# Sanders County Resource Guide

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Child Services

CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate)
701 1st Street E, PO Box 511, Polson, MT 59860
Website: http://casa20jd.wixsite.com/polson-montana-casa
Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/casa4thekids/
Phone: (406)-883-0158
Email: casa20jd@gmail.com
CASA trains community members to serve as Guardians ad litem (GAL) for kids involved in the foster care system. This saves the tax-payers money because it provides an alternative to court-financed GALs. Additionally, because each GAL is only assigned one to two cases, CASA’s advocates are able to do things that paid attorneys don’t always have time to do.

Child Abuse/Neglect Hotline
1-866-820-5437

Child Development Center
1725 MT-35, Kalispell, MT 59901
Phone: (406)-755-2425
Website: www.childdevcenter.org
Partners with families to support the developmental needs of children where they live, play and grow. Provides Autism Services, Early Intervention Services, Developmental Education Services, Family Education and Support Services, and more for children of all ages. The team works with families in Flathead, Lake, Lincoln, Mineral, Missoula, Ravalli, and Sanders Counties.

Child and Family Services (Region 5)
Flathead, Lake, Lincoln, Mineral, Missoula, Ravalli, and Sanders
2504 Tradewinds Way Ste 4,
Thompson Falls, MT 59873-0519
Phone: (406)-827-4317
Fax: (406)-827-9870
http://dphhs.mt.gov/cfsd/fostercareindependence/westernregionv

Child Support Enforcement Division (Region 5)
Flathead, Lake, Lincoln, Mineral, Missoula, Ravalli, and Sanders
2675 Palmer Street, Suite C
Missoula, MT 59808
Phone: (406) 329-7910
Fax: (406) 329-5468
http://www.dphhs.mt.gov/csed

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Nurturing Center Inc.
146 3rd Ave W, Kalispell, MT 59901
Phone: (406)-756-1414
Toll Free: 1-800-204-0644
Fax: (406)-756-1410
Hours: M-F 8:00a-5:00p (extended to 6:00p on Tuesdays in winter)
https://nurturingcenter.org/
Provides supportive, respectful services that strengthen families, increasing the number of children raised in healthy, nurturing environments.

Certified Child Passenger Technician
Gretchen French
Providence Saint Patrick Hospital
500 W. Broadway
Plains, MT 59802
Phone: (406)-329-5300
Email: gretchen.french@providence.org
Properly install your child’s safety seat into your vehicle.

Disabilities
AWARE Inc.
Information: 1-800-432-6145
Kalispell Office: 20 3rd St E., Kalispell, MT 59901
Phone: (406)-755-9471
Director Phone: (406)-756-1435
http://aware-inc.org/map/
Services: Community Care and Treatment, Early Childhood Services, Employment for People with Disabilities, and Residential.

Summit Independent Living
Covering Missoula, Ravalli, Mineral, Lake, Sanders, Flathead and Lincoln counties.
700 SW Higgins Ave, Ste. 101, Missoula, MT 59803
Phone: (406)-728-1630
Fax: (406)-829-3309
Toll Free: 1-800-398-9002
http://dphhs.mt.gov/detd/independentliving/centerlocations
Provides Information and Referral, Advocacy Services, Peer Advocacy, Skills Training, and Transition Services to people with disabilities.

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Vocational Rehabilitation and Blind Services
121 Financial Dr., Ste. B, Kalispell, MT 59901
**Toll Free:** 877-296-1760  
**Phone:** (406)-751-5940  
**Fax:** (406)-751-5944  
**Mission:** To maximize access to in-demand and high quality careers by Montanans with disabilities seeking dignity through choice, integration, and self-reliance. Services include: Evaluation Services, Career Counseling and Guidance Services, Medical or Psychological Services, Training, Job Development and Placement Services, Rehabilitation Technology, Post Employment Services, and Referrals.

Financial

Office of Public Assistance
**Helpline:** 1-888-706-1535  

Polson Field Office
49627 Hwy 93, Polson, MT 59860  
**Email:** hhshcsopalake@mt.gov

Rural Dynamics Inc.
**Phone:** 1-877-275-2227  
**Missoula Branch Office**
1515 Fairview Avenue, Ste. 205, Missoula, MT 59801  
(Second Floor of the City Life Building)  
**Fax:** (406)-549-2696  
[http://www.ruraldynamics.org/contact-uscs.org/contact-us](http://www.ruraldynamics.org/contact-uscs.org/contact-us)
They work with you to identify your financial goals and chart a path to reach them. **Rural Dynamics offers Credit Counseling, Debt Management, Loan Services, and more.**

Food

Church on the Move
300 Central Ave S., Plains, MT 59859  
**Phone:** (406)-826-3800  
**Website:** [http://www.plainschurchonthemove.com/ministries](http://www.plainschurchonthemove.com/ministries)  
*Food Bank:* 9:00am-2:30pm Tuesdays  
*Soup Kitchen:* 11:00am-1:00pm Tuesdays

Community Harvest Food Bank (Thompson Falls)
704 ½ Preston Ave W.  
Thompson Falls, MT 59873  
**Phone:** (406)-827-6333

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Salvation Army (Kalispell)
110 Bountiful Dr., Kalispell, MT 59901
Phone: (406)-257-4357

Provides 2 meals a day (breakfast and lunch), Monday-Friday, to anyone who is hungry.

Health

Alcoholics Anonymous
National Hotline: 1-888-607-2000
Local Meetings

Thompson Falls: 107 Spruce St., behind Bear Muscle Fitness (Monday 7:00pm; Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday 12:00pm).
Plains: United Methodist Church, 206 W. Meany (Mondays and Thursdays at 7:30pm).
Hot Springs: Trinity Lutheran Church, 131 N. Wall St. (Fridays at 7:00pm)

Narcotics Anonymous
http://www.namontana.com/
National Helpline: 1-800-990-6262
Local Meetings:
http://www.namontana.com/index.php

Flathead Valley Chemical dependency Clinic, Thompson Falls Office
1129 Main St., P.O. Box 940, Thompson Falls, MT 59873
Phone: (406)-827-4241
Fax: (406)-827-9677

We deliver impactful programs so that families and individuals can achieve a healthy lifestyle.

Western Montana Mental Health Center- Sanders
Sanders County Mental Health Center
602 Preston Ave., Thompson Falls, MT 59873
Phone: (406)-532-9190
Fax: (406)-206-5133
Email: thompsonfalls@wmmhc.org

Western Mental Health Center (Plains)
200 E. Railroad, Plains, MT 59859
Phone: (406) 826-5529

Western Montana Mental Health Center offers comprehensive health services to individuals and families in our communities that improve access, health and economic and social outcomes.
Clark Fork Valley Hospital and Family Medicine Network
10 Kruger Road, P.O. Box 768, Plains, MT 59859
**Phone:** (406)-826-4800
**Thompson Falls:** (406)-827-4442
**Plains:** (406)-826-4810
**Hot Springs:** (406)-741-3602
[http://www.cfvh.org/locations/default.aspx](http://www.cfvh.org/locations/default.aspx)

The Clark Fork Valley Family Medicine Network provides a unique base of service to Sanders County with three Family Medicine offices and an expansive rehabilitation program. Additional services are offered by our network of specialty care providers to keep your medical care closer to home, family and friends.

Sanders County Public Health
1111 Main St., P.O. Box 519, Thompson Falls, MT 59873
**Office Phone:** (406) 827-6931
**Fax:** (406)-827-6988
**Director:** Karen Morey; (406)-827-6925
**Website:** co.sanders.mt.us/departments/public-health

Mission: To protect, improve, and preserve the health and wellbeing of the citizens of Sanders County. Services: Immunizations, WIC program, Education.

Housing

Sanders County Community Housing Organization
303 Main St, Thompson Falls, MT 59873
**Phone:** (406)-546-7183
**Fax:** (406)-827-4642
**Website:** [http://www.sanderscountycommunityhousingorganization.org/index.htm](http://www.sanderscountycommunityhousingorganization.org/index.htm)

Hours: Monday/Tuesday 9:00am-5:00pm, and Wednesday 9:00am-1:00pm.

The Sanders County Community Housing Organization is a nonprofit that offers low income housing to Sanders County residents and offers a Senior Home Repair Program to qualifying seniors.

A Ray of Hope
46 5th Ave. W., Kalispell, MT 59901
**Phone:** (406)-755-4673

Mission Statement: A Ray of Hope provides a safe harbor for those in the community with nowhere else to turn. Those who seek help are provided with food, clothing, shelter and most importantly, job training which provides an avenue to develop competency in meeting life’s financial, emotional, family, legal and rehabilitation challenges.

Samaritan House
124 9th Ave W, Kalispell, MT 59901
**Phone:** (406)-257-5801
**Website:** [http://www.samaritanhousemt.com/about](http://www.samaritanhousemt.com/about)

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Legal

County Attorney
1111 Main St, PO Box 519, Thompson Falls, MT 59873
Phone: (406)-827-6903

Montana Legal Services Association (MLSA)
Toll Free HelpLine: 1-800-666-6899
Fax: 1-406-442-9817
Apply Online: www.mtlsa.org
Provides civil legal assistance to low income Montanans throughout the state.
www.MontanaLawHelp.org

Probation & Parole Bureau
303 W Main St, Thompson Falls, MT 59873
Phone: (406)-827-3590

Public Defender’s Office (Regional Office #1)
1205 S Main St, Kalispell, MT 59901
Phone: (406)-751-6080

Sanders County District Court
1111 Main St, PO Box 519, Thompson Falls, MT 59873
Phone: (406)-827-6962

Sanders County Justice Court
1111 Main St, PO Box 519, Thompson Falls, MT 59873
Phone: (406)-827-6941
Self-Help Law Center
920 S Main St, Kalispell, MT 59901
Phone: (406)-758-2496

Sheriff’s Office
1115 W Main St, PO Box 910, Thompson Falls, MT 59873
Phone: (406)-827-3584
Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00am-5:00pm

Senior

Camas Hot Springs Senior Center
101 Main St, PO Box 591, Hot Springs, MT 59845
Phone: (406)-741-2344
Provides meals-on-wheels and rents out space for activities and events.

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Plains/Paradise Senior Center
205 Meany St, PO Box 935, Plains, MT 59859
Phone: (406)-826-3018

Sanders Adult Protective Services
2504 Tradewinds Way #4, Thompson Falls, MT 59873
Main Office: (406)-270-7509
Fax: (406)-827-9870
Contact: Shirley Hofland; SHofland@mt.gov
Phone: (406)-529-8122
State Agency dealing with abuse and neglect of elderly people with disabilities.

Sanders County Council on Aging
203 Main St, PO Box 339, Hot Springs, MT 59845
Phone: (406)-741-2343
Website: http://www.sanderscountycouncilonaging.org/services.html
Executive Director: Erin Alt; directorsccoa@gmail.com
The Sanders County Council on Aging is a non-profit organization working under the Federal Older Americans Act to provide assistance to individuals over 60. Nutrition Programs and In-Home Services are available.

Prevention of Elder Abuse- Western MT Chapter
2681 Palmer St., Suite K, Missoula, MT 59808
Phone: 1-877-327-7886 or (406)-327-7886
Fax: (406)-543-0944
www.westernmontanachapter.org/
Protects and promotes the health and welfare of persons with disabilities for the elderly of our communities.

Western Montana Agency on Aging (Area VI)
Duane Lutke, Director 1-800-266-4188
Samantha Walker, Information and Assistance Coordinator 1-800-266-4188
http://www.westernmontanaagingservices.org/index.asp
Services include Information and Assistance, Caregiver Support Groups, Case Management Services, Volunteering, Food and Nutrition, Foster Grandparenting, and Counseling.

Transportation
Sanders County Transportation
Toll Free: 1-800-246-5899
Phone: (406)-741-2346
www.rideSCT.com

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Reliable service to surrounding areas for those who don’t drive or are in need of transportation. Service areas include: Hot Springs, Plains, Thompson Falls, Trout Creek, Noxon, Heron, and Dixon.

Veterans

Veterans Employment Services
Flathead Job Service
427 1st Ave East, Kalispell, MT 59901
Phone: (406)-758-6200
Helps Veterans and other eligible persons secure employment and training.

American Legion
Paradise (Post 129):
450 Railroad Ave, PO Box 14, Paradise, MT 59856
Phone: (406)-826-3191
Thompson Falls (Post 52):
PO Box 1988, Thompson Falls, MT 59873
Meeting: Third Tuesday of each month at 7:00p.m. at The Elks.

Veterans of Foreign Wars
Hot Springs (Post 05159): 208 A St, Hot Springs, MT 59845
Phone: (406)-741-2507
Plains (Post 03596): 201 W. Lynch St, Plains, MT 59859
Phone: (406)-826-5960
Noxon (Post 05556): Noxon Senior Center, Noxon, MT 59874

Women’s Resources
Sanders County Coalition for Families
303 E Main St, Suite 4, Thompson Falls, MT 59873
Helpline: (406)-827-3745 or 1-800-265-0415
Office: (406)-827-3218

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Other

Sanders County Bookmobile
Director: Sandy Hough
Phone: (406)-274-6490
Email: bookmobile@co.sanders.mt.us
http://co.sanders.mt.us/departments/bookmobile/

Thompson Falls Public Library
911 Main Street, Thompson Falls, MT 59873
Phone: (406)-827-3547

Thompson River Animal Care Shelter
PO Box 1589, Thompson Falls, MT 59873
Phone: (406)-827-8722
http://www.pet-tracs.com/