



I NEED FOOD

Food and hot meals are available to those in need. You may be eligible for food assistance through Job and Family Services - call 614.233.2000 to see if you qualify.

Several food pantries operate around Franklin County, serving those who need groceries. To find out more contact one of the following:
HandsOn FOODLINK, 614.341.2282
J.O.I.N., 614.241.2530
Westside FISH, 614.272.8242

Free meals are available from many area organizations at their soup kitchens.

Call for locations and hours of operation.

- Broad St. UMC**, 614.221.4571
- Central Presbyterian Church**, 614.224.9119
- Community Kitchen**, 614.252.6428
- Faith Mission**, 614.224.6617
- First English Lutheran Church**, 614.252.3191
- Holy Family Soup Kitchen**, 614.461.9444
- Mt. Olivet Baptist Church**, 614.221.3446
- New Life UMC**, 614.294.0134
- The Open Shelter**, 614.222.2885
- Rehoboth Temple**, 614.252.8219
- St. Johns Evangelical**, 614.224.8634
- St. Lawrence**, 614.228.0799
- St. Sophia's Orthodox**, 614.299.8760
- Wings of Hope**, 614.561.9993
- Vineyard Church**, 614.259.5441



I NEED IDENTIFICATION

You need current, valid identification to make your navigation through social services, job interviews, and reentry a much smoother process.
Never loan out your identification to anyone else.

Birth Certificate (\$21.50 - cash, check, or money order)
If you do not have money to pay for your birth certificate, you may request assistance from the Joint Organization for Inner City Needs (JOIN) at 578 E Main St, Columbus, Ohio 43215; phone 614.241.2531 or 614.241.2530.

You can obtain a copy of your birth certificate if you were born in Ohio at the Ohio Department of Health Office of Vital Statistics, 225 Neilston Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215; phone: 614.466.2531. Office hours are 8a-5p, Mon-Fri. The office is closed on state holidays. Turn around for walk-in clients is the same day, as long as you are there before 4:30p.

Social Security Card (Free)

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

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

If you do not have money to pay for your State of Ohio photo ID card, you may request assistance from King Avenue United Methodist Church, 299 King Ave, Columbus, Ohio 43201; phone 614.424.6050. The Church provides 15 free vouchers per week, distributed first-come, first-served at 8:30a on Wednesdays. They recommend that you arrive to get in line by 8a. The vouchers

are only redeemable at the BMV registrar located at 1970 W Broad St in Columbus.

You can obtain a photo ID card, which is not the same as a driver's license and can be issued even if your driving privileges are suspended or revoked. These photo ID cards are available at any Ohio Bureau of Motor Vehicles local Deputy Registrar License Agency. The main BMV registrar's office, and the one where the King Avenue Church vouchers are accepted is at 1970 W Broad St, Columbus, Ohio 43223; phone 614.752.7500. Office hours are 8a-8:30p, Monday through Friday, closed holidays. You can find other locations in the phone book.

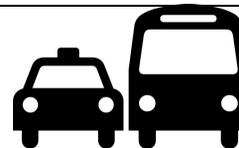
Take your birth certificate and Social Security card or print-out with you. If you have been recently released from an Ohio prison, you may use your ODRC Release Identification Card to obtain a State photo ID.



I NEED A JOB OR JOB TRAINING

There is no magic bullet to finding employment, and the fact that you may have an arrest and/or conviction record doesn't help, but it doesn't mean you can't find a job. You just have to be above the other candidates, more determined, and better skilled. These organizations can help you get the training and skills you need to become successfully employed.

- Goodwill Columbus**, job training and workforce skills, 1331 Edgehill Rd., 614.294.5181
- COWIC** job training and job search services, 1111 E. Broad St., 614.559.5052
- Henkels & McCoy Community Success** job development & supportive services, 1336 E. Main St., 614.221.3398
- Impact Community Action** computer literacy, workforce skills 700 Bryden Rd., 614.252.2799
- Alvis House Community Reentry Center** employment education, HIRE program, GED classes 1991 Bryden Rd., 614.252.0660
- M.C.S. TOUCH** computer literacy, job readiness and search skills, GED classes 3968 E. Main St., Whitehall, 614.338.8733
- Columbus Urban League** workforce development, career services 788 Mt Vernon Ave., 614.257.6300



I NEED TRANSPORTATION

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

Taxi: Franklin County is served by many taxi companies. Among the largest are
Orange Cab, 614.414.0000
Yellow Cab, 614.444.4444;
German Village Taxi, 614.224.8888



I NEED LEGAL ASSISTANCE

Criminal

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

Child Support

If you are suing for child support, or being sued for child support, or you need to establish the paternity (who is the father) of a child, the **Child Support Enforcement** Agency may be able to help. CSEA is at 80 E. Fulton Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215. 614.525.3275

Civil

Legal Aid Society of Columbus, 1108 City Park Ave, Columbus OH 43206, assists with Loss or denial of public benefits, Medicaid/Medicare, Unemployment compensation, Evictions, Foreclosures, Domestic Violence, Child Custody, Consumer Issues, Garnishments and attachments, Landlord/Tenant Dissolutions, Divorce, Income Tax Issues, and Wills. In Franklin or Madison counties please call the Intake Line at 614.241.2001, M-F 9:30a-3:30p.

Franklin County Reentry Coalition

The mission of the Franklin County Reentry Coalition is to promote and support a network of community services and programs to effectively and efficiently transition formerly-incarcerated individuals back into the community to lead crime-free, productive lives.

IF YOU NEED SERVICES AND DO NOT KNOW WHO TO CALL OR WHERE TO START, CONTACT THE OFFICE OF FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONER MARILYN BROWN, CHAIRPERSON OF THE REENTRY COALITION.

614.525.3461
www.FranklinCountyOhio.Gov/Reentry

I NEED CLOTHING



Clothing, shoes, and coats are available for those who need them at a variety of organizations throughout the area. Clothing resources include:

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

SUPPORTIVE & TRANSITIONAL HOUSING

If you are staying in a shelter, living on the streets, or are marginally housed - that is, if you're couch surfing or jumping from place to place, you can seek assistance from The Open Shelter at 61 E Mound St, 614.222.2885. The shelter has drop-in hours 10:30a-1:30p Monday through Friday, and offers free lunch, clothing and other necessities, use of telephone, a mailing address, and case management.

SUPPORTIVE & TRANSITIONAL HOUSING

YMCA, 40 W. Long St, 614.573.3616
YWCA, 65 S. 4th St., 614.224.9121
Friends of the Homeless/New Horizons
371 Carpenter St., 614.360.0120
Southeast, Inc / Friends of the Homeless
16 W Long St., 614.360.0251
Community Housing Network
1680 Watermark Dr., 614.487.6700
National Church Residences, 800.388.2151

LOW INCOME / SECTION 8 HOUSING

Columbus Metropolitan Housing Authority, 614.421.6000
Community Properties, 614.253.0984

I NEED SHELTER



24/7 intake for single men and single women is done over the phone by HandsOn Central Ohio.
Call 888.474.3587 for intake.

The Community Shelter Board
CSB is the premier place for Shelter & Housing Issues and Referrals. They can be contacted at 111 Liberty St., 614.221.9195.

Intake for families and children is done at the YWCA Family Center, 900 Harvey Ct., 614.253.7970

If you are in a shelter crisis:

IF YOU ARE IN CRISIS



MENTAL HEALTH / AOD
Netcare Access
24-hour mental health and AOD crisis intervention. Call the Crisis Line at 614.276.CARE (2273)

FOOD / CLOTHES / SHELTER
HandsOn Central Ohio
Emergency shelter intake, hot meals, food and clothing pantry referrals.
Dial 2-1-1 or 614.221.6766



I NEED HEALTHCARE

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

If you are considering suicide, call the 24/7 Columbus suicide hotline at 614.221.5445. 24/7 mental health and alcohol/drug crisis intervention is available at NetCare access. Call the crisis line at 614.276.2273 or go to 199 South Central Ave or 741 East Broad St

You may be eligible for assistance through Job and Family Services. Call 614.233.2000 to determine eligibility.

Medical Care

Mt. Carmel Outreach, rotating locations, 614.546.4200
Columbus Public Health, 240 Parsons Ave, 614.614.7417
Columbus Neighborhood Health Centers, 614.645.5500

- East Health Center - 1180 E Main St
- John Maloney Health Center - 3781 S High St
- St Stephen's Health Center - 1500 E 17th Ave
- Columbus Northeast Health Center - 3433 Agler Rd

West Family Health & Wellness Center-2300 W Broad Street

ARC (AIDS Resource Center) Ohio
confidential testing and safer sex supplies
4400 N High St Suite 300, 614.299.2437
1033 N High St, 614.340.6777

Prescription Drug Care

Charitable Pharmacy of Central Ohio, free medicine, 614.227.0301

Mental Health, Alcohol and Drug (AOD) treatment

Netcare Access, 199 S. Central Ave and 741 E. Broad St, 614.276.2273

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

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

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

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

Salvation Army, 1675 S. High St, 614.221.4269

Columbus Public Health, 240 Parsons Ave, 614.645.6839

Jewish Family Services, 1070 College Ave, 614.231.1890

Mental Health America of Franklin County, Referrals to mental health and AOD treatment, 538 E. Town St Suite D, 614.221.1441

Peer Support

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

P.E.E.R. (Peers Enriching Each-Other's Recovery) Center, Drop-in recovery center. 25-30 peer support groups each week on a variety of mental health, wellness, and recovery topics. 1221 E Broad St, 614.453.4830

T.O.U.C.H., Peer mentoring and supportive services, 3968 E. Main St in Whitehall, 614.338.8733

Veteran's Services

Veterans Service Commission
280 E Broad St, 614.525.2500

Chalmers P Wylie VA Care Center
420 N James Rd, 614.257.5200

Services for Seniors (age 60+)

Office on Aging, 614.525.5230

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FIND COMMUNITY RESOURCES



DON'T COME BACK TO JAIL IN FRANKLIN COUNTY

This guide was produced by the office of Franklin County Commissioner Marilyn Brown, Chairperson of the Franklin County Reentry Coalition, and the office of Franklin County Sheriff Zack Scott.