

# Flathead County Resource Guide

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## Child and Family Services

### **Child and Family Services Division of DPHHS**

121 Financial Dr., Suite C, Kalispell, MT 59901 (Region 6)  
(406) 300 – 7418

Child Abuse Hotline: 1(866) 820-5437

<http://dphhs.mt.gov/CFSD>

*Protects children who have been or are at substantial risk of abuse, neglect, or abandonment*

### **Child Support Services Division of DPHHS**

2675 Palmer St., Suite C, Missoula, MT 59808 (Region 5)  
(406) 329-7910

*Pursues financial and medical support of children by establishing, enforcing, and increasing public awareness of parental obligations*

### **Northwest Montana Head Start**

79 7<sup>th</sup> Ave. EN, Kalispell, MT 59901 (Mailing Address)  
(406) 752-7011

*Pre-school for low income families with support services for families and children*

Additional Locations:

North Valley Center

80 Railroad St., Columbia Falls, MT 59912  
(406) 892-4144

Tobacco Valley Center

235 7<sup>th</sup> St. E, Eureka, MT 59917  
(406) 297-5507

### **Nurturing Center**

146 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. W., Kalispell, MT 59901  
(406) 756-1414

<https://nurturingcenter.org/>

*Provides a variety of services to strengthen families and support healthy nurturing environments including child care scholarships, healthy food program, child care provider services, child care services, and other family resources like Safe Havens supervised visitation*

### **Sparrow's Nest**

P.O. Box 8384, Kalispell, MT 59904  
(406) 309-5196

<http://sparrowsnestnwm.org/>

*Provides housing and resources to unaccompanied homeless high school students Monday through Friday 9-5pm.*

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## **Sunburst Family Concepts**

2282 Highway 93 S., Kalispell, MT 59901  
(406) 756-8721

*Provides an array of services to prevent child abuse and neglect as well as assist families in re-unification efforts (including supervised visitation) and permanency planning. Therapy, case management, med management. Parenting classes and drop in center.*

## **Crime Victim Advocate**

820 S. Main St., Kalispell, MT 59901  
Kalispell: (406) 758-7780  
Flathead County: (406) 758-2108

[https://flatheadcountysheriff.com/?page\\_id=1062](https://flatheadcountysheriff.com/?page_id=1062)

*Assists with orders of protection and related services for victims of partner or family member assault as well as the public*

## **WIC (Women, Infants, and Children)**

1035 1<sup>st</sup> Ave. W. (1<sup>st</sup> Floor), Kalispell, MT 59901  
(406) 751-8100  
Fax: (406) 751-8102

<https://flathead.mt.gov/wic/>

*WIC is a special supplemental nutrition program for women, infants and children. It provides short-term, low-cost, preventative health services to families who are at risk due to nutrition related health conditions. Office currently closed all appointments over the phone.*

## Disabilities

### **Disability Rights Montana**

1022 Chestnut St., Helena, MT 59601  
(406) 449-2344  
Toll free: 1(800) 245-4743  
Fax: (406) 449-2418

<http://disabilityrightsmt.org/>

*Provides a wide net of services to people with disabilities through advocacy and legal representation*

### **Opportunity Resources, Inc.**

2821 S. Russell Street, Missoula, MT 59801  
(406) 721-2930

<https://www.orimt.org>

*Supporting individuals with disabilities through work placements, case management, art programming, residential housing and rehabilitation services for sexual offenders.*

### **Summit Independent Living**

Kalispell Office  
1203 Highway 2 W, Suite 35

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(406) 257-0048

Toll Free: 1(800) 995-0029

Missoula Office

700 SW Higgins Avenue, Suite 101

(800) 398 – 9002

<http://www.summitilc.org/>

*Provides consumer and advocacy services to people with mobility, neurological, hearing, visual and other disabilities, such as help obtaining benefits, peer advocates, skills training and senior companion services*

## **Montana Telecommunications Access Program (MTAP)**

111 North Last Chance Gulch, Suite 4C, Helena MT 59604

1-800-833-8503

Email: [relay@mt.gov](mailto:relay@mt.gov)

*Free specialized telephone equipment to Montanans who qualify and are hard of hearing, deaf, blind or mobility and/or speech disabled. Specialists will deliver, set-up and explain equipment to you.*

## Financial

### **CAPNM (Community Action Partnership of Northwestern Montana)**

214 Main St., Kalispell, MT 59901

P.O. Box 8300

(406) 752-6565 or 1(800) 344-5979

<https://capnm.net/>

*Offers a variety of services to increase financial security including financial literacy classes, employment training, emergency rental assistance, weatherization, and low income energy assistance.*

### **OPA (Office of Public Assistance)**

121 Financial Dr. Suite A, Kalispell, MT 59901

Montana Public Assistance Helpline: 1-888-706-1535, [hhshcsopaflathead@mt.gov](mailto:hhshcsopaflathead@mt.gov)

<http://dphhs.mt.gov/hcsd/OfficeofPublicAssistance>

*Administers programs for low-income Montanans including SNAP, Medicaid, medical assistance, emergency aid for dependent children, and TANF*

### **Neighbors in Need**

P.O. Box 8721, Kalispell, MT 59904

(406) 752-8181, [info@ninhelps.org](mailto:info@ninhelps.org)

*Faith-based fund of last resort for one-time emergencies such as temporary shelter, rent assistance, utility assistance, car repair, and gasoline for people in need. Now excepting calls only from service providers.*

## Food

### **Bigfork Food Bank**

7535 MT Highway 35, Bigfork, MT 59911

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(406) 837-2297, bigforkmtfoodbank@gmail.com

<http://www.bigforkfoodbank.org/>

Offers perishable and nonperishable food for families with income below 150% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines. Customers can come up to twice a month. 9-1 PM 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday/ 4-6 PM 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays

## **Columbia Falls Food Bank**

82 Railroad St. East, P.O. Box 1081, Columbia Falls, MT 59912

(406) 892-0241

*Food is distributed Mondays 5 – 6:30 PM and Tuesdays, 9:30 AM - Noon*

## **Flathead Food bank**

1203 Highway 2 W, Suite 2, Kalispell, MT 59901

(406) 752-3663, info@flatheadfoodbank.com

<http://www.flatheadfoodbank.org>

*Food distributions every T/Th from 10AM – 5:45PM and M/W from 8AM – 3:45PM. . Services intended to provide a three day emergency supply of food. Customers can use pantry up to twice a month, with the second visit for perishable food only. Also offers distributions at mobile and satellite locations:*

**Martin City Fire Hall** (1st and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month from 10Am – 12:30PM)

332 Central Avenue, Martin City MT 59926

## **Kila Pantry**

Kila Country Church, 150 Cottage Ln, Kila, MT 59920

*2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays, 9-10 AM*

## **Marion Pantry**

Marion Baptist Church, 180 Pleasant Valley Road, Marion, MT 59925

*2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays, 10:30AM-12PM*

## **North Valley Food Bank (Whitefish)**

251 Flathead Ave, Whitefish, MT 59937

(406) 862-5863 (Monday through Friday F 9-3pm)

<http://www.northvalleyfoodbank.org/>

*Grocery store closed beginning January 5, 2022.*

*We will continue to provide Drive-thru distribution at the following times:*

- *Wednesdays, noon to 6 pm*
- *Thursdays, noon to 4.30 pm*

*Our delivery program is a special service for homebound seniors, seniors living with disabilities, individuals with varying day-to-day abilities including mental health conditions, and those with significant transportation issues.*

*Please call us at 406-862-5863 extension 1004 if you are in need of deliveries.*

*Deliveries go out weekly on Friday mornings, typically between 10 and noon.*

## **Mobile Distribution Pantries:**

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- Trego: Fridays @ Trego Civic Center 10:30 - 11:30  
\*The 2nd Friday of the month January - March, distribution only includes produce boxes and milk sponsored by Hopa Mountain.
- Olney: Fridays @ Olney Store 12 – 12:30
- Essex: 1st and 3rd Monday of the month @ Izaak Walton Inn 10:30 – 11

## **West Shore Food Bank**

7150 Hwy. 93 South, P.O. Box 192, Lakeside, MT 59922  
(406) 844 - 2779

*Distributes food on weekly rotation -Mondays 4-6 pm & Tuesdays 9-11 am*

## **Shepherd's Hand**

5150 River Lakes Parkway (Christ Lutheran Church), Whitefish, MT 59937  
(406) 260-3502

<http://shepherdshand.com/landing-bedford/>

*Supplemental nutrition program for women, infants, and children, providing short term, low cost, preventative health services to families who are at risk due to nutrition related health conditions (free clinics are primarily for those who do not have Medicaid or private health insurance). Free medical clinics are Mondays at 6PM. Provides free community meals every Monday at 5:30, currently suspended.*

## Health

### **Lamplighter house**

410 Windward Way, Kalispell, MT 59901  
(406) 257-1353

<https://www.wmmhc.org/location/Kalispell-Adult-Mental-Health-Center>

*A rehabilitation program designed to help adults with mental illnesses address independent living skills, coping with mental illness, pre-vocational training, socialization, and recreation/leisure activities. Adult day treatment. Offering family classes and parenting classes.*

### **National Suicide Prevention Lifeline**

1-800-273-8255

Trained crisis workers available to talk 24/7. You can also access the Lifeline Chat online and chat to a crisis worker via webchat at <https://suicidepreventionlifeline.org/chat/>.

### **Pathways Treatment Center**

#### **Behavioral and Mental Health Crisis Line**

(406) 752-6262

*24-Hour crisis intervention line for mental health emergencies*

### **Sunburst Mental Health**

2282 Highway 93 S., Kalispell, MT 59901  
(406) 756-8721

[https://www.healthcaremontana.org/Sunburst\\_Mental\\_Health\\_Services-Kalispell-MT/](https://www.healthcaremontana.org/Sunburst_Mental_Health_Services-Kalispell-MT/)

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*Provides licensed outpatient mental health services to children, adults and families including psychiatric assessments, medication management, therapy, community rehabilitation, vocational support, and case management. The Home Support Services program offers in-home therapeutic services for youth ages 4 to 18 with mental health issues.*

## **Western Montana Mental Health Center**

410 Windward Way, Kalispell, MT 59901  
(406) 257-1336, kalispelladults@emmhc.org  
Fax: (406) 257-1353  
<http://www.wmmhc.org/>

*Behavioral healthcare provider offering a comprehensive range of services and housing options to people of all ages who face mental health and substance use disorder issues. Facilities include an adult mental health center, a group home and a crisis facility.*

## **Montana Addiction Crisis Hotline**

1-877-516-0312

## **Youth Crisis Diversion Project**

450 Corporate Drive, Suite 105/106, Kalispell, MT 59901  
(406) 751-8017  
<https://www.youthdynamics.org/about-us/>

*Youth focused crisis therapeutic behavioral services. Services include therapy, case management, family education and support, foster and respite care, mentoring, therapeutic youth home care, equine-assisted therapy, substance abuse treatment, independent living skills*

## Housing

### **A Ray of Hope**

46 5<sup>th</sup> Ave. W., P.O. Box 5407, Kalispell, MT 59901  
(406) 755-4673  
<http://www.arayofhopemontana.com/index>

*Provides shelter, food, clothing and job training for those in the community with nowhere else to go.*

### **Community Action Partnership of NW Montana**

214 Main St., Kalispell, MT 59901  
P.O. Box 8300  
(406) 752-6565 or 1(800) 344-5979  
<https://capnm.net/>

*Offers services for several housing specific needs, including a Section 8 Voucher program for very low-income people, a low-income home ownership program, and some emergency housing solutions. CAPNM also facilitates the Low-Income Energy Assistance Program (LIEAP).*

### **Glacier Hope Homes**

228 Hodgson Pines Way, Kalispell, MT 59937  
(406) 871-6738  
<https://glacierhopehomes.business.site/#summary>

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*Provides housing, jobs, job training, support, and referral services to veterans, senior veterans, and homeless veterans. Offers a chemical dependency live-in 30-day program, can take up to 10 individuals at a time.*

## **Montana Fair Housing**

501 East Front St. Suite 504, Butte, MT 59701

(406) 782-2573 or 1(800) 929-2611

<http://www.montanafairhousing.org/>

*Investigates allegations of housing discrimination and facilitates the complaint process for victims of housing discrimination*

## **Samaritan House**

124 9<sup>th</sup> Ave W., Kalispell, MT 59901

(406) 257-5801

<http://www.samaritanhousemt.com/>

*Provides food, transitional and emergency housing, resources, and case management for the homeless with low or no income in Kalispell and beyond the Flathead Valley. Additionally, the Veteran s Program provides resources for physical and mental health check-ups, and affordable housing for veterans.*

## **Sunburst Village Drop-In Center**

2282 Highway 93 S., Suite 1, Kalispell, MT 59901

(406) 756-8721

*Offers assistance with housing applications and homelessness at the Village Drop-in center. Hours are M-F, 8AM – 5:30PM.*

## Legal

### **Law Enforcement**

#### **Kalispell Police Department**

312 1<sup>st</sup> Ave E, Kalispell, MT 59901

(406) 758-7780

Dispatch (to report a crime): (406) 260 – 4321 -4321

Fax: (406) 758-7799

Emergencies: Dial 911

<https://www.kalispell.com/260/Police>

#### **Whitefish Police Department**

275 Flathead Ave, Whitefish MT 59937

(406) 863-2420

Emergencies: Dial 911

<http://whitefishpolice.com/>

#### **Columbia Falls Police Department**

130 6<sup>th</sup> St W A, Columbia Falls, MT 59912

(406) 892-3234, [cfpolice@colfallsmt.com](mailto:cfpolice@colfallsmt.com)

Emergencies: Dial 911



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<http://cityofcolumbiafalls.org/police>

## **Flathead County Sheriff**

920 S Main St., Suite 100 (1<sup>st</sup> Floor), Kalispell, MT 59901

(406) 758-5585

Emergencies: Dial 911

<http://flatheadcountysheriff.com/>

## **Courts**

### **Columbia Falls City Court**

130 6<sup>th</sup> St. W., Columbia Falls, MT 59912

(406) 892-4340

<https://cityofcolumbiafalls.org/courts-and-legal>

### **Kalispell Municipal Court**

312 1<sup>st</sup> Ave. E., Kalispell, MT 59901

(406) 758-7705, fax: (406) 758-7773

<https://www.kalispell.com/217/Municipal-Court>

### **Whitefish Municipal Court**

275 Flathead Ave, Whitefish, MT 59937

(406) 863-2440

Fax: (406) 863-1259

Email: [court@cityofwhitefish.org](mailto:court@cityofwhitefish.org)

### **Flathead County Justice Court/Small Claims Court**

920 S. Main St. (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor), Kalispell, MT 59901

(406) 758-5643, [kmc@kalispell.com](mailto:kmc@kalispell.com)

Fax: (406) 758-5842

[https://flathead.mt.gov/justice\\_court/](https://flathead.mt.gov/justice_court/)

### **Flathead County District Court**

920 S. Main St. (3<sup>rd</sup> Floor), Kalispell, MT 59901

(406) 758-5906

**Clerk of District Court -Peg Allison**

(406) 758-5870

[https://flathead.mt.gov/clerk\\_of\\_court/](https://flathead.mt.gov/clerk_of_court/)

### **Flathead County Attorney**

820 S. Main St., Kalispell, MT 59901

(406) 758-5630

Fax: (406) 758-5642, [County.Attorney@flathead.mt.gov](mailto:County.Attorney@flathead.mt.gov)

<http://flathead.mt.gov/attorney/>

### **Flathead County Self-Help Law Center**

920 S. Main St. (Basement), Kalispell, MT 59901

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(406) 758-2496

<https://courts.mt.gov/SelfHelp/>

*Provides free legal information and fill-in-the-blank court forms for self-representing litigants in civil legal matters, including divorce, parenting plans, name changes, landlord/tenant, power of attorney, etc. Walk-in hours are from 9:30AM – 3:00PM (closed 12:30-1PM for lunch).*

## **Montana Legal Services Association**

1535 Liberty Ln, Suite 110D, Missoula, MT 59802

Helpline: 1(800) 666-6899, hours are 9AM – 1PM M-F

<http://www.mtlsa.org/>

A state-wide pro bono law firm that assists low-income Montanans facing civil legal issues, including domestic violence issues, access to public benefits, housing rights, consumer law and tribal court. You can apply for services by calling the Helpline or filling out an online application.

## **Office of Public Defender (Region 1) Nick Aemisegger**

723 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue East, Suite 100., Kalispell, MT 59901

(406) 751-6080

Fax: (406) 751-6083

## Senior

### **Adult Protective Services - Department of Health and Human Services**

121 Financial Drive #B, Kalispell, MT 59901

(406) 755-6493

<http://dphhs.mt.gov/SLTC/APS>

*Helps protect vulnerable adults (60 years old or older) or disabilities from abuse, neglect, and exploitation*

### **Agency on Aging**

40 11<sup>th</sup> St. W., Kalispell, MT 59901

(406) 758-5730

Fax: (406) 758-5732

<https://flathead.mt.gov/aging/>

*Serves people with the goal of enabling persons 60 years or older to lead independent, meaningful, and dignified lives, by providing direct services, contracting for services, and networking with the community to locate services*

## Transportation

### **Mountain Climber**

160 Kelly Road, Kalispell, MT 59901

Dial-A-Ride: (406) 758-5728

[https://flathead.mt.gov/mountain\\_climber/services.php](https://flathead.mt.gov/mountain_climber/services.php)

*Public transportation service with fixed routes in Kalispell, Whitefish, and Columbia falls. Also, Dial-A-Ride service for seniors and disabled people (by appointment). Most fares are \$1 each way. Kalispell Service provided Monday through Friday from 7:00 am - 6:00 pm.*

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## Veterans

### Glacier Hope Homes

228 Hodgson Pines Way, Kalispell, MT 59937

(406) 871-6738

*Provides housing, jobs, job training, support, and referral services to veterans, senior veterans, and homeless veterans. Offers a chemical dependency live-in 30-day program, can take up to 10 individuals at a time.*

### North West Montana Veterans Food Pantry

1349 Highway 2 E, Kalispell, MT 59901

(406) 756-7304

<http://veteransfoodpantry.org/>

*Provides a variety of services to homeless, low-income, and at-risk veterans and their families including food, clothing, household furnishings, counseling, and resource referrals, Monday-Friday 10-3 PM*

### Samaritan House

124 9<sup>th</sup> Ave W., Kalispell, MT 59901

(406) 257-5801

<http://www.samaritanhousemt.com/>

*Provides food, housing, resources, and case management for the homeless with low or no income in Kalispell and beyond the Flathead Valley. Also, services Veterans by providing resources for physical and mental health check-ups, and affordable housing*

## Domestic Violence Resources

### Abbie Shelter

P.O. Box 1401, Kalispell, MT 59901-1401

(No physical address)

Office: (406) 752-4735

Violence Free Crisis Line: (406) 752-7273

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

*Provides victims and survivors of domestic and sexual violence with confidential advocacy, crisis intervention, emergency shelter, safety planning, and support*

### Crime Victim Advocate

820 S. Main St., Kalispell, MT 59901

Kalispell -(406) 758-7780

Flathead County -(406) 758-2108

<http://flatheadcountysheriff.com/crime-victim-advocate/> *Assists with orders of protection and related services for victims of partner, family member, public assault.*

## Other

### Montana Suicide Prevention Lifeline

1(800) 273-TALK (8255)

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Or text "MT" to 741 741

## **Montana Warm Line**

1(877) 688-3377

<http://www.montanawarmline.org/index.html>

*The Recovery Line is for people with a mental illness who want to talk to a peer (that is, a person who is in recovery for his or her own mental illness) about issues they are facing in their lives or with their treatment. Provides a friendly, understanding person when you just need someone to talk to, Monday and Friday 4 – 9PM.*

## **The Literacy Center of Northwest Montana**

1203 Hwy 2 West, Suite 30 (Gateway Community Center), Kalispell MT 59901

(406) 257-7323

<https://www.flatheadliteracy.org/#!>

*Offers small classes and one-on-one tutoring for basic literacy, ESL literacy, computer literacy and financial literacy.*