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Community Resource Directory

Charlotte County, Florida

2026-2027

Family Services Center

Contact:
(941) 235-0668
21500 Gibralter Dr., Port Charlotte, FL 33952

The Charlotte County Family Services Center is a collaboration among government and nonprofit agencies working to provide an integrated client service delivery system. Agencies at the Center offer health and human services to Charlotte County residents and families. The following agencies are located at the Center:

Area Agency on Aging for Southwest Florida

Boys & Girls Clubs of Charlotte County

Rebuilding Together Greater Florida

Children's Advocacy Center of Southwest Florida

Charlotte CBHC Behavioral Health Care

Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Sun Coast

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Abuse

Florida 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.

Center for Abuse and Rape Emergencies

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

admin@careFL.org
careFL.org

(941) 639-5499

facebook.com/carecharlottecounty

Charlotte Behavioral Health Care

Charlotte Behavioral offers a 16-week Anger Management Program.

1700 Education Ave., Punta Gorda, FL 33950
21500 Gibralter Dr., Port Charlotte, FL 33952

(941) 639-8300

cbhcFL.org

facebook.com/charlottebehavioralhealthcare
charlottebehavioral
charlottebehavioralhealthc3571
cbhcfl

Children's Advocacy Center of Southwest Florida

The Children's Advocacy Center of Southwest Florida provides advocacy services to families impacted by abuse or neglect through coordinating intervention services, identifying barriers that may prevent the family from receiving services, and advocating for immediate service implementation. Family Advocates provide direct referrals and offer ongoing support to help families navigate available resources, guidance through the dependency and/or criminal process, and one-on-one education.

3830 Evans Ave., Fort Myers, FL 33901 **(239) 939-2808**

advocacy@CAC-SWFL.org

CAC-SWFL.org

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Florida Department of Children and Families

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

2295 Victoria Ave., #110, Fort Myers, FL 33901 **(239) 332-2822**

SCR.C20.client.relations@myflfamilies.com

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Southwest Florida Coalition Against Human Trafficking

The SWFL Coalition Against Human Trafficking is a collaboration amongst law enforcement, private agencies, faith-based communities, health care providers, law firms, direct service providers, and private citizens committed to preventing and combating human trafficking.

info@SWFL-humantrafficking.org **(239) 247-1631**
SWFLhumantrafficking.org



Alcohol and Drug Addiction

Charlotte Behavioral Health Care

- **Crisis Services/Central Receiving Facility:** The Crisis Stabilization Unit is a comfortable facility that provides assessment and treatment services 24/7 for adults and children including a detox program.
- **Drug Court:** An 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):** The 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**: This program is designed to help people attain safety from all types of trauma and/or addiction.

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21500 Gibralter Dr., Unit 5, Port Charlotte, FL 33952

cbhcFL.org

facebook.com/charlottebehavioralhealthcare

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Alcoholics Anonymous

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

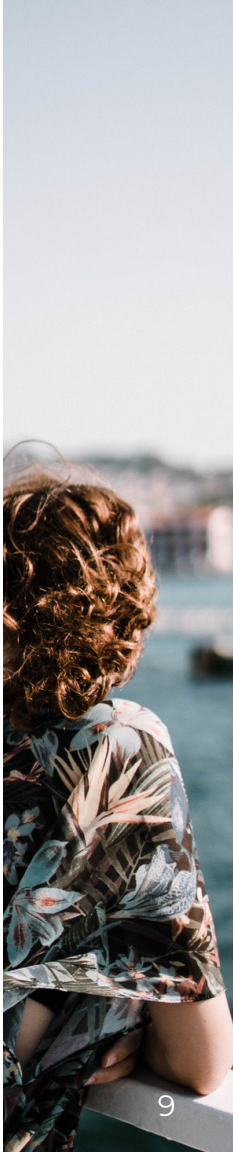
13325 Tamiami Trail, North Port, FL 34287 **(941) 426-7723**
intergroup@aaNorthPort.org
aaNorthPort.org

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 **(941) 559-1946**
21500 Gibralter Dr, Port Charlotte, FL 33952
prevention@DrugFreeCCorg
DrugFreeCharlotteCounty.org

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Edgewater Church

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

facebook.com/edgewaterchurch

Englewood Community Coalition

The Coalition offers substance use prevention services for youth and families in West Charlotte County. Includes educational programs, environmental projects, and free substance-free social opportunities.

551 Rotonda Blvd. West Rotonda West, FL 33947 **(941) 681-0091**

office@ccenglewood.com
CCEnglewood.com | EnglewoodCreativeArts.org

facebook.com/Englewoodcommunitycoalition

Florida Department of Children and Families

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., #110, Fort Myers, FL 33901 **(239) 332-2822**
SCR.C20.client.relations@myflfamilies.com
myFLfamilies.com

Florida Department of Health in 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 **(941) 624-7200**
Charlotte.FloridaHealth.gov

facebook.com/FDOHCharlotte

New Season Treatment Center

Provides customized therapeutic programs and Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT) programs to patients. They also work to support the education and understanding of opioid addiction as a disease that can be addressed with treatment services.

20580 Veterans Blvd., Port Charlotte, FL 33954 **(877) 284-7074**
newseason@cmglp.com
NewSeason.com
facebook.com/NewSeasonTreatmentCenters

Operation PAR, Inc.

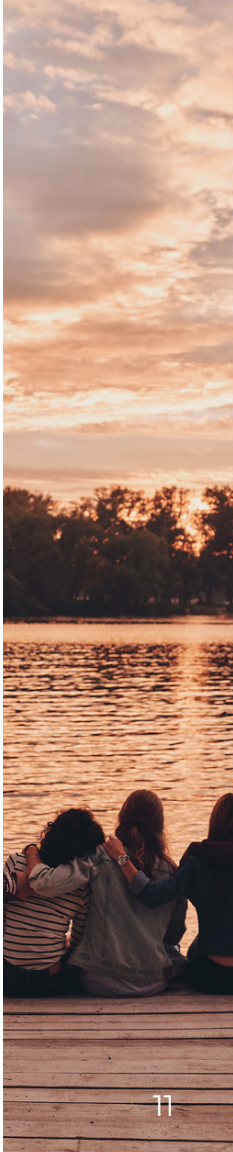
Provides outpatient Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) services for the treatment of Opioid Use Disorder (OUD). Offers all three FDA-approved medications for the treatment of OUD: methadone, buprenorphine (e.g., Suboxone, Subutex), and Vivitrol (extended-release injectable naltrexone) combined with counseling and other behavioral therapies. PAR is a non-profit organization and accepts Medicaid, Medicare, Ambetter, and other insurance. Grant funding often available to supplement treatment costs for uninsured. Opens Monday to Friday from 5:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

17240 Tamiami Trail, Port Charlotte, FL 33953 **(941) 613-0956**
info@operpar.org **24/7 Help: 1 (888) 727-6398**
OperationPAR.org
facebook.com/OperationPAR

Port Charlotte Detox

Port Charlotte Detox is a facility that specializes in drug, opiate, and alcohol detox.

3460 Depew Ave., Port Charlotte, FL 33952 **(844) 338-6972**
PortCharlotteDetox.com



St. Mary Baptist Church

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

605 Mary St., Punta Gorda, FL 33950 **(941) 637-7782**

stmarypuntagorda@gmail.com

StMaryPG.com

TGH Outpatient Behavioral Health

Comprehensive intensive outpatient program (IOP) tailored to meet mental health needs through group, individual, and family therapy. Assisting individuals in addressing depression, anxiety, stress, grief, trauma, relationship and family struggles, functional decline, isolation, and addiction.

4161 Tamiami Trail, #302, Port Charlotte, FL 33952 **(941) 766-0171**

TGH.org/Facilities/Hospitals/DeSoto/Services/Behavioral-Health

facebook.com/TGHDeSotoBehavioralHealthPortCharlotte

Valiant Recovery Corp

Offers treatment for clients aged 18-75 who need assistance in overcoming addiction. Program lengths vary from 30 to 120 days and offer private sessions.

610 E. Olympia Ave., Punta Gorda Florida 33950 **(941) 882-1664**

Alcohol-Addict.com



Edgewater Church

Offers a range of services, including:

- Bike Ministry: Rebuilds donated bikes and distributes them to people in need. Bike shop opens every second and fourth Wednesday of the month from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. (call first).
- Edgewater Thrift Store
- Celebrate Recovery Program (see page 10 for details)
- Food pantry (see page 36 for details)

19190 Cochran Blvd., Port Charlotte, FL 33948 **(941) 625-3039**
office@edgewaterchurch.com

facebook.com/edgewaterchurch

First Baptist Church Punta Gorda

Provides food, clothing, cleaning supplies, and hygiene products. For more food pantry information, go to page 34.

459 Gill St., Punta Gorda, FL 33950 **(941) 639-3857**

FBCPuntaGorda.org

First Presbyterian Church of Port Charlotte

Provides food pantry services with Harry Chapin Food Bank of Southwest Florida (see page 36 for details), bursaries and scholarships for members, and Christian counseling.

2230 Hariet St., Port Charlotte, FL 33952 **(941) 625-5045**

info@fpcpc.com

FPCPC.com

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Jesus Loves You Ministry, Inc.

Jesus Loves You Ministry, Inc. is a ministry to the homeless located in Charlotte County. They offer meals, showers, clothing, laundry services, case management, assistance in locating housing, and other needed services.

1734 Cedarwood St., Port Charlotte, FL 33948 **(941) 979-5232**

info@jesuslovesyouministryinc.com
JesusLovesYouMinistry.org

facebook.com/JesusLovesYouMinistry

Society of St. Vincent de Paul - Sacred Heart Conference

Financial and education assistance – including rent, utility, bus fares, parking, tuition, books, and licensing fees – available every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 9 a.m. to noon (must arrive before 11 a.m.). Donated goods such as clothing, housewares, and furniture are available.

25200 Airport Rd., Punta Gorda, FL 33950 **(941) 575-0767**

svdpsh@gmail.com | SVdPPG.org

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St. Mary Baptist Church

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605 Mary St., Punta Gorda, 33950 **(941) 637-7782**

stmarypuntagorda@gmail.com | StMaryPG.com



Disabilities

Center for Autism and Related Disabilities

The Center for Autism and Related Disabilities (CARD) provides support and assistance with the goal of optimizing the potential of people with autism spectrum disorder and related disabilities.
CARD supports individuals, families, schools, and communities across the lifespan by:

- Facilitating access to evidence-based education and treatment services across the lifespan
- Assisting clients and families with individualized consultative support
- Support after graduation to promote workforce or higher education and adult living success
- Educating law enforcement officers on how to best interact with people with autism and related disabilities
- Creating more autism-friendly spaces throughout Florida

christinemaughan@usf.edu

CARD-usf.fmhi.USF.edu

Center for Independent Living Gulf Coast

Offers assistance to people with disabilities in fulfilling 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 Terr., Ste. 103, Fort Myers, FL 33907 **(239) 260-4575**

CILGulfCoastFlorida.org

facebook.com/CILGulfCoast

Charlotte County Sheriff's Office

The Charlotte County Sheriff's Office offers two programs for families with loved ones who are prone to wandering:

- **The Scent Preservation Kit:** Scent kits are utilized by families and law enforcement to help bring a lost family member back home. With the Scent Kit, it only takes a few minutes to swipe, seal, and store a person's unique odor. If a loved one wanders off, caretakers will be ready with an uncontaminated scent article for K9 responders to begin searching for them.

- **Take Me Home:** If a loved one has gone missing and they are signed up in this program, the Sheriff's Office can immediately get the photo and description out on the street to search more accurately. Take Me Home is free to all Charlotte County Citizens.

communityaffairs@ccsofl.net **(941) 575-5260**

CCSO.org

facebook.com/CCSOFLSheriff ccsoflsheriff

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**

press@lovelandcenter.org

LovelandCenter.org

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Affordable Homeownership Foundation, Inc.

Affordable Homeownership Foundation is a HUD-approved counseling agency that specializes in:

- Rental and eviction prevention counseling
- Foreclosure prevention counseling
- First-time home buyer and post-purchase counseling
- Responsible renter classes
- Hurricane preparedness counseling
- Post-hurricane help to navigate home insurance companies and FEMA
- Disaster case management
- Credit and budgeting counseling

5264 Clayton Ct., Ste. 1, Fort Myers, FL 33907 **(239) 689-4944**

AHF.today

Boys & Girls Clubs of Charlotte County

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

Focus areas include:

- Academics
- Career exploration
- 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 **(941) 743-1507**
info@bgcofcc.org
BGCofCC.org

facebook.com/BoysandGirlsClubofCharlotteCounty

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Charlotte County 4-H

A youth development organization open to kids ages 5-18 that strives to reach them through:

- 4-H clubs
- Special-interest groups
- Short-term projects
- School enrichment programs
- 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 **(941) 833-3836**

kpopa@UFL.edu

Charlotte County Healthy Start Coalition

Free education and support for parents from pregnancy through your child's early years. Healthy Start offers free parenting education, breastfeeding support, fatherhood programs, and connections to community resources for moms, dads, and caregivers. Its programs support the development of pre-literacy skills to help lay the foundation for children's future learning and success. Healthy Start provides valuable tools to support early childhood development, promote language skills, and foster a love of learning.

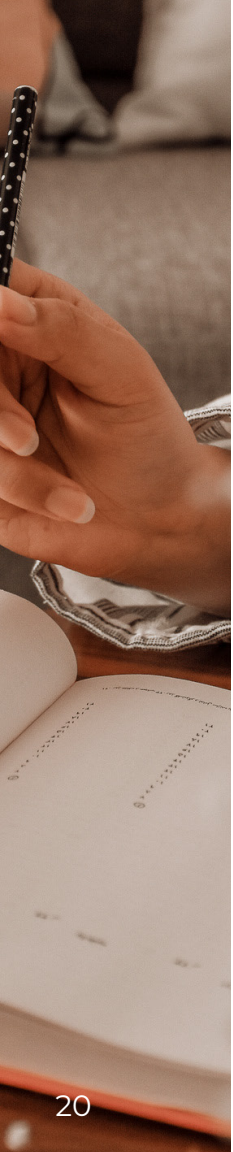
17825 Murdock Cir., Ste. B, Port Charlotte, FL 33948 **(941) 764-9700**

contact@cchsfl.org

cchsFL.org

cchealthystart





Children's Advocacy Center of Southwest Florida

Community Outreach: Offers Darkness to Light Training to the community which focuses on how to prevent, recognize, and respond appropriately to child sexual abuse. Darkness to Light is a 3-hour training that follows a series of 6 videos hearing from those with lived experiences and expert insights while having interactive discussions throughout the training. Community Outreach also offers Monique Burr Prevention Education, which is a comprehensive, age-appropriate prevention education for school aged children; it is designed to equip youth with the knowledge and skills to prevent, recognize, and respond to various safety threats. *Training is free.

3830 Evans Ave., Fort Myers, FL 33901 **(239) 939-2808**

outreach@cac-swfl.org

CAC-SWFL.org

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Drug Free Charlotte County

Offers substance use prevention for youth and families. Programs include Life Skills Training, Circle of Parents (peer support), Just the Facts, drug-free activities, education and information for parents, medication, and safety.

1445 Education Way, Port Charlotte, FL 33948 **(941) 559-1946**
21500 Gibralter Dr., Port Charlotte, FL 33952

prevention@drugfreecc.org

drugfreecharlottecounty.org

facebook.com/drugfreecharlottecounty

drugfreecharlottecounty

Early Learning Coalition of Florida's Heartland

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

The ELCFH is one of 30 ELCs in Florida providing two unique services for families through locally contracted childcare providers:

- School Readiness Program: financial aid for childcare services for economically disadvantaged families
- Voluntary Prekindergarten Program (VPK): free prekindergarten for 4-year-old children regardless of family income.

18501 Murdock Cir, Suite 200, Port Charlotte, FL 33948 **(941) 255-1650**

elcfh@elcfh.org

ELCFH.org

Englewood Community Coalition

Englewood Community Coalition offers substance use prevention services for youth and families in West Charlotte County. Includes educational programs, environmental projects, and substance-free social opportunities. Scholarships are available, as funding permits, for youth interested in pursuing mentored out-of-school artistic endeavors.

office@ccenglewood.com **(941) 681-0091**

CCEnglewood.com

EnglewoodCreativeArts.org





Florida Department of Health in Charlotte County

Offers educational classes pertaining to different health topics, such as swim safety, safe sleep, child wellness, car seat safety, fall prevention, and diabetes prevention. The WIC program provides education on nutrition.

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

Charlotte.FloridaHealth.gov

facebook.com/FDOHCharlotte

Health Planning Council of Southwest Florida, Inc.

The Health Planning Council of SWFL provides free assistance to those with health insurance needs in 10 counties, including Charlotte. It 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 **(239) 433-6700**
4630 17th St., Sarasota, FL 34235

contactus@hpcswf.co | HPCSWF.com

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Lee Health Trauma Services

Lee Health Trauma provides educational classes, support groups, and mentoring to help people before, during, and after experiencing trauma. Among their programs are Youth Violence Prevention, Gang Awareness Training Education, Injury Prevention, and Safe Drivers Education.

13685 Doctor's Way, Ste. 140, Fort Myers, FL 33912 **(239) 343-1617**

syndi.bultman@leehealth.org | LeeHealth.org/trauma

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Southwest Florida Coalition Against Human Trafficking

The SWFL Coalition Against Human Trafficking prevents and combats human trafficking through education and awareness.

info@swfl-humantrafficking.org **(239) 247-1631**

SWFLhumantrafficking.org

Virginia B. Andes Volunteer Community Clinic

The Virginia B. Andes Volunteer Community Clinic offers educational wellness programs. Its General Nutrition and Diabetes Wellness Programs provide information and guidance for managing diabetes, while our Tobacco Free Florida Smoking Cessation Classes, open to the public, offer encouragement, education, and practical strategies for those ready to begin their journey toward a tobacco-free life.

21297 Olean Blvd., Unit B, Port Charlotte, FL 33952 **(941) 766-9570**

info@volunteercare.org

Volunteercare.org

facebook.com/VBAVolunteerClinic

YMCA of Southwest Florida

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 **(941) 505-0999**

19333 Quesada Ave., Port Charlotte, FL, 33948 **(941) 629-9622**

ymcaSWFL.org



Better Together

Offers “Better Jobs” job fairs and partners with local businesses to help people get hired.

15275 Collier Blvd., Ste. 201-284, Naples, FL 34119 **(239) 470-2733**

info@bettertogetherus.org | BetterTogetherUS.org

facebook.com/BTogetherOrg BTogetherOrg btogetherorg

CareerSource Southwest Florida

CareerSource’s **s**ervices range from helping employers find strong candidates to guiding job seekers in the right direction through career counseling, skills training, job search assistance, industry partnerships, and mentoring programs.

3745 Tamiami Trail, Port Charlotte, FL 33952 **(941) 235-5900**

CareerSourceSouthwestFlorida.com

facebook.com/CareerSourceSWFL careersource_swfl

CareerSourceSWF careersourcesouthwestflori1164

Florida Division of Vocational Rehabilitation

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

18501 Murdock Cir., Ste. 404, Port Charlotte, FL 33948 **(941) 613-0900**

VREmploymentPrograms@vr.fldoe.org | RehabWorks.org

Goodwill Community Resource Center

Goodwill Community Resource Centers help people:

- Develop skills through digital training
- Earn a credential or certificate
- Plan for a career
- Create a resume that gets noticed
- Polish interview skills
- Connect with local employers
- Get finances in order through financial literacy

Connect to other resources like:

- Veteran services
- Unemployment Services
- English as a second language (ESL)
- Income tax preparation
- Food pantry assistance
- Housing and rental assistance, ACCESS Florida, SNAP, Medicaid, FAFSA, and other services.

Hours of operation: Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

24123 Peachland Blvd., Port Charlotte, FL, 33954 **(941) 255-3884**

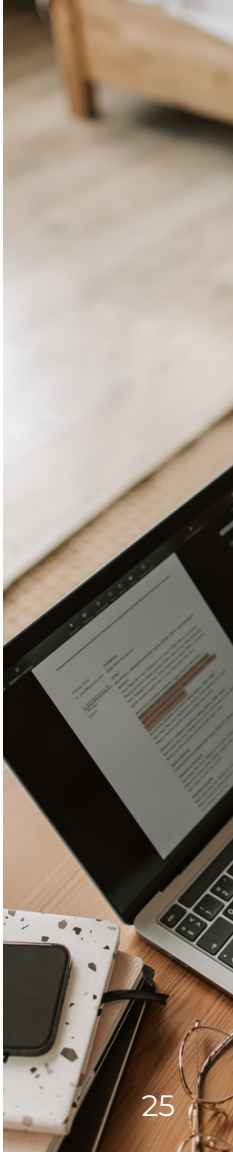
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Charlotte County Human Services

Charlotte County Human Services Provides help to qualifying candidates pay for rent, mortgage, and/or utilities.

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

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Charlotte Rides

Charlotte Rides is a free shared ride, curb-to-curb public transportation service.

The service area consists most of Port Charlotte, Punta Gorda, and the Charlotte County portion of Englewood. Trips are first-come, first-served with operating service hours Monday through Friday from 6:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday service is restricted to a limited area.

To make a trip reservation and/or to enroll in the Charlotte Rides mobile app, call 941-575-4000 and select Option 1.

Reservations can be made by calling Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. or anytime via the Charlotte Rides mobile app.

CharlotteCountyFL.gov/Charlotte-Rides **(941) 575-4000**

Florida Department of Children and Families

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., #110, Fort Myers, FL 33901 **(239) 332-2822**

SCR.C20.client.relations@myflfamilies.com

myFLfamilies.com

Florida Department of Health in Charlotte County

Assist in providing families with access to family planning, dental and nutritional services.

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

Charlotte.Floridahealth.gov

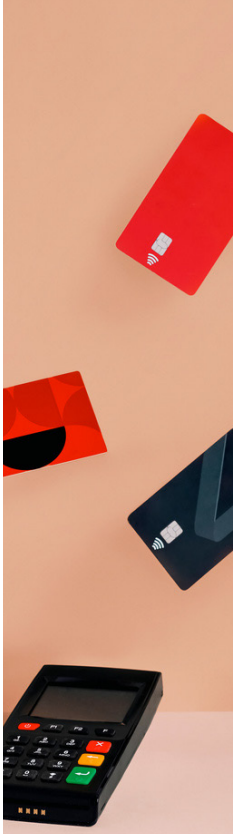
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Gulf Coast Partnership

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21500 Gibralter Dr., #3, Port Charlotte, FL 33952 **(239) 910-4716**

GulfCoastPartnership.org





Jesus Loves You Ministry, Inc.

Jesus Loves You Ministry, Inc. is a ministry to the homeless located in Charlotte County. They offer meals, showers, clothing, laundry services, case management, assistance in locating housing, and other needed services.

1734 Cedarwood St, Port Charlotte, FL 33948 **(941) 979-5232**

info@jesuslovesyouministryinc.com | JesusLovesYouMinistryinc.com

facebook.com/JesusLovesYouMinistry

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, childcare and crime scene cleanup.

13650 Fiddlesticks Blvd., Ste. 202-144, Fort Myers, FL 33912 **(239) 791-7560**

isouthwest.FL@madd.org | MADD.org/southwest-florida

Pregnancy Solutions

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

950 Tamiami Trail, Ste. 105, Port Charlotte, FL 33953 **(941) 408-7100**

info@pregnancysolutions.org | PregnancySolutions.org

facebook.com/PregnancySolutions pregnancysolutions

Society of St. Vincent de Paul - Sacred Heart Conference

Limited financial assistance – including rent, utility, bus fares, parking, and education – available every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 9 a.m. to noon (must arrive before 11 a.m.). Donated goods such as clothing, housewares, and furniture available as well.

25200 Airport Rd., Punta Gorda, FL 33950 **(941) 575-0767**

svdpsh@gmail.com | SVdPPG.org

facebook.com/svdppuntagorda.org svdpsacredheartconference

Society of St. Vincent de Paul - St. Charles Borromeo Conference

Limited financial assistance every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 9 a.m. to noon (must arrive before 11 a.m.).

21841 Felton Ave., Port Charlotte, FL 33952 **(941) 625-9784**

United Way Charlotte County

Financial assistance is available for individuals and families who need help with rent, mortgage, and utilities.

Free income tax preparation is available to individuals and families with a household income below $66,000 annually (appointments only).

17831 Murdock Cir, Suite A, Port Charlotte, FL 33948 **(941) 627-3539**

support@unitedwayccfl.org | UnitedWayccFL.org

facebook.com/UWCCFL united.way.cc.fl





Boys & Girls Clubs of Charlotte County

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

Focus areas include:

- Academics
- Career exploration
- 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 **(941) 743-1507**

info@bgcofcc.org | BGCofCC.org

facebook.com/BoysandGirlsClubofCharlotteCounty

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CareerSource Southwest Florida

Florida's Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Education and Training is designed to assist eligible SNAP E&T participants obtain skills through education, training, or work experience that will increase self-sufficiency and lead to employment.

3745 Tamiami Trail, Port Charlotte, FL 33952 **(941) 235-5900**

CareersourceSouthwestFlorida.com

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Englewood Helping Hand, Inc.

Besides food pantry services, Englewood Helping Hand, Inc., helps clients apply/reapply for SNAP and pay for utility bills. In order to potentially qualify, people must live in one of the following ZIP codes: 34333, 34224, 33946, 33947, 33981 and 33953. Hours of operation are Wednesdays and Thursdays from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

700 E. Dearborn St., Englewood, FL 34223 **(941) 474-5864**

info@englewoodhelpinghand.org

EnglewoodHelpingHand.org

Florida Department of Children and Families

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.

2295 Victoria Ave., Fort Myers, FL 33901 **(877) 595-0384**

SCR.C20.client.relations@myflfamilies.com

myFLfamilies.com

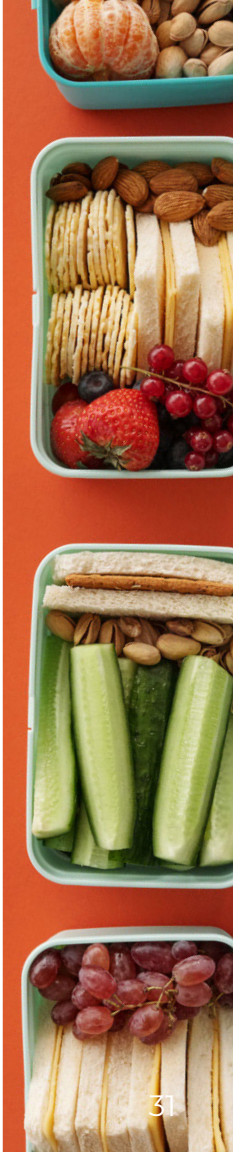
Florida Department of Health in Charlotte County

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, FL 33980 **(941) 624-7200**
6868 San Casa Dr., Englewood, FL 34224

Charlotte.FloridaHealth.gov/WIC

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Goodwill Community Resource Center

Goodwill Community Resource Centers connects people to resources:

- Food pantry assistance
- Housing and rental assistance, ACCESS Florida, SNAP, Medicaid, FAFSA, and other services.

Hours of operation: Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

24123 Peachland Blvd., Port Charlotte, FL, 33954 **(941) 255-3884**
info@goodwillswfl.org
GoodwillSWFL.org/crc

Meals On Wheels of Charlotte County

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 **(941) 625-4343**
admin@mowofcc.org
MoWofCC.org
facebook.com/mowofcc

Pregnancy Solutions

Provides free baby formula for participants.

950 Tamiami Trail, Ste. 105, Port Charlotte, FL 33953 **(941) 408-7100**
info@pregnancysolutions.org
PregnancySolutions.org
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Senior Friendship Centers

The Senior Friendship Centers help feed older adults through two programs:

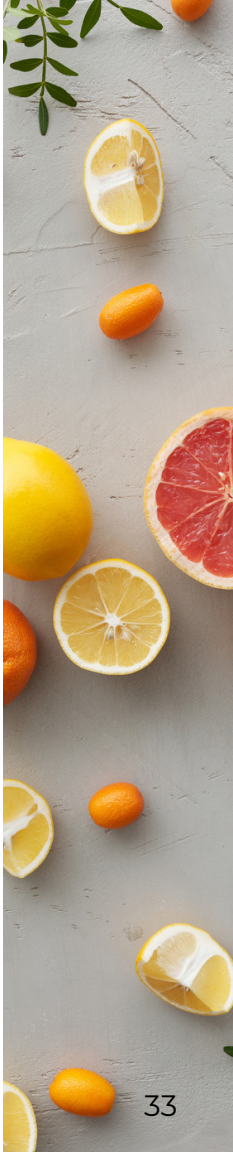
- **Home Delivered Meals**: Home Delivered Meals service provides meals to frail, homebound seniors. If you or someone you know are homebound and would benefit from receiving home delivered meals, please call the Elder Helpline at 1-866-413-5337.

- **Congregate Meals at the Friendship Cafés**: The goal of the Congregate Meals Program is to provide people 60 or older a low-cost, nutritionally balanced meal served in strategically located centers where they can obtain other social services. Call the Senior Friendship Centers at 941-255-0723 to see if you qualify.

  Friendship Cafés locations:

  Rebecca Neal Owens Center
  27420 Voyageur Dr., Punta Gorda, FL 33983
  Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 11:30 a.m. to noon
  The Verandas Senior Apartment Homes
  24500 Airport Rd., Punta Gorda, FL 33950
  Monday to Thursday from 11:30 a.m. to noon
  Charlotte Towers
  2295 Aaron St., Port Charlotte, FL 33952
  Monday to Thursday from 11:30 a.m. to noon
  Christian City of Florida
  6433 Gasparilla Pines Blvd., Grove City, FL 34224
  Monday to Thursday from 11:30 a.m. to noon & 12:30 to 1 p.m.

27420 Voyageur Dr., Punta Gorda, FL 33983 **(941) 255-0723**
friendshipcenters.org/location/charlotte-friendship-center
facebook.com/friendshipcenters



Food Pantries

Charlotte CARE Center

The Charlotte CARE Center serves nutritious breakfasts, lunches, dinners, and snacks 365 days a year to shelter guests. It also offers emergency food bags Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Its food pantry is open Wednesdays from 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Fridays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. for drive-thru distribution for all Charlotte County residents needing food assistance. *Proof of Charlotte County residency including an ID or utility bill must be shown.

1476 Kenesaw St., Port Charlotte, FL 33948 **(941) 627-4313**
Vin.CARE/programs/homeless-services

Englewood Helping Hand, Inc.

Food distribution every Wednesday and Thursday from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

700 E. Dearborn St., Englewood, FL 34223 **(941) 474-5864**
info@englewoodhelpinghand.org
EnglewoodHelpingHand.org

First Baptist Church Punta Gorda

Food distribution every Tuesday from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

459 Gill St., Punta Gorda, FL 33950 **(941) 639-3857**
fbcPuntaGorda.org

Friendship United Methodist Church

Food distribution every second and fourth Tuesday of the month from 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

12275 Paramount Dr., Port Charlotte, FL 33955 **(941) 637-1717**
friendshipumc@hotmail.com
FriendshipumcPuntaGorda.com

Harry Chapin Food Bank of Southwest Florida

Harry Chapin Food Bank is the largest hunger-relief nonprofit and the only Feeding America member in Southwest Florida, serving Charlotte and neighboring counties. It rescues and distributes donated food and other grocery products through its food distribution programs, feeding more than a quarter of a million people each month.

3760 Fowler St., Fort Myers, FL 33901 **(239) 334-7007**

fighthunger@harrychapinfoodbank.org

HarryChapinFoodBank.org

facebook.com/HarryChapinFoodBank

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The Harry Chapin Food Bank coordinates food distribution with the following partners (subject to change):

Boys & Girls Clubs of Charlotte County
Food distribution for food-insecure students, families, and staff.
21500 Gibralter Dr., Port Charlotte, FL 33952 **(239) 334-7007**

C.H.A.P.S., Inc.
Food distribution second Tuesday of the month from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., second Wednesday from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m., and first and third Thursday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
18200 Paulson Dr., Unit A-1, Port Charlotte, FL 33954 **(941) 625-2552**

Charlotte County Human Services
Food distribution every other Thursday from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.
Food pantry available Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
21500 Gibralter Dr., Port Charlotte, FL 33952 **(941) 833-6500**

Charlotte Towers Presbyterian Homes
Food distribution for residents only on third Wednesday of the month from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.
2295 Aaron St., Port Charlotte, FL 33952 **(941) 627-9057**





Community Life Center Church
Food distribution every Thursday from 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.
19048 Edgewater Dr., Port Charlotte, FL 33948 **(941) 629-0999**

Disciples Driven Ministries, Inc.
Food distribution Mondays from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. and Tuesdays from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m.
4040 Tamiami Trail, Port Charlotte, FL 33952 **(502) 338-6980**

Edgewater Church
Food distribution first and third Friday of the month from 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.
19190 Cochran Blvd., Port Charlotte, FL 33948 **(941) 625-3039**

Englewood Christian Church
Food distribution for people 55 and older on the third Saturday of the month from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
19190 Cochran Blvd., Port Charlotte, FL 33948 **(941) 475-4973**

First Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church
Food distribution Mondays from 10 a.m. to noon. Hot meals provided every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 10 a.m. to noon.
411 East Charlotte Ave., Punta Gorda, FL 33950 **(941) 637-7743**

First Presbyterian Church of Port Charlotte
Food distribution first and third Tuesday of the month from 8 to 11 a.m. and the second Wednesday of the month from 4 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
2230 Hariet St., Port Charlotte, FL 33952 **(941) 625-5045**

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
Food distribution Mondays and Wednesdays from 9 a.m. to noon.
2565 Tamiami Trail, Port Charlotte, FL 33952 **(941) 625-5262**

Kingsway Elementary School
Food distribution for food-insecure students, families, and staff.
23300 Quasar Blvd., Port Charlotte, FL 33980 **(239) 334-7007**

Neil Armstrong Elementary School
Food distribution for food-insecure students, families, and staff.
22100 Breezeswept Ave., Port Charlotte, FL 33952 **(239) 334-7007**

Peace River Elementary School
Food distribution for food-insecure students, families, and staff.
4070 Beaver Ln., Port Charlotte, FL 33952
(239) 334-7007

Sacred Heart Catholic Church
Food distribution run by Society of St. Vincent de Paul - Sacred Heart Conference in the parking lot of Sacred Heart Catholic Church every other Thursday from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. For church-related matters only (not food pantry), call 941-639-3957.
211 W. Charlotte Ave., Punta Gorda, FL 33950 **(941) 575-0767**

Society of St. Vincent de Paul - St. Charles Borromeo Conference
Food distribution every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 9 to 11:30 a.m. Arrive no later than 11:15 a.m.
21841 Felton Ave., Port Charlotte, FL 33952 **(941) 625-9784**

Society of St. Vincent de Paul - St. Maximilian Kolbe Conference
Food distribution every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 10 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.
17783 Toledo Blade Blvd., Port Charlotte, FL 34288 **(941) 258-3398**





Trinity Community Church
Food distribution third Thursday of the month from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and fourth Friday of the month from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
24038 Harborview Rd., Port Charlotte, FL 33980 **(941) 883-1285**

Trinity Global Methodist Church
Mobile food distribution every other Thursday from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.
Mobile Market is temporary until the permanent food pantry is reopened.
23084 Seneca Ave., Port Charlotte, FL 33980 **(941) 625-3372**

Wintergarden Presbyterian Church
Food distribution every Thursday from noon to 4 p.m.
18305 Wintergarden Ave., Port Charlotte, FL 33948 **(941) 743-5335**

Jesus Loves You Ministry, Inc.

Jesus Loves You Ministry, Inc. goes to locations throughout Charlotte County to provide meals, hygiene products, water, and food bags every Tuesday from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The Ministry also provides laundry every Tuesday and Thursday, and mobile showers.

1734 Cedarwood St., Port Charlotte, FL 33948 **(941) 979-5232**
JesusLovesYouMinistryinc.com

facebook.com/JesusLovesYouMinistry

Society of St. Vincent de Paul - Sacred Heart Conference

Food distribution every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 9 a.m. to noon. For limited financial assistance, people must arrive before 11 a.m.

25200 Airport Rd., Punta Gorda, FL 33950
svdpsh@gmail.com
SVDPpg.org

(941) 575-0767

facebook.com/svdppuntagorda.org svdpsacredheartconference

St. Mary Baptist Church

Food distribution Wednesdays from 9 a.m. to noon and 3:30 to 5:30 p.m., and Saturdays from 9 a.m. to noon.

605 Mary St., Punta Gorda, FL 33950
stmarypuntagorda@gmail.com
StMarypg.com

(941) 637-7782



Affordable Homeownership Foundation, Inc.

Affordable Homeownership Foundation is a HUD-approved counseling agency that specializes in:

- Rental and eviction prevention counseling
- Foreclosure prevention counseling
- First-time home buyer and post-purchase counseling
- Responsible renter classes
- Hurricane preparedness counseling
- Post-hurricane help to navigate home insurance companies and FEMA
- Disaster case management
- Credit and budgeting counseling

5264 Clayton Ct., Ste. 1, Fort Myers, FL 33907 **(239) 689-4944**
AHF.Today

Better Together

Better Together 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 **(239) 470-2733**
info@bettertogetherus.org
BetterTogetherUS.org

Charlotte CARE Center

The Charlotte CARE Center offers an emergency shelter program with 62 beds, providing a safe, supervised, low barrier shelter for up to 30 days.

1476 Kenesaw St., Port Charlotte, FL 33948 **(941) 627-4313**
Vin.CARE/programs/homeless-services

Charlotte County Fire & EMS

Through the Smoke Detector Program, firefighters assist residents by:

- Checking their smoke detectors
- Replacing batteries in existing, in date, working smoke detectors
- Installing non-electric, 10-year battery-operated detectors provided by homeowners
- Educating them on the proper care of smoke detectors, fire safety tips, and fire extinguisher information

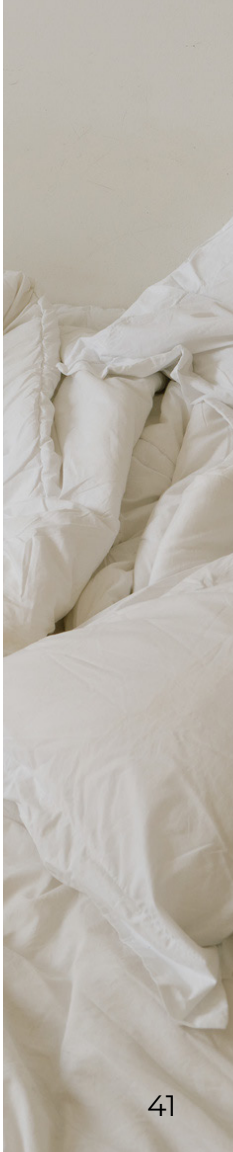
Call or email to schedule a smoke detector appointment.

PSinfo@CharlotteCountyFL.gov **(941) 833-5600**
CharlotteCountyFL.gov/smokedetectors
facebook.com/charcopublicsafety
charcopublicsafety

Charlotte County Habitat for Humanity

Creates partnership with low-income families where homeowners are involved in 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 **(941) 639-3162**
CharlotteCountyHfH.org
facebook.com/CharlotteCountyHabitatforHumanity
charlottecountyhfh





Charlotte County Human Services

Charlotte County Human Services administers the State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) program and other housing funding, including rent and mortgage assistance and emergency repairs.

Other Human Services programs may also be able to provide disaster recovery assistance through coadFL.org.

21500 Gibralter Dr., Port Charlotte, FL 33952 **(941) 833-6500**
6868 San Casa Dr., Englewood, FL 34224

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GulfCoastPartnership.org

facebook.com/GCPCOC

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 Gorda, FL 33950 **(941) 639-4344**
pgha@puntagorda.org
PuntaGordaHA.org

Rebuilding Together Greater Florida

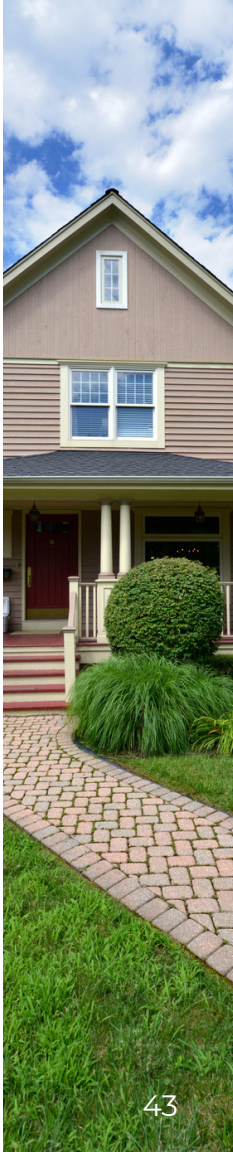
Rebuilding Together Greater Florida repairs and revitalizes homes, ensuring they remain safe, healthy, and affordable. Through no-cost critical repairs and community partnerships, RTGFL transforms neighborhoods and empowers families across Florida. Potential clients must call RTGFL to make appointments.

21500 Gibralter Dr., Port Charlotte, FL 33952 **(813) 614-2962**
info@rtgfl.org
rtgFL.org
facebook.com/RTGFL rt_gfl

Southern Cross Campus, Inc.

Southern Cross Campus Inc offers transitional housing for youth 18-23 aging out of foster care, supporting them in becoming independent adults through guidance and resources. Furniture and financial donations are welcome.

24123 Peachland Blvd. C4 337, FL 33980 **(941) 875-9558**
info@southerncrosscampus.org
SouthernCrossCampus.org



Florida Department of Health in Charlotte County

Florida birth and death certificates are issued through the DOH-Charlotte office from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday to Friday. Orders may be placed in person, by mail, or online through the third-party service VitalChek. Birth and death records from other Florida counties can also be requested at DOH-Charlotte.

1100 Loveland Blvd, Port Charlotte, FL 33980 **(941) 624-7200**
Charlotte.FloridaHealth.gov/certificates

facebook.com/FDOHCharlotte

Florida Rural Legal Services, Inc.

Florida Rural Legal Services offers free civil legal assistance to individuals who meet financial eligibility guidelines. Our services cover a broad range of issues, including family law (with support for victims of crime), housing, public benefits, consumer rights, elder law, individual rights, farmworker advocacy, and disaster-related legal aid. Residents of Charlotte County can call our toll-free number to find out if they qualify for assistance.

21500 Gibralter Dr., Port Charlotte, FL 33952 **(888) 582-3410**
FRLS.org

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Frls_Inc
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AdventHealth Port Charlotte

AdventHealth Port Charlotte, formerly ShorepointHealth Port Charlotte, is a 254-bed, Joint Commission-accredited, full-service hospital that offers a broad range of care and programs including heart and vascular care, stroke care, orthopedics, 24-7 emergency care for adults and pediatrics, and robotic-assisted surgical options. AdventHealth Port Charlotte is the only hospital in Charlotte County offering licensed obstetrical care.

2500 Harbor Blvd., Port Charlotte, FL 33952 **(941) 766-4122**
AdventHealthPortCharlotte.com

Charlotte County Red Dot Medical Information Program

Share your medical history with emergency responders – including Charlotte County Fire & EMS, Punta Gorda Fire Department, Englewood Fire Department, Charlotte County Sheriff's Office, and the Punta Gorda Police Department – before an emergency occurs. In an emergency, you may not be able to communicate or remember all of your information.

To participate, fill out the Red Dot Medical Information Form, and email it to the 911 Coordinator at e911@ccsofl.net. For more information, visit: CharlotteCountyFL.gov/departments/public-safety/fire-ems/programs/red-dot

Charlotte County Sharps Disposal Program

Charlotte County Sharps Disposal Program assists the public with the safe and free disposal of used needles. Pick up new sharp containers and return used ones at these locations:

Charlotte County Fire Station 9 **Mon.-Sun., 9 a.m.-6 p.m.**
17785 Curry Preserve Dr., Punta Gorda, FL 33982

Punta Gorda Public Safety Building **Mon.-Fri., 8 a.m.-5 p.m.**
1410 Tamiami Trail, Punta Gorda, FL 33950

Mid County Transfer & Recycling Facility **Tues.-Sat., 9 a.m.-4 p.m.**
19675 Kenilworth Blvd., Port Charlotte, FL 33954

West County Transfer & Recycling Facility **Tues.-Sat., 9 a.m.-4 p.m.**
7070 Environmental Way, Englewood, FL 33981

Empath Tidewell Hospice

Tidewell Hospice offers compassionate care to people with a prognosis of six months or less to live. This care is provided wherever the patients call home – a private residence, assisted living care facility, nursing home, hospital, or Tidewell care facility.

1158 Veronica St., Port Charlotte, FL 33952
TidewellHospice.org

Hospice: (941) 979-4355
Office: (941) 979-4300

Englewood Community Care Clinic, Inc.

Free medical clinic for 18 to 64-year-old walk-ins with no health insurance and whose income falls at or below 200% of the federal poverty level, opening Mondays and Thursdays at 4:30 p.m. Arrive as early as 4 p.m. as spots are available on a first come, first-served basis.

6868 San Casa Dr., Englewood, FL 34224
englewoodcommunitycareclinic@gmail.com
EnglewoodClinic.org

(941) 681-2081

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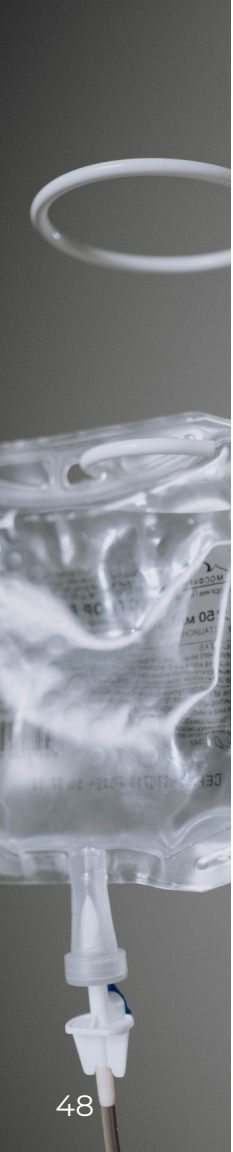
- Immunizations for children and adults
- Children's school and sports physicals (including EKG)
- College and adult physicals
- Tuberculosis screening and disease control
- STI and HIV testing and prevention services
- Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program
- Family planning services, including pregnancy testing
- Dental services for eligible children under the age of 21
- Custom-made mouth guards for children who play sports
- WIC (Woman, Infants, and Children) nutrition services
- Refugee health services (see page 64 for more information)
- Birth and death certificates

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(941) 624-7200

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HCA Florida Englewood Hospital

HCA Florida Englewood Hospital is a part of HCA Healthcare. It is a 100-bed, acute care hospital dedicated to serving the communities of Charlotte and Sarasota counties. The hospital offers a comprehensive range of healthcare services, including 24/7 emergency care, cardiovascular services, general surgery, orthopedic care, stroke care, and advanced imaging services.

700 Medical Blvd., Englewood, FL 34223 **(941) 475-6571**
HCAFloridaHealthcare.com

HCA Florida Fawcett Hospital

A full-service, acute care hospital. Specialties include emergency care, orthopedic and spine care, comprehensive stroke care, cardiovascular surgery, general surgery, and oncology. The hospital has three freestanding emergency room locations, including HCA Florida Tamiami Trail Emergency at 150 Tamiami Trail, Port Charlotte, FL 33953.

21298 Olean Blvd., Port Charlotte, FL 33952 **(941) 629-1181**
HCAFloridaHealthcare.com
facebook.com/HCAFLHealthcare HCAFLHealthcare

Health Planning Council of Southwest Florida, Inc.

The Health Planning Council of SWFL provides free assistance to those with health insurance needs in 10 counties, including Charlotte. It 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 **(239) 433-6700**
4630 17th St., Sarasota, FL 34235
contactus@hpcswf.com
HPCSWF.com
facebook.com/EnrollSWFL enrollswfl EnrollSWFL

Lee Health Trauma Services

Gulf Coast Medical Center's Level II trauma center is the only one between Sarasota and Miami. The Trauma Center cares for patients with injuries caused by car crashes, falls, blunt force, or other accidents.

13681 Doctor's Way, Fort Myers, FL 33912 **(239) 343-0434**
LeeHealth.org/trauma

Punta Gorda Lions Club

The Punta Gorda Lions Club and the Punta Gorda Lions Foundation, Inc. are major providers of sight and hearing care in Punta Gorda. Used eyeglasses and hearing aids are accepted at the following locations: Walmart on Taylor Road, Punta Gorda Charlotte Library on Shreve Street, and State Farm Insurance at the Burnt Store Shopping Center.

PuntaGordaLionsClub.com **(941) 637-9979**
Sight/hearing help: (941) 391-1203

TGH Outpatient Behavioral Health

Behavioral health, intensive outpatient program (IOP) that includes medication management, and group, individual, and family therapy.

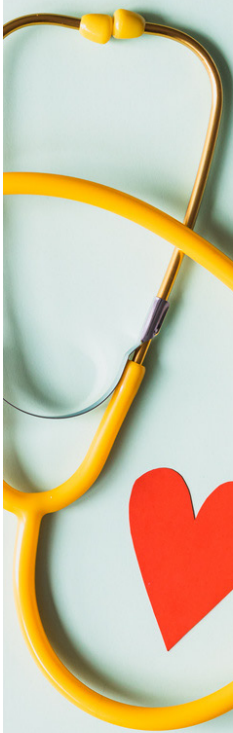
4161 Tamiami Trail, #302, Port Charlotte, FL 33952 **(941) 766-0171**
TGH.org/Facilities/Hospitals/DeSoto/Services

Virginia B. Andes Volunteer Community Clinic

The Virginia B. Andes Volunteer Community Clinic provides no-cost medical, pharmacy, and wellness services to uninsured adult Charlotte County residents who meet eligibility requirements. Services include primary and semi-urgent medical care, chronic disease management, minor medical procedures, and access to select specialty care, diagnostic testing, and laboratory services. Its Mobile Medical Clinic travels throughout Charlotte County to bring essential medical services.

21297 Olean Blvd., Unit B, Port Charlotte, FL 33952 **(941) 766-9570**
info@volunteercare.org | VolunteerCare.org

facebook.com/VBAVolunteerClinic



988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline:

Dial 988, text to 988, or chat at 988lifeline.org.
In emergencies, call 911.

Centerstone

- **Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic (CCBHC):** Provides peer specialist, case management, individual and group therapy, and psychiatric services to people experiencing mental health and substance use issues.
- **Family Intensive Treatment (FLITE):** Provides community-based treatment to parents whose children are involved in the child welfare system due to parental substance use and undertreated or undiagnosed mental health conditions.

4350 Fowler St., Ste. 15, Fort Myers, FL 33901
2830 Winkler Ave., #105, Fort Myers, FL 33916
Centerstone.org

(239) 208-6390

Charlotte Behavioral Health Care

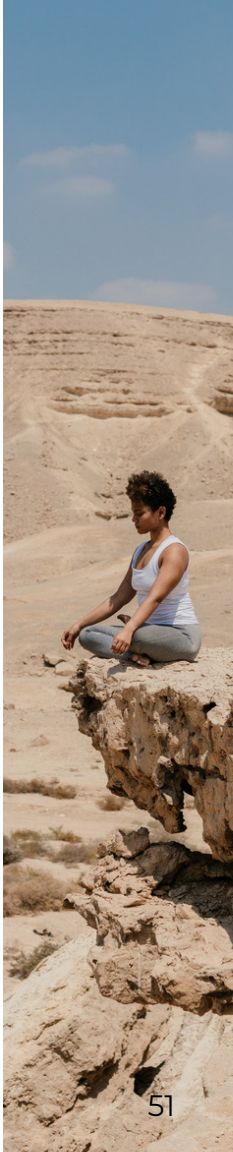
- **Case Management:** Offers coordination of a variety of community services for individuals suffering from ongoing mental health issues.
- **Behavioral Health Liaisons**: Staff works with child protective investigators to determine if mental health concerns affect the safety of the children in the 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.

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Children's Advocacy Center of Southwest Florida

Family Alliance: Provides trauma-informed outpatient counseling for children and their families to help them heal from abuse. Individual or group counseling is available for children who have experienced abuse, neglect, or witnessed violence. Adult survivors of childhood sexual abuse can also receive therapy, while non-offending caregivers and siblings are offered support sessions. *Services are free.

Beesley's Paw Prints Pet Therapy Program: Volunteer therapy dog teams provide emotional support and comfort in different community settings including libraries, schools, court, rehabilitation centers, memory care centers, and more. *Services are free.

3830 Evans Ave., Fort Myers, FL 33901 **(239) 939-2808**
therapy@cac-swfl.org | beesleys@cac-swfl.org
CAC-SWFL.org
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Crisis Prevention & Empowerment

Formerly known as The Center for Progress and Excellence, Crisis Prevention & Empowerment offers free mental health case management, linking clients to long-term mental health services, a 24/7 mental health hotline for children and adults, and a mobile crisis response team serving Charlotte and neighboring counties.

1500 Colonial Blvd., Ste. 233, Fort Myers, FL 33907 **(844) 395-4432**
info@yourcpe.net
CPECares.org
facebook.com/progressandexcellence

Florida Department of Children and Families

Plans, manages, and evaluates statewide 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 **(877) 595-0384**
SCR.C20.client.relations@myflfamilies.com
myFLfamilies.com/services/samh/samh-treatment-services-and-facilities

Lee Health Trauma Services

Hosts free monthly support groups for survivors of traumatic injury.

13685 Doctor's Way, Ste. 140, Fort Myers, FL 33912 **(239) 343-1617**
syndi.bultman@leehealth.org
LeeHealth.org/trauma
facebook.com/LeeHealth lee_health lee_health leehealth

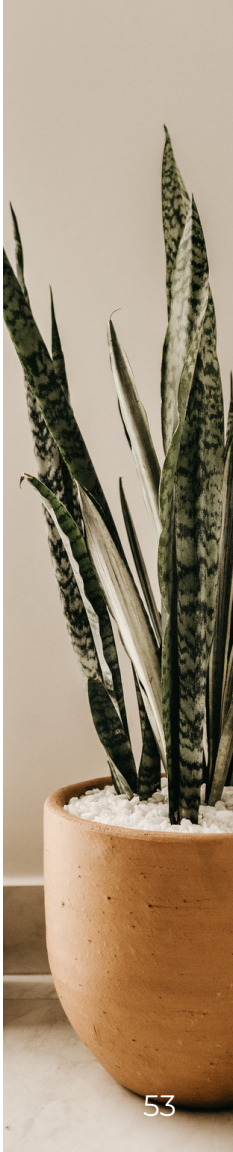
Mothers Against Drunk Driving

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

13650 Fiddlesticks Blvd., Ste. 202-144, Fort Myers, FL 33912 **(239) 791-7560**
MADD.org/southwest-florida

National Alliance on Mental Illness Southwest Florida

NAMI offers mental health educational programs as well as support groups for adults living with mental illness and their loved ones, and for veterans. If in a crisis, call the NAMI Mobile Crisis Hotline at 1-844-395-4432, or text "NAMI" to 741741 for 24/7, confidential, free crisis counseling.
NAMISWFL.org





North Port Behavioral Health

North Port Behavioral Health is a 24/7 psychiatric hospital providing inpatient mental health and substance use crisis services for youth (ages 12–17), adults, and seniors. It serves Southwest Florida and surrounding communities.

4501 Citizens Parkway, North Port, FL 34288 info@northportbehavioral.com
NorthPortBehavioral.com

(941) 867-9470

TGH Outpatient Behavioral Health

Comprehensive intensive outpatient program (IOP) tailored to meet mental health needs through group, individual, and family therapy. Assists in addressing depression, anxiety, stress, grief, trauma, relationship and family struggles, functional decline, isolation, and addiction.

4161 Tamiami Trail, #302, Port Charlotte, FL 33952
TGH.org/Facilities/Hospitals/DeSoto/Services/Behavioral-Health

(941) 766-0171

Valerie's House

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233 East McKenzie St., Punta Gorda, FL 33950

(239) 204-5804

info@valerieshouse.org

ValeriesHouse.org

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Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Sun Coast

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

25166 West Marion, #113, Punta Gorda, FL 33950 **(941) 764-5812**
BBBSsun.org

facebook.com/bbbssun

bbbssun

Boys & Girls Clubs of Charlotte County

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

Focus areas include:

- Academics
- Career exploration
- 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 **(941) 743-1507**
info@bgcofcc.org
BGCofCC.org

facebook.com/BoysandGirlsClubofCharlotteCounty

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Children's Network of Southwest Florida

In Southwest Florida, hundreds of children, teens, and groups of siblings have experienced abuse and neglect and they urgently need a safe, loving refuge. If you have ever felt called to care for kids, 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. It's the private, nonprofit lead agency that administers the child welfare system in Lee, Collier, Charlotte, Hendry, and Glades counties.

19621 Cochran Blvd., #4, Port Charlotte, FL 33948 **(855) 933-5437**

info@cnswfl.org

ChildrensNetworkFlorida.org

facebook.com/CNSWFL

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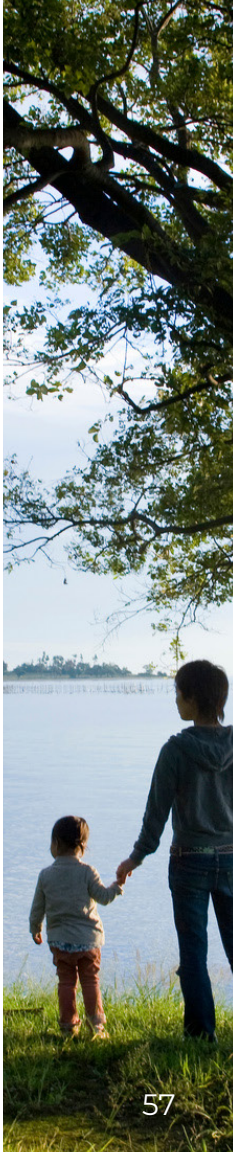
info@valerieshouse.org

ValeriesHouse.org

facebook.com/ValeriesHouseCharlotteCounty

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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 **(239) 470-2733**
info@bettertogetherus.org | BetterTogetherUS.org

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 team-based, 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.

1700 Education Ave, Punta Gorda, FL 33950 **(941) 639-8300**
21500 Gibralter Dr, Unit 5, Port Charlotte, FL 33952
_marketing@cbhcfl.org | CBHCFL.org

Charlotte County Healthy Start Coalition

Free support for all parents from pregnancy through your child's early years.

Healthy Start provides free parenting education for moms, dads, and caregivers to help build strong, healthy families. Learn how to be a confident, positive parent, understand your child's development, and get tips for managing health and behavior concerns, all at no cost.

17825 Murdock Cir, Suite B, Port Charlotte, FL 33948 **(941) 764-9700**
contact@cchsfl.org
cchsFL.org cchealthystart

Children's Advocacy Center of Southwest Florida

Parenting Education: CAC Offers free parenting classes based on the evidence-based Nurturing Parenting Program to help prevent child abuse. Weekly sessions are available in English, Spanish, and Creole for both court-ordered and non-court ordered families.

3830 Evans Ave., Fort Myers, FL 33901 **(239) 939-2808**
preventionservices@cac-swfl.org
CAC-SWFL.org

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Drug Free Charlotte County

Offers substance use prevention for youth and families. Programs include Life Skills Training, Circle of Parents (peer support), Just the Facts, drug-free activities, education and information for parents, medication, and safety.

1445 Education Way, Port Charlotte, FL 33948 **(941) 559-1946**
21500 Gibralter Dr., Port Charlotte, FL 33952
prevention@drugfreecc.org
DrugFreeCharlotteCounty.org
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drugfreecharlottecounty

Early Learning Coalition of Florida's Heartland

Supports families and children in accessing high quality early care and education services. The ELCFH is one of 30 ELCs in Florida providing two unique services through locally contracted childcare providers:

- School Readiness Program: financial aid for childcare services for economically disadvantaged families
- Voluntary Prekindergarten Program: free prekindergarten for 4-year-old children regardless of family income.

18501 Murdock Cir, Suite 200, Port Charlotte, FL 33948 **(941) 255-1650**
elcfh@elcfh.org
ELCFH.org

Englewood Community Coalition

Englewood Community Coalition offers substance use prevention services for youth and families in West Charlotte County. Includes educational programs, environmental projects, and substance-free social opportunities. The Creative Arts division supports adult mentoring volunteerism and youth activities, providing free or very low cost out-of-school visual and performance arts instruction within the Englewood community.

office@ccenglewood.com **(941) 681-0091**
CCEnglewood.com
EnglewoodCreativeArts.org

Florida Department of Children and Families

Offers adoption, foster, and childcare services.

2295 Victoria Ave., Fort Myers, FL 33901 **(877) 595-0384**

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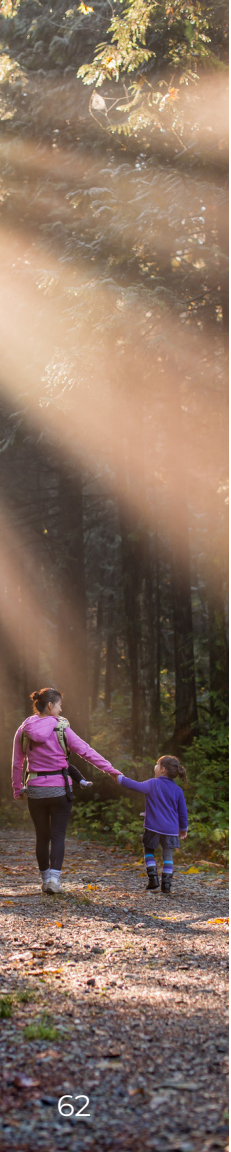
Florida Department of Health in Charlotte County

- 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 33980 **(941) 624-7200**
Charlotte.FloridaHealth.gov

facebook.com/FDOHCharlotte





Florida Rural Legal Services, Inc.

Florida Rural Legal Services (FRLS) offers free civil legal assistance to individuals who meet financial eligibility guidelines. Our services cover a broad range of issues, including family law (with support for victims of crime), housing, public benefits, consumer rights, elder law, individual rights, farmworker advocacy, and disaster-related legal aid. Residents of Charlotte County can call our toll-free number to find out if they qualify for assistance.

21500 Gibralter Dr., Port Charlotte, FL 33952 **(888) 582-3410**
FRLS.org
facebook.com/FlRuralLegalServices frls_nonprofit

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. Its 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 **(941) 629-6477**
info@thefloridacenter.org
TheFloridaCenter.org
facebook.com/TheFloridaCenter thefloridacenter

Pregnancy Solutions

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

950 Tamiami Trail, Ste. 105, Port Charlotte, FL 33953 **(941) 408-7100**
info@pregnancysolutions.org
PregnancySolutions.org
facebook.com/PregnancySolutions pregnancysolutions

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ValeriesHouse.org

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YMCA of Southwest Florida

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, and education.

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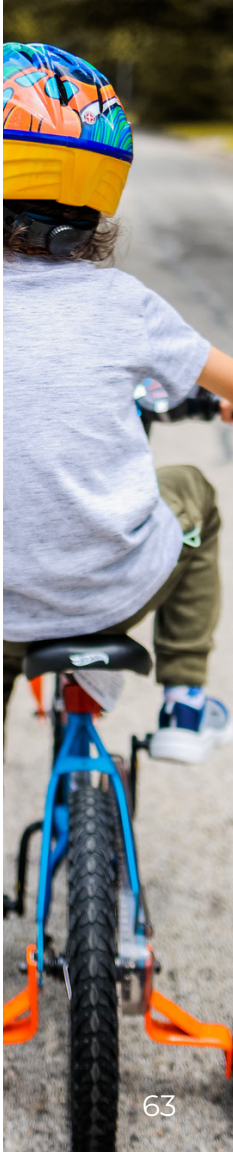
ymcaSWFL.org

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Florida Department of Children and Families

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 in Charlotte County

DOH-Charlotte offers a health assessment for eligible refugees within the first 90 days of entrance into the United States as part of their resettlement process. This health assessment – more thorough than the one received before entering the country – helps ensure that refugees are free of health problems, which could affect their families and communities.

1100 Loveland Blvd, Port Charlotte, FL 33980 **(941) 624-7200**
Charlotte.FloridaHealth.gov

facebook.com/FDOHCharlotte

Lutheran Services Florida

Lutheran Services Florida coordinates services that are essential to refugee families' self-sufficiency, effective resettlement, and successful integration into the local community.

3860 Colonial Blvd., #100, Fort Myers, FL 33966 **(239) 217-4454**
Lillian.Pagan@lsfnet.org
LSFnet.org

facebook.com/Lutheranservicesflorida lutheranservfla



Area Agency on Aging for Southwest Florida

Programs include information and referral through the Elder Helpline, state and federally funded long-term care services, Medicare counseling, health and wellness workshops, elder abuse prevention and education, and legal assistance. All direct services are free.

2830 Winkler Ave, Ste. 112, Fort Myers, FL 33916 **(866) 413-5337**

aaaSWFL.org

facebook.com/aaaswfl

Charlotte County Human Services

Charlotte County Human Services assists older adults and those caring for them in remaining active, safe, independent, and in their homes by exploring and seeking out goods, services, and in-home support. Residents must first call the Elder Helpline (866-413-5337), which may make a referral to Human Services. Once a referral is received, staff may make home visits to discuss service needs and available options.

21500 Gibralter Dr., Port Charlotte, FL 33952 **(941) 833-6500**
6868 San Casa Dr., Englewood, FL 34224

CharlotteCountyFL.gov/humanservices

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Hope PACE

Hope PACE is a long-term care program through Medicare and Medicaid that provides coordinated medical care, therapies, prescriptions, transportation, meals, and social support for older adults.

3280 Tamiami Trail, Ste. 45-47, Port Charlotte, FL 33952 **(239) 985-6400**

HopePace.org

Lee Health Trauma Services

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

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

Meals On Wheels of Charlotte County

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 **(941) 625-4343**
admin@mowofcc.org
MOWofCC.org
facebook.com/mowofcc

Senior Friendship Centers

Services prioritize providing nutritious meals at community meal sites, delivering meals to homebound seniors, and addressing loneliness and isolation through supportive aging programs such as Friendship at Home. More information about meal programs on page 33.

27420 Voyageur Dr., Punta Gorda, FL 33983 **(941) 255-0723**
FriendshipCenters.org/location/charlotte-friendship-center
facebook.com/friendshipcenters

YMCA of Southwest Florida

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, and education.

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19333 Quesada Ave., Port Charlotte, FL, 33948 **(941) 629-9622**
ymcaSWFL.org



Affordable Homeownership Foundation, Inc.

Affordable Homeownership Foundation is a HUD-approved counseling agency that specializes in:

- Rental and eviction prevention counseling
- Foreclosure prevention counseling
- First-time home buyer and post-purchase counseling
- Responsible renter classes
- Hurricane preparedness counseling
- Post-hurricane help to navigate home insurance companies and FEMA
- Disaster case management
- Credit and budgeting counseling

5264 Clayton Ct., Ste. 1, Fort Myers, FL 33907 **(239) 689-4944**

AHF.today

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 **(941) 235-5900**

CareerSourceSouthwestFlorida.com

facebook.com/CareerSourceSWFL careersource_swfl

Charlotte CARE Center

The Charlotte CARE Center works alongside the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs and other local agencies to help veterans navigate the VA to secure available financial, medical, and housing benefits. The Charlotte CARE Center always has 22 shelter beds reserved for homeless veterans in our community.

1476 Kenesaw St., Port Charlotte, FL 33948 **(941) 627-4313**

VIN.care/programs/homeless-services/charlotte-care-center

Charlotte County Human Services

Assists with disability compensation from the U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs, veteran pension benefits, pension with aid and attendance or housebound benefits, vocational rehab and employment, the VA's National Cemetery Administration, and burial allowance. Services are free of charge. Appointments are required for office visits.

21500 Gibralter Dr., Port Charlotte, FL 33952 **(941) 764-5579**
6868 San Casa Dr., Unit 12, Englewood, FL 34224
CharlotteCountyFL.gov/departments/human-services/veteran-services

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CharlotteCoFL

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.

21500 Gibralter Dr., #3, Port Charlotte, FL 33952 **(239) 910-4716**
GulfCoastPartnership.org

Jewish Family and Children's Services

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

4045 N. Tamiami Trail, Ste. A, Port Charlotte, FL 33952 **(941) 366-2982**
info@jfcs-cares.org
JFCS-cares.org



Charlotte County Healthy Start Coalition

Free support for women throughout pregnancy and the early parenting journey.

Care Coordinators work one on one with expectant and new moms to provide emotional support, help with Medicaid applications, and connect families to services that meet their unique needs. Healthy Start offers education on pregnancy, childbirth, newborn care, and parenting, all at no cost.

17825 Murdock Cir., Ste. B, Port Charlotte, FL 33948 **(941) 764-9700**

contact@cchsfl.org

cchsFL.org

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Florida Department of Health in Charlotte County

- Offers birth control methods and abstinence counseling
- Sexually transmitted infection testing and treatment
- Pregnancy testing and counseling
- Adult physicals and screening for hypertension
- Breast and Cervical Cancer Screening Program
- Car seat installation and Child Safety and Wellness Workshop
- 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 **(941) 624-7200**

Charlotte.FloridaHealth.gov

 facebook.com/FDOHCharlotte

Pregnancy Solutions

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

950 Tamiami Trail, Ste. 105, Port Charlotte, FL 33953 **(941) 408-7100**

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PregnancySolutions.org

pregnancysolutions

facebook.com/PregnancySolutions



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 **(941) 743-1507**
info@bgcofcc.org
BGCofCC.org

facebook.com/BoysandGirlsClubofCharlotteCounty
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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 **(941) 235-5900**
CareerSourceSouthWestFlorida.com

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CareerSourceSWF

Center for Autism and Related Disabilities

The Center for Autism and Related Disabilities (CARD) provides support and assistance with the goal of optimizing the potential of people with autism spectrum disorder and related disabilities.

christinemaughan@usf.edu
card-usf.fmhi.USF.edu

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.
- **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
_marketing@cbhcfl.org | CBHCFL.org

(941) 639-8300

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Charlotte County Public Schools Early Childhood Programs

The Charlotte County Public Schools Early Childhood Programs serves Early Head Start (from birth to age 3) and Head Start (from ages 3 to 5) in order for children to get a jump start on a solid education. Their skilled and dedicated teachers and staff are here to help your child excel and prepare for kindergarten.

311 E. Charlotte Ave., Punta Gorda, FL 33950 **(941) 575-5470**
Baker.YourCharlotteSchools.net

CCPS Early Childhood Programs

Children's Network of Southwest Florida

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 **(855) 933-5437**
info@cnswfl.org
ChildrensNetworkFlorida.org

facebook.com/CNSWFL

Drug Free Charlotte County

Offers substance use prevention for youth and families. Programs include LifeSkills Training, Circle of Parents (peer support), Just the Facts, drug-free activities, education/information for parents, medication, and safety.

1445 Education Way, Port Charlotte, FL 33948 **(941) 559-1946**
21500 Gibralter Dr., Port Charlotte, FL 33952

prevention@drugfreecc.org

DrugFreeCharlotteCounty.org

Early Learning Coalition of Florida's Heartland

Supports families and children in accessing high quality early care and education services via School Readiness and Voluntary Prekindergarten programs. The ELCFH is one of 30 ELCs in Florida providing two unique services for families through locally contracted childcare providers:

- School Readiness Program: financial aid for childcare services for economically disadvantaged families
- Voluntary Prekindergarten Program (VPK): free prekindergarten for 4-year-old children regardless of family income.

18501 Murdock Cir., Ste. 200, Port Charlotte, FL 33948 **(941) 255-1650**
elcfh@elcfh.org
ELCFH.org





Englewood Community Coalition

Englewood Community Coalition offers substance use prevention services for youth and families. Includes educational programs, environmental projects, and substance-free social opportunities. The Creative Arts division supports adult mentoring volunteerism and youth opportunities for free or very low cost for visual and performance arts instruction within Englewood.

office@ccenglewood.com **(941) 681-0091**

CCEnglewood.com | EnglewoodCreativeArts.org

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 33954 **(941) 456-5433**
tparker@fca.org
FCACharlotteDesoto.org

Florida Department of Children and Families

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 **(877) 595-0384**
SCR.C20.client.relations@myflfamilies.com
myFLfamilies.com

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 **(850) 717-2425**
Secretary.DJJ@fldjj.gov
DJJ.state.FL.us/youth-families

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.

21500 Gibralter Dr., #3, Port Charlotte, FL 33952 **(239) 910-4716**
GulfCoastPartnership.org

Kids' Needs Greater Englewood, FL, Inc.

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 **(315) 256-6613**
info@kidsneedsenglewood.org
KidsNeedsEnglewood.org

Kiwanis Shoes for Kids Project

Serving the children of Charlotte County since 1983, the Sunrise Kiwanis Club of Port Charlotte facilitates the Kiwanis Shoes for Kids Project. The project's purpose is to provide new tennis shoes to any student in the Charlotte County Public School System.

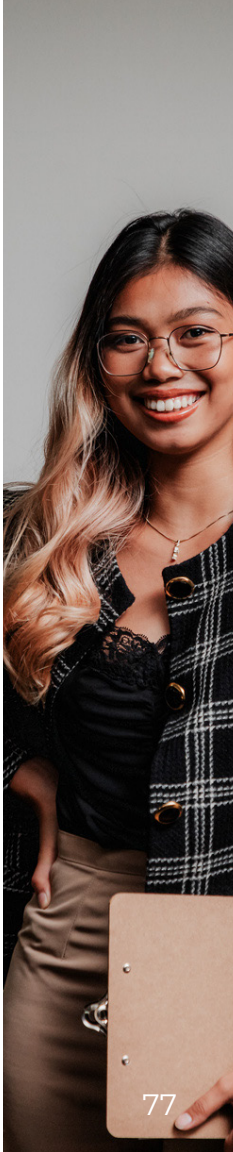
1489 Market Cir., Unit 308, Port Charlotte, FL 33953 **(941) 336-2411**
ShoesforKidsProject.org

facebook.com/groups/portcharlottesunrisekiwanis

Lee Health Trauma Services

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

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





Lutheran Services Florida

Lutheran Services Florida provides free counseling and case management to at-risk youth ages 6-17. Provides an emergency youth shelter for youth ages 10-17. Provides free 13-week program for at-risk youth ages 6-11 and their families to increase pro-social skills.

21500 Gibralter Dr., Port Charlotte, FL 33952 **(239) 278-1030**
Shelia.Dixon@lsfnet.org
LSFnet.org

Valerie's House

Valerie's House is dedicated to helping children and families navigate grief after the loss of a loved one. It provides evening peer-to-peer grief support groups where families can connect, share, and heal in a safe and supportive environment. It also offers school-based peer support, mentorship, and grief counseling. Financial assistance is available.

233 East McKenzie St., Punta Gorda, FL 33950 info@valerieshouse.org **(239) 204-5804**

ValeriesHouse.org

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YMCA of Southwest Florida

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, and education.

2905 Tamiami Trail, Punta Gorda, FL 33950 **(941) 505-0999**
19333 Quesada Ave., Port Charlotte, FL, 33948 **(941) 629-9622**

ymcaSWFL.org

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