

# **United Towards Better Health for All**

Community Resource Directory

Charlotte County, Florida 2023-2024

# **Family Services Center**

#### Contact: (941) 235-0668

21500 Gibralter Dr., Port Charlotte, FL 33952

The Family Services Center is a collaboration among government and non-profit agencies working together to provide an integrated client service delivery system. Agencies at the center offer health and human services to Charlotte County individuals and families. The following agencies are located at the center now:



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#### **Department of Children and Family Services**

Offers programs to help protect and prevent further harm to adults, children, and families who have been abused.

2295 Victoria Ave., Fort Myers, FL 33901 (877) 595-0384 SCR.C20.client.relations@myflfamilies.com myflfamilies.com

#### **Charlotte Behavioral Health Care**

Charlotte Behavioral offers a 16-week 'Anger Management Program'. 1700 Education Ave., Punta Gorda, FL 33950 21500 Gibralter Dr., Unit 5, Port Charlotte, FL 33952 513 E. Hickory St., Arcadia, FL 34266 f www.facebook.com/charlottebehavioralhealthcare charlottebehavioral charlottebehavioralhealthc3571 (941) 639-8300

#### (941) 639-8300 \_marketing@cbhcfl.org

# C.A.R.E

Abuse

The Center for Abuse and Rape Emergencies provides victims with shelter, hospital advocacy, legal advocacy, safety planning, counseling, finances, and more.

f www.facebook.com/carecharlottecounty/

(941) 639-5499 ADMIN@CAREFL.ORG Carefl.org

# **SWFL Coalition Against Human Trafficking**

A collaboration amongst law enforcement, private agencies, faithbased communities, and private citizens committed to ending modern day slavery.

info@swfl-humantrafficking.org https://swflhumantrafficking.org (239) 247-1631



f swflhumantrafficking

#### **Restoring Oaks**

A nonprofit community alliance to prevent and end human trafficking. They provide safe housing and a network to help survivors through education, therapy, and community.

info@restoringoaks.org www.restoringoaks.org

#### (941) 623-8126

#### Abuse Hotline: 1-800-962-2873

The Florida Abuse Hotline accepts reports 24 hours a day and 7 days a week of known or suspected child abuse, neglect, or abandonment and reports of known or suspected abuse, neglect, or exploitation of a vulnerable adult. If you suspect or know of a child or adult that is in immediate danger, call 911.



#### **Charlotte Behavioral Health Care**

- Crisis Services / Central Receiving Facility The Crisis Stabilization Unit is a comfortable facility that provides assessment and treatment services 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, for adults and children, including, but not limited to, a detox program.
- Drug Court This intensive use program for patients with non-violent criminal drug charges involves supervision by DOC Probation, group and individual substance use therapy, involvement in the community peer recovery support groups, weekly drug screens, and court appearances.
- Florida Assertive Community Treatment (FACT) The FACT program serves adults with severe and persistent mental illness, who may also have a co-occurring substance use disorder.
- Family Intensive Treatment Team (FITT) The FIT Team provides team-based, family-focused, comprehensive services for caregivers within the child welfare system who have been identified as having a substance use disorder.
- Integrated Response for Intervention and Support (IRIS) IRIS Team responds to certain calls for service and assists our community with mental health/substance abuse related calls.
- Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) MAT employs FDA-approved medications to treat life-threatening, chronic brain diseases like Opiate Use Disorder.
- MAT Support Group Offers free, open discussion and support among recovery peers.
- Recovery Center The Residential Rehabilitation Program serves people 18 years of age and older who seek intensive treatment services to address their current substance dependency.
- Seeking Safety Program designed to help people attain safety from all types of trauma and/or addiction.

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(941)-639-8300 \_marketing@cbhcfl.org

f www.facebook.com/charlottebehavioralhealthcare

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#### **Edgewater Church**

**Celebrate Recovery:** Celebrate Recovery is a Christ-centered, 12 step recovery program for anyone struggling with hurt, pain, or addictions of any kind.

19190 Cochran Blvd., Port Charlotte, FL 33948 (941) 625-3039 office@edgewaterchurch.com https://edgewaterchurch.squarespace.com

#### **Department of Children and Family Services**

Offers the 'Substance Abuse and Mental Health Program' that aids in prevention, treatment, and recovery in children and adults with serious substance abuse disorders.

2295 Victoria Ave., Fort Myers, FL 33901 SCR.C20.client.relations@myflfamilies.com myflfamilies.com (877) 595-0384

(941) 426-7723

#### Florida Department of Health Charlotte County

Distributes free Narcan, otherwise known as Naloxone. This is an opioid receptor antagonist used in the event of an overdose.

1100 Loveland Blvd., Port Charlotte, FL 33980 https://charlotte.floridahealth.gov (941) 624-7200

#### **Alcoholics Anonymous**

The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop drinking. There are no dues or fees for AA membership; we are self-supporting through our own contributions.

13325 Tamiami Trail, North Port, FL 34287 intergroup@aanorthport.org aanorthport.org



#### **Drug Free Charlotte County**

Provides substance use prevention and education for parents and youth, including enCompass - a training to learn about the science of addiction and the tools and knowledge to understand and address it with others and R2A (Responding to Addiction) for employers and other professionals.

1445 Education Way, Port Charlotte, FL 33948 21500 Gibralter Dr., Port Charlotte, FL 33952 prevention@drugfreecc.org www.drugfreecharlottecounty.org

(941) 559-1946

f www.facebook.com/drugfreecharlottecounty

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#### **Drug Free Punta Gorda**

Offers substance use prevention (not treatment) services to students and youth in our community including drug free activities and information to parents. Programs include Student Impact Team and Drug-Free Youth. Provides alcohol and underage drinking prevention activities to educate teens about the dangers of driving under the influence of drugs or alcohol.

27050 Fairway Dr., Punta Gorda, FL 33982 (601) 701-3470 drugfreepuntagorda@gmail.com www.drugfreepg.com

#### **St. Mary Baptist Church**

**Celebrate Recovery:** Celebrate Recovery is a Christ-centered, 12 step recovery program for anyone struggling with hurt, pain, or addictions of any kind. Every Sunday at 6pm.

605 Mary St., Punta Gorda, 33950 www.stmarypg.com (941) 637-7782

#### **New Season Treatment Center**

Offers opioid addiction counseling and treatment.

20580 Veterans Blvd., Port Charlotte, FL 33954 newseason@cmglp.com www.newseason.com a

(877) 284-7074

#### Jesus Loves You

Jesus Loves You provides showers, clothing, and lunch.

1734 Cedarwood St., Port Charlotte, FL 33948

(941) 979-5232 https://jesuslovesyouministryinc.com

#### St. Vincent de Paul Society

St. Vincent de Paul provides food and clothing, financial help for paying utilities and rent, and personal hygiene products.

21505 Augusta Ave., Port Charlotte, FL 33952 (941) 625-4754 https://www.stcharlespc.org/svdp

# **First Baptist Church Horn of Plenty**

Provides food, clothing, cleaning supplies, and hygiene products.

459 Gill St., Punta Gorda, FL 33950 (941) 639-3857 https://fbcpuntagorda.org

# **First Presbyterian Church of Port Charlotte**

- **Kiwanis Shoes for Kids Project**: Provides new tennis shoes to any student in the Charlotte County Public School System who needs them to begin the new school year or throughout the academic year.
- Food Pantry

2230 Hariet St., Port Charlotte, FL 33952 (941) 625-0736 pastorsecretary@fpcpc.com https://fpcpc.com

#### **Edgewater Church**

- Bike ministry rebuilds donated bikes and distributes them to people in need.
- Edgewater Thrift Store
- Celebrate Recovery Program
- Food Pantry

#### (941) 625-3039

19190 Cochran Blvd., Port Charlotte, FL 33948 office@edgewaterchurch.com https://edgewaterchurch.squarespace. com/home



#### **Loveland Center**

Provides adult day training, after school programs, and supported employment programs for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

4075 Tamiami Trail, Port Charlotte, FL 33952 (941) 493-0016 www.lovelandcenter.org

# CARD

Following the principles of applied behavior analysis, CARD has developed a treatment approach for children and adolescents with autism spectrum disorder that focuses on maximizing skill acquisition, while minimizing challenging behaviors.

10501 FGCU Blvd., S. MH3 room 224, Fort Myers, FL 33965 (239) 590-7769 info@centerforautism.com https://centerforautism.com

#### **Center for Independent Living Gulf Coast**

Offers assistance to people with disabilities in full-filling their goals of independence and self-sufficiency. Services include help with employment, housing/independent living, access to technology, and plenty more. They offer the FASST program, which allows individuals to rent out equipment to see if it's useful for them, ranging from assistive reading devices to beach wheelchairs.

7011 Cypress Terrace, Suite 103, Fort Myers FL 33907 (239) 260-4575 www.cilgulfcoastflorida.org



Programs

## Health Planning Council of Southwest Florida, Inc.

Certified Navigators at the Health Planning Council of SWF provide free assistance to those with health insurance needs in 10 counties - Collier, Lee, Charlotte, Sarasota, Manatee, Hardee, Hendry, Glades, Highlands, and Desoto. Navigators can help locate health care providers, provide health literacy education, and assist with the application process of the Healthcare Marketplace.

8961 Daniels Center Dr., #401, Fort Myers, FL 33912 4630 17th St., Sarasota, FL 34235



www.facebook.com/EnrollSWFL/

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(239) 433-6700 contactus@hpcswf.com www.hpcswf.com

#### Virginia B. Andes Volunteer Community Clinic

Educates on health by offering a Diabetes Wellness Program and a Smoking Cessation Class.

21297 Olean Blvd., Unit B, Port Charlotte, FL 33952 info@volunteercare.org https://volunteercare.org (941) 766-9570

#### **Healthy Start Coalition**

Offers parenting education and breastfeeding education.

17825 Murdock Cir., Suite B, Port Charlotte, Florida 33948 contact@cchsfl.org https://www.cchsfl.org/index.html (941) 764-9700

## Affordable Homeownership Foundation

Offers financial coaching and counseling services.

5264 Clayton Ct., Suite 1, Fort Myers, FL 33907 https://ahf.today/about-us/ (239) 689-4944

#### **Restoring Oaks**

Hosts educational events and speaks at schools and community organizations to tell as many as possible about human trafficking and what can be done to stop it.

(941) 623-8126

info@restoringoaks.org www.restoringoaks.org

#### Lee Health Trauma

Offers educational programs such as Youth Violence Prevention, Sports Injury Prevention, Trauma Nurses Talk Tough, Safe Drivers Education, and Senior Programs.

13685 Doctor's Way, Suite 140, Fort Myers, FL 33912 www.leehealth.org/trauma (230)-34.

(239)-343-1617

#### Florida Department of Health Charlotte County

Offers educational classes pertaining to different health topics, such as swim safety, child wellness and safety, fall prevention, and more.

 1100 Loveland Blvd., Port Charlotte, FL 33980

 https://charlotte.floridahealth.gov

 (941) 624-7200

(341) 024 7200

#### **Early Learning Coalition Florida's Heartland**

Supports families and children in accessing high quality early care and education services via School Readiness and Voluntary Prekindergarten programs.

18501 Murdock Cir., Suite 200, Port Charlotte, FL 33948 Abouhebent@elcfh.org https://elcfloridasheartland.org (941) 255-1650



#### **Boys & Girls Clubs of Charlotte County**

Program offers afterschool and summer camp for kids ages 6-18.

**Focus areas**: academics, career exploration, health and career exploration, and health and character development. Dinners served nightly during the school year. Lunch and snacks provided during summer camp.

21500 Gibralter Dr., Port Charlotte, FL 33952 info@bgcofcc.org Local Website: www.bgcofcc.org National Website: www.bgca.org

(941) 743-1507

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#### **SWFL Coalition Against Human Trafficking**

To combat human trafficking, SWFL Coalition Against Human Trafficking educates on prevention.

https://swflhumantrafficking.org

(239) 208-2088

#### **Charlotte County 4-H**

A youth development organization open to all youth ages 5-18 that strives to reach youth through 4-H clubs, special-interest groups, and short-term projects as well as through school enrichment programs and day and overnight camping programs. 4-H uses as learn-by-doing approach and caring adults to help youth gain the knowledge and life skills that they need to be productive, responsible citizens. To achieve this goal, 4-H accesses the expertise and resources of the University of Florida and a nationwide network of Cooperative Extension Service faculty and staff.

514 E Grace St., Punta Gorda, FL 33982 kpopa@ufl.edu (941) 833-3836

#### **Drug Free Charlotte County**

Offers substance use prevention (not treatment) services for youth and families. Programs include LifeSkills Training, Circle of Parents (peer support), Just the Facts, drug-free activities, education and information for parents, medication safety, and more.

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(941) 559-1946

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(601) 701-3470

#### YMCA of SWFL

An inclusive, nonprofit that strengthens communities for kids, adults, seniors and families with programs that protect, teach, connect, heal nourish and encourage. Programs include wellness, aquatics, youth and family activities, sports and recreation, childcare, education, and more.

2905 Tamiami Trail, Punta Gorda, FL 33950 www.ymcaswfl.org

(941) 505-0999

Offers a program 'Better Jobs' and partners with local businesses to help people get hired.

15275 Collier Blvd., Suite 201-284, Naples, FL 34119 info@bettertogetherus.org https://bettertogetherus.org (239) 470-2733

#### **Goodwill Community Resource Center**

Will help with developing skills through digital training, earning certifications, building resumes, polishing interview skills, connecting with employers, and financial literacy.

24123 Peachland Blvd., Port Charlotte, FL, 33954 https://goodwillswfl.org

(941) 255-3884

#### **Charlotte County Homeless Coalition**

For some people, getting a job can be difficult without a proper form of ID or a dependable ride to work. Charlotte County Homeless Coalition helps clients overcome those obstacles so that employment can be secured.

1476 Kenesaw St., Port Charlotte, FL 33948 info@cchomelesscoalition.org https://www.cchomelesscoalition.org

(941) 627-4313

#### Florida Division of Vocational Rehabilitation

If you have a disability, VR can help you understand the options available to find, get or keep a better job.

18501 Murdock Cir., Suite 404, Port Charlotte, FL 33948 VREmploymentPrograms@vr.fldoe.org https://www.rehabworks.org

#### (941) 613-0900

#### **CareerSource Southwest Florida**

Services range from helping employers find strong candidates to guiding job seekers in the right direction. For more information about the services offered, please visit a CareerSource Southwest Florida location or website.

3745 Tamiami Trail. Port Charlotte. FL 33952

6800 Shoppes at Plantation Dr., Suite 170, Fort Myers, FL 33912

www.careersourcesouthwestflorida.com

www.facebook.com/CareerSourceSWFL?ref=hl

(941) 235-5900

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## **United Way of Charlotte County**

Financial assistance is available for individuals and families who need help with rent, mortgage, and utilities. Applications are completed with a case manager.

Free income tax preparation is available to individuals and families with a household income below \$66,000 annually. Taxes are prepared by appointment from February through mid-April.

17831 Murdock Cir., Suite A, Port Charlotte, FL 33948 info@unitedwayccfl.org www.unitedwayccfl.org (941)-62

www.facebook.com/UWCCFL

(941)-627-3539

Gulf Coast Partnership

united.way.cc.fl

The One Charlotte Coordinated Entry Process is a centralized approach to effectively ending homelessness amongst individuals and families experiencing a housing crisis in our community. This streamlined process ensures that all persons experiencing homelessness have fair and equal access to, are assessed for, and referred to the most appropriate housing and community resources to meet their housing and service needs. At its core, Coordinated Entry helps to ensure that homelessness is rare, brief, and one-time.

408 Tamiami Trail, Unit 121, Punta Gorda, FL 33950 www.gulfcoastpartnership.org (941) 6

(941) 626-0220

## Jesus Loves You

Offers free showers and clothing.

1734 Cedarwood St., Port Charlotte, FL 33948 info@jesuslovesyouministryinc.com https://jesuslovesyouministryinc.com f www.facebook.com/JesusLovesYouMinistry/

## Valerie's House

A nonprofit organization that helps children and families who are grieving the loss of a loved one to on to live fulfilling lives. Their vision is that no child grieves alone. They offer peer grief support groups, school peer support groups, mentor program, one-on-one counseling, and financial/food/legal assistance.

#### Evening grief support groups with our families is offered:

- The first and third Monday of every month at the New Life in Christ Church (507 West Marion Avenue, Punta Gorda, FL 33950)
- The second and fourth Tuesday of every month at the Holy Trinity Lutheran Church (2565 Tamiami Trail, Port Charlotte, FL 33952)

21500 Gibralter Dr., Port Charlotte, FL 33952

1762 Fowler St., Fort Myers, FL 33901

Julia@valerieshouse.org

www.valerieshouse.org

(717) 580-4755

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## **Mothers Against Drunk Driving**

MADD Victim Advocates are available, 24 hours a day, to help you connect with Crime Victim Compensation—a government financial assistance program that may help compensate you for things like funeral expenses, medical, rehabilitation and prescription expenses, lost wages, counseling services, child care and crime scene cleanup.

13650 Fiddlesticks Blvd., Suite 202-144, Fort Myers, FL 33912 isouthwest.fl@madd.org https://madd.org/southwest-florida/ (239) 791-7560





#### **Charlotte County Human Services**

Provides the Fastrack Program to help pay for rent, mortgage, or utilities.

21500 Gibralter Dr., Port Charlotte, FL 33952 1050 Loveland Blvd., Port Charlotte, FL 33980 6868 San Casa Dr., Englewood, FL 34224 www.charlottecountyfl.gov/departments/human-services/ f www.facebook.com/CharlotteCountyFlorida/ CharlotteCoFL @ charlottecountyflorida

#### **Charlotte County Transit**

A shared ride curb-to-curb transit service provided to the general public throughout Charlotte County. Service area consists of all of Charlotte County and includes the Charlotte County portion of Englewood, Port Charlotte, Punta Gorda and the surrounding areas; including Lake Suzy area in DeSoto County.

transit@charlottecountyfl.gov https://www.charlottecountyfl.gov/transit/

(941) 625-3039

#### **Charlotte County Homeless Coalition**

Offers the Bridges Out of Poverty Curriculum that addresses some of the root causes of generational poverty.

1476 Kenesaw St., Port Charlotte, FL 33948info@cchomelesscoalition.orghttps://www.cchomelesscoalition.org

#### **Pregnancy Solutions**

Provides free pregnancy options, STI/STD testing, limited ultrasound, family planning, adoption referrals, parenting classes, and more.

950 Tamiami Trail, Suite 105, Port Charlotte, FL 33953 5400 S Biscayne, Suite G, North Port, FL 34287 504 E Venice Ave., Venice, FL 34285 209 W Oak St., Arcadia, FL 34266 **(94** 

(941) 408-7100

info@pregnancysolutions.org www.pregnancysolutions.org

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#### **Department of Children and Family Services**

Temporary Cash Assistance (TCA) program: provides cash assistance to families with children under the age of 18 or under age 19 if full time secondary (high school) school students, that meet the technical, income, and asset requirements.

2295 Victoria Ave., Fort Myers, FL 33901 SCR.C20.client.relations@myflfamilies.com myflfamilies.com

(877) 595-0384



#### **Department of Children and Family Services**

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP): provides nutritional support for low-income seniors, people with disabilities living on fixed incomes, and other individuals and families with low incomes.

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21500 Gibralter Dr., Port Charlotte, FL 33952 1762 Fowler St., Fort Myers, FL 33901

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(877) 595-0384

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#### **Charlotte County Human Services**

Help assist in meal programs for seniors.

21500 Cibralter Dr., Port Charlotte, FL 33952 1050 Loveland Blvd., Port Charlotte, FL 33980 6868 San Casa Dr., Englewood, FL 34224

(941) 833-6500

www.charlottecountyfl.gov/departments/human-services/

f www.facebook.com/CharlotteCountyFlorida/

#### Florida Department of Health Charlotte County

WIC (Woman, Infants, and Children): a federally funded nutrition program that provides healthy foods, nutrition education and counseling, and breastfeeding support.

 1100 Loveland Blvd., Port Charlotte, 33980
 (941) 624-7200

 21500 Gibralter Dr., Port Charlotte, FL 33952
 6868 San Casa Dr., Englewood, FL 34224

https://charlotte.floridahealth.gov/programs-andservices/clinical-and-nutrition-services/index.html







#### Meals On Wheels

Program is designed for Elderly residents of Charlotte County who are unable to prepare or obtain meals for themselves.

3082 Tamiami Trail. Port Charlotte, FL 33952 info@mowofcc.org (941)-625-4343 https://mowofcc.org

## **Pregnancy Solutions**

Provides free pregnancy options, STI/STD testing, limited ultrasound, family planning, adoption referrals, parenting classes, and more,

#### 950 Tamiami Trail. Suite 105. Port Charlotte. FL 33953

5400 S Biscayne., Suite G, North Port, FL 34287 504 E Venice Ave., Venice, FL 34285 209 W Oak St., Arcadia, FL 34266

info@pregnancysolutions.org www.pregnancysolutions.org (941) 408-7100



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#### **CareerSource Southwest Florida**

Offers the SNAP Program: Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program.

3745 Tamiami Trail, Port Charlotte, FL 33952 6800 Shoppes at Plantation Dr., Suite 170, Fort Myers, FL 33912 www.careersourcesouthwestflorida.com

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(941) 235-5900

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#### **Boys & Girls Clubs of Charlotte County**

Program offers afterschool and summer camp for kids ages 6-18.

**Focus areas**: academics, career exploration, health and career exploration, and health and character development. Dinners served nightly during the school year. Lunch and snacks provided during summer camp.

21500 Gibralter Dr., Port Charlotte, FL 33952 info@bgcofcc.org Local Website: www.bgcofcc.org National Website: www.bgca.org

(941) 743-1507

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f www.facebook.com/BoysandGirlsClubofCharlotteCounty

Every other Friday from 10am- 12pm. 19190 Cochran Blvd., Port Charlotte, FL 33948 office@edgewaterchurch.com (941) 625-3039 https://edgewaterchurch.com

#### Jesus Loves You

Offers free lunch Monday, Wednesday & Friday 11am-12:30pm.

1734 Cedarwood St., Port Charlotte, FL 33948 https://jesuslovesyouministryinc.com

(941) 979-5232

#### **Community Life Center Church**

Every Thursday from 4:00pm-5:30pm.

19048 Edgewater Dr, Port Charlotte, FL 33952 communitylifefl@yahoo.com (9 www.communitylifefl.com

(941) 629-0999

#### **Englewood Christian Church**

Every third Saturday of the month from 10am to 2pm.

9600 Gulfstream Blvd., Englewood, FL 34224 office@englewoodchristian.com www.englewoodchristian.com **(94**)

(941) 475-4973

#### **Ebenezer Punta Gorda**

Every Tuesday and Friday from 9am - 4pm. 28038 Cleveland Ave, Punta Gorda, FL33982

(941) 639-2775

## **Charlotte County Homeless Coalition**

The Homeless Coalition offers a Hunger Prevention program that includes hot meals and a food pantry.

- Bread and pastries: Monday-Friday from 9am-5pm
- Take-out Hot Meals: Every evening from 5pm-6pm.
- Food pantry: Open weekly for drive-thru distribution on Wednesdays from 1pm-5pm. Bring an ID for assistance.

 1476 Kenesaw St., Port Charlotte, FL 33948

 info@cchomelesscoalition.org

 https://www.cchomelesscoalition.org

## St. Vincent de Paul Society

- Every Monday and Wednesday from 9am-12pm at 2499 Gates Ave., Port Charlotte, FL 33952.
- Every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 9am-12pm at 25200 Airport Rd., Punta Gorda 33950.
- Every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 10am-1pm and every Wednesday evening from 5pm-7pm at **17783 Toledo Blade, Port Charlotte, FL 33948.**

#### **First Baptist Church Horn of Plenty**

Every Tuesday from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm.

459 Gill St, Punta Gorda, FL 33950 https://fbcpuntagorda.org (941) 639-3857

# **Holy Trinity Lutheran Church**

Every Monday and Wednesday from 9am to 12pm.

2565 Tamiami Trail, Port Charlotte, FL 33952 office@htlchurch.org (941) 625-5262 www.htlchurch.org



#### **First Presbyterian Church of Port Charlotte**

Every first and third Tuesday of the month from 8am - 11am. Every second Wednesday of the month from 4pm - 7pm.

2230 Hariet St., Port Charlotte, FL 33952 pastorsecretary@fpcpc.com https://fpcpc.com

(941) 625-0736

#### Friendship United Methodist Church

Every second and fourth Tuesday of the month from 4pm - 6pm.

12275 Paramount Dr, Port Charlotte, FL 33955 info@yourchurch.com https://friendshipumcpuntagorda.com (941) 637-1717

#### **Trinity United Methodist Church**

- Every Wednesday 9am-11am.
- Care and Share Program: Provides monthly food kits to adults 60 or over that meet the income eligibility guidelines.

23084 Seneca Ave, Punta Gorda, FL 33980 charlotteharbortrinity@gmail.com https://charlotteharbortrinityumc.com

(941) 625-3372

#### Wintergarden Presbyterian Church

Every Thursday from 12 pm to 4 pm.

18305 Wintergarden Ave, Port Charlotte, FL 33948 office@wintergardenpres.org (941) 743-5335 www.wintergardenpres.org



#### First Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church

Every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 11am - 1pm.

411 E. Charlotte Ave, Punta Gorda, FL 33950 (941) 637-7743

## **Harry Chapin Food Truck**

Rotates every Thursday between the two locations provided below from 9:30am - 11:30am.

Sacred Heart Church: 211 W. Charlotte Ave, Punta Gorda, FL 33950 Family Services Center: 21500 Gibralter Dr., Port Charlotte, FL 33952 harrychapinfoodbank.org

(239) 334-7007



#### **Gulf Coast Partnership**

The One Charlotte Coordinated Entry Process is a centralized approach to effectively ending homelessness amongst individuals and families experiencing a housing crisis in our community. This streamlined process ensures that all persons experiencing homelessness have fair and equal access to, are assessed for, and referred to the most appropriate housing and community resources to meet their housing and service needs. At its core, Coordinated Entry helps to ensure that homelessness is rare, brief, and one-time.

408 Tamiami Trail, Unit 121, Punta Gorda, FL 33950 www.gulfcoastpartnership.org

(941) 626-0220

#### **Affordable Homeownership Foundation**

Offers purchasing and renting programs, as well as programs specific for Veterans, seniors, and youth aging out of foster care.

5264 Clayton Ct., Suite 1, Fort Myers, FL 33907 https://ahf.today/about-us/

(239) 689-4944

#### **Charlotte County Homeless Coalition**

The Homeless Coalition has an emergency shelter that provides a safe, supervised, low barrier shelter for up to 30-days. They also offer a Homeless Prevention Program.

1476 Kenesaw St., Port Charlotte, FL 33948 info@cchomelesscoalition.org https://www.cchomelesscoalition.org (941) 627-4313

#### **Punta Gorda Housing Authority**

The primary role of a Public Housing Authority is the delivery of quality, affordable rental housing and rental subsidies to qualified low-income households within its jurisdiction. Residents pay a portion of the rent typically based on 30% of the family's income.

340 Gulf Breeze Ave., Punta Corda, FL 33950 pgha@puntagorda.org www.puntagordaha.org

(941) 639-4344

#### **Better Together**

Better Together's unique model enables parents who have fallen on hard times to voluntarily place their children with a loving host family for up to a year.

15275 Collier Blvd., Suite 201-284, Naples, FL 34119 info@bettertogetherus.org https://bettertogetherus.org

(239) 470-2733

#### **Habitat for Humanity**

Creates a partnership with low-income families where the homeowners are involved in all aspects of the building of their home. Habitat does not charge interest on the mortgage, and in most cases the mortgages are for 30 years.

1750 Manzana Ave., Punta Gorda, FL 33950 www.charlottecountyhfh.org (941) 639-3162

#### **Charlotte County Human Services**

Assists in home repairs, rent and mortgages, and purchases.

21500 Gibralter Dr., Port Charlotte, FL 33952 1050 Loveland Blvd., Port Charlotte, FL 33980 6868 San Casa Dr., Englewood, FL 34224

(941) 833-6500

www.charlottecountyfl.gov/departments/human-services/

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(717) 580-4755

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# Florida Department of Health Charlotte County

Florida certificates are issued through the Bureau of Vital Statistics at the Department of Health. This includes Birth Certificates, Death Certificates, Marriage Certificates, and Divorce Certificates.

1100 Loveland Blvd., Port Charlotte, FL 33980 https://charlotte.floridahealth.gov

(941) 624-7200

# **Florida Rural Legal Services**

Services include family law, housing law, public benefits, consumer law, individual rights, elder law, immigration, and community economic development.

514 E. Grace Street, Suite 128 & 130, Punta Gorda, FL 33950 https://www.frls.org (888) 582-3410



#### Health Planning Council of Southwest Florida, Inc.

Certified Navigators at the Health Planning Council of SWF provide free assistance to those with health insurance needs in 10 counties - Collier, Lee, Charlotte, Sarasota, Manatee, Hardee, Hendry, Glades, Highlands, and Desoto. Navigators can help locate health care providers, provide health literacy education, and assist with the application process of the Healthcare Marketplace.

8961 Daniels Center Dr., #401, Fort Myers, FL 33912 4630 17th St., Sarasota, FL 34235 contactus@hpcswf.com www.hpcswf.com f www.facebook.com/EnrollSWFL/ EnrollSWFL @enrollswfl

#### Lion's Club of Punta Gorda

Performs vision screenings for Charlotte County Children. The Punta Gorda Lions Club has 12 collection points in the area for used Eyeglasses and Hearing Aids in the greater Punta Gorda area.

25166 Marion Ave., Unit 115, Punta Gorda, FL 33950 info@puntagordalions.org https://www.puntagordalionsclub.com (941) 391-1203

#### Florida Department of Health Charlotte County

- Offers immunizations to children ages zero to 18
- STD Testing
- Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program
- Family planning services
- Dental services for eligible children under the age of 21
- WIC (Woman, Infants, and Children) services

 1100 Loveland Blvd., Port Charlotte, FL 33980

 https://charlotte.floridahealth.gov
 (941) 624-7200

#### Lee Health Trauma

The Trauma Center at Gulf Coast Medical Center cares for patients with injuries caused by car crashes, falls, blunt force, or other accidents.

13685 Doctor's Way, Suite 140, Fort Myers, FL 33912 syndi.bultman@leehealth.org www.leehealth.org/trauma

(239)-343-1617

#### **Empath Tidewell Hospice**

Although hospice is often misunderstood as care just for cancer patients, Tidewell cares for patients with a broad range of diagnoses, including heart and lung disease, AIDS, renal failure, ALS and end-stage Alzheimer's.

1158 Veronica St., Port Charlotte, FL 33952 https://tidewellhospice.org/ (941) 979-4300

#### Virginia B. Andes Volunteer Community Clinic

Provides qualified Charlotte County residents with no-cost, onsite exams, primary and semi-urgent wellness services, medical care, minor procedures, and access to limited surgical and laboratory services.

21297 Olean Blvd., Unit B, Port Charlotte, FL 33952info@volunteercare.orghttps://volunteercare.org(941) 766-9570

#### **Charlotte County's Red Dot Program**

The Red Dot Program is a way for you to share your medical history with emergency responders before an emergency occurs. During an emergency, you may not be able to communicate or remember all of your information.

https://www.charlottecountyfl.gov/departments/public-safety/fireems/programs/red-dot.stml

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#### **Charlotte Behavioral Health Care - mental health**

- Case Management Offers coordination of a variety of community services for individuals suffering from ongoing mental health issues.
- Behavioral Health Liaisons Staff works with child protective investigators to determine if mental health concerns affect the safety of the children in the home as well as facilitate referrals for services to meet the needs of families in the child welfare system.
- Florida Assertive Community Treatment (FACT) The FACT program serves adults with severe and persistent mental illness, who may also have a co-occurring substance use disorder.
- Self-Help and Recovery Exchange (S.H.A.R.E.) Spot A drop-in center for people with severe, persistent mental illness. The program focuses on socialization, advocacy, and self-help for each member.
- Therapeutic Family Care (TFC) Program utilizes licensed/certified Adults Family Care homes and provides care for adults and seniors with serious and persistent mental illness who have been determined could benefit from a family care treatment approach.
- **Trauma Therapy** Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing (EMDR) enables people to heal from the symptoms and emotional distress that are the result of disturbing life experiences.
- Integrated Response for Intervention and Support (IRIS) IRIS Team responds to certain calls for service and assists our community with mental health/substance abuse related calls.
- Mental Health Court This program provides assessment, professional treatment, and treatment compliance monitoring for people who have committed criminal offenses and are diagnosed with severe and persistent mental illness.
- **Psychotherapy Services** The outpatient team provides assessment as well as individual, family, and group therapy to individuals of all ages.

- **Psychiatric Services** This outpatient service provides psychiatric assessment and medication treatment for psychiatric disorders, both for children and adults.
- MAT Support Group Offers free, open discussion and support among recovery peers.
- Dungeons and Dragons Therapy Group This group is intended for teens struggling with depression, anxiety, isolation, and other interpersonal difficulties. The group therapy utilizes a mix of playing Dungeons and Dragons, a table-top role-playing game, while interacting with others in a traditional process group format.

1700 Education Ave., Punta Gorda, FL 3395021500 Gibralter Dr., Unit 5, Port Charlotte, FL 33952513 E. Hickory St., Arcadia, FL 34266

(941)-639-8300

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#### **Mothers Against Drunk Driving**

Many of MADD's local offices are hosting Virtual Support Groups for victims and survivors of crashes. Please reach out to MADD's Helpline at <u>1-877-623-3435</u> to be connected to a current list of support groups.

13650 Fiddlesticks Blvd., Suite 202-144, Fort Myers, FL 33912 isouthwest.fl@madd.org https://madd.org/southwest-florida/ (239) 791-7560





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#### **Department of Children and Family Services**

Responsible for planning, managing and evaluating a statewide program of mental health services and supports, including community programs, crisis services, state residential treatment facilities, and children's mental health services.

2295 Victoria Ave., Fort Myers, FL 33901 SCR.C20.client.relations@myflfamilies.com myflfamilies.com (877) 595-0384

#### Lee Health Trauma

Hosts free monthly support groups for survivors of traumatic injury.

13685 Doctor's Way, Suite 140, Fort Myers, FL 33912 syndi.bultman@leehealth.org www.leehealth.org/trauma (

(239)-343-1617

#### **National Alliance on Mental Illness**

Offers educational programs on mental health as well as support groups.

21450 Gibralter Dr., Port Charlotte, FL 33952 (941) 624-2168 https://www.nami.org/Home

Suicide Prevention Lifeline: 1-800-273-8255 In emergencies, call 911.



#### **Boys & Girls Clubs of Charlotte County**

Program offers afterschool and summer camp for kids ages 6-18. **Focus areas**: academics, career exploration, health and career exploration, and health and character development. Dinners served nightly during the school year. Lunch and snacks provided during summer camp.

21500 Gibralter Dr., Port Charlotte, FL 33952

info@bgcofcc.org Local Website: www.bgcofcc.org National Website: www.bgca.org

(941) 743-1507



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#### **Pregnancy Solutions**

Provides free pregnancy options, STI/STD testing, limited ultrasound, family planning, adoption referrals, parenting classes, and more.

950 Tamiami Trail, Suite 105, Port Charlotte, FL 33953 5400 S Biscayne, Suite G, North Port, FL 34287 504 E Venice Ave., Venice, FL 34285 209 W Oak St., Arcadia, FL 34266

info@pregnancysolutions.org www.pregnancysolutions.org (941) 408-7100

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#### **Big Brothers Big Sisters**

Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Sun Coast provides one-to-one mentoring relationships to children ages 6-18 years.

25166 E Marion, Suite 113, Punta Gorda, FL 33950 www.bbbssun.org

(941) 764-5812

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#### **Children's Network of SWFL**

In Southwest Florida, hundreds of kids have experienced abuse and neglect. These children, teens, and groups of siblings urgently need a safe, loving refuge. If you have ever felt called to care for kids, please consider opening your heart and home as a foster or adoptive parent now. You can make a difference for a lifetime.

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#### 19621 Cochran Blvd #4, Port Charlotte, FL 33948

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https://childrensnetworkflorida.org/ info@cnswfl.org

(855) 933-5437

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(855) 933-5437

#### Florida Department of Health Charlotte County

- Offers a Child Wellness and Safety Workshop
- Car seat fittings and installations
- WIC Program provides the following at no cost for those eligible: healthy foods, nutrition education and counseling, breastfeeding support, and referrals for health care and community services.

1100 Loveland Blvd., Port Charlotte, FL 33980https://charlotte.floridahealth.gov(941) 624-7200

#### **Charlotte Behavioral Health Care**

- Children's Community Action (C.A.T.) Team A multi-disciplinary clinical team that provides comprehensive, intensive community-based treatment to families with youth and adults (ages 11-21) who are risk of out-of-home placement due to mental health or co-occurring disorder
- Family Safety Prevention Offers a variety of support programs designed to educate and guide parents in the skills needed for safe home environments with nurturing interactions.
- Behavioral Health Liaisons Staff works with child protective investigators to determine if mental health concerns affect the safety of the children in the home as well as facilitate referrals for services to meet the needs of families in the child welfare system.
- Family Intervention Specialist (FIS) FIS Specialists work with families in the DCF system to help expedite treatment services for those involved in the child welfare system.
- Family Intensive Treatment Team (FITT) The FIT Team provides teambased, family-focused, comprehensive services for caregivers within the child welfare system who have been identified as having a substance use disorder.
- Healthy Start Services are dedicated to providing services to pregnant women and families with children up to 3 years. Services include: early access to prenatal care, the reduction of infant mortality, and ensuring positive maternal and child health outcomes.
- PCIT (Parent-Child Interaction Therapy) A family-based behavioral therapy for young children experiencing behavioral and emotional problems. PCIT teaches caregivers to manage their child's difficult behaviors, while increasing their positive behaviors.

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# **Early Learning Coalition Florida's Heartland**

Supports families and children in accessing high quality early care and education services via School Readiness and Voluntary Prekindergarten programs.

18501 Murdock Cir., Suite 200, Port Charlotte, FL 33948 Abouhebent@elcfh.org https://elcfloridasheartland.org (941) 255-1650

# **Department of Children and Family Services**

Offers adoption services, foster services, and childcare services.

2295 Victoria Ave., Fort Myers, FL 33901 SCR.C20.client.relations@myflfamilies.com myflfamilies.com

(877) 595-0384

#### JECS Cares

- Ignite Fatherhood Program: helps fathers and father figures improve the parent-child relationship, sustain healthy relationships, and identify and support their economic stability and employment objectives.
- **REACH Program:** assists adults in developing the skills they need to hone healthy relationship skills, improve parenting/co-parenting skills, and enhance skills and abilities required to gain and retain economic self-sufficiency.

4045 N. Tamiami Trail. Suite A. Port Charlotte. FL 33952 info@jfcs-cares.org (941) 366-2982 https://jfcs-cares.org/find-help/

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Provides free pregnancy options, STI/STD testing, limited ultrasound, family planning, adoption referrals, parenting classes, and more,

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YMCA of SWFL

An inclusive, nonprofit that strengthens communities for kids, adults, seniors and families with programs that protect, teach, connect, heal nourish and encourage. Programs include wellness, aquatics, youth and family activities, sports and recreation, childcare, education, and more.

2905 Tamiami Trail. Punta Gorda. FL 33950 www.ymcaswfl.org

(941) 505-0999





#### **Better Together**

Keeps families together - and children out of foster care - by providing them with a temporary loving home and helping their parents work to build a better life.

15275 Collier Blvd., Suite 201-284, Naples, FL 34119 info@bettertogetherus.org https://bettertogetherus.org (239) 470-2733

#### **Drug Free Charlotte County**

Offers substance use prevention (not treatment) services for youth and families. Programs include LifeSkills Training, Circle of Parents (peer support), Just the Facts, drug-free activities, education and information for parents, medication safety, and more.

1445 Education Way, Port Charlotte, FL 3394821500 Gibralter Dr., Port Charlotte, FL 33952www.drugfreecharlottecounty.orgprevention@drugfreecc.org

(941) 559-1946

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# **Healthy Start Coalition**

Learn to be a positive parent and role model through Healthy Start parenting education. Moms and dads receive parenting guidelines, information on child growth and development, and ways to manage child health problems.

17825 Murdock Cir., Suite B, Port Charlotte, Florida 33948 contact@cchsfl.org https://www.cchsfl.org/index.html (941) 764-9700

# **Florida Rural Legal Services**

Offers experienced advocates and attorneys to provide representation and guidance on issues including orders of protection, parenting plans, divorce, paternity, temporary custody, and more.

514 E. Grace Street, Suite 128 & 130, Punta Gorda, FL 33950 https://www.frls.org (888) 582-3410

#### **Drug Free Punta Gorda**

Offers substance use prevention (not treatment) services to students and youth in our community including drug free activities and information to parents. Programs include Student Impact Team and Drug-Free Youth. Provides alcohol and underage drinking prevention activities to educate teens about the dangers of driving under the influence of drugs or alcohol.

27050 Fairway Dr., Punta Gorda, FL 33982 drugfreepuntagorda@gmail.com www.drugfreepg.com

(601) 701-3470

#### **Healthy Families Charlotte County**

A free, voluntary home visiting program that provides coaching and support to new and expectant parents. The program makes parenting easier and ensures every family is happy, healthy, and safe. Our services begin prenatally or immediately after the birth of a baby and can continue for five years.

992 Tamiami Trail, Unit H1, Port Charlotte, FL 33953 www.TheFloridaCenter.org

(941) 629-6477



#### **Department of Children and Family Services**

Offers these services for some refugees: employment services. adult and vocational education, childcare, comprehensive refugee services (CRS), youth services, eligibility training, interpreter services, health screenings, and the Unaccompanied Refugee Minors Program.

2295 Victoria Ave., Fort Myers, FL 33901 (877) 595-0384 SCR.C20.client.relations@myflfamilies.com myflfamilies.com

# Florida Department of Health Charlotte County

Offers a health assessment for those eligible as part of the resettlement process within the first 90 days of entrance in the United States. This health assessment is different and more complete than the one received before entering the country. The health assessment will help ensure that you are free of health problems, which could affect your family and your new community in Florida.

1100 Loveland Blvd., Port Charlotte, FL 33980 (941) 624-7200 https://charlotte.floridahealth.gov

#### Lutheran Services Florida, Inc SW Region

Offers a Comprehensive Refugee Services Program (CRS). Staff coordinates services that are essential to refugee/entrant families' self-sufficiency, effective resettlement, and successful integration into the local community.

21500 Gibralter Dr., Port Charlotte, FL 33952 3615 Central Ave., Suite 4, Fort Myers, FL 33901 shelia.dixon@lsfnet.org (239) 278-1030 lsfnet.org www.facebook.com/Lutheranservicesflorida/ 👩 lutheranservfla





#### **Senior Friendship Center**

Services are focused on nutritious meals and social engagement, home-delivered meals and supportive aging.

27420 Voyageur Dr., Punta Gorda, FL 33983 https://friendshipcenters.org/location/charlotte-friendshipcenter/ (9/1) 255-07

(941) 255-0723

#### **Charlotte County Human Services**

Offers in-home support and assists with meal services for seniors.

21500 Gibralter Dr., Port Charlotte, FL 33952 1050 Loveland Blvd., Port Charlotte, FL 33980 6868 San Casa Dr., Englewood, FL 34224

www.charlottecountyfl.gov/departments/human-services/

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(941) 833-6500

#### Area Agency on Aging for Southwest Florida

Programs include the Elder Helpline, home and communitybased care, Medicare counseling, health and wellness workshops, elder abuse prevention and education, respite care, and more. All direct services are free. 2830 Winkler Ave., Suite 112, Fort Myers, FL 33916

https://aaaswfl.org

(866) 413-5337

# Hope PACE

When you enroll with Hope PACE, they handle your primary care, medications, equipment, and all the medical services that will keep you healthy.

3280 Tamiami Trail, Suite 46, Port Charlotte, FL 33952 https://hopepace.org/ (239) 985-6400

#### Lee Health Trauma

Offers a safe driving course for 65+ and a fall prevention course.

13685 Doctor's Way, Suite 140, Fort Myers, FL 33912 syndi.bultman@leehealth.org www.leehealth.org/trauma (239)-343-1617

# **Meals On Wheels**

Program is designed for Elderly residents of Charlotte County who are unable to prepare or obtain meals for themselves.

3082 Tamiami Trail, Port Charlotte, FL 33952 info@mowofcc.org (941)-625-4343 https://mowofcc.org

#### **JFCS Cares**

Offers a wide array of senior-based programs, from caregiver support groups and counseling to Alzheimer's support and education.

4045 N. Tamiami Trail, Suite A, Port Charlotte, FL 33952 info@jfcs-cares.org https://jfcs-cares.org/find-help/ (941) 366-2982

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(941) 505-0999

#### **Charlotte County Human Services**

Offers help with disability compensation from veteran affairs, veteran pension benefits, pension with aid and attendance or housebound benefits, vocational rehab and employment, veteran affairs national cemetery, and burial allowance. There is no fee for submitting an application for VA benefits. Their services are free of charge.

21500 Gibralter Dr., Port Charlotte, FL 33952 1050 Loveland Blvd., Port Charlotte, FL 33980 6868 San Casa Dr., Englewood, FL 34224 www.charlottecountyfl.gov/departments/human-services/ www.facebook.com/CharlotteCountyFlorida/ (941) 833-6500 CharlotteCoFL 🔞 charlottecountyflorida

#### **CareerSource Southwest Florida**

Services range from helping employers find strong candidates to guiding job seekers in the right direction. For more information about the services offered, please visit a CareerSource Southwest Florida location or website.

3745 Tamiami Trail. Port Charlotte. FL 33952 6800 Shoppes at Plantation Dr., Suite 170, Fort Myers, FL 33912 www.careersourcesouthwestflorida.com

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(941) 235-5900

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#### JFCS Cares

Helps Veterans with outreach, housing assistance, healthcare, temporary financial assistance, legal services, and more.

4045 N. Tamiami Trail, Suite A. Port Charlotte, FL 33952 info@ifcs-cares.org (941) 366-2982 https://jfcs-cares.org/find-help/

#### **Charlotte County Homeless Coalition**

Works alongside the Veterans Administration and other local agencies to help veterans navigate the VA to secure available financial, medical, and housing benefits. There are always 22 beds reserved for homeless Veterans at The Homeless Coalition.

1476 Kenesaw St., Port Charlotte, FL 33948 info@cchomelesscoalition.org https://www.cchomelesscoalition.org

(941) 627-4313

#### **Affordable Homeownership Foundation**

Offers the "Homes for Vets Program".

5264 Clayton Ct., Suite 1, Fort Myers, FL 33907 https://ahf.today/about-us/

(239) 689-4944

#### **Gulf Coast Partnership**

The One Charlotte Coordinated Entry Process is a centralized approach to effectively ending homelessness amongst individuals and families experiencing a housing crisis in our community. This streamlined process ensures that all persons experiencing homelessness have fair and equal access to, are assessed for, and referred to the most appropriate housing and community resources to meet their housing and service needs. At its core, Coordinated Entry helps to ensure that homelessness is rare, brief, and one-time.

408 Tamiami Trail, Unit 121, Punta Corda, FL 33950 www.gulfcoastpartnership.org (941) 626-0220



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# Florida Department of Health Charlotte County

- Offers birth control methods, abstinence counseling, sexually transmitted diseases, pregnancy testing and counseling, physical exams, and screening for hypertension, breast, and cervical cancer.
- Offers a Child Wellness and Safety Workshop
- Pregnancy testing and counseling
- WIC Program: provides the following at no cost for those eligible: healthy foods, nutrition education and counseling, breastfeeding support, and referrals for health care and community services.

1100 Loveland Blvd., Port Charlotte, FL 33980 https://charlotte.floridahealth.gov

(941) 624-7200

#### **Pregnancy Solutions**

Provides free pregnancy options, STI/STD testing, limited ultrasound, family planning, adoption referrals, parenting classes, and more.

950 Tamiami Trail, Suite 105, Port Charlotte, FL 33953 5400 S Biscayne, Suite G, North Port, FL 34287 504 E Venice, Ave., Venice, FL 34285 209 W Oak St., Arcadia, FL 34266

info@pregnancysolutions.org www.pregnancysolutions.org

(941) 408-7100

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f www.facebook.com/PregnancySolutions

#### **Healthy Start Coalition**

Care Coordinators assess mother's needs and provide referral to riskappropriate services, assist with Medicaid application, provide emotional support and encouragement, and deliver pregnancy and childcare information.

17825 Murdock Cir., Suite B, Port Charlotte, Florida 33948 contact@cchsfl.org https://www.cchsfl.org/index.html (941) 764-9700



#### **Boys & Girls Clubs of Charlotte County**

Program offers afterschool and summer camp for kids ages 6-18. Focus areas: academics, career exploration, health and career exploration, and health and character development. Dinners served nightly during the school year. Lunch and snacks provided during summer camp.

21500 Gibralter Dr., Port Charlotte, FL 33952 info@bgcofcc.org Local Website: www.bgcofcc.org National Website: www.bgca.org

(941) 743-1507

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f www.facebook.com/BoysandGirlsClubofCharlotteCounty

#### Children's Network of SWFL

In Southwest Florida, hundreds of kids have experienced abuse and neglect. These children, teens, and groups of siblings urgently need a safe, loving refuge. If you have ever felt called to care for kids, please consider opening your heart and home as a foster or adoptive parent now. You can make a difference for a lifetime.

Children's Network of Southwest Florida will be with you every step of the way. We are the private, nonprofit lead agency that administers the child welfare system in Lee, Collier, Charlotte, Hendry, and Glades Counties. Our mission is to work with the community to protect children and preserve families. Together, we can change a life for good.

19621 Cochran Blvd #4. Port Charlotte, FL 33948 2232 Altamont Ave., Fort Myers, FL 33901 2180 W. First St., 4th Floor, Fort Myers, FL 33901 4150 Ford St., Extension Suite 1C, Fort Myers, FL 33916 2503 Del Prado Blvd., 3rd Floor, Cape Coral, FL 33904 info@cnswfl.org https://childrensnetworkflorida.org/



www.facebook.com/CNSWFL

(855) 933-5437

#### **Charlotte Behavioral Health Care**

- Children's Community Action (C.A.T.) Team A multi-disciplinary clinical team that provides comprehensive, intensive communitybased treatment to families with youth and adults (ages 11-21) who are risk of out-of-home placement due to mental health or cooccurring disorder.
- **Behavioral Health Liaisons** Staff works with child protective investigators to determine if mental health concerns affect the safety of the children in the home as well as facilitate referrals for services to meet the needs of families in the child welfare system.
- Healthy Start Services are dedicated to providing services to pregnant women and families with children up to 3 years. Services include: early access to prenatal care, the reduction of infant mortality, and ensuring positive maternal and child health outcomes.
- Dungeons and Dragons Therapy Group This group is intended for teens struggling with depression, anxiety, isolation, and other interpersonal difficulties. The group therapy utilizes a mix of playing Dungeons and Dragons, a table-top role-playing game, while interacting with others in a traditional process group format.

1700 Education Ave., Punta Gorda, FL 33950 21500 Gibralter Dr., Unit 5, Port Charlotte, FL 33952 513 E. Hickory St., Arcadia, FL 34266

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(941)-639-8300

f www.facebook.com/charlottebehavioralhealthcare

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Offers youth violence prevention programs, sports injury prevention programs, and safe driver's education programs.

13685 Doctor's Way, Suite 140, Fort Myers, FL 33912 syndi.bultman@leehealth.org (239)-343-1617 www.leehealth.org/trauma

#### **Early Learning Coalition Florida's Heartland**

Supports families and children in accessing high quality early care and education services via School Readiness and Voluntary Prekindergarten programs.

18501 Murdock Cir., Suite 200, Port Charlotte, FL 33948 Abouhebent@elcfh.org https://elcfloridasheartland.org (941) 255-1650

# CARD

Following the principles of applied behavior analysis, CARD has developed a treatment approach for children and adolescents with autism spectrum disorder that focuses on maximizing skill acquisition, while minimizing challenging behaviors.

10501 FGCU Blvd., S. MH3 room 224, Fort Myers, FL 33965 info@centerforautism.com https://centerforautism.com (239) 590-7769

#### **Department of Children and Family Services**

Offers assistance to families working to stay safely together or be reunited, foster care, youth and young adults transitioning from foster care to independence, and adoption.

2295 Victoria Ave., Fort Myers, FL 33901 SCR.C20.client.relations@myflfamilies.com myflfamilies.com

(877) 595-0384

#### Valerie's House

A nonprofit organization that helps children and families who are grieving the loss of a loved one to on to live fulfilling lives. Their vision is that no child grieves alone. They offer peer grief support groups, school peer support groups, mentor program, one-on-one counseling, and financial/food/legal assistance.

#### Evening grief support groups with our families is offered:

- The first and third Monday of every month at the New Life in Christ Church (507 West Marion Avenue, Punta Gorda, FL 33950)
- The second and fourth Tuesday of every month at the Holy Trinity Lutheran Church (2565 Tamiami Trail, Port Charlotte, FL 33952)

21500 Gibralter Dr., Port Charlotte, FL 33952 1762 Fowler St., Fort Myers, FL 33901

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Julia@valerieshouse.org

www.valerieshouse.org

www.facebook.com/ValeriesHouseSWFL/

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# CareerSource Southwest Florida

Services range from helping employers find strong candidates to guiding job seekers in the right direction. For more information about the services offered, please visit a CareerSource Southwest Florida location or website.

3745 Tamiami Trail, Port Charlotte, FL 33952 6800 Shoppes at Plantation Dr., Suite 170, Fort Myers, FL 33912 www.careersourcesouth westflorida.com www.facebook.com/CareerSourceSWFL?ref=hl

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(941) 235-5900

(717) 580-4755

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#### **JFCS** Cares

Adolescent Diversion and Assistance Program: offers individual and group counseling with an emphasis on learning better coping skills, anger management, and social skills to reduce the risk of repetitive destructive behaviors.

4045 N. Tamiami Trail, Suite A, Port Charlotte, FL 33952 info@jfcs-cares.org (941) 366-2982 https://jfcs-cares.org/find-help/

# **Florida Department of Juvenile Justice**

Offers prevention services, such as G.A.A.P. Discussions (Gaining Appreciation by Adjusting Perspective) and The IMPACT Experience that serves to motivate youth and empower them to thrive for a better future.

2737 Centerview Dr., Tallahassee, Florida 32399 Secretary.DJJ@fldii.gov https://www.dii.state.fl.us/services/prevention-services/preventioninitiatives

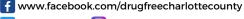
(850) 717-2425

# **Drug Free Charlotte County**

Offers substance use prevention (not treatment) services for youth and families. Programs include LifeSkills Training. Circle of Parents (peer support). Just the Facts. drug-free activities, education and information for parents, medication safety, and more.

1445 Education Way, Port Charlotte, FL 33948 21500 Gibralter Dr., Port Charlotte, FL 33952 prevention@drugfreecc.org www.drugfreecharlottecounty.org

(941) 559-1946



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#### Lutheran Services Florida, Inc SW Region

Provides free counseling and case management to at risk youth ages 6-17 years old. Provides an emergency youth shelter for youth ages 10-17.

21500 Gibralter Dr., Port Charlotte, FL 33952 3615 Central Ave., Suite 4, Fort Myers, FL 33901 shelia.dixon@lsfnet.org lsfnet.org f www.facebook.com/Lutheranservicesflorida/

# **Gulf Coast Partnership**

Offers homeless youth between the ages of 18-24, who do not live with a parent or guardian, help with getting stable housing, reaching future goals, and continued social, emotional, and financial assistance.

408 Tamiami Trail, Unit 121, Punta Gorda, FL 33950 www.gulfcoastpartnership.org

(941) 626-0220

(239) 278-1030

# **Kids Needs of Englewood**

Donates school-approved clothing, personal hygiene items, socks, underwear, and shoes. They also award annual \$1,000 high school scholarships to seniors at Lemon Bay High School.

2670 S. McCall Rd., Unit 10, Englewood, FL 34224 info@kidsneedsenglewood.org https://kidsneedsenglewood.org/ (3

(315) 256-6613





#### **Drug Free Punta Gorda**

Offers substance use prevention (not treatment) services to students and youth in our community including drug free activities and information to parents. Programs include Student Impact Team and Drug-Free Youth. Provides alcohol and underage drinking prevention activities to educate teens about the dangers of driving under the influence of drugs or alcohol.

27050 Fairway Dr., Punta Gorda, FL 33982 drugfreepuntagorda@gmail.com www.drugfreepg.com

(601) 701-3470

#### **Fellowship of Christian Athletes**

We seek to make disciples through our strategy of engaging, equipping and empowering coaches and athletes to know and grow in Christ and lead others to do the same. Mentoring coaches and athletes is our focus.

215 Longley Dr., Port Charlotte, FL 33952 tparker@fca.org www.fca.org

(941) 456-5433

#### YMCA of SWFL

An inclusive, nonprofit that strengthens communities for kids, adults, seniors and families with programs that protect, teach, connect, heal nourish and encourage. Programs include wellness, aquatics, youth and family activities, sports and recreation, childcare, education, and more.

2905 Tamiami Trail, Punta Gorda, FL 33950 www.ymcaswfl.org

(941) 505-0999

