466.2531. Office hours are 8a-5p, Monday through Friday. The office is closed on state holidays. Turn around for walk-in clients is the same day, as long as you are there before 4:30p.

Social Security Card (Free)

You can obtain a printout of your Social Security card and number from the Social Security Administration, 200 N High St, Rm 225, Columbus, Ohio 43215; phone 866.954.1723.

State of Ohio Photo ID (\$8.50 - cash or check)

If you do not have money to pay for your State of Ohio photo ID card, you may request assistance from Stone Village Church, 139 E. 2nd Avenue, Columbus, Ohio 43201; phone 614.579.5493. The Church provides 15 free vouchers per week, distributed first-come, first-served at 9:00a on Wednesdays. They recommend that you arrive to get in line by 8:30a. The vouchers are only redeemable at the BMV registrar located at 1970 W Broad St in Columbus.

You can obtain a photo ID card, which is not the same as a driver's license and can be issued even if your driving privileges are suspended or revoked. These photo ID cards are available at any Ohio Bureau of Motor Vehicles local Deputy Registrar License Agency.

The main BMV registrar's office, and the one where the Stone Village Church vouchers are accepted is 1970 W Broad St, Columbus, Ohio 43223; phone 614.752.7500. Office hours are 8a-8:30p, Monday through Friday, closed holidays. You can find other locations online at the BMV website or in the phone book.

Take your birth certificate and Social Security card or print-out with you. If you have been recently released from an Ohio prison, you may use your ODRC Release Identification Card to obtain a State photo ID.



I NEED A JOB OR JOB TRAINING

Goodwill Columbus, job training and workforce skills, 1331 Edgemoor Rd., 614.294.5181

COWIC

job training and job search services,
1111 E. Broad St., 614.559.5052

Henkels & McCoy Community Success

job development & supportive services,
80 S. 6th Street, 614.221.3398

Impact Community Action

computer literacy, workforce skills
700 Bryden Rd., 614.252.2799

Alvis House Community Reentry Center

employment education, HIRE program, GED classes 1991 Bryden Rd., 614.252.0660

TOUCH

computer literacy, job readiness and search skills, GED classes 3968 E. Main St., Whitehall, 614.338.8733

YouthBuild

job training, computer literacy, job placement, GED classes
820 Mansfield Ave., 614.222.4705

Columbus Urban League

Workforce development, career services
788 Mt Vernon Ave., 614.257.6300

If you are a Veteran

Volunteers of America

employment services & computer resource center
624 Harmon Avenue, 614.351.1881

Amvets Career Center

employment services & free online courses
1395 E. Dublin Granville Rd., Suite 222, 614.431.6990



I NEED TRANSPORTATION

If you need transportation to or from a medical appointment, the agency or institution may be able to help. Call them directly for information.

Bus: Franklin County is served by the Central Ohio Transit Authority, or COTA public bus system. Local one-way fares are \$2, and buses accept bills and coins. Have exact change - no change is available on the bus. COTA also sells passes for 1 day, 7 days, and 31 days. 614.228.1776.

Taxi: Franklin County is served by many taxi companies.

- Among the largest are
- Orange Cab, 614.414.0000
- Yellow Cab, 614.444.4444;
- German Village Taxi, 614.224.8888
- Shamrock Taxi, 614.784.8888



I NEED LEGAL ASSISTANCE

Criminal

If you have been arrested and charged with a crime that could subject you to jail or prison time, and you cannot afford to pay a lawyer, the State must provide legal assistance for you. This is done through the Office of the Public Defender. In Franklin County, the **Public Defender** is Yeura R. Venters, Franklin County Public Defender Office, 373 South High Street, 12th Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215. Phone: 614.525.3194, Fax: 614.461.6470.

Child Support

If you are a custodial parent suing for child support, or if you are a non-custodial parent being sued for child support, and you need assistance, or if you need to establish the paternity (who is the father) of a child, the **Child Support Enforcement**


Agency may be able to help. CSEA, under the direction of Director Susan Brown, is located at 80 E. Fulton Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215. Phone 614.525.3275; Fax 614.525.6409.

Civil

If you experience any of the following legal concerns, the **Legal Aid Society of Columbus**, located at 1108 City Park Ave, Columbus OH 43206, may be able to help. They assist with Loss or denial of public benefits, Medicaid/Medicare, Unemployment compensation, Evictions, Foreclosures, Domestic Violence, Child Custody, Consumer Issues, Garnishments and attachments, Landlord/Tenant Dissolutions, Divorce, Income Tax Issues, and Wills.


In Franklin or Madison counties please call the Intake Line at 614.241.2001, M-F 9:30a-3:30p.

IF YOU ARE IN CRISIS



MENTAL HEALTH / AOD
Netcare Access
 24-hour mental health and AOD crisis intervention. Call the Crisis Line at 614.276.CARE (2273)
FOOD / CLOTHES / SHELTER
Handson Central Ohio
 Emergency shelter intake, hot meals, food and clothing pantry referrals.
 Dial 2-1-1 or 614.221.6766

I NEED SHELTER



24/7 intake for single men, single women and families is done over the phone by the Coordinated Point of Access Call 888.474.3587 for intake. Please, do not go to any of the locations listed here without first calling the access number.

If you are in a shelter crisis:

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If you are staying in a shelter, living on the streets, or are marginally housed - that is, if you're couch surfing or jumping from place to place, you can seek assistance from The Open Shelter at 61 E Mound St., 614.222.2885. The shelter has drop-in hours 10:30a-1:30p Monday through Friday, and offers free lunch, clothing and other necessities, use of telephone, a mailing address, and case management. The Open Shelter will not accept Tier III sexual offenders.

Men's shelters
 Faith Mission, 151 N. 6th St., Columbus Metropolitan Housing Authority, 614.421.6000 Homeport, 614.221.8889


Women's shelters
 Faith Mission, 599 East 8th Avenue, Friends of the Homeless, 924 E. Main St Volunteers of America, 624 Harmon Avenue

Family shelters
 WCA Family Shelter, 900 Harvey Ct., YMCA, 40 W. Long St., 614.573.3616 Supportive & Transitional Housing Choices, 614.224.4663

Addresses of women's shelters withheld for safety
 Nancy's Place, 614.224.6617
 Rebecca's Place, 614.360.0251

Friends of the Homeless, 924 E. Main St
 Faith Mission, 599 East 8th Avenue, Friends of the Homeless, 924 E. Main St

I NEED CLOTHING



Clothing, shoes, and coats are available for those who need them at a variety of organizations throughout the area. Remember, clothing is more than just protection from the elements - your clothing and hygiene are the first things people notice about you, and can make the difference between an easy reentry into the workforce and social scene or continued difficulty. It doesn't matter if your clothing is new or old, if you present yourself well-groomed and well-put-together, it makes a world of difference. You never get a second chance to make a first impression.

Clothing resources include:
 St. Vincent De Paul free clothing store, 614.241.2569
 J.O.I.N., 578 King Ave, 614.241.2530
 Salvation Army, 967 E. Main St, 614.221.6561
 New Life UMC, 25 W. 5th Ave, 614.294.0134
 United Methodist Free Store, 946 Parsons Ave, 614.443.1713
 Westside Free Store, 61 Powell Ave, 614.351.5480
 Goodwill Columbus, 1331 Edgemoor Rd., 614.252.2799

Friends of the Homeless/New Horizons
 371 Carpenter St., 614.360.0120
 Southeast, Inc / Friends of the Homeless
 16 W Long St., 614.360.0251
 Community Housing Network
 1680 Watermark Dr., 614.487.6700
 National Church Residences, 800.388.2151
 Low Income & Section 8 Housing
 Columbus Metropolitan Housing Authority, 614.421.6000

Franklin County Reentry Coalition
 373 S High St, 25th Floor
 Columbus, OH 43215
www.franklincountyohio.gov/reentry

If you have made mistakes, even serious ones, there is always another chance for you. What we call failure is not the falling down but the staying down.
 Mary Pickford

Vision
 Our vision is to create safer neighborhoods and more productive residents by increasing the successes of formerly incarcerated persons as they reenter their communities.

The information included in this guide is very general and may not apply to all people leaving incarceration.

Franklin County Reentry Coalition

WALLET-FUL of RESOURCES

[Welcome Home!](#)

This document is designed to assist individuals who are returning from incarceration navigate the maze of reentry services.

We hope this guide helps the recently incarcerated to identify and locate appropriate services within Franklin County to more quickly back into the community at large.

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Peer Support

Alcoholics Anonymous, 24 hour referral 614.253.8501
Narcotics Anonymous, 24 hour referral 614.252.1700
Cocaine Anonymous, 24 hour referral, 614.251.1122

P.E.E.R. (Peers Enriching Each-Other's Recovery) Center, A consumer-operated drop-in recovery center that offers one-on-one and group peer support, recreation, and socialization activities, a resource center, a computer lab, and a media center. 1221 E Broad St, 614.453.4830

T.O.U.C.H., Peer mentoring and supportive services, 37 Robinwood Ave, 614.338.8733

Veteran's Outreach Center, 614.257.5550

Prescription Drug Care

Charitable Pharmacy of Central Ohio, free medicine, 614.227.0301

Mental Health, Alcohol and Drug (AOD) treatment
Netcare Access, 199 S. Central Ave and 741 E. Broad St, 614.276.2273

Maryhaven, 24/7 detox admissions, 1791 Alum Creek, 614.445.8131

House of Hope, AOD treatment, 614.291.4691
CompDrug, 547 E. 11th Ave, 614.224.4506

Amethyst, Long-term residential treatment for women and children, 455 E Mound St, 614.242.1284

Alvis House, Multiple services to individuals & families, 1991 Bryden Road, 614.252.0660

Salvation Army, 1675 S. High St, 614.221.4269

Medical Care

Mt. Carmel Outreach, rotating locations, 614.546.4200
Columbus Public Health, 240 Parsons Ave, 614.645.7417
Vineyard Free Clinic, 171 E. 5th Ave, 614.259.5428
Columbus Free Clinic, 2231 N. High St, 614.404.8417
New Life UMC Clinic, 25 W. 5th Ave, 614.294.0134
Xenos Free Clinic, 1934 N. 4th St and 40 Chicago Ave, 614.823.6510


Primary One Health Centers 614.645.5500

- East Health Center - 1180 E Main St
- CNCH at Great Southern - 3781 S High St
- St Stephen's Health Center - 1500 E 17th Ave
- Columbus Northeast Health Center - 3433 Agler Rd

• West Family Health & Wellness Center-2300 W Broad Street

ARC (AIDS Resource Center) Ohio, confidential testing and safer sex supplies at no cost, 4400 N High St, Suite 300, 614.299.2437

I NEED HEALTHCARE



If you are in crisis and are a danger to yourself or others or if you have life-threatening injuries, dial 9-1-1.

If you are considering suicide, call the 24/7 Columbus suicide hotline at 614.221.5445.

24/7 mental health and alcohol/drug crisis intervention is available at NetCare access. Call the crisis line at 614.276.2273 or go to 199 South Central Ave or 741 East Broad St

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