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A Path to Community Living

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The mission of the DC Office of Disability Rights (ODR) is to ensure that the programs, services, benefits, activities and facilities operated or funded by the District of Columbia are fully accessible to, and useable by people with disabilities. ODR is committed to inclusion, community-based services, and self-determination for people with disabilities. ODR is responsible for overseeing the implementation of the City's obligations under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), as well as other disability rights laws.

ODR Services:

- Informal dispute resolution of discrimination complaints
- Training, Technical Assistance and Information and Referral
- Policy and budget recommendations for improving District access to persons with disabilities.

This Guide is a compilation of current service providers, resources, tools, and programs available to District of Columbia residents who wish to live independently in the community. It is designed to be used in conjunction with the "Path to Community Living" Handbook; however, it also functions as a resource list. This document is updated continuously as information changes. Should you have any questions, please contact our office using the information above.

**This document is available in alternate formats.  
Please contact ODR for assistance.**

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## Identification and Marital Status

Some documents like a birth certificate are important to have when you live in the community. If you have lost your birth certificate and you were born in the District of Columbia, contact:

**Department of Health  
Vital Records Division  
899 North Capitol Street, NE, First Floor  
Washington, DC 20002  
(202) 671-5000**

### Marriage and Divorce Records

**DC Superior Court,**  
500 Indiana Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20001  
(Room 4335 for Divorce Decree or Room 4485 for marriage license)  
Marriage information (202) 879-4840  
Divorce Information (202) 879-1261

### Obtain a DC Non-Driver Identification Card

The Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) issues DC Non-Driver identification cards to District residents who are at least 15 years of age and do not hold a valid driver license in DC, another State or Country. A DC identification card is valid for up to eight years for US citizens and may vary for non-US citizens (according to the US immigration expiration date). Certain DC residents are eligible for a [free non-driver identification card](#). [Non-US Citizens](#) may obtain their Non-Driver Identification Card at any DMV [service center](#).

## Veterans Services

### **US Veterans Documentation Obtaining a DD Form 214**

Military personnel records can be used for proving military service, or as a valuable tool in obtaining benefits. Most veterans and their next-of-kin can obtain **free** copies of their [DD Form 214 \(Report of Separation\)](#) and other military and medical records.

### **National Archives' National Personnel Record Center (NPRC)**

National Personnel Records Center

Military Personnel Records

1 Archives Drive

St. Louis, MO 63138

314-801-0800 (voice)

314-801-9195 (fax)

<http://www.archives.gov/veterans/military-service-records/> (website)

### **Washington, DC Vet Center**

1250 Taylor St, NW

Washington, DC 20011

Phone: 202-726-5212

Toll Free: 877-927-8387

Fax: 202-726-8968

### **Washington DC Veterans Affairs Medical Center**

50 Irving Street NW

Washington, DC 20422

Phone: 202-745-8000

Toll Free: 877-328-2621

### **Community Based Outpatient Clinic Southeast Washington, DC**

820 Chesapeake Street Southeast

Washington, DC 20032

Phone: 202-745-8685

Fax: 202-562-8789

The clinic provides basic medical care, preventive care and health education for eligible veterans. Services include medical history, physical exams, and immunizations. A physician, registered nurse and administrative officer from the VA Medical Center staff the clinic.

## **Supplemental Security Income (SSI)**

The Supplemental Security Income (SSI) program pays benefits to adults and children with disabilities who have limited income and resources. SSI benefits also are payable to people 65 and older without disabilities who meet the financial limits. This federal government program is administered by the Social Security Administration (SSA).

To apply for SSI disability and blind benefits:

- Complete the Adult Disability Report or the Child Disability Report; (online or in person) and
- Schedule an appointment to complete the application for SSI.

To schedule an appointment with to complete the SSI forms, call:

**1-800-772-1213 (voice)**

**1-800-325-0778 (TTY)**

Hours: 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday through Friday.

### **Local Social Security Administration Offices:**

- Social Security  
2100 M Street NW  
Washington, DC 20037  
Hours: Monday - Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
- Social Security  
Suite 130  
2041 MLK JR Avenue SE  
Washington, DC 20020  
Hours: Monday - Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
- Social Security  
Postal Plaza Shopping Center  
1905-B 9TH Street NE  
Washington, DC 20018  
Hours: Monday - Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

## Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI)

Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) pays benefits to you and certain members of your family if you are "insured," meaning that you worked long enough and paid Social Security taxes. See the above Social Security Offices for more information.

## Local Government Programs that Provide Financial Resources

### Interim Disability Assistance (IDA)

The IDA Program provides temporary financial assistance to those who are unable to work due to a disability, and have a high probability of receiving federal Supplemental Security Income (SSI). IDA payments are issued until SSI eligibility is approved or denied. Please see one of the following local Department of Human Services (DHS) Service Centers:

<b>Service Center</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Phone</b>	<b>Fax</b>
Anacostia	2100 Martin Luther King Avenue, SE	(202) 645-4614	(202) 727-3527
Congress Heights	4001 South Capitol Street, SW	(202) 645-4546	(202) 654-4524
Fort Davis	3851 Alabama Avenue, SE	(202) 645-4500	(202) 645-6205
H Street*	645 H Street, NE	(202) 698-4350	(202) 724-8964
Taylor Street	1207 Taylor Street, NW	(202) 576-8000	(202) 576-8740

### Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) (formerly Food Stamps)

As of Oct. 1, 2008, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) is the new name for the federal Food Stamp Program. The Districts' SNAP program helps low-income residents and families buy the food they need for good health. You can apply for benefits by completing an application form at one of the DHS Service Centers.

## DC Medicaid

DC Medicaid is a healthcare program that pays for medical services for qualified people. It helps pay for medical services for low-income and disabled people. For those eligible for full Medicaid services, Medicaid pays healthcare providers. Providers are doctors, hospitals and pharmacies who are enrolled with DC Medicaid.

Where do I apply for Medicaid?

You may apply for Medicaid for low-income families and children under 19 and pregnant women at your DHS Service Center. You may call (202) 727-5355 to locate your nearest DHS Service Center.

## Medicare

Medicare is a federal government health insurance program for people age 65 or older. Certain people younger than age 65 can qualify for Medicare, too, including those who have disabilities and those who have permanent kidney failure. The program helps with the cost of health care, but it does not cover all medical expenses or the cost of most long-term care. The program is administered through the Social Security Administration (SSA).

### Medicare has four parts:

- A. **Hospital Insurance** - helps pay for inpatient care in a hospital or skilled nursing facility (following a hospital stay), some home health care and hospice care.
- B. **Medical Insurance** - helps pay for doctors' services and many other medical services and supplies that are not covered by hospital insurance.
- C. **Medicare Advantage** - plans are available in many areas. People with Medicare Parts A and B can choose to receive all of their health care services through one of these provider organizations under Part C.
- D. **Prescription Drug Coverage** - helps pay for medications doctors prescribe for treatment.

**Toll-free number:** 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227)

**TTY number:** 1-877-486-2048

**Website:** [www.medicare.gov](http://www.medicare.gov)



## **Health and Case Management Services for Children and Youth**

### **Children's National Medical Center**

111 Michigan Ave., N.W  
Washington, DC 20010  
Phone: (202) 476-5000

### **Health Services for Children with Special Needs, Incorporated**

2124 Martin Luther King, Jr., Avenue, Southeast  
Washington, DC 20020  
Phone: (202) 580-6485

Website: <http://www.hscsn-net.org/>

Health Services for Children with Special Needs (HSCSN) provides innovative care to the pediatric Supplemental Security Income (SSI) and SSI-eligible populations of Washington, DC through a management network that coordinates health, social, and education services for members.

## **Legal Guardianship**

In the District of Columbia, legal guardianship for minors and "incapacitated adults" is implemented through the Superior Court of DC Probate Division Court.

An "incapacitated individual" is defined in District of Columbia law, contained as D.C. Code, sec. 21-2011, as an adult whose ability to receive and evaluate information effectively or to communicate decisions is impaired to such an extent that he or she lacks the capacity to manage all or some of his or her financial resources or to meet all or some essential requirements for his or her physical health, safety, habilitation, or therapeutic needs without court-ordered assistance or the appointment of a guardian or conservator.

The ability to manage financial resources is defined as those actions necessary to obtain, administer, and dispose of real and personal property, intangible property, business property, benefits, and income. The ability to meet essential requirements for physical health or safety is defined as those actions necessary to provide health care, food, shelter, clothing, personal hygiene, and other care without which serious physical injury or illness is more than likely to occur.

## **Special Needs Trusts**

A Special Needs Trust is a trust set up to provide for someone with a disability who has extra and supplemental needs, other than basic food, shelter and health care expenses that may be covered by public assistance benefits that the beneficiary may be entitled to receive under various programs such as Supplemental Security Income and Medicaid. Several non-profit organizations provide this financial service to beneficiaries in the District of Columbia

## **Community Resources for Behavioral Health**

### **Suicide Prevention**

**Help is available 24 hours a day - 7 days a week at (800) 273-TALK (8255).  
<http://www.iamthedifferencedc.org/>**

#### **Department of Mental Health (DMH) Access Help Line**

**The Access Help Line at 1 (888) 7WE-HELP or 1-888-793-4357**

Making this phone call is the easiest way to get connected to services provided by the Department of Mental Health and its certified mental health care providers. This 24-hour, seven-day-a-week telephone line is staffed by mental health professionals who can refer a caller to immediate help or ongoing care. The Access Helpline can activate mobile crisis teams to respond to adults and children who are experiencing a psychiatric or emotional crisis and are unable or unwilling to travel to receive mental health services.

Call the Access Helpline to:

- Get emergency psychiatric care
- Help with problem solving
- Determine whether to seek ongoing mental health services or other types of services
- Find out what services are available

District residents can call the Access Helpline for help dealing with a variety of concerns including: family, death, school, drugs, gangs and violence. Trained staff can help you sort out and manage feelings of hopelessness, anger, grief, stress, or whatever is troubling you.

## Behavioral Services for Adults

DMH's goal is to deliver mental health services that promote recovery, respect cultural and linguistic diversity, and are choice-driven through the Mental Health Rehabilitation Services (MHRS) system for community based care. The MHRS system is based on individualized services and supports.

Services include diagnostic/assessment services, counseling, medication, intensive day treatment, and crisis/emergency services. Individualized mental health services are supported by rehabilitation programs, peer supports, supportive employment opportunities, housing assistance and a range of community housing alternatives to facility-based care.

- **Serving Individuals With Unique Needs**

DMH provides mental health services and supports to unique populations, including individuals who are deaf/hearing impaired, limited or no English speaking, or who have co-occurring intellectual disabilities. For an appointment, please call **(202) 442-4202** or the ACCESS Helpline at **1-888-793-4357**.

- **Same Day Urgent Care**

You can walk into a clinic and be seen the same day without an appointment from 8:30 am to 3:00 pm. Services include assessment, counseling, psychiatric evaluation and medication management. You may be referred to a community provider for ongoing care. If you have questions, please call **(202) 442-4202**.

- **Pharmacy Services**

Individuals who are uninsured can get prescribed medication at the DMH pharmacy located at **35 K Street NE**. The pharmacy is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm. Prescriptions received before 4:15 pm will be filled the same day. Call **(202) 442-4954** if you need assistance.

- **Emergency Services**

Residents experiencing a psychiatric or emotional crisis can be treated at the emergency facility located on the grounds of the old DC General Hospitals. Crisis beds are available for up to a 14 day stay as an alternative to psychiatric inpatient hospitalization. In addition, a mobile crisis team of clinicians will treat individuals who are unable or unwilling to go to the emergency care facility in their homes, in the community or on the street. The mobile crisis service can be reached by calling the Access Helpline at **1-888-793-4357**.

## **Urgent Care Clinic**

For easy access to mental health services, individuals referred by judges—primarily from misdemeanor and traffic court, that may show signs of mental illness, have been diagnosed as mentally ill, or show signs of both mental illness and substance abuse are seen at an urgent care clinic located on the ground floor of the Moultrie Courthouse. Walk-ins are treated as well. On site services for court defendants—many of whom are homeless—include mental health assessments and medication, if necessary, connection to a community mental health provider for ongoing care, and supportive services such as help with housing and social security benefits. The urgent care clinic is operated in partnership with the DC Superior Court.

## **Services for Children, Youth, and Families**

It is estimated that as many as one in five children and adolescents may have a mental health disorder that can be identified and require treatment. However, through early intervention and treatment, children and youth with complex emotional and behavioral needs can live happier, healthier and more fulfilling lives.

The Department of Mental Health (DMH) offers a broad range of treatment and support services to children between the ages of 5 and 17 and their families through community based mental health providers located in neighborhoods throughout the District.

Services include individual, group, and family counseling, diagnostic assessment, medication management, community support and crisis response through an array of intensive home, school and community based services. These services emphasize helping youth develop problem solving and coping skills that focus on strengthening family and community support systems to avoid out-of-home and institutional placement.

To select a community based mental health provider that best meets your needs, please review the list of community based mental health providers or call the **ACCESS Helpline at 1-888-793-4357** and talk with a mental health professional who will guide you through this process.

## **Peer Support and Behavioral Health Services**

### **Ida Mae Campbell Foundation**

2759 Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue Southeast  
Suite 201

Washington DC 20032

Phone: 1-866-851-4945 or (202) 684-7015

Website: <http://www.idamaecampbell.org/>

The Ida Mae Campbell Wellness & Resource Center is an advocate for Washington, DC based consumers of mental health services, with co-occurring physical, developmental, and intellectual disabilities.

### **NAMI DC**

422 8th St Southeast

2nd Floor

Washington, DC 20003

Phone: 202-546-0646

Fax: 202-546-6817

Email: [namidc@juno.com](mailto:namidc@juno.com)

NAMI DC's education, support and advocacy efforts include offering information to the community on mental illnesses, as well as providing consumer and their families with support and education programs.

### **Crossing Place**

2731 Connecticut Avenue Northwest

Washington, DC 20008

Phone: (202) 328-4070

Fax: (202) 328-5845

Direct Referral Line: (202) 518-0061

This program provides traditional "step-down" or crisis stabilization beds to avoid or delay hospitalization for adults with chronic behavioral health concerns. A direct referral may be made or a referral may come from DMH.

## Personal Emergency Response Systems (PERS)

Personal Emergency Response Systems (PERS), also known as Medical Emergency Response Systems, let you call for help in an emergency by pushing a button. A PERS has three components: a small radio transmitter, a console connected to your telephone, and an emergency response center that monitors calls.

Transmitters are light-weight, battery-powered devices. You can wear one around your neck, on a wrist band, on a belt, or in your pocket. When you need help, you press the transmitter's help button, which sends a signal to the console. The console automatically dials one or more emergency telephone numbers. Most PERS are programmed to telephone an emergency response center. The center will try to find out the nature of your emergency. They also may review your medical history and check who should be notified.

You can purchase, rent, or lease a PERS. Keep in mind that Medicare, Medicaid, and most insurance companies typically don't pay for the equipment, and the few that pay require a doctor's recommendation.

If you buy a PERS, expect to pay an installation fee and a monthly monitoring charge. Rentals are available through national manufacturers, local distributors, hospitals, and social service agencies, and fees often include the monitoring service. Read the contract carefully before you sign, and make note of extra charges, like cancellation fees.

Questions you can ask a PERS company include:

- Is the monitoring center open 24/7? What kind of training does the staff receive?
- What's the average response time, and who gets alerted?
- Will I be able to use the same system with other response centers if I move? What if I move to another city or state?
- What's your repair policy? What happens if I need a replacement?
- What are the initial costs? What costs are ongoing? What kind of services and features will I get?

## Department of Disability Services

### Department of Disability Services (DDS)

1125 15th Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20005

[dds@dc.gov](mailto:dds@dc.gov)

Phone: (202) 730-1700

Fax: (202) 730-1843

TTY: (202) 730-1516

Hours: 8:15am-4:45pm

The Department on Disability Services (DDS) is composed of two Administrations that oversee and coordinate services for residents with disabilities through a network of private and non-profit providers.

**The Developmental Disabilities Administration (DDA)** ensures that residents with intellectual disabilities receive the services and supports they need to lead self-determined and valued lives in the community. DDA achieves this through the delivery of outreach and service coordination services; the development and management of a provider network delivering community residential, day, vocational, employment and individual and family support services; and the operation of a comprehensive quality management program.

DDA supports individuals with intellectual disabilities to have the most independence and choice and control over their own lives through person-centered service planning and delivery and increased provider capacity. DDA coordinates home and community services for over 2,000 individuals so each person can live and work in the neighborhood of his or her choosing, and promotes health, wellness and a high quality of life through service coordination and monitoring, clinical supports, and a robust quality management program

**The Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA)** focuses on employment, ensuring that persons with disabilities achieve a greater quality of life by obtaining and sustaining employment, economic self-sufficiency and independence. RSA achieves this through employment marketing and placement services, vocational rehabilitation, inclusive business enterprises and supports for the D.C. Center for Independent Living.

DDS also supports the District's Disability Determination Division where Social Security Disability Insurance claims determinations are processed.

## **Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC)**

### **Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC)**

500 K Street, NE

Washington, DC 20002

[dcoa@dc.gov](mailto:dcoa@dc.gov)

Phone: (202) 724-5622

Phone 2: (202) 724-5626

Fax: (202) 727-4979

TTY: (202) 724-8925

### **Office Hours**

Monday - Friday, 8:30 am - 5 pm

The Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) is designed to assist older adults and persons with disabilities in locating supportive services and eldercare resources in order to continue living as they choose in their community.

You can obtain information about the District's in-home and community-based services. On-site are a number of resources and staff members to assist District residents including: social workers; an options counselor, income maintenance liaison, housing coordinator, and public health advisors. Assistance is available for the following topics:

- **Waiver and SNAP Benefits Assistance**
- **Options Counseling**
- **Hospital and Nursing Home Discharge Planning**
- **Diabetes Self-Management Workshops**
- **DC Caregivers Institute**
- **Lifespan Respite Care**
- **Long-Term Care Planning**



## Employment Resources

### Department of Employment Services (DOES)

The mission of the Department of Employment Services is to plan, develop and administer employment-related services to all segments of the Washington, DC metropolitan population. DOES achieves its mission through empowering and sustaining a diverse workforce, which enables all sectors of the community to achieve economic and social stability.

This agency provides job seekers with a number of employment opportunities. Each center provides career counseling, career planning, resume assistance, direct job placement, classroom and on-the-job training, access to America's Job Bank (both online and via telephone), information about local and national labor markets, unemployment compensation and much more.

Dislocated workers may file for unemployment compensation insurance at the DC Works! Career Center Northeast, DC Works! Career Center Northwest or DC Works! Career Center Southeast. DC Works! Satellite Career Centers will not offer unemployment insurance processing, however you may file online at [www.jobs.dc.gov](http://www.jobs.dc.gov).

#### **DC Works! Career and Information Center - DOES Headquarters**

4058 Minnesota Avenue, NE  
Phone: (202) 724-7000  
Hours: 8:30am – 4:00pm Monday - Friday

#### **DC Works! Career Center - Northeast**

CCDC - Bertie Backus Campus  
5171 South Dakota Avenue, NE, 2nd Floor  
Phone: (202) 576-3092  
TTY: (202) 576-3102  
Fax: (202) 576-3103  
Hours: 8:30am – 4:00pm Monday - Friday

#### **DC Works! Career Center - Northwest**

Frank D. Reeves Municipal Center  
2000 14th Street, NW, 3rd Floor  
Phone: (202) 442-4577  
Hours: 8:30am – 4:00pm Monday - Friday

**DC Works! Career Center – Southeast**

3720 Martin Luther King, Jr. Avenue, SE  
Washington, DC 20032  
Phone: (202) 741-7747  
Hours: 8:30am – 4:00pm Monday - Friday

**DC Works! Career and Information Center CVS Pharmacy Training Facility**

4049 South Capitol Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20032  
Phone (202) 645-4000  
TTY: (202) 645-0022  
Fax: (202) 645-5337  
Hours: 8:30am – 4:00pm Monday - Friday

**DC Works! Career and Information Center -  
US Veterans Affairs (Veterans Only)**

1722 I Street, NW, Room 335  
Washington, DC 20005  
Phone (202) 530-9354  
TTY: (202) 576-3262  
Fax (202) 530-9359  
Hours: 8:30am – 3:30pm Monday - Friday

**DC Works! Career and Information Center - King Greenleaf Facility**

201 N Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20024  
Phone (202) 724-2050  
TTY: (202) 724-1409  
Fax: (202) 724-1407  
Hours: 9:00am – 3:00pm Monday – Friday

**DC Works! Career and Information Center - Business Opportunity  
Workforce Development Center**

2311 Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue, SE  
Washington, DC 20020  
Phone: (202) 645-8625  
TTY: (202) 673-6994  
Fax: (202) 645-0366  
Hours: 9:00am-4:00pm Tuesday – Thursday

**Work Force Development Program**

4200 Connecticut Avenue NW

Washington, DC 20008

Phone: (202) 274-5800

Web page: [www.ccdcwdp.org](http://www.ccdcwdp.org)

Academic and hands on job training for persons pursuing a career in health care, construction trades, hospitality or office technology. Academic support with GED preparation is available. No cost to District of Columbia residents.

**Job Accommodations Network (JAN)**

Phone: 1-800-526-7234

TTY: 1-877-781-9403

Website: <http://askjan.org/>

This service is designed to increase the employability of people with disabilities by: 1) providing individualized worksite accommodations solutions, 2) providing technical assistance regarding the ADA and other disability related legislation, and 3) educating callers about self-employment options.

**MenzFit**

1000 Vermont Avenue Northwest, Suite # 1005

Washington, DC 20018

Phone: (202) 312-5826

Fax: (202) 312-5827

This program provides clothing for job interviews to men 18 and older an appropriate work outfit is provided once employment has been secured. Follow up career development mentoring and financial literacy information also offered. Applicants must have a pre-scheduled interview and be job ready in order to receive clothing. An agency must provide a referral to this program.

**Suited For Change**

1000 Vermont Avenue Northwest, Suite # 420

Washington, DC 20005

Phone: (202) 293-0351

Fax: (202) 293-0353

This non-profit agency provides professional clothing for women and ongoing career education for applicants who have completed a job training program. An agency must provide a referral to this program.

## **Educational Resources for Children**

### **District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS)**

Office of Special Education  
1200 First Street Northeast, Suite 9th floor  
Washington, DC 20002  
Phone: (202) 442-4800

DCPS is the public school district for students who reside in the District of Columbia. The Office of Special Education works with schools to ensure that students with disabilities have the services and supports they need to be successful.

### **Advocates for Justice and Education, Inc. (AJE)**

4201 Georgia Avenue NE  
Washington DC 20011  
Telephone: (202) 265-9102  
Telephone: (202) 265-1730  
Website: <http://www.aje-dc.org>

The mission of Advocates for Justice and Education (AJE) is to educate parents, youth, and the community about the laws governing public education, specifically for children with special needs. It seeks to empower youth and parents to be effective advocates on behalf of their children to ensure that they receive an appropriate education.

### **SchoolTalkDC**

Phone: (202) 907-6887  
Website: <http://www.schooltalkdc.org/>

The mission of School Talk is to offer parents early and effective opportunities for both raising and resolving their concerns regarding special education identification, assessment, and service delivery, by working with the schools in the District of Columbia to improve the communication and dispute resolution processes that are associated with the delivery of special education services.

## **Assistive Technology Resources**

### **DC Assistive Technology Program (ATP)**

University Legal Services  
300 I Street, N.E.  
Suite 202  
Washington, D.C. 20002  
(202) 547-0198 Phone  
(202) 547-2662 Facsimile  
(202) 547-2657 TTY

ATP is a citywide program whose goal is to enhance independence, productivity, inclusion and the quality of life for all individuals with disabilities. It accomplishes this goal by identifying those barriers that keep people from getting the appropriate assistive technology (AT) devices and services they need to live more independent lives. Then, in collaboration with consumers, government agencies and community organizations, it develops and implements strategies to overcome those barriers.

ATP presents residents, service providers and businesses a variety of assistive technology related services. Listed below are just a few of the projects the program offers:

- Outreach and Training
- Information and Referral
- Assistive Technology Device Demonstration & Equipment Lending Program

### **DC Shares**

1301 Belmont Street NW, Suite 1D  
Washington, DC 20009  
(Office Located inside the Christopher Price House)  
Phone (202) 332-2595  
TTY (202) 332-2596  
Fax (202) 332-2597

### **ABLEDATA**

<http://www.abledata.com/>  
Phone (800) 227-0216  
TTY (301) 608-8912

### **Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Library**

Adaptive Services  
Room 215  
901 G St. N.W., Washington, DC 20001  
Telephone: (202)727-2142  
Videophone: (202) 559-5368

Video Relay Service: 1-866-570-7364

Captioned Telephone: first dial 1-877-243-2823, next enter 202-727-2255

E-mail: [lbph.dcpl@dc.gov](mailto:lbph.dcpl@dc.gov)

Hours: noon-9 p.m. Monday and Tuesday; 9:30 a.m.– 5:30 p.m., Wednesday through Friday

## **Services for Amputees**

### **The Limbs for Life Foundation**

218 East Main Street  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73104  
Phone: (405) 605-5462  
Toll Free: 1-888-235-5462  
Fax: (405) 843-5123

## **Services for Hearing Aids and Other Devices**

### **Hearing Loss Association of America**

7910 Woodmont Avenue, Suite 1200  
Bethesda, MD 20814  
Phone: (301) 657-2248  
Fax: (301) 913-9413

## **Assistance with Eye Glasses**

### **The Prevention of Blindness (POB) Society of Metropolitan Washington**

2216 Rhode Island Ave NE  
Washington, DC 20018  
Phone: (202) 269-0203  
<http://www.youreyes.org>

## Home Health Resources

### **Health Regulation and Licensing Administration**

#### **Health Care Facilities Division (HCFD)**

899 North Capitol St, NE

Second Floor

Washington, DC 20002

Phone: (202) 724-8800

The Health Care Facilities Division inspects, monitors, and investigates hospitals and other health care sites in the District of Columbia. Facilities include nursing homes, home health agencies, end-stage renal disease facilities, laboratories, and intermediate care facilities for individuals with developmental disabilities. HCFD ensures that these sites comply with federal standards for participation in Medicare and Medicaid under Titles XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act. HCFD also ensures that sites comply with District licensure, health and safety regulations.

The District of Columbia Department of Health licenses and certifies health care facilities for compliance with state and federal health and safety standards. Facilities include nursing homes, hospitals, home health agencies, dialysis centers, ambulatory surgical centers, intermediate care facilities for individuals with developmental disabilities and laboratories. The Health Care Facilities Division conducts regular on-site surveys to ensure health, safety, sanitation, fire, and quality of care requirements. HCFD identifies deficiencies that may affect state licensure or eligibility for federal reimbursements under the Medicare and Medicaid programs.

The HCFD also maintains a list of DC licensed home health agencies that can help you find a visiting nurse, home health aide, or personal care attendant.



## Resources for Ex-Offenders

### **The Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency (CSOSA)**

633 Indiana Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20004-2902  
Phone: (202) 220-5300  
Fax: (202) 220-5350

### **Wider Opportunities for Women**

1001 Connecticut Avenue NW, Suite 930  
Washington, DC 20036  
Phone: 202-464-1596  
Fax: 202-1660

[www.wowonline.org](http://www.wowonline.org)

### **DC Jail Advocacy Project**

University Legal Services  
300 I Street, N.E.  
Suite 202  
Washington, D.C. 20002  
Phone: 202- 527-7033 or 1-877-221-3638  
Fax: 202- 547-2662  
TTY 202-547-2657

The DC Jail Advocacy Staff serves men, women and youth who meet all of the following criteria: 1) have a significant mental illness or emotional impairment as determined by a mental health professional; 2) are or have been incarcerated at the DC Central Detention Facility, Correctional Treatment Facility or as a DC resident within the Federal Bureau of Prisons (current outreach is limited to Allenwood UCC, FCI Fairton and Philadelphia FDC); and 3) who, during his or her incarceration or within 90 days of discharge, request help for problems related to community integration, advocacy and accessing needed services.

### **Re-entry Program**

1901 C Street SE  
Washington, DC 20003  
Phone: 202-698-5991  
Fax: 202-673-2259

This program prepares DC Jail residents for their release to the community. Case managers develop a Release Plan within 90 days of release. Eligible inmates are transferred to a segregated Re-entry Unit at CTF. Representatives from volunteer and government agencies offer mentoring, counseling, life skills training, job counseling and housing assistance.

### **D.C. Jail Linkage Plus Program**

DC Jail  
1901 E Street, SE  
Washington, DC 20003

Phone: 202-698-0415

Program links inmates at DC Jail with dual diagnosis behavioral health and substance abuse disorders to community service agencies to ensure continuity of care.

## **Disability Organizations and Non-Profit Agencies**

### **Brain Injury Association of Washington DC**

1232 Seventeenth Street NW

Washington, DC 20036

Phone: 202-659-0122

Website: <http://www.biadc.org>

The Brain Injury Association of the District of Columbia (BIADC) was founded in 2007 and has offices in the District of Columbia, a National organization, and affiliates in Maryland, and Virginia. The mission of BIADC is to promote brain injury prevention, research, education, and fundraising.

### **The District of Columbia Independent Living Center**

1400 Florida Avenue, NE Suite #3

Washington, DC 20002

Phone: (202) 388-0033

The D.C. Center for Independent Living, Inc., (DCCIL) is a consumer controlled, cross disability, community based, private non-profit organization that promotes independent life styles for persons with significant disabilities in the District of Columbia.

### **DC Developmental Disabilities Council**

441 4<sup>th</sup> Street Northwest, Suite 729 North

Washington, DC 20001

Phone: (202) 727-6744

Fax: (202) 727-9484

TTY: (202) 727-3363

The Developmental Disabilities Council of the District of Columbia seeks to strengthen the voice of people with developmental disabilities and their families in DC in support of greater independence, inclusion, empowerment and the pursuit of life as they choose.

### **Quality Trust for Individuals with Disabilities**

5335 Wisconsin Avenue Northwest, Suite 825

Washington, DC 20015

Phone: (202) 448-1450

Website: <http://www.dcqualitytrust.org/>

Quality Trust is an independent catalyst for change in the lives of people of all ages with developmental disabilities in the District of Columbia. It partners with people and their families so they can succeed thrive and experience full membership in the communities they choose.

**The Arc of the District of Columbia, Inc.**

415 Michigan Avenue Northeast, Suite 400  
Washington, DC 20017  
Phone: (202) 636-2950  
Email: [arcadc@arcadc.net](mailto:arcadc@arcadc.net)  
Website: <http://www.arcadc.net/>

**Deaf Reach**

521 12th Street Northeast  
Washington, DC 20017  
Phone: (202) 832-6681 (Voice/TTY)  
Website: <http://www.deaf-reach.org/>

**Equal Rights Center (ERC)**

11 Dupont Circle Northwest, Suite 450  
Washington, DC 20036  
Phone: (202) 234-3062  
TTY: (202) 234.7590  
Website: <http://www.equalrightscenter.org/>

ERC is a non-profit civil rights organization dedicated to identifying, challenging, and eliminating discrimination in housing, employment, public accommodations, and government services through education, research, testing, counseling, enforcement and advocacy.

**Columbia Lighthouse for the Blind**

1825 K Street, Northwest, Suite 1103  
Washington, DC 20006  
Telephone: (202) 454-6400  
Website: <http://www.clb.org/>

Columbia Lighthouse for the Blind has been dedicated to helping the blind or low vision population of the greater Washington region overcome the challenges of vision loss. Our work enables people of all ages who are blind or have low vision to remain independent, active and productive in society.

**DBTAC: Mid-Atlantic ADA Center**

Toll Free: 1-800-949-4232 V/TTY  
Phone: (301) 217-0124 V/TTY  
Website: <http://www.adainfo.org/>

The DBTAC provides training, information, and technical assistance on the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) to businesses, consumers, schools, and government agencies within the Mid-Atlantic Region (PA, DE, MD, VA, WV, and DC).

**Georgetown UCEDD**

Georgetown University Center for Child and Human Development  
3300 Whitehaven Street, NW, Suite 3300  
Mailing address Box 571485  
Washington, DC 20057  
Phone: (202) 687-8807

Website: <http://www.gucchdgeorgetown.net/ucedd/>

The Georgetown University Centers for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities, Education, Research and Service (UCEDD) is funded through the Administration on Developmental Disabilities (ADD) to provide leadership, advise federal, state and community policy makers about developmental disabilities, and promote opportunities for people with developmental disabilities and their families.

**University Legal Services (ULS)**

220 I Street, NE, Suite 130  
Washington, DC 20002  
Telephone: (202) 547-0198

Website: <http://www.uls-dc.org>

ULS is the Protection and Advocacy (P&A) agency that provides information and referral services and uses legal, administrative and other remedies to resolve problems for individuals with disabilities and groups of clients.

**H.I.P.S.**

1309 Rhode Island Avenue Northeast  
Washington, DC 20018  
Phone: (202) 232-8150  
Fax: (202) 232-8150

Toll Free Hotline: 1-800-676-4477 (HIPS)

This program provides case management services and referrals that are directed at ending the cycle of abuse of sex workers. The program promotes self-determination and independence. Street outreach is provided on Friday and Saturday night from 9pm to 5am.

## Transportation Resources

### Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (Metro)

600 5th Street, NW

Washington, DC 20001

202-637-7000 Voice

202-638-3780 TTY

Website: <http://www.wmata.com>

### You can obtain a Metro Disability ID card application by:

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- downloading an online Metro Disability ID card
- picking up an application at one of these locations,
- calling 202-962-2700 or TTY 202-628-8973 or calling 202-962-1558 or TTY 202-962-2033 or
- e-mail your request.

**The original certified application is required when applying for the ID card.**

#### **Metro Sales Offices**

Metro Headquarters (Main Entrance)

600 Fifth Street, NW

Washington, DC 20001

Open weekdays 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

#### **Metro Center Sales Office**

12th and F Street, NW

(Metro Center station)

Washington, DC 20005

Open Monday - Friday 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.

#### **Northern Metro Bus Garage**

4615 14th Street, NW

Washington, DC 20011

Open Saturday, Sunday, and Monday 8:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

#### **Metro Anacostia Sales Office**

Anacostia Metrorail Station, Mezzanine Level, Bus Bay Exit

1101 Howard Road, SE

Washington, DC 20020

Open Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.;

Thursdays 7:30 a.m. to 7 p.

## **MetroAccess Paratransit Service**

MetroAccess is a shared ride transportation service for people who are unable to use fixed-route public transit due to disability. "Shared ride" means that multiple passengers may ride together in the same vehicle.

The service provides daily trips throughout the Washington Metropolitan region, including the District of Columbia, Maryland and Virginia. Rides are offered in the same service areas and during the same hours of operation as Metrorail and Metro bus. MetroAccess is a service of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (Metro), and is the region's complementary paratransit service offered in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

### **MetroAccess Eligibility Requirements**

To be eligible for MetroAccess service, you **must**:

Have a disability as defined by the ADA

#### **AND**

Be unable, as a result of your disability, to utilize fixed-route transportation such as Metro Bus and Metrorail,

#### **OR**

Need to use a ramp or wheelchair lift to board or exit a public transit vehicle, but an accessible public transit vehicle is not being used at the time, date, and on the route you would travel. **All Metro buses are wheelchair accessible.**

#### **OR**

Be unable to travel to or from a bus stop or rail station due to a disability.

## **Wheelchair Accessible Taxicabs**

Yellow and Royal cab companies provide wheelchair accessible taxi service. These taxis are modified minivans that have a ramp in the back of the cab. There are twenty (20) of these vehicles in the District. It is recommended that you book your trip one to two hours ahead of time. Keep in mind that you may need to wait for your cab for at least thirty minutes. To reserve a wheelchair accessible taxi call:

**Yellow Cab** 202-544-1213

**Royal Cab:** 202-398-0500

## **Housing Resources and Emergency Shelter**

### **Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD)**

#### **Office Hours**

Monday through Friday, 8:15 am to 4:45 pm, except District holidays

### **DC Housing Authority (DCHA)**

1133 North Capitol Street Northeast

. Washington, DC 20002

Phone: (202) 535-1000

TTY users may call DC Relay at 202-855-1234.

Hours: Monday - Friday, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

The District of Columbia public housing portfolio consists of more than 8,000 apartment or townhome units in 56 properties owned and managed by the District of Columbia Housing Authority (DCHA). DCHA serves as the landlord for close to 20,000 residents who call public housing home.

Public housing units provide very low-income families, seniors and persons with disabilities with the financial assistance they need to live in affordable rental homes. There are income requirements for public housing and priority is given to those who are in greatest need.

### **Pathways to Housing**

101 Q Street Northeast

Washington, DC 20002

Phone: (202) 529-2972

Fax: (202) 529-2976

Pathways to Housing provides independent housing with case management and other needed community services to individuals who are homeless, diagnosed with significant behavioral health issues and have a steady source of income.

### **Phyllis Wheatley YWCA**

901 Rhode Island Avenue Northwest

Washington, DC 20001

Phone: (202) 667-9100

Fax: (202) 319-3595

Private furnished rooms are available for adults 18 and over. The kitchen, bath and laundry are shared. Room rates are \$490, \$550, and \$600 per month. \$10 membership fee, \$25 application fee, and \$100 security deposit are required.

### **Missionaries of Charity, Queen of Peace**

3310 Wheeler Road Southeast

Washington, DC 20032

Phone: (202) 562-6890 or (202) 562-5157



Housing provided for pregnant women and their children under the age of 3. Women are required to leave 6 weeks post-delivery of the infant. In person interview is part of the application process. Women under 18 must have parental consent.

**Virginia Williams Family Resource Center (VWFRC)**

920-A Rhode Island Avenue Northeast  
Washington, DC 20018

Phone: (202) 526-0017 or (202) 526-1833

Intake services provided to District of Columbia homeless families. The following documents are required at the intake interview: picture identification, social security card, a birth certificate for each family member, statement of income (SSI, TANF eligibility, W-2 form or paystub) writ of eviction, or statement of homelessness if living temporarily with relative or friend. The VWFRC is open from 8 am till 5 pm. Services are provided on a first come first served basis.

**DC Emergency Shelter Hotline**

United Planning Organization (UPO)

Phone: (202) 399-7093

Toll Free: (800) 535-7252

This is a gate keeping and transportation service for District residents seeking homeless shelter services. UPO manages hourly totals of the number of shelter beds available for both singles and families. UPO operates hypothermia vans that respond to individuals and families in need of immediate shelter during the winter months.

**Covenant House**

2001 Mississippi Avenue Southeast  
Washington, DC 20020

Phone: (202) 610-9632 or (202) 561-3850

This structured living program is for homeless District residents between the ages of 18 to 21. The program is designed so that participants may live independently with stability. Mothers with infants or toddlers are accepted.

**Hope and a Home**

1439 R Street Northwest  
Washington, DC 20009

Phone: (202) 387-7091

Fax: (202) 387-7097

This program offers transitional housing for homeless families.

**Latin American Youth Center (LAYC)**

3031 15<sup>th</sup> Street Northwest  
Washington, DC 20009

Phone: (202) 319-2621

Fax: (202) 797-1502

Emergency shelter provided for young men and women in foster care or who are homeless or in immediate danger of becoming homeless and seeking a transitional independent living program for young adults. Services are available to young adults regardless of cultural or ethnic background.

**Housing Counseling Services Incorporated**

2410 17<sup>th</sup> Street Northwest  
Washington, DC 20009  
Phone: (202) 667-2681  
Fax: (202) 667-0862

This agency provides independent living and emergency housing assistance for persons and their families with HIV<sup>+</sup>/AIDS in the District of Columbia.

**District Alliance for Safe Housing Incorporated (DASH)**

Post Office Box 91730  
Washington DC 20090  
Phone: (202) 462-3274  
Fax: (202) 269-0528

The District Alliance for Safe Housing Incorporated (DASH) was founded in 2006 to provide relief to survivors of domestic and sexual violence, through emergency and long-term safe housing, and innovative homelessness prevention services.

**My Sister's Place**

Post Office Box 29596  
Washington, DC 20017  
Hotline: (202) 529-5991  
Phone: (202) 520-5261  
Fax: (202) 529-5984

Domestic violence shelter for women and children (boys must be under the age of 12). Meals, employment guidance, and legal service referrals are provided to families.

**Courtney's House**

Post Office Box 12054  
Washington, DC 20005  
Toll Free 24 Hour Hotline: (888) 261-3665

Outreach, protection and support for children and minors who are victims of domestic sex trafficking in the greater DC area. A safe group house is provided for girls between the ages of 12 to 17.

**Different Avenues**

1419 V Street Northwest  
Washington, DC 20011  
Phone: (202) 829-2103  
Fax: (202) 839-2104

This agency provides a Drop in Center with healthcare, legal services, substance abuse treatment, and housing support for gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender (GLBT) who are homeless or in insecure housing.

## Utilities

### Pepco

Customer Service	<b>202-833-7500</b>
General Information	<b>202-872-2000</b>
Servicio en Español	<b>202-872-4641</b>

### Outages and Emergencies

To report outages **1-877-PEPCO-62**  
(1-877-737-2662)

To report downed wires and life-threatening emergencies **1-877-Pepco-62**  
(1-877-737-2662)  
and follow the prompts\

### Washington Gas

#### CUSTOMER SERVICE CONTACT INFORMATION

Contact By Phone

Gas Emergency Line - 703-750-1400 or 800-752-7520

Customer Service & Billing Inquiries: 703-750-1000

Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Saturday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (except major holidays)

Automated Self-Service Line: 703-750-7944

Telecommunication Relay Service/TTY/TTD: 711 or 800-735-2258

### District of Columbia Water and Sewer Authority

#### Customer Service

Monday—Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Phone: (202)-354-3600

#### Water and Sewer Emergencies

Available 24 hours a day, seven days a week

Phone: (202)-612-3400

## Emergency Groceries and Meal Programs

These phone numbers and websites provide information on District of Columbia programs that provide emergency groceries, low cost groceries, and meals to people who are hungry.

### Capital Area Food Bank

Hunger Lifeline  
202-639-9770

[www.dcfoodfinder.org](http://www.dcfoodfinder.org)

### Hunger Hotline

202-526-5344

### Free Medical Clinics

- Anacostia Medical Center  
1328 W Street SE  
Washington, DC 20020  
Phone: 202-610-7160  
Hours: M-F 8:15am-4:45pm
- La Clinica Del Pueblo  
2851 15<sup>th</sup> Street NW  
Washington, DC 20009  
Phone: 202-462-4788  
Hours: Monday-Tuesday 8:30 am-5pm and Wednesday-Friday 8:30 am-9 pm, Sat 9 am- 5 pm
- East of the River  
123 45<sup>th</sup> St, NE  
Washington D.C. 20019  
Phone: 202-388-7890  
Hours: Monday-Friday 8:30-5:00  
Wednesday 11 am-7:30 pm
- Zacehaeus Free Clinic  
1525 7<sup>th</sup> Street, NW  
Washington D.C. 20001  
Phone: 202-265-2400

## **Low Cost Dental Services**

### **Howard University Dental School**

600 W Street Northwest (off of Georgia Avenue Northwest)

Washington, DC 20001

Phone: (202) 806-0008

The school provides dental exams, x-rays, and extractions. Patients are assigned to a dental student.

### **Washington Hospital Center**

110 Irving Street Northwest

Washington, DC 20009

Phone: 202-877-7332

Washington Hospital Center provides only oral surgery and extractions.

## **Communication Relay Services**

### **Speech to Speech Telephone Relay**

Phone: 1-800-898-0740

This service allows persons with speech difficulties to use a telephone with the help of a communication assistant familiar with speech difficulties who repeats the caller's words for the person who answers the telephone call. This is a free service.

### **Telecommunications Relay Service (TRS)**

Phone: 711

Telecommunications Relay Service (TRS) is a telephone service that allows persons with hearing or speech disabilities to place and receive telephone calls. TRS is available in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and the U.S. territories for local and/or long distance calls. TRS providers – generally telephone companies – are compensated for the costs of providing TRS from either a state or a federal fund. There is no cost to the TRS user.

### **Video Relay Service (VRS)**

Phone: 711

This Internet-based form of TRS allows persons whose primary language is American Sign Language (ASL) to communicate with the CA in ASL using video conferencing equipment. The CA speaks what is signed to the called party, and signs the called party's response back to the caller.

## **Substance Abuse Treatment**

### **Inpatient Detoxification Treatment**

In the District of Columbia Detoxification Services are provided for low income District residents through the Addiction Prevention Recovery Administration (APRA). In order to receive detoxification treatment, an individual must go through an interview at APRA's Assessment Center located at:

70 N Street NE

Washington, DC 20002

Phone: (202) 727-9563 or (202) 727-8473

Interviews are needed to receive detoxification treatment are conducted from 7 am – 3pm daily Monday through Saturday. District of Columbia residents without health insurance may be referred to **Psychiatric Institute of Washington (PIW)** and District of Columbia residents with DC Medical Assistance may be referred to **Providence Hospital/Seton House** to receive detoxification treatment.

### **Community Action Group (CAG)**

332 8<sup>th</sup> Street SE

Washington, DC 20003

Phone: (202) 543-4558

Fax: (202) 543-4579

APRA refers residents to CAG that are seeking inpatient or outpatient substance abuse treatment. CAG has programs that serve men, women, and women with children under 12.

### **Lt. Joseph P. Kennedy Institute (Catholic Charities)**

801 Buchanan Street NE

Washington, DC 20017

Phone: (202) 281-2703

Fax: (202) 529-8211

This non-profit agency provides a three (3) to six (6) month employment program for individuals with intellectual disabilities who are in recovery from alcohol or drug use and have significant barriers to employment. Thirty (30) days of clean time are required to participate in the program which includes case management, random drug testing, relapse prevention education, career exploration, vocational assessments, job development and placement, and follow-up job site monitoring for up to one year. Referrals accepted from Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA), District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS), and the Department of Disability Services (DDS).

**Family and Medical Counseling Services**

2041 Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue Southeast  
Washington, DC 20020  
Phone: (202) 610-3095

Outpatient substance abuse and counseling services are provided. Groups are held three times a week. Individual sessions are also available. Sliding fee scale or private insurance for pays for walk-in clients not referred by APRA.

**Good Hope Institute**

1320 Good Hope Road Southeast  
Washington, DC 20020  
Phone: (202) 610-1886  
Fax: (202) 610-1887

Outpatient methadone maintenance and detoxification for opioid addicted adults is provided. Urine surveillance, physical exams, and individual and group counseling are a part of outpatient treatment.

**Gospel Rescue Ministries**

810 Fifth Street Northwest  
Washington, DC 20001  
Phone: (202) 842-1731  
Fax: (202) 898-0285

One year spiritually based men's residential program followed by two years of aftercare. Individual and group counseling, behavior confrontation, vocational training and random drug testing are all part of the program. On-site interviews are required for the admission process.

**Harvest Home Women's Program**

1307 First Street Northwest  
Washington, DC 20001  
Phone: (202) 328-0802  
Fax: (202) 328-7644

This program is a 120 day residential treatment program for women preparing them for independent housing. Mandatory parts of the program include: daily AA/NA meetings, random drug testing, job training and placement. To be admitted to the program applicants need to have successfully completed a substance abuse treatment program and have been sober for 30 days.



## Legal Advocacy Resources

### **American University Law Clinics**

4801 Massachusetts Avenue, Northwest

Washington, DC **20016**

Phone: (202) 274-4140

Fax (202) 274-0659

[www.wcl.american.edu](http://www.wcl.american.edu)

These legal clinics provides supervised law student representation to low-income individual and organizations. All applications are processed through the clinic's intake office.

### **General Practice Clinic**

Direct legal representation in cases involving: bankruptcy; consumer protection; family law; health; housing; public benefits; and special education.

### **Community and Economic Development Clinic**

This clinic provides transactional legal services for client groups engaged in different kinds of neighborhood-based community development.

### **Ayuda, Inc**

6925-B Willow Street, Northwest

Washington, DC 20012

Phone: (202) 387-4848

Fax (202) 387-0324

[www.ayudainc.org](http://www.ayudainc.org)

Legal advocacy: immigration; political asylum; family visa petitions; naturalization; battered spouse waivers; domestic violence; child custody & support. Human trafficking: immigration status relief; emergency assistance; advocacy.

### **Bread for the City**

1525 7th Street NW

Washington, DC 20001

Phone: (202) 332-0440,

Fax: (202) 745-1081

Or

### **Bread for the City**

1640 Good Hope Road, Southeast

Washington, DC 20020

Phone: (202) 561-8587

Fax: (202) 574-1536

**Catholic Charities (DC)** (Archdiocesan Legal Network)

924 G Street, NW

Washington, DC 20001

[www.catholiccharitiesdc.org](http://www.catholiccharitiesdc.org)

Phone: (202) 772-4324

Fax: (202) 772-4402

Appointment line (202) 628-4263

**Central American Resource Center (CARECEN)**

1460 Columbia Road, Northwest

Washington, DC 20009

Phone: (202) 328-9799

Fax: (202) 328-7894

[www.carecendc.org](http://www.carecendc.org)

**Children's Law Center (CLC)**

616 H Street, Northwest # 300

Washington, DC 20001

Phone: (202) 467-4900

Fax: (202) 467-4949

[www.childrenslawcenter.org](http://www.childrenslawcenter.org)

**D.C. Bar Law Firm Pro Bono Clinic**

District of Columbia Bar

1101 K Street Northwest 2nd Floor

Washington, DC 20005

Or

Carlos Rosario International Career Center

1100 Harvard Street, Northwest

Washington, DC 20009

Phone: (202) 737-4700 extension 329 or extension 3292

[www.dcbbar.org](http://www.dcbbar.org)

## Recreational Activities

### Department of Parks and Recreation

1250 U Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20009

[dpr@dc.gov](mailto:dpr@dc.gov)

Phone: (202) 673-7647

Fax: (202) 673-2087

TTY: (202) 345-6789

### Health Services for Children with Special Needs (HSCSN)

2124 Martin Luther King Avenue SE

Washington, DC 20020

Phone: (202) 835-2771

The Health Services for Children with Special Needs (HSCSN) Youth Athletic Program (YAP) is an inclusive, adapted sports program for at-risk youth, including those with disabilities and chronic illnesses. Launched in 2007 with summer soccer clinics and initially targeting children of parents and caregivers who attended its support group meetings, the project has expanded to include children of all abilities.

### WVSA Arts Connection

1100 16th St, NW, Washington, DC 20036

Phone: 202-296-9100

Fax: (202)-261-0200

TTY: (202) 261-0201

[info@wvsarts.org](mailto:info@wvsarts.org)

WVSA arts connection serves youth with disabilities through service-oriented programs using the arts as a tool to master educational, vocational, and other life skills.

### DC Young Poz Socials

[www.dcyoungpozsocials.com](http://www.dcyoungpozsocials.com)

This group is an informal social network of Washington DC area men who are HIV positive and ages 20 to 30. Activities include: parties, picnic, sporting events, hiking, camping, and theatre outings.

### Dreams for Kids

926 N Street Northwest, Studio 3

Washington, DC 20001

Phone: (202) 957-4344

This program empowers at-risk youth and those with disabilities through dynamic leadership programs and life-changing activities that inspire them to fearlessly pursue their dreams and compassionately change the world. Additionally, the organization is committed to uniting children of disability, race, religion, and

socio-economic background and inspires them to realize their full potential and serve as active members of their communities and citizens of the world.

**Smithsonian Accessibility Program**

PO Box 37012

NMAH, Room 1010, MRC 607

Washington, DC 20013-7012

Phone: (202) 633-4340

Website: <http://affiliations.si.edu/DetailPage.Asp?MenuID=141>

The Smithsonian's Accessibility Program strives to make all visitors feel welcome by providing consistent, effortless access to the Institution's programs, collections, and facilities. This program, which serves as a role model for museums throughout this country and around the world, is founded on the belief that all Smithsonian visitors and staff are valued, and that access should be integrated, independent, and dignified.

## Services for Senior Citizens

### Lead Agency Service Providers

The Office on Aging funds comprehensive service-delivery organizations and designates them “*Lead Agencies*.” These agencies plan and deliver direct services to the District’s elderly residents and their caregivers. Each ward has one or more Lead Agencies that provide services to seniors in the ward.

#### **Terrific Inc.**

1222 T Street, NW, DC 20009

#### **Service Area: Ward 1**

(202) 234-4128 Fax: (202) 234-8145

#### **Family Matters of Greater Washington**

1507 9th Street, NW, DC 20001

#### **Service Area: Ward 2**

(202) 232-4202 Fax: (202) 518-8922

#### **IONA Senior Services**

4125 Albemarle Street, NW, DC 20016

#### **Service Area: Ward 3**

(202) 966-1055 Fax: (202) 895-0244

#### **Barney Neighborhood House Senior Program**

5656– A Third Street, NE, DC 20011

#### **Service Area: Ward 4**

(202) 939-9020 Fax: (202) 939-5755

#### **Seabury Ward 5 Aging Services**

2900 Newton Street, NE, DC 20017

#### **Service Area: Ward 5**

(202) 529-8701 Fax: (202) 832-0127

#### **Family Matters Aging Services Ward 6**

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## **A Note on Personal Adult Relationships**

The laws of the District of Columbia do not keep adults with physical or mental disabilities from having a boyfriend, girlfriend, wife, husband, or partner. In fact, an adult with a disability may ask to spend time privately or alone with an adult of their choosing. Care givers or residential staff must give persons with disabilities private time on a daily basis, if it is requested. If you have questions about personal adult relationships, you may talk with a healthcare provider, a member of your support team or a family member.