

Community Resource Guide

211 Texas

2-1-1 Texas is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Whether by phone or internet, 2-1-1 Texas connects people to a variety of state agencies and community groups, whose services include basic human needs, physical and mental health care, employment support, as well as support for older Americans, people with disabilities, and children and families. It simplifies what can be a confusing search and provides help both in a crisis and with everyday needs so that a crisis can be avoided. <https://www.211texas.org/>



Unemployment



Texas Workforce Commission

Texas Workforce Commission Helps all Texans who are looking for work. Their website includes job listings, tips for finding a job and unemployment information. <https://twc.texas.gov/jobseekers>



Financial Assistance



Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)

Helps families pay for basic living needs. Families with children age 18 and younger. Families who can receive TANF help have little to no money or don't have a way to get money. A family can be: (1) parents and their children, or (2) relatives caring for related children.

<https://tinyurl.com/TANFtx>

Immigration Advocates Network

Immigration Advocates Network provides resources for immigrants and advocates including a nonprofit resource center, a pro bono resource center, a legal directory, trainings and events, and programs designed to connect communities with resources. Find organizations in your area by entering your zip code.

<https://tinyurl.com/advocatesnet>



Health and Dental Care



Medicare/Medicaid

In six Texas counties, HHSC and the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) have set up combined Medicare-Medicaid health plans for people in those counties who have both Medicare and Medicaid coverage, known as dual eligible.

<https://tinyurl.com/dualeligable>

Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP)

Designed for families that earn too much money to qualify for Medicaid, but cannot afford to buy private health insurance. To qualify for CHIP, a child must be age 18 or younger, a Texas resident and a U.S. citizen or legal permanent resident.

<https://tinyurl.com/CHIPtx>



Food and Nutrition



Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)

SNAP food benefits are put on to the Lone Star Card and can be used just like a credit card at any store that accepts SNAP.

<https://tinyurl.com/TXSNAP>

Feeding Texas

Feeding Texas leads a unified effort for a hunger-free Texas. They feed millions of struggling Texans through their statewide network of food banks; strengthen the collective response to hunger through collaboration and scaling success; and lead the public conversation to solve hunger in the state of Texas.

<https://www.feedingtexas.org/>

Women, Infants and Children Program (WIC)

The Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children, popularly known as WIC, is a nutrition program for pregnant, breastfeeding women and families with children younger than 5.

<https://texaswic.org/>



Childcare



Head Start

Head Start is a federal program that promotes the school readiness of children from birth to 5 from families with low-income by enhancing their cognitive, social and emotional development. This website provides information about Texas Head Start and has a link for families to find Head Start centers in their area.

<https://tinyurl.com/headstartTX>
866-282-7780

Early Childhood Texas

A one-stop shop to access information about early childhood programs and resources available from the Texas Workforce Commission, Texas Education Agency, Texas Department of Family and Protective Services, Texas Department of State Health Services and Texas Health and Human Services Commission.

earlychildhood.texas.gov

The Texas Department of Health and Human Services (THHS)

Helps locate childcare resources and referral agencies that can provide additional information on the programs, costs, availability and accessibility of individual providers.

<https://tinyurl.com/THHStx>

! Adult and Child Abuse !

Family Violence Program

Promotes self-sufficiency, safety, and long-term independence of adult victims of family violence, child victims of family violence, and victims of teen dating violence. The program provides emergency shelter and support services to victims and their children, educates the public, and provides training, and prevention support to various agencies.

<https://tinyurl.com/famviopro>
1-800-799-SAFE (7233)

Children's Advocacy Centers of Texas, Inc. (CACTX)

CACTX's mission is to restore the lives of abused children by supporting children's advocacy centers (CACs) in partnership with local communities and agencies investigating and prosecuting child abuse. <https://www.cactx.org/>
To report suspected abuse, call 1-800-252-5400 or 9-1-1.

The Texas Human Trafficking Resource Center

A statewide directory connecting Health and Human Services staff, healthcare providers, stakeholders and potential victims of human trafficking to local, state and national resources to identify and help people affected by human trafficking.

<https://tinyurl.com/trafresource>
Call: 888-373-7888