



Extension
Institute on Human Development and Disability

Mental Health Resources

County: **SUMTER**

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Middle Flint Behavioral Healthcare 415 N Jackson St #1348 229-815-5454	Morgan Gwendolyn 415 N Jackson St 229-931-2470	New Hope Clinic 206 E Lamar St 229-928-0581
Perry Wellness Center 302 E Furlow St 229-924-2430	Providence Psychological Services 615 Barlow St 229-928-9887	Souther Star Community Services 100 Heads Ave 229-931-2493
The Social Exchange 323 S Lee St 844-333-1120		

If you or someone else is experiencing a mental health crisis, call 988.

The mental health resources provided on this list are for informational purposes only and are not intended to replace professional advice or treatment. It is important to note that every individual's mental health needs are unique and may require a personalized approach. While we have made every effort to ensure the accuracy and quality of the information provided, we do not endorse or guarantee any of the organizations or services listed. We strongly encourage individuals to conduct their own research and seek professional guidance before utilizing any of the resources on this list.



Southern Ag Exchange Network

Funding was made available through the Southern Ag Exchange Network (SAGE). The Southern Ag Exchange Network Is The Southern Region Effort Of The U.S. Department Of Agriculture's Farm And Ranch Stress Assistance Network (FRSAN), Which Is Made Up Of Four Regional Groups Charged With Addressing Heightened Stress And Elevated Suicide Rates In Rural Farming Communities.

**SUMTER
COUNTY**

GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS SERVICE

500 W. Lamar Street, Room 28, Sumter County Courthouse

Americus, GA 31709

Phone: (229) 931-2546 Fax: (229) 931-5151

www.findtherightjob.com

PURPOSE:

To serve the veterans of Georgia, their dependents, and survivors in all matters pertaining to veteran's benefits.

SERVICES:

To obtain for veterans, their dependents, and survivors, all benefits to which they are entitled and to assist in gathering and preparing evidence needed to justify a claim in order to prove their entitlement.

ELIGIBILITY:

Eligibility requirements will vary depending on the type of benefit applied for.

HOURS OF SERVICE:

8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., Monday – Friday

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

N/A

FEES:

None

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

State

GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

120 W. Church Street

Americus, GA 31709

Phone: (229) 931-2520

www.dolstate.ga.us

PURPOSE:

Community Service – State Agency

SERVICES:

Employment assistance, Unemployment Insurance, job skills workshops, resume preparation, agricultural services, and migrant and seasonal farm workers services.

ELIGIBILITY:

State Agency – the general public is eligible for services.

HOURS OF SERVICE:

8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., Monday – Friday

APPLICATION PROCEDURES:

Report to the office.

FEES:

None

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

State

DI-VERSIFIED TRAINING SERVICES

P. O. Box 7011
Americus, GA 31709
Phone: (229)
dtstrainmenow.com

PURPOSE:

To enhance the lives of many that brings commitment and satisfaction to a new spectrum of learning in a world of constant change.

SERVICES:

Di-versified Training Services has 29 training modules to choose from; ranging from Parenting, Stress Management, Time-management, Staff Development to Foster Care and Adoption. Motivational speakers and weekend training are also available.

ELIGIBILITY:

Public, Private, State, Community Agencies and Organizations

HOURS OF SERVICE:

8:00 a.m. – Until

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

Leave a message on voice mail or e-mail.

FEES:

Various

AMERICUS – SUMTER COUNTY CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN RED CROSS

1509 Crawford Street
Americus, GA 31709
Phone: (229) 924-2026
www.redcross.org

PURPOSE:

To improve the quality of human life, enhance self reliance and concern for others, and help people avoid, prepare, and cope with emergencies.

SERVICES:

Disaster Services: mass care in major disasters, food, shelter, and assist fire victims. Blood Services: schedule and conduct blood drives. Health and Safety: First Aid, CPR, HIV/AIDS, baby-sitting, BAT for 4th graders, Preventing Disease Transmission classes, Swimming, Lifeguarding, CNA, and emergency communication for the military.

ELIGIBILITY:

Everyone in Americus and Sumter County, some of our services are available in Dooly, Macon, Schley and Webster Counties.

HOURS OF SERVICE:

9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., Monday – Friday, with 24 hour emergency services.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

None, call or come by the office.

FEES:

Charge for our Health and Safety classes, all else is free.

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

United Way

HOUSING AUTHORITY OF AMERICUS

825 N. Mayo Street
Americus, GA 31709
Phone: (229) 924-3386

PURPOSE:

To provide housing to low and moderate income families.

SERVICES:

Public Housing, Section 8 assisted housing, standard rental housing, and various social services to our residents.

ELIGIBILITY:

Based on annual family income.

HOURS OF SERVICE:

7:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m., Monday - Friday

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

Complete written application and provide additional supporting documents.

FEES:

No fee for applying. Rent is based on family income or a set standard.

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

From participants and the Federal Government.

PEECH PRESCHOOL

(Partners in the Early Education of Children with Handicaps)

802 Ashby Street
Americus, GA 31709
Phone: (229) 924-6446

PURPOSE:

To provide free, comprehensive educational services to preschool children with disabilities between the ages of three and five.

SERVICES:

Facility-based classes for disabled preschoolers, taught by certified teachers, Community-based services provided at the child's own day care, Head Start, and Home-based services – personnel works with caregivers and provides direct services to children.

ELIGIBILITY:

Children who exhibit moderate, severe, or profound disabilities in any one of the following areas: significantly developmentally delayed, mentally disabled, visually impaired, hearing impaired, speech/language disordered, orthopedically impaired, or emotionally disabled.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

Referral forms may be obtained by writing or calling the agency.

FEES:

None

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

State, Federal, and Department of Education

SUMTER COUNTY EXTENSION SERVICE

P.O. Box 1027

331 Highway 19 South

Americus, GA 31719

Phone: (229) 924-4476 Fax: (229) 924-4723

PURPOSE:

To provide information and education to all sectors of the community – both rural and city.

SERVICES:

Unbiased research-based education which improves the quality of Georgia's agriculture, industry, environment, families, 4-H, and youth.

ELGIBILITY:

The Cooperative Extension offers educational programs, assistance, and materials to all people without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, or disability.

HOURS OF SERVICE:

8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m., Monday – Friday

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

None

FEES:

None

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

County, State, and Federal

PERFECT CARE, INC.

114 Sullivan Drive

Americus, GA 31709

Phone: (229) 928-5616 Fax: (229) 928-5454

PURPOSE:

Assisted living for the elderly and disabled.

SERVICES:

Provide a 61 bed Personal Care Home, Adult Day Care, Sitter Service, Personal Support Services (at home).

All Nursing Assistants are CPR and First Aid certified.

ELIGIBILITY:

Must be elderly or disabled and ambulatory (state requirement). We are equipped to handle Alzheimers, mental retardation, and other dementia specific residents.

HOURS OF SERVICE:

24 hours a day, 7 days a week

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

Call or come by the office.

FEES:

Schedule of fees may be obtained from the office.

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

Private pay or Medicaid through Community Care Services Program

VISITING NURSES ASSOCIATION

102 Mayo Street
Americus, GA 31709
Phone: (229) 924-7301

PURPOSE:

To provide a broad range of health related services in the home setting in a caring and professional manner in order to promote the optimal quality of life of the individual as defined by the patient's needs and directed by their physicians.

SERVICES:

To provide skilled Nursing care and Home Health aid services to home bound persons. We also provide Speech Therapy, Medical Social Worker Services, Physical Therapy, and Occupational Therapy. We are the only local agency providing Home Health Services that are Joint Commission Accredited at this time and have been since 1995.

ELIGIBILITY:

Medicare, Medicaid, Private Pay, VA, or Insurance

HOURS OF SERVICE:

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Monday – Friday, with 24 hour a day emergency on call nurse.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

Referrals may be made by patient, family (with doctor's approval), or by hospital or doctor's office.

FEES:

Determined by the patient's services.

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

VNA is non-profit, free-standing with voluntary Board of Directors.

SUMTER COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

208 Rucker Street
Americus, GA 31719-0806
Phone: (229) 924-3637

PURPOSE:

Provides comprehensive community health services.

SERVICES:

Adult Health: Hypertension, Diabetes, Sexually Transmitted Disease, Tuberculosis, Blood Tests. Women's Health: Family Planning, and Prenatal Care. Child Health: WIC, EPSDT, Immunizations, Vision, Hearing, Dental Screening, Children's Medical Services.

ELIGIBILITY:

Anyone

HOURS OF SERVICE:

7:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m., Monday, Tuesday, Thursday

7:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., Wednesday

8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., Friday

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

Contact the office.

FEES:

By family size and income. Set fees for some services.

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

Federal, State, and Local

ADULT LITERACY PROGRAM – SOUTH GEORGIA TECHNICAL COLLEGE

900 South Georgia Tech Parkway

Americus, GA 31709

Phone: (229) 931-2563 / 1-800-928-0283

PURPOSE:

To provide instruction to help adults improve their basic skills in reading, writing, and math plus study for the GED class.

SERVICES:

Individualized instructions, computers, and satellite broadcasting. We provide classes in Crisp, Macon, Marion, Schley, Sumter, and Webster Counties.

ELIGIBILITY:

Anyone over the age of 18. 16 or 17 year olds must be officially withdrawn from school (must have parent permission).

HOURS OF SERVICE:

Classes are held mornings, afternoons, and two nights (Monday and Wednesday).

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

Orientation 12:00 noon – 3:00 p.m. every Thursday at Stein Center, 200 Cotton Ave., Americus.

FEES:

No charge for classes. G.E.D. test is \$55.

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

Grants

SOUTH GEORGIA TECHNICAL COLLEGE-FATHERHOOD PROGRAM

200 Cotton Avenue

Americus, GA 31709-8104

Phone: (229) 931-2018

Phone (229)271-4005

Fax: (229) 931-5032

PURPOSE:

The Georgia Fatherhood Program was originated by the Georgia Department of Human Resources Child Support Enforcement Section (CSE) in partnership with the Georgia Department of Technical and Adult Education Special Workforce Service.

SERVICES:

Help non-custodial parents in Georgia shoulder the burden of being unemployed or under-employed, untrained, unskilled, or unable to cope with the situation.

ELIGIBILITY:

Any non-custodian parent paying child support through Child Support Enforcement, that is unemployed or earns less than \$20,000 per year, their child/children receives TANF, and the non-custodian parent does not have a diploma or GED.

HOURS OF SERVICE:

7:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., Monday-Friday

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

Contact local Child Support Enforcement office.

FEES:

None

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

Federal & State

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY INTERNATIONAL

322 W. Lamar
Americus, GA 31709
Phone: (229) 924-6935

PURPOSE:

Christian non-profit ministry with the goal of eliminating poverty housing. Not a give-away program. We sell our homes for no interest and no profit.

SERVICES:

We build homes with people in need.

ELIGIBILITY:

Based on three criteria: 1) Need for adequate shelter. 2) Ability to make the monthly mortgage payment. 3) The willingness to partner a habitat.

HOURS OF SERVICE:

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Monday – Friday

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

Contact local office for homeowner's application or to volunteer.

FEES:

None

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

Donations

AMERICUS – SUMTER COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

P.O. Box 724
400 W. Lamar Street
Americus, GA 31709
Phone: (229) 924-2646

PURPOSE:

Foster economic growth within all sectors of the community.

SERVICES:

Seminars, referrals, information bank, education programs, tourism, industry recruitment and retention, and services for all.

ELIGIBILITY:

Membership open to public.

HOURS OF SERVICE:

8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Monday – Friday

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

Complete application moves to Board for approval.

FEES:

Minimum of \$75. First year small business discount to \$2000+.

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

Membership, County, and City

NEW CONNECTIONS TO WORK
900 SGT Parkway
Americus, GA 31709
Phone: (229) 931-2246 Fax: (229) 931-5089

PURPOSE:

A comprehensive training and employment program which provides student support services and preparation for increased access to technical institutes and employment. The program operates in collaboration with the Department of Human Resources, other agencies, and business and industry.

SERVICES:

Assessment, Testing, Counseling, Job-Readiness, Job Search, Life Management Workshops, and Skill Training.

ELIGIBILITY:

Single parents with custody or joint custody of minor children. Homemaker in transition-separated, divorced, or widowed. Clients of the Department of Family and Children Services and other agencies striving for self-sufficiency and in need of education, training, and/or employment. Non-traditional students seeking assistance, but not fully aware of community resources. Individuals, businesses, and industries seeking customized workforce preparation and training.

HOURS OF SERVICE:

8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., Monday – Thursday

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

Call or come by the office.

LILLIAN CARTER NURSING CENTER
P.O. Box 366
225 Hospital Street
Plains, GA 31780
Phone: (229) 824-7796

PURPOSE:

Skilled nursing home.

SERVICES:

Physical, Occupational, Speech, and Respiratory therapy.

ELIGIBILITY:

Contact the office.

HOURS OF SERVICE:

24 hours a day/7 days a week. Office hours: 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

Through the Social Service Department.

FEES:

Medicare, Worker's Compensation, Private Insurance, or Private Pay accepted

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

Medicaid and Medicare

SUMTER COUNTY RETIREMENT VILLAGE

2124 Highway 280 W.

Plains, GA 31780

Phone: (229) 824-5149

www.sumterretirementvillage.com

PURPOSE:

Retirement living facility with 14 Judgment Villas for an active lifestyle.

SERVICES:

32 bed assisted living facility. Offers complete dining program, weekly housekeeping, personal laundry and linen services, professional resident assistants, emergency response system, and medical assistance.

HOURS OF SERVICE:

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Monday – Friday, with appointments on weekends

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

Contact the office

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

Medicare, Medicaid, and private pay

AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION

1639 Bradley Park Drive

Columbus, GA 31904

Phone: (706) 571-8203

www.heart.org/heartorg/affiliate/columbus/georgia

PURPOSE:

A nonprofit, voluntary health organization funded by private contributions. Its mission is to reduce disability and death from cardiovascular disease and stroke.

SERVICES:

Public education programs to inform people how to reduce their risk of heart disease. Posters, brochures, booklets, advertisements, and kits targeted to schools, businesses, and healthcare sites reach millions of Americans every year with education messages promoting good health.

ELIGIBILITY:

N/A

HOURS OF SERVICE:

9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Monday – Friday

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

N/A

FEES:

N/A

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

Private Contributions

AMERICAN LUNG ASSOCIATION OF GEORGIA

4570 Reese Road
Columbus, GA 31907
Fax: (706) 569-1099
www.lung.org

PURPOSE:

A volunteer organization dedicated to the promotion of healthy lungs through education, research, public advocacy, and community service for the people of Georgia.

SERVICES:

Education program for those suffering from lung disease and educational programs to prevent lung disease. Serving the Counties of: Chattahoochee, Coweta, Crisp, Dooly, Harris, Heard, Macon, Marion, Meriwether, Muscogee, Quitman, Schley, Stewart, Sumter, Talbot, Troup, Upson, and Webster.

ELIGIBILITY:

N/A

HOURS OF SERVICE:

8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., Monday - Friday

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

N/A

FEES:

N/A

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

Donations

RENAL CARE OF AMERICUS

227 North Lee Street
Americus, GA 31709
Phone: (229) 928-2257
www.yellowpages.com/amicus-goldavita-amicus

PURPOSE:

Provides dialysis to treat disease by removing impurities from the blood.

SERVICES:

Provides quality care when hemodialysis treatment is the only alternative. The facility is equipped with thirteen stations and a qualified staff of professionals. The facility offers flexible hours, color T.V. during treatment, and a physician to oversee the operations.

ELIGIBILITY:

Referral from doctor.

HOURS OF SERVICE:

9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Monday - Friday

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

Referral from doctor.

FEES:

Medicare, Medicaid, and private insurance accepted.

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

Medicare, Medicaid, and private insurance

AMERICA'S COUNSELING SERVICE, INC.

131 Thomas Drive
Americus, GA 31709
www.additionalsearch.com

SERVICES:

Provide a variety of counseling and treatment programs for children, adolescents, and families. Serving Crisp, Dooly, Macon, Marion, Schley, Sumter, Taylor, and Webster Counties.

ELIGIBILITY:

Any children or families needing mental health services ranging from short term outpatient therapy to long term day treatment.

HOURS OF SERVICE:

8:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m., Monday - Friday

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

Medicaid, Private Insurance, and Private Pay

AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY

323 Pine Avenue
Albany, GA 31701
Phone: (229) 446-1073 / 1-800-227-2345
www.cancer.org

PURPOSE:

A nationwide community-based voluntary health organization dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem by preventing cancer, saving lives and diminishing suffering from cancer, through research, education, advocacy, and services.

SERVICES:

Counties served: Crisp, Macon, Sumter, and Wilcox Counties

HOURS OF SERVICE:

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Monday - Friday

AMERICUS TRANSIT

101 W. Lamar Street
Americus, GA 31709
Phone: (229) 924-4411
Cityofamericus.net

PURPOSE:

Provide medical and public transportation within Americus city limits.

HOURS OF SERVICE:

8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., Monday - Friday

FEES:

\$2.00 per trip

ASSOCIATES FOR MENTAL AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

902 Elmo Street
Americus, GA 31709
Fax: (229) 928-0982
www.middleflintbhc.org

PURPOSE:

To improve or manage a person's emotional, mental, and/or behavioral condition. To facilitate an individual's function at home, school, and/or work.

SERVICES:

Individual, marriage, and group counseling. Psychological evaluation to assess psychological learning and emotional problems. Play therapy, parenting classes, in home parent aide, and crisis intervention services. Serving Americus, Buena Vista, Butler, Cordele, Ellaville, Fort Gaines, Georgetown, Lumpkin, Montezuma, Oglethorpe, Preston, Richland, Talbotton, and Vienna.

ELIGIBILITY:

Anyone in need of services.

HOURS OF SERVICE:

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Monday – Thursday; 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon, Friday

FEES:

Standard: ½ hr. \$62.50, 1 hr. \$125.00 – for all insurance. All others are negotiable according to need based on a sliding scale.

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

Medicaid, Medicare, Insurance, Private Pay, DHR funding, BHC funding, and Worker's Comp.

PROVIDENCE PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES

615 Barlow Street
Americus, GA 31709
Phone: (229) 928-9887
www.providencepsychological.com

SERVICES:

Adult, adolescent, child counseling and evaluation, marriage and family therapy, and educational evaluations. Serving Sumter and surrounding counties.

HOURS OF SERVICE:

8:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m., Monday – Friday

FEES:

Call for fee schedule.

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

Insurance, Medicaid (up to 21), and various agencies.

RENNASANCE CENTRE'

506 North Jackson Street
Albany, GA 31701-2308
Phone: (229)889-7200
www.healthgrader.com

PURPOSE: Provide psychological and mental health services for general public.

**CHATTAHOOCHEE – FLINT REGIONAL EDUCATIONAL SERVICE AGENCY
RESA**

P.O. Box 1150
121 E. College Street
Ellaville, GA 31806
Phone: (229) 937-5341
www.cfresa.org

SERVICES:

Technology Center (DOE), Two Rivers Migrant Education Agency, psychological and special education services, technical services, drug-free schools services, research planning, staff development, curriculum. Serving school systems for Crisp, Dooly, Macon, Marion, Schley, Sumter, and Webster Counties.

HOURS OF SERVICE:

8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., Monday – Friday

FEES:

Usually paid by school system.

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

State grants and dues from members of the school system.

TURNING POINT HOSPITAL

P.O. Box 1177
3015 S. Veterans Parkway
Moultrie, GA 31768
Phone: (229) 985-4815 / 1-800-342-1075
www.turningpointcare.care.com

PURPOSE:

Provide intensive rehabilitation services designed to alter the destructive course of the addictive disease. Assist families in intervening in the dependent's life to motivate recovery.

SERVICES:

Adult and adolescent treatment for chemical dependency.

ELIGIBILITY:

Anyone seeking help for chemical dependency problem.

HOURS OF SERVICE:

24 hours a day, 7 days a week

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

Contact office

FEES:

Contact office

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

Commercial and private insurance, private pay.

CHILDREN'S MEDICAL SERVICES – CORDELE

604 Fleming Road

Cordele, GA 31015

Phone: (229) 276-2343 / Fax: (229) 276-2717

www.crispregional.org

PURPOSE:

To provide specialized medical care for children birth to 21 years old with handicapping conditions or certain chronic diseases and who meet the eligibility requirements.

SERVICES:

Outpatient clinics with physicians that evaluate each child's condition. The Cordele CMS has three clinic types: orthopedic, seizure, and hearing. Other specialized cases are referred to specific clinics, such as Atlanta and Augusta. CMS offers long-term treatment and therapy by providing physical evaluations, treatment plans, and follow-up care. Case management is provided by the nursing staff, who implement the treatment plan and coordinate services needed by the child and family. Services include: comprehensive physical assessment; diagnostic testing (x-rays, lab tests, etc.); evaluation by medical social workers and nutritionists (when available); corrective surgery, medications, health education for child and family; ongoing health care supervision by registered nurses; hearing aids, braces, casts, wheel chairs, special shoes and other supplementary devices, dental care only if related to the handicapping condition; coordination of care with other agencies and schools; support services such as genetic counseling, nutrition counseling, financial and vocational counseling, and psychological therapy (depending on available resources); referral services to appropriate community resources. Serving Ben Hill, Crisp, Dooly, Jeff Davis, Montgomery, Pulaski, Sumter, Telfair, Turner, Webster, Wheeler, and Wilcox Counties.

ELIGIBILITY:

Must meet CMS financial and diagnostic guidelines, under 21 and a resident of Georgia.

HOURS OF SERVICE:

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Monday – Friday (closed weekends and holidays)

FEES:

There is no clinical fee; however, family may have to assist with outside medical costs depending on income level.

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

Federal, State, and Local

COUNSELING AND ENRICHMENT CENTER

221 S. Lee Street

Americus, GA 31709

Phone: (229) 924-7497

www.scprd.org/service.shtml

PURPOSE:

Provide counseling services to the population of the area.

SERVICES:

Individual, marital, and family counseling, mental health, and chemical abuse outpatient services.

ELIGIBILITY:

We serve the general public.

HOURS OF SERVICE:

10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m., Monday – Friday

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

Services by appointment.

FEES:

Charge fees, file insurance, and use sliding scale.

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

Private, non-profit

CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

705 17th Street, Suite 208

Columbus, GA 31902

Phone: (706) 327-0189

www.columbushealth.com

PURPOSE:

Early Intervention is available to serve and assist families and children, to enhance a child's development if he/she is determined eligible for the program.

SERVICES:

Assisting technology devices, audiology, family training and counseling, health services, certain nursing services, nutrition services, occupational therapy, physical therapy, psychological services, social work, special instruction, speech-language pathology, vision services, and transportation to services identified. Serving Chattahoochee, Clay, Crisp, Dooly, Harris, Macon, Marion, Muscogee, Quitman, Randolph, Schley, Stewart, Sumter, Talbot, Taylor, and Webster Counties.

FEES:

There is no charge for evaluating.

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

Federal and State

FLINT RIVER GIRL SCOUT OF HISTORIC GEORGIA

515 Pine Avenue

Albany, GA 31701

Phone: (229) 432-9188 / 1-800-448-4762

Mskenegshg.org

PURPOSE:

Flint River Girl Scout Council, Inc. provides the Girl Scout program in Crisp, Schley, Sumter, and Wilcox counties of Southwest Georgia that meets the developmental, educational, emotional, and social needs and interests of girls ages 5-17.

SERVICES:

We deliver programs through troop/group experiences that further teach positive relationships with others, service to the community, development of values, and a deepening of self as a person of worth. We accomplish this mission through individual, troop, and group experiences facilitated by qualified adults and community support. Serving Crisp, Schley, Sumter, and Wilcox counties in Southwest Georgia.

ELIGIBILITY:

Any girl 5 to 17 years of age who expresses a belief in the Girl Scout Promise and Law and wants to join the organization. Any adult who expresses a belief in the Girl Scout Promise and Law and wants to join the organization.

HOURS OF SERVICE:

9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Monday – Friday

FEES:

\$6.00 yearly membership dues paid to Girls Scouts of the U.S.A. Financial assistance available for girl or adult who wants to join, but cannot afford the \$6.00 membership dues.

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

Product sale, United Way, grants, contributions, and Annual Giving Campaign.

METHODIST HOME FOR CHILDREN & YOUTH

P.O. Box 1967

100 Mill Creek Road

Americus, GA 31709

Phone: (229) 924-9550 / Fax: (229) 924-8332

www.themethodisthome.org

PURPOSE:

Genesis is a ministry of the South Georgia Conference of the United Methodist Church, which seeks to respond to the needs of pregnant women in difficult circumstances and provide a safe and caring environment for emotionally and behaviorally disturbed children. The rolls of Genesis is to provide positive options for continuing pregnancy in a context of Christ like caring and trust through a network of available resources.

SERVICES:

Genesis is a volunteer network that connects women in crisis pregnancy with a counselor or mentor who will give encouragement and support through the pregnancy. Also provides therapeutic foster care, and respite care. Serving Southwest Georgia.

ELIGIBILITY:

A residential treatment program for 13-17 year old girls, IQ 70 or above, not actively psychotic, able to attend public school, and ability to benefit from group living.

HOURS OF SERVICE:

9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Monday – Friday

FEES:

Some services are free, others charges come from DFCS basic per diem, M.A.T.C.H. funding, and parent's ability to pay.

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

Donations from churches and individuals, State, and parents.

GEORGIA LEGAL SERVICES PROGRAM

P.O. Box 176

1036 First Avenue

Columbus, GA 31902

Phone: (706) 649-7493 / 1-800-533-3140

www.glsp.org

PURPOSE:

The Georgia Legal Services Program provides free legal services to Georgians with low incomes.

SERVICES:

No criminal cases or probate, only civil cases for elderly. Serving Macon, Marion, Schley, Sumter, and Webster counties.

ELIGIBILITY:

Priority cases include: Civil cases, housing-landlord tenant, health care, public benefits, work/school issues, wills, powers of attorney, probate matters, guardianships, bankruptcy, domestic violence, divorce, consumer matters, SSI, child custody. Clients with 187½ % income over poverty guidelines.

HOURS OF SERVICE:

9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., Monday

KOINONIA PARTNERS
1324 Georgia Highway 49 S.
Americus, GA 31709
Phone: (229) 924-0391 and (877) 738-1741
Infokionniapartners.org

PURPOSE:

Service organization.

SERVICES:

Koinonia began in 1942 as a Christian community that served surrounding areas with support in a variety of programs. Services include low-cost housing, after-school and summer programs, nursery and pre-school facilities, as well as remedial language instruction. Projects are supported through hard working volunteers and the funds raised from the sale of pecans.

HOURS OF SERVICE:

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Monday – Friday

MARCH OF DIMES
2800 Old Dawson Rd.
Suite 2 PMB 303
Albany, GA 31707-3349
Phone: (229) 432-1201 / Fax: (229) 436-7214

PURPOSE:

To raise funds to support our campaign for healthier babies through education and research on a national level. On a local level, we provide educational materials, videos, and programs such as “Babies and You”, a prenatal care program available at no cost through work place seminars. Serving Crisp, Sumter, and Wilcox Counties.

HOURS OF SERVICE:

9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Monday - Friday

FEES:

None

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

Contributions

BABIES CAN'T WAIT
1306 S. Slappey Blvd.
Albany, GA. 31701
(229) 430-4212

MIDDLE FLINT BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CARE

Area Program Central Office

P.O. Drawer 1348

415 N. Jackson Street

Americus, GA 31709

Phone: (229) 931-2470 Administration

(229) 931-2404 Substance Abuse / (229) 931-2504 Mental Health

www.middleflintbhc.org

PURPOSE:

Mental health services are designed to maintain and improve clients' functioning in the community.

SERVICES:

Substance abuse services target the abuse of and addiction to a wide variety of substances from "crack" to "wine coolers" with an array of services from prevention and assessment to counseling. The mental retardation program provides an array of county based services for adults. Mental health program provides counseling and treatment for all ages. Children, adolescents, adults, and older adults are all served by the program in Macon, Marion, Schley, Sumter, and Webster counties.

HOURS OF SERVICE:

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Monday – Friday

FEES:

Charges depend on income, number of family members, and third party payers (such as Medicaid and insurance).

ROSALYNN CARTER INSTITUTE OF GEORGIA SOUTHWESTERN STATE UNIVERSITY

Georgia Southwestern College

800 GSW Drive

Americus, GA 31709

Phone: (229) 928-1234

www.rosalynncarter.org

PURPOSE:

Provide education and support to family and professional caregivers; study the care giving process.

SERVICES:

Educational and support programs for caregivers through the "Caring for You, Caring for Me" program and specific seminars/workshops, referrals to caregivers' support groups, information resource center for caregivers. Serving family and professional caregivers for persons with physical illnesses, mental illnesses, or developmental disabilities in Chattahoochee, Clay, Crisp, Dooly, Harris, Macon, Marion, Muscogee, Quitman, Randolph, Schley, Stewart, Sumter, Talbot, Taylor, and Webster Counties.

HOURS OF SERVICE:

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Monday – Friday

FEES:

Varies. Scholarships available for all programs.

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

Private Foundation

CHEHAW COUNCIL BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

1100 N Madison
Albany, GA 31701
Phone: (229) 436-7226
Chehawcouncil.org

PURPOSE:

Development of American youth into strong, well-rounded citizens prepared for tomorrow's leadership. Serving Calhoun, Crisp, Dawson, Dooly, Dougherty, Early, Lee, Schley, Sumter, and Wilcox Counties.

ELIGIBILITY:

All boys first grade and up. Girls age 14-21 can participate in Exploring.

HOURS OF SERVICE:

8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Monday – Friday. Leave message.

FEES:

\$7.00 annual fee to national office. Dues are determined by unit.

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

United Way and private contributions

SALVATION ARMY

204 N. Prince Street
Americus, GA 31709
Phone: (229) 924-5154

PURPOSE:

To provide medical, rental, clothing, food, and other services for those in need.

SERVICES:

The Salvation Army and International Movement is an evangelistic part of the universal Christian church. It's message is based on the Bible, it's ministry is motivated by the love of God. Its mission is to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ and to meet human needs in his name. Serving Southwest Georgia.

HOURS OF SERVICE:

9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Monday – Saturday

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

Community donations, sales from the Salvation Army Thrift Store.

SENIOR CENTER
717 N. Jackson Street
Americus, GA 31709
Phone: (229) 924-1739

SERVICES:

Balanced hot meal daily at noon. Home delivered hot meals. Social activities and programs. Transportation to and from the Senior Center.

ELIGIBILITY:

60 years of age or older.

HOURS OF SERVICE:

8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., Monday – Friday

FEES:

Income base.

AMERICUS LITERACY ACTION, INC.
ADULT LITERACY LEARNING CENTER
307 E. Lamar Street
Americus, GA 31709
Phone: (229) 924-9010 / 924-8091

PURPOSE:

We assist non-reading and low-level reading adults to become functionally literate and offer the opportunity for clients to familiarize themselves with typing and word processing skills in our computer lab. ALAI recruits and trains volunteers to provide these services.

SERVICES:

LWR Reading Level Assessment, Private One-on-One Tutoring, Computer Lab Reading Classes, Adult Literacy Learning Center Library provides reading materials for ALAI clients.

ELIGIBILITY:

Any adult needing assistance with basic reading and writing skills.

HOURS OF SERVICE:

2:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m., Monday and Friday; 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon, Tuesday - Thursday

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

N/A

FEES:

None

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

Local and Federal

AMERICUS – SUMTER COUNTY RECREATION DEPARTMENT

P.O. Box 387
408 Rucker Street
Americus, GA 31709
Phone: (229) 924-4878 / 924-5557
Fax: (229) 928-9464
www.scprd.ord.org

PURPOSE:

To provide recreational activities for all citizens of Americus and Sumter County regardless of race, national origin, or disability.

SERVICES:

We provide a year-round recreation program for the citizens of Americus and Sumter County. We try to emphasize participation in a variety of programs.

ELIGIBILITY:

N/A

HOURS OF SERVICE:

8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Monday – Thursday

8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., Friday

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

N/A

FEES:

Vary according to activity.

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

City and County

OFFICE OF CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES

P.O. Box 1085
502 Lawson Drive
Americus, GA 31709
Phone: (877) 423-4746

PURPOSE:

To establish paternity of children. To establish and enforce support orders.

SERVICES:

Locate non-custodial parents, establish paternity, establish and enforce a child support obligation and medical insurance. Serves Lee, Macon, Schley, Stewart, Sumter, and Webster Counties.

ELIGIBILITY:

Anyone needing assistance in obtaining child support.

HOURS OF SERVICE:

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Monday – Friday

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

Call office.

FEES:

No fee for public assistance recipients. \$25 fee for non-Medicaid recipients.

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

Federal and State

COLAM ENTERPRISES

403 N. Lee Street
Americus, GA 31709
Phone: (229) 924-7477

PURPOSE:

Our main objective is to be a positive force in the community providing training in Basic Skills (reading and math) and pre-employment work/maturity skills.

SERVICES:

The Youth Competency Project will provide training in two of the competencies (1) Basic Skills (reading and math) and (2) Pre-employment/work maturity skills. Participants receive 60 hours in reading and math and 100 hours in pre-employment/work/maturity skills, total 160 hours. After training, they are assisted in finding jobs for at least 20 hours per week. Participants in the Youth Competency Program will be \$15 per competency. All participants must pass each competency by the score required, before being eligible for the \$15. Participants will be paid after the 15th and 31st of each month.

ELIGIBILITY:

TANF recipients

HOURS OF SERVICE:

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Monday – Friday

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

N/A

FEES:

N/A

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

Federal

CRISIS PREGNANCY CENTER

1620 Martin Luther King Blvd
Americus, GA 31709
Phone: (229) 928-2802

PURPOSE:

This non-profit organization offers free pregnancy tests as well as counseling for expectant mothers.

SERVICES:

Provide free pregnancy tests to anyone. Provide sources for adoption if the mother chooses. Also provide maternity clothes and baby clothes.

ELIGIBILITY:

Anyone in crisis.

HOURS OF SERVICE:

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., Thursday

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

Call the office

FEES:

None

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

Donations from local churches and businesses.

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION SERVICE

P.O. Box 845
1604-C East Forsyth Street
Americus, GA 31709
Phone: (229) 931-2516

PURPOSE:

To provide opportunities to improve the quality of life for Georgians with disabilities.

SERVICES:

Vocational counseling and guidance, job development and placement, vocational evaluation, rehabilitation technology, academic training, community work adjustment training, on-the-job training, supported employment, physical restoration, mental restoration, and other support services.

ELIGIBILITY:

Persons with a permanent physical or mental disability that results in a substantial impediment to employment. The person must be able to benefit from vocational rehabilitation services in terms of an employment outcome. Serves Crisp, Dooly, Marion, Schley, Stewart, Sumter, Taylor, and Webster Counties.

HOURS OF SERVICE:

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Monday – Friday

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

N/A

FEES:

Economic eligibility is required on cases where division funds are to be utilized.

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

Federal and State

M.R.S. HOMECARE

1562 E. Forsyth Street
Americus, GA 31709
Phone: (229) 928-2701
lbrl.org

PURPOSE:

Provide home health care equipment and supplies.

SERVICES:

Durable medical equipment, oxygen and respiratory services, and rehabilitation.

ELIGIBILITY:

Varies

HOURS OF SERVICE:

8:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m., Monday – Friday

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

Contact the office.

FEES:

Depends upon the equipment.

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

Private

LAKE BLACKSHEAR REGIONAL LIBRARY

307 E. Lamar Street
Americus, GA 31709
Phone: (229) 924-8091

PURPOSE:

To assist individuals in developing basic literacy skills to enhance their employability and improve their overall quality of life.

SERVICES:

Reference and advisory service, books, audiovisual materials for all ages, programs for all ages, and adult literacy programs.

ELIGIBILITY:

Open to all.

HOURS OF SERVICE:

10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m., Monday, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday; 10:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m., Tuesday and Thursday.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

N/A

FEES:

Fines for lost or overdue materials.

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

State, Local, and Federal

PHEOBE SUMTER HOSPICE

P.O. Box 1434
126 E. Furlow Street
Americus, GA 31709
Phone: (229) 928-4000

PURPOSE:

To promote quality of life by providing home delivered medical care and support services to terminally ill patients and their families by a professional team of physicians, registered nurses, social workers, chaplains, and volunteers. Focus on pain and symptom control, education, emotional support, practical assistance for patients and their families. Hospice's goal is to add life to the patient's days, not days to the patient's life.

SERVICES:

Skilled nursing visits, personal hygiene care, medical social work services, bereavement counseling, dietary counseling, chaplaincy services, and respite care. Durable medical equipment, medical supplies, and related medications are furnished.

ELIGIBILITY:

Terminal diagnosis with life expectancy of less than 6 months.

HOURS OF SERVICE:

8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Monday – Friday, 24 hour Emergency Service

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

Referrals may be made by the patient, family members, or physician by calling the numbers above.

FEES:

Medicare, Medicaid, commercial insurance, and private pay accepted.

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

Patient-related revenues, memorial and private contributions, and grant monies.

WFIA / WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT

900 South Georgia Tech Parkway

Americus, GA 31709

Phone: (229) 931-2172 / 931-2253, Fax (229)931-2395

Southgatech.edu

PURPOSE:

This program was established to prepare individuals who are economically disadvantaged or laid off from former jobs for entry into the labor force through training.

SERVICES:

The grant pays for books and tuition while enrolled in school. JTPA also pays for dorm and cafeteria charges or provides a daily allowance. The allowance helps the student stay in school by providing for basics such as food, child care, or gas.

ELIGIBILITY:

Family income must be within DOL income guidelines or be considered long-term unemployed.

HOURS OF SERVICE:

8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., Monday – Friday

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

N/A

FEES:

This is a grant that pays for tuition, books, and support for those individuals that are selected.

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

Federally funded by Private Industry Council of Middle Flint Regional Development Center.

MIDDLE FLINT RDC AREA AGENCY ON AGING

717 North Jackson

Americus, GA 31709

Phone: (229) 924-1739

PURPOSE:

Improve life for older adults through an array of services and opportunities.

SERVICES:

Senior Centers in 5 counties (Crisp, Dooly, Macon, Sumter, and Taylor), congregate meals served daily, home delivered meals daily, transportation, homemaker services, legal assistance, information and referral, outreach, telephone reassurance, visiting, escort, long term ombudsman, community care services program, nutrition education, advocacy, recreation, blood pressure screenings, elder abuse prevention, Alzheimer's Respite Service, and health insurance counseling.

ELIGIBILITY:

Age 60+, priority to economically and socially needy.

HOURS OF SERVICE:

8:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m., Monday – Friday

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

N/A

FEES:

None, contributions for meals are encouraged.

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

Older Americans Act

MIDDLE FLINT AREA COUNCIL ON AGING, INC.

140 Georgia Highway 27 East

Americus, GA 31709

Phone: (229) 928-2126

Mfcoa.org

PURPOSE:

To assist elderly to live in a comfortable environment.

SERVICES:

Congregate and home delivered meals, transportation, telephone reassurance, escort and friendly visiting, Community Care Services Program, Elder Abuse, and the Ombudsman Program.

ELIGIBILITY:

60 years or older

HOURS OF SERVICE:

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Monday – Friday

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

N/A

FEES:

Contributions

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

Federal and State

RISK REDUCTION PROGRAMS, INC.

113 S. Lee Street

Americus, GA 31709

Phone: (229) 924-2573 / 1-800-662-3948

PURPOSE:

To educate clients about the problems associated with drinking and driving.

SERVICES:

16 hour Education/Intervention class and a 24 hour Intensive Intervention class which addresses issues and lifestyles of problem drinkers and drug users.

ELIGIBILITY:

This class is required by the Department of Public Safety for DUI offenders, drug offenders, and habitual violators in order to reinstate a valid driver's license.

HOURS OF SERVICE:

10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Monday – Friday

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

Anyone who has lost their license. Contact the office.

FEES:

Assessment \$75.00; 20 hour class (Education) \$280.00; Workbook \$15.00.

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

Private

**SUMTER COUNTY CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER
SOUTHWEST GEORGIA COMMUNITY ACTION COUNCIL, INC.**

P.O. Box 1491
300 Cherokee street
Americus, GA 31719
Phone: (229) 924-7666

PURPOSE:

To provide preschool services to children ages 3-5 years, regardless of race, creed, color, national origin, or disabling condition. To provide a complete educational, health, nutritional, and social services program for the child.

SERVICES:

Educational, health, dental, mental health, nutritional, social services, parent involvement, and disability services.

ELIGIBILITY:

The family applying must be within HHS income guidelines.

HOURS OF SERVICE:

7:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m., Monday – Friday, 9 months per year.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

Obtain application from Family Service Department at the center.

FEES:

None

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

Federal, State, and Local

SOUTHWEST GEORGIA COMMUNITY ACTION COUNCIL, INC.

P.O. Box 3728
912 First Avenue S. E.
Moultrie, GA 31776
Phone: (229) 985-3610 / 1-800-642-3384

PURPOSE:

Programs include Commodity Distribution, Emergency Services, Head Start and Early Head Start, Outreach and Referral, Senior Nutrition, Transportation, Summer Camp, Housing and Weatherization, and Homeless/Food and Shelter Program.

SERVICES:

The following counties are served: Baker, Calhoun, Colquitt, Decatur, Dougherty, Early, Grady, Lee, Marion, Mitchell, Miller, Schley, Seminole, Sumter, Terrell, Thomas, Webster, and Worth.

ELIGIBILITY:

Based on individual requirements of each program.

HOURS OF SERVICE:

8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Monday – Friday

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

Proof of income and in some cases documentation of emergency.

FEES:

None

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

Federal, State, and Local

SOUTHWEST GEORGIA EASTER SEAL SOCIETY, INC.

1906 Palmyra Road

Albany, GA 31701

Phone: (229) 439-7061 / 1-800-365-4583

www.southerngeorgia.easterseal.com

PURPOSE:

To provide the highest quality services to people with disabilities to enable them to reach their highest potential.

SERVICES:

Medical Rehabilitation: Physical and speech therapy; Vocational Rehabilitation: Work adjustment/evaluation, sheltered employment, job placement, supported employment; Support Services: Respite care, independent living services, nurturing classes, early intervention for at risk youth, specialized car seat program, Camp ASCCA – Easter Seal; Advocacy/Information/Referral Services: Technical assistance with the implementation of the ADA, referral and information services.

ELIGIBILITY:

Persons with disabilities and their families in a 31 county region. Eligibility varies according to program.

HOURS OF SERVICE:

8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Monday – Friday

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

N/A

FEES:

Sliding scale based on income.

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

Medicaid, Medicare, Insurance, Division of Rehabilitation Services, Division of Mental Health/Mental Retardation/Substance Abuse, Children and Youth Coordinating Council, Children’s Trust Fund, Georgia Child Care Council, Grady County United Way, United Way of Southwest Georgia, Tift County United Way.

PHEOBE SUMTER HOSPITAL – OUTCOMES MANAGEMENT

100 Wheatley Drive

Americus, GA 31709

Phone: (229) 924-6011 or 931-1390

Pheobesumter.com

PURPOSE:

The philosophy of the Social Services Department is based on medical social work. The goal of medical social work is to help patients and their families overcome any obstacle, social, personal, or emotional that interferes with their success to make maximum use of health care facilities/services available to them. Serving Crisp, Dooly, Macon, Marion, Schley, Sumter, Webster, and Wilcox Counties.

HOURS OF SERVICE:

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Monday – Friday

SHRINERS HOSPITALS FOR CRIPPLED CHILDREN

2900 Rocky Point Drive

Tampa, FL 33607

Phone: 1-800-237-5055

rmgarcia@shrinenet.org

PURPOSE:

Shriners Hospitals have a three-fold purpose: (1) Treatment – To save children’s lives and restore their bodies to the highest level of usefulness; (2) Research – To conduct research into orthopedic and burn care; (3) Education – To train physicians and other medical professionals in the care and treatment of orthopedic disabilities and burn injuries.

SERVICES:

Shriners Hospitals 19 orthopedic units are equipped and staffed to care for children afflicted with congenial orthopedic deformities, problems resulting from orthopedic injuries and diseases of the bones, joints, and muscles. Some of the common orthopedic problems resulting from the following disorders are treated at Shriners Hospitals: Scoliosis (curvature of the spine); osteogenesis imperfecta (brittle bone disease); orthopedic problems of cerebral palsy; hand problems, back problems; limb deficiencies and growth problems; orthopedic problems of spina bifida and myelodysplasia (paralysis of limbs due to faulty congenital development of the spine and spinal nerves); club foot and dislocated hip; leg length discrepancies; orthopedic problems resulting from neuromuscular disorders; Legg-Perthes disease (development problems of the hip); and rickets. These orthopedic hospitals also treat patients with healed burns who, as a result of those burns, may have developed orthopedic complications, scarring and deformity of the limbs. The three Shriners Burn Institutes provide the best medical care available to severely burned children requiring immediate acute care, reconstructive or restorative surgery, and rehabilitation from severe burns.

ELIGIBILITY:

All children from infancy to their 18th birthday may be eligible for treatment if, in the opinion of the hospital’s chief of staff, there is a reasonable possibility that treatment will benefit the child and if treatment at another facility would place a financial burden on the patient’s family or guardian.

HOURS OF SERVICE:

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Monday – Friday. (If calling during non-office hours, callers may leave a message).

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

Call for an application for treatment.

FEES:

There is never a charge to the patient, parent, or third party for any service or medical treatment received at Shriners Hospitals. No payments are sought or received from any insurance company or government agency.

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

Endowment Funds, Fund Raisers, Donations. Non-Profit.

GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE

510A West Lamar Street

Americus, GA 31709

Phone: (229) 931-2409, Fax (229) 928-4572

PURPOSE:

Provide services to rehabilitate juvenile offenders.

SERVICES:

Intake, probation, and aftercare of juvenile offenders.

ELIGIBILITY:

Referral from court, law enforcement agency, school, parents, and Department of Family and Children Services.

HOURS OF SERVICE:

24 hours a day/7 days a week

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

See eligibility

FEES:

N/A

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

State

SUMTER COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY AND CHILDREN SERVICES

1601 N. MLK JR. Blvd.

Suite 200

Americus, GA 31719

Phone: (229) 314-1531

sumtercountydacs@yahoo.com

PURPOSE:

DFACS is responsible for administering the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), Employment Services, Medicaid, Food Stamps, and Social Services programs.

SERVICES:

TANF and Employment Services – Provides necessary assistance to needy families with children on a temporary basis and provides parents with job preparation, work opportunities, enforcement of child support, and support services to enable them to become self-sufficient and leave the program as soon as possible.

Medical Assistance Only – Provides Medicaid to persons who are eligible for TANF. Pregnant women, children and aged, blind or disabled persons who meet financial need requirements are covered. Food Stamps – Provides food coupons to be used as cash at a grocery store to purchase food items. The food stamp household must be within income and resource limits to be eligible. Social Services – Provide services to children or adults who have been physically or sexually abused or neglected; foster care providing assistance to families for children in need of temporary care; adoption services to individual and/or couples interested in adoption and children in need of placement; and general services offering assistance with food, clothing, emergency energy assistance, Medicaid, transportation, and information and referral.

ELIGIBILITY:

Any individual in need of temporary assistance, employment assistance, or social services residing in the county.

HOURS OF SERVICE:

8:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m., Monday – Friday

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

N/A

FEES:

None

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

State and Federal

GIRLS SCOUTS OF HISTORIC GEORGIA

515 Pine Avenue

Albany, GA 31701

Phone: (229) 432-9188/1-800-448-4762, Local Number (478) 935-2221

PURPOSE:

To inspire girls with the highest ideals of character, conduct, patriotism and service that they may become happy and resourceful citizens.

SERVICES:

Members participated in service projects, team and individual sports, mentoring programs, career-oriented activities, international opportunities, outdoor camping experiences, and awards and recognition ceremonies.

ELIGIBILITY:

Girls between the ages of 5-17

HOURS OF SERVICE:

Various

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

Contact the council

FEES:

Annual Membership dues are \$10.00

HOSPITALS

PHOEBE SUMNER MEDICAL CENTER

126 HWY 280 West

Americus, GA 31709

Phone: (229) 924-6011

Phoebe Sumter.com

OB-GYN PROVIDERS

AMERICUS GYNOCLOGY, PC.

SCHLEY GATEWOOD, M.D.

205 South Lee Street

Americus, GA. 31709

Phone: (229) 924-4035

SUMTER COUNTY SCHOOLS

PERFORMANCE LEARNING CENTER (PLC)

200 Industrial Blvd.
Americus, GA 31719
600 Wing
Phone: (229) 928-80112

SARAH COBB ELEMENTARY

901 Valley Drive
Americus, GA 31709
Phone: (229) 924-4888
www.sumterschools.org

SUMTER COUNTY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

438 Bumphead Road
Americus, GA 31709
Phone: (229) 924-7835
www.SumterSchools.org

STALEY MIDDLE SCHOOL

915 N. Lee Street
Americus, GA 31709
Phone: (229) 924-3168
www.sumterschools.org

SUMTER MIDDLE SCHOOL

439 Bumphead Road
Americus, GA 31709
Phone: (229) 924-1010

AMERICUS SUMTER SOUTH CAMPUS

805 Harold Avenue
Americus, GA 31709
Phone: (229) 924-3653
www.Sumterschools.org

AMERICUS SUMTER NORTH CAMPUS

200 Industrial Blvd.
Americus, GA 31709
Phone: (229) 928-9305

SUMTER COUNT PRIMARY SCHOOL

100 Learning Lane
Americus, GA 31709
Phone: (229) 924-1012

SUMTER COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Administration Building
210 Industrial Way
Americus, GA 31709
Phone: (229) 931-2613

SOUTH GEORGIA TECHNICAL COLLEGE

900 South Georgia Tech Parkway
Americus, GA 31709
Phone: (229) 931-2394
www.southwestgatech.edu

GEORGIA SOUTHWESTERN STATE UNIVERSITY

800 GA Southwestern State University Drive
Americus, GA 31709
Phone: (229) 928-1361
www.gsw.edu

DAYCARES

LITTLE BLESSINGS PLAY SCHOOL

912 S. Lee Street
Americus, GA 31709
Phone: (229) 931-0155

4-E LEARNING CENTER

1405 1st Montgomery Street
Americus, GA 31719
Phone: (229) 928-5605
www.fourecenter.com

KNIGHTON DAY CARE

507 Bell Street
Americus, GA 31709
Phone: (229) 928-0928

MILDRED'S LEARNING CENTER

804 N. Lee Street
Americus, GA 31709
Phone: (229) 928-0883
Mj-gooden@yahoo.com

BRIGHT BEGINNINGS PRE-SCHOOL

200 S. Lee Street
Americus, GA 31709
Phone: (229) 924-5419

ABBY'S LEARNING N PLAY CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER

843 Elm Avenue
Americus, Georgia 31709

KID'S CASTLE DAYCARE

199 Roy Circle
Americus, GA 31709
Phone: (229) 928-0532

PLAY-N-LEARN

103 Holley Drive
Americus, GA 31709
Phone: (229) 931-9965

HEAVENLY ANGELS DAY CARE

906 Angus Drive
Americus, GA 31709
Phone: (229) 928-5539

DENTISTS

CAMILEE & FRED BEALL, D.M.D

902 E. Lamar Street
Americus, GA 31709, Fax : (229) 928-9956
Phone: (229) 928-9966

CLEVELAND MANN, D.M.D.

902 Slappey Blvd.
Albany, GA 31701
Phone: (229) 435-6627
mann dental@alnay.com

THOMAS WYLIE, D.M.D.

1108 Fetner Drive
Americus, GA 31709
Phone: (229) 924-4479
Americusdental.com

JOHN J. HEFFERNAN

100 Medical Park Road
Americus, GA 31709
Phone: (229) 924-7704

ROSIE BURROUGHS, D.M.D.

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