

Community Resource Guide



A quick guide to basic services available in **Cherokee County**, Kansas

Information is provided as a community service and does not necessarily constitute endorsement. This is not a complete list of resources; information is updated annually.

Medical

Local Health Services/Clinics

Community Health Center of SE KS, Baxter Springs	(620) 856-2900
	www.chcsek.org
Community Health Center of SE KS, Columbus	(620) 429-2101
Cherokee County Health Dept, Columbus	(620) 429-3087
	www.Cherokeecountyks.gov
Mercy Hospital, Columbus	(620) 429-2545
Community Health Center of SE Kansas, Columbus.....	(620) 429-2101
Girard Medical Center, Arma	(620) 347-4711
	www.Girardmedicalcenter.com
Ascension Via Christi Hospital, Pittsburg	(620) 231-6100
	www.Health.ascension.org

Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services

Psych Solutions, Baxter Springs.....	(620) 308-5115
Spring River Mental Health and Wellness (counseling, mental health) Columbus	(620) 429-1860
Spring River Mental Health and Wellness (counseling, mental health) Riverton.....	(620) 848-2300
Mobile Crisis Helpline (for Kansans 0-20 yrs. old and foster care children, current and past).....	(833) 441-2240
Kansas Agricultural Stress helpline.....	(800) 447-1985
www.Kansasagstress.org	
Southeast Kansas Mental Health, Fort Scott.....	(620) 223-5030
Southeast Kansas Mental Health Center	(620) 365-8641
National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI)	(800) 539-2660
National Suicide Prevention Lifeline.....	(800) 273-8255

Dental Services

Community Health Center of SE Kansas; Dental Clinic, Columbus	(620) 231-9873
Kansas Donated Dental Services.....	(785) 273-1900
Kansas Donated Dental Services Online Application.....	https://dentallifeline.org/kansas/
Smiles Change Lives (discounted braces)	https://www.smileschangelives.org/
Smiles for Success	https://smilesforsuccess.org/

Eye Care

Cherokee County Health Department, Columbus.....	(620) 429-3087
Heartland Vision Center, Columbus (Medicare, KanCare)	(620) 429-2039
Kansas Dept. for Aging and Disability Services (Blind and Visually Impaired)	(866) 213-9079
Vision USA	(800) 365-2219
Services for Kansans Who are Blind or Visually Impaired.....	(785) 267-1717
International Lions Club-Harper (free eye exams and eyeglasses to qualified participants).....	(316) 773-2100
Kansas Dept. for Aging and Disability Services (Blind and Visually Impaired).....	(866) 213-9079
Envision Vision Rehab Center, Wichita.....	(316) 440-1600
EyeCare America	(877) 887-6327
See To Learn (3 year-olds)	(800) 960-3937

Prescription Services

Community Health Center of SE KS, Baxter Springs (prescription help).....	(620) 856-2900
Community Health Center of SE KS, Columbus (prescription help).....	(620) 429-2101
Cherokee County Health Department, Columbus	(620) 429-3087
Prescription Assistance Program	www.KansasDrugCard.com
Needy Meds (financial help)	www.needymeds.org
Rx Assist.....	www.rxassist.org

Assistive Equipment

Assistive Technology for Kansans	(800) 421-6551
Technology Assisted Waiver.....	(316) 721-1945
Kansas Equipment Exchange (supply or exchange medical equipment for adults and children).....	(800) 526-3648
K-Loan	(620) 421-6554

Other Health Services

KanCare/Medicaid eligibility and renewal, KanCare Clearinghouse	(800) 792-4884
KanCare application, benefits, and assistance	www.kancare.ks.gov
KanCare Ombudsman office	(855) 643-8180
.....	www.KanCareOmbudsman.ks.gov
Southeast Kansas Community Action Program, Girard (children, transport, housing).....	(620) 724-8204
Ryan White Outreach Program (HIV/STI help).....	(785) 296-6174
.....	www.kdhe.ks.gov/355/The-Ryan-White-Part-B-Program
Early Detection Works (for breast and cervical cancer issues).....	(877) 277-1368
Community Care Network of Kansas, Salina.....	(785) 233-8483
.....	www.communitycareks.org
Kansas Special Health Care Needs (SHCN) Program (infants to age 21).....	(785) 296-1313
.....	https://www.kdhe.ks.gov/747/Special-Health-Care-Needs
Kansas State Farmworker Health Program, Topeka	(785) 296-6028

Area Agency on Aging/ Senior Health Insurance Counseling (SCHICK).....	(620) 431-2980
.....	www.sekaaa.com
Medicare.....	(800) 633-4227
.....	www.medicare.gov

Information and Referral

Local Resources

Columbus Comes Together (assists seniors with errands).....	(620) 429-3851
My Family of Cherokee County.....	(620) 762-2301
Senior Behavioral Health, Girard.....	(620) 724-7288
Find local help and resources.....	www.Findhelp.org

Regional/State Organizations

Assistive Technology for Kansans.....	(800) 526-3648
K-Loan, Parsons.....	(620) 421-6554
Southeast Kansas Community Action Program, Gerard.....	(620) 724-8204
Kansas Commission on Veterans Affairs, Emporia.....	(620) 342-3347
Military/Veteran Employment	www.vetjobs.com
Veterans of Foreign Wars, Chanute.....	(620) 431-9714
Veterans of Foreign Wars, Parsons.....	(620) 421-6610
Kansas Legal Services, Pittsburg.....	(620) 232-1330
USACare.org (post 9/11 veterans)	1-800-773-0387
Elder Hotline (legal assistance for elders).....	(888) 353-5337
Elderly Services Senior Care (ECKAAA), Ottawa.....	(785) 242-7200
Senior Services of SE Kansas.....	(620) 251-7313
Pregnancy Resource Center	(620) 365-3308
Parent Helpline.....	(800) 332-6378
.....	www.1800CHILDRENKS.org
Kansas Department for Children and Families, Chanute	(620) 431-5000
.....	www.dcf.ks.gov
Social Security, Pittsburg.....	(866) 964-6307

Area Agency on Aging/ Senior Health Insurance Counseling (SCHICK).....	(620) 431-2980
.....	www.sekaaa.com
Regional Long Term Care Ombudsman (nursing facility issues).....	(785) 296-3017
Senior Services of SE Kansas.....	(620) 251-7313
Southeast Kansas Aging and Disability Resource Center, Chanute.....	(620) 431-2980
Kansas Department for Aging and Disability.....	(620) 431-7401
Southeast Kansas Independent Living, Chanute (helping people with disabilities)	(620) 431-0757
CDDO of Southeast Kansas (developmental disabilities).....	(620) 429-8985
Families Together (families with children with disabilities).....	(833) 765-2003
Haven Support Services, Pittsburg (disabilities)	(620) 308-623

Bridges Healthcare Support for Caregivers.....	(833) 795-0113
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Disability Rights Center of Kansas	(785) 273-9661
Disability Advocacy, S.K.I.L	(620) 429-3600
211 through United Way of the Plains (Central Kansas).....	(316) 267-1321
.....	unitedwayplains.org
Support groups in Kansas.....	https://supportgroupsinkansas.org/support-groups

Food

Meals on Wheels, Cherokee Co.....	(864) 487-2730
First Baptist Church of Cherokee Food Distribution Center, Weir.....	(620) 762-1072
First United Methodist Church, Columbus	(620) 429-2791
Chetopa Ministerial Alliance Food Distribution Center.....	(620) 236-7501
Columbus Christian Center.....	(620) 429-1924
Mound Valley United Methodist Food Distribution Center.....	(620) 328-4251
Chetopa Ministerial Alliances.....	(620) 236-7501
Oswego Assembly of God.....	(620) 795-2307
Oxford House for Women, Pittsburg (recovery, shelter, food, counseling).....	(620) 240-4797
Wesley House Food Pantry, Pittsburg	(620) 232-3760
Mom’s Meals	(877) 508-6667
.....	www.momsmeals.com
Chetopa Ministerial Alliance Food Bank.....	(620) 236-7501
.....	The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP)
.....	https://www.salvationarmyusa.org/usn/cure-hunger/

Transportation

Baxter Springs Van, Baxter Springs	(620) 856-2450
Galena Senior Center, Galena.....	(620) 783-2384
Southeast Kansas Community Action Program, Girard (children, transport, housing).....	(620) 724-8204

Shelter

Homeless Shelters/Transitional Housing

Countryside Acres, Columbus (Housing authority).....	(620) 429-1050
Oxford House for Women, Pittsburg (recovery, shelter, food, counseling).....	(620) 240-4797
Southeast Kansas Community Action Program, Girard (children, transport, housing).....	(620) 724-8204
Homeless Veterans.....	(877)223-8387

Rent & Utilities

SEK-CAP Rental Assistance, Security & Utility deposits.....	(620) 724-8204
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Catholic Charities, Pittsburg.....(620) 235-0633
 Labette Assistance Center, Parsons(620) 421-0700
 ACCL Utility Fund, Chanute(620) 431-7229
 LIEAP – Low Income Energy Assistance Program
 <http://www.dcf.ks.gov/services/ees/Pages/EnergyAssistance.aspx>
 VASH Voucher Program for Veterans.....(620) 624-0280 x23
 Kansas Housing Resources Corporation (includes weatherization assistance).....(785) 217-2001
 www.kshousingcorp.org

Landlord Issues

Housing and Credit Counseling (Landlord and tenant issues)(800) 383-0217
 www.housingandcredit.org
 Kansas Housing Resources Corporation.....(785) 217-2001
 www.kshousingcorp.org

Housing

Frontenac Housing Authority(620) 232-1042
 Girard Housing Authority(620) 724-8668
 Pittsburg Public Housing Authority(620) 232-1210
 Kansas Housing Resources Corporation (includes weatherization assistance).....(785) 217-2001
 www.kshousingcorp.org
 SEK-CAP House.....(620) 724-8204
 SEK-CAP Section 8 HUD.....(620) 231-5400
 <https://www.sek-cap.com/services/housing>
 Urban League of Kansas..... (316) 262-2463
 www.kansasul.org
 Kansas Rural Development, Winfield.....(620) 221-3210
 Housing and Credit Counseling Inc..... www.housingandcredit.org
 Affordable Housing www.affordablehousingonline.com

Other Resources

Kansas Department of Health and Environment [\(KDHE\) Resource Tool Kit](#)
[Kansas Commission on Disability Concerns \(KCDC\)](#) Choose “Life Resources” or “Youth” at top of
 page.
 Salvation Army..... www.salvationarmyusa.org
 Find local help and resources..... www.Findhelp.org
 Information, Inspiration and Resources for today’s challenging economy
 www.needhelp-payingbills.com