

Adams County Community Resource Guide



**Navigating your community support systems
made simple.**

GUIDE INFORMATION

Introduction:

Life is a series of ups and downs, but there are resources and supports in our local community ready to help us overcome barriers. This book is not a comprehensive list of programs, but it is designed to point you in the right direction to access help when you need it. You are not alone. Sometimes the first step is the hardest – reaching out for help.

This guide is organized into four general categories:

ACCESS – Methods to overcoming a disconnect from our online community and assistance programs.

BASIC NEEDS – Connecting you to community organizations for life's unexpected questions.

ADDITIONAL SERVICES – Resources to take you beyond your current path in life and promote positive changes.

PREPAREDNESS – Guidance on obtaining important documentation that you may need to achieve your goals.

Intervention Services – When experiencing a situation needing immediate assistance, these support services are ready to help you.

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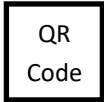
When navigating this guide, you can reference the structure example below to quickly find information you are looking for under each listing.

Program or Agency Name description of the listed program or organization.

Location if applicable

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Website if applicable



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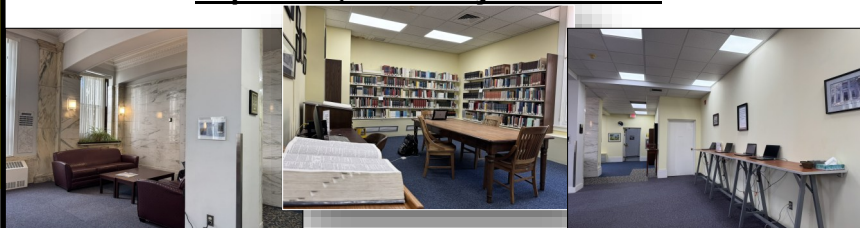
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ACCESS

Our world is more connected than ever, and services are usually only a few clicks away, but the first hurdle is accessing the internet. In this section, we have provided information about where to utilize computers or connect your own devices to public Wi-Fi, and how to seek out an affordable cellular phone.

Disclaimer: Prior to connecting to a public computer or network, please read all disclaimers that are displayed to you. Understand that the provider may restrict, supervise, or track your access.



Where can I connect my personal device to Wi-Fi?

The Adams County Library System (ACLS) has six branch locations with workstations that are free to use in one-hour blocks (ask for extended time after the first hour.) Patrons without a library card may ask at the main desk for a guest pass to use a computer. The libraries also provide printing services for a fee.

ACLS Locations:

Main branch library

140 Baltimore Street, Gettysburg – (717) 334-5716

Littlestown Library

232 North Queen Street, Littlestown – (717) 359-0446

Carroll Valley Library

5685 Fairfield Road, Carroll Valley – (717) 642-6009

Trone Memorial Library

105 Locust Street, East Berlin – (717) 259-9000

Harbaugh-Thomas Library

59 West York Street, Biglerville – (717) 677-6257

New Oxford Area Library

122 North Peters Street, New Oxford – (717) 624-2182

Where can I connect my personal device to Wi-Fi?

In addition to many businesses, such as restaurants, gas stations, and stores, that allow paying customers to utilize free Wi-Fi, patrons can also connect for free at each of the library locations listed in the last section. There is also free public Wi-Fi in Gettysburg's Historic Lincoln Square. To utilize, turn on your device's Wi-Fi setting, search for an available network, and follow the instructions provided by the network provider.

How can I get an affordable cellular phone or internet service?

One option is a pay-as-you-go cellular phone with pre-paid minutes. These are available at retailers such as Wal-Mart, Target, and Dollar General, and many convenience stores.

Another option is the Lifeline federal program dedicated to making phone internet service more affordable for low-income households by providing eligible consumers with a monthly discount. To learn more about getting qualified for Lifeline, visit www.lifelinesupport.org/get-started or call the Lifeline Support Center at 1 (800) 234-9743. You may also contact your selected phone or internet company for assistance applying.

Prepaid Phones

Purchase data/minutes as needed. Available at retailers such as Wal-Mart, Target, and Dollar General, and many convenience stores.

Lifeline Federal Program

Monthly discounts for eligible consumers

Call: 1 (800) 234-9743

Web: lifelinesupport.org/get-started



There are essential elements of life that help us achieve stability. This section explores local resources for housing, food services, clothing, utilities, medical care and transportation.

Programs offered by the following organizations are managed by the service entity. Individuals and families must meet program qualifications outlined by said organization to be provided services.

Pages 4-8 will be referenced in other sections of this resource guide. These informative full pages highlight organizations who strive to make a positive impact in more ways than one in our community.

How can I stay updated on county information?

Adams County provides a great deal of information through their website that can be accessed easily at your local library. The home page offers county news and a calendar for events. The top right of the home page displays a link for *Services* and a link for *Locations* to simplify your search for information. You can also find details about County meetings that are open to the community to participate.

<https://www.adamscountypa.gov/>





Adams Rescue Mission is a faith-based community support organization dedicated to meeting practical needs while fostering hope and stability. The organization offers the following services:

- Through its three thrift store's locations, the mission generates revenue that directly supports its programs. These stores also provide vouchers for clothing, furniture, and household items to individuals and families in need.
- Adams Rescue Mission's recycling program accepts donations on a regular basis at 2515 York Road. For a full list of accepted items, please visit the website listed.
- The Agape House serves as a shelter for homeless and displaced families, offering fully furnished apartments, on-site counseling, life-skills coaching, and group activities designed to build stability and community.
- The Men's Shelter, located on York Road in Gettysburg, focuses on addiction recovery. The program includes vocational training, on-site counseling, daily chapel services, and structured recovery classes.
- The ARM-UP Greenhouse is a vocational training program for residents of the ARM housing to sell flowers and other plants.
- Looking ahead, Adams Rescue Mission plans to open a women's shelter and expand the Agape House to serve even more families in need.
- Beyond providing essential services, Adams Rescue Mission is committed to strengthening the community through volunteer opportunities, events for all ages, and partnerships with local organizations.

2515 York Road, Gettysburg

(717) 334-7502

adamsrescuemission.org



BASIC NEEDS



Sharing Christ's love by meeting human needs



New Hope Ministries is a faith-based community support organization that offers the following services:

- Food Assistance and Mobile Food Pantry found in varies locations and time.
- Educational Programs and Vocational Certificates through accredited partners such as HACC.
- Youth Programs for scholarships, summer activities, and preschool.
- Housing Assistance to help pay rent or mortgage, those facing homelessness, and find housing. These services are dependent upon your location.
- Transportation Assistance to include programs that offer a borrowed vehicle to receiving a donated vehicle.
- Medical Needs and Referral Services to assistance providers.
- Volunteer and donation opportunities for those interested in giving back and supporting their community.

For more information, you can call or visit their website.

154 Enterprise Drive, New Oxford

(717) 624-4700

nhm-pa.org/





SCCAP

South Central Community Action Programs

Empower • Engage • End Poverty

South Central Community Action Programs (SCCAP) is a community support organization that utilizes person centered coaching to assist you in creating and following through with your goals. Their coaching and resources focus on assisting you in the following services:

- Affordable Child Care
- Resource and Referral Services
- Parent Education
- Adams County Homeless Shelter
151 Rear N Statton street, Gettysburg
(717) 337-2413
- Affordable Housing
- Home Weatherization Program
- Food Pantry
- The Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Program
- The Gleaning Project accessible fresh product
- Community Education Events
- Individual Volunteer Opportunities
- Group Volunteer Opportunities Contact info@sccap.org

For more information, you can call or visit their website.

153 N Stratton street, Gettysburg, Pa

(717) 334-7634

sccap.org/volunteer



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COMPASS
CLICK. APPLY. BENEFIT.

COMPASS is the Pennsylvania online access to your benefits. Using this site you can check if you qualify, apply for benefits, renew your benefits, and access other resources through referrals. They offer their services 24/7 in English or Spanish online or through their mobile app. The following services are currently offered through COMPASS or have available referrals for other agencies:

- Medical Assistance
- Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP)
- Cash Assistance
- Child Care Payment Assistance
- Food Assistance (SNAP)
- Help with Paying your Heating Bill (LIHEAP)
- Free or Reduced-Price School Meals
- Long-Term Living Services
- Early Intervention, Intellectual Disability, or Adult Autism Services
- Community Resource Searches

For more information, you can call or visit their website.

(800) 692-7462 Monday-Friday 8:30am - 4:30pm

<https://www.compass.dhs.pa.gov/home/#/>

Apple AppStore



Google Play





United is the Way

United Way of Adams County

United is the way to healthier communities

Bag the Bounty food drive collected 8,616 lbs. of food for distribution to 20 food programs to help address food insecurity in our community.



United is the way to youth opportunities

The Ready to Learn Program distributed 1,800 children's books and held it's 22nd annual Bridging the Gap conference for 65 local early childhood educators.

United is the way to financial security

The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program prepared and filed 963 returns for free - in partnership with Manos Unidas, Harrisburg Area Community College, and Adams County Office for Aging - generating \$1.16 million in refunds for local residents.



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uwadams.org



facebook.com/UWADAMSCO/



[@unitedwayadamscounty](https://www.instagram.com/unitedwayadamscounty)

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For more information, you can call or visit their website.

123 Buford Avenue, PO Box 3545

(717) 334-5809

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



Housing

Who can assist with rent or mortgage payments?

New Hope Ministries can assist low-income families to avoid eviction and homelessness.

(717) 432-2087

<https://nhm-pa.org/>



PathStone serves one-time emergency needs including rent or mortgage assistance for eligible consumers.

(717) 677-9181

www.pathstone.org



Who can assist with utility payments?

Reach out to your utility providers to ask if there are any programs available to assist with your account. Contact the following agencies to inquire if funds are available to assist with utilities:

Salvation Army Gettysburg Emergency Service Unit

1570 Fairfield Road, Gettysburg

717-398-2066

PathStone Corporation

2150 Carlisle Road, Aspers

(717) 677-9181

www.pathstone.org



New Hope Ministries

154 Enterprise Dr, New Oxford

(717) 432-2087

<https://nhm-pa.org/>



Where can we stay as a family?

South Central Community Action Programs (SCCAP) operates a family-only shelter that can serve up to ten families at a time. Reference page 6 for more information.

The Agape House is a Christian family shelter operated by Adams Rescue Mission. The house has ten furnished apartments, and the program provides opportunities for displaced women and families to become integrated into the community. Reference Page 4 for more information.

Where can I stay if I am single?

Gettysburg CARES (Combined Area Resources for Emergency Shelter) is a cold-weather shelter operated October to April with capacity to assist 30 people per night.

117 York Street, Gettysburg
Open Daily 8:00am-8:00pm
(717) 334-4195
www.gettysburgcares.com



The Adams Rescue Mission operates a shelter and Christ-based program that can house up to 30 men. This is a work-oriented program with participants operating the facility's recycling center and thrift store. Reference Page 4 for more information.

Who can assist with subsidized housing or rental assistance?

The Adams County Housing Authority offers HUD housing choice vouchers, affordable and subsidized rentals, and supportive housing for homeless persons. Eligibility varies by program and waitlists can be extensive.

40 East High Street, Gettysburg
Monday-Thursday 8:00am-4:30pm and Friday 8:00am-2:00pm
(717) 334-1518
www.adamscha.org



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What is Rapid Rehousing and who can help me complete a referral?

Rapid Re-Housing (RRH) programs in Pennsylvania provide temporary financial assistance and case management to individuals and families experiencing homelessness, aiming for permanent housing stability. Contact PA 211 to complete an assessment for RRH.

Is there a program to help with heating expenses?

Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) is a state program that provides cash grants to eligible families to help pay heating bills.

Reference page 7 for more information.

Can anyone help me weatherize my home for better heating efficiency?

South Central Community Action Programs (SCCAP) Weatherization program can include energy audits, insulation, air sealing, minor heating repairs, and energy usage education to help low income families improve the energy efficiency of their homes and cut heating bills.

151 Rear N Stratton Street, Gettysburg
(717) 334-7634
www.sccap.org/weather



Safe Housing, Inc. offers critical repairs, safety, and accessibility for homeowners living on a fixed or limited income.

1235 Abbottstown Pike, Suite 100, Hanover, PA 17331
(717) 219-7328
<https://www.safe-housing.org/>



Food

Where can I go if I am low on groceries?

Visit www.adamsfoodpolicy.org for current information on food pantries and programs available throughout the county.

The PA Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC) provides nutrition services and health foods for pregnant women, mothers, and caregivers of infants and young children. Available foods include infant foods, dairy products, juice, cereal, legumes, eggs, and more.

(800) 942-9467

www.pawic.com



The Senior Food Box Program supplies eligible low-income Pennsylvanians over the age of 60 with a monthly supplemental food package. While the package is not intended to provide a complete diet, it is a good source of nutrients. Foods that may be included are shelf-stable items like milk, canned meat, peanut butter, pasta, canned produce, juice, and cereals.

(800) 468-2433

RA-fooddist@pa.gov



Is there a program or service to help with cooked meals?

Gettysburg Community Soup Kitchen offers a midday meal served 11:30am-12:30pm Monday-Saturday.

22 West High Street, Gettysburg

(717) 334-2773

www.gettysburgsoupkitchen.org



The Adams County Office for Aging delivers meals to home-bound seniors and adults with disabilities. Commonly referred to as “meals-on-wheels,” details such as delivery frequency may vary by location.

(717) 334-9296

(800) 548-3240 Care Manager Assessment

www.acofa.org



BASIC NEEDS

How can I access fresh produce?

The Gleaning Project is an initiative to reduce food loss on local farms and increase food security in the community by collecting produce items left behind during harvest and distributing them to access points around Adams and Franklin counties.

153 North Stratton Street, Gettysburg

(717) 884-8373

www.thegleaningproject.org



Healthy Options is a program through the Adams County Food Policy Council that provides vouchers to low-income Adams County residents for use at the Adams County Farmers Market during the market season, then at Kennie's Markets in the colder months. Families wishing to participate must meet income guidelines and be referred by community agencies such as SCCAP Food Pantry, WellSpan, Head Start, Office for Aging, etc.

www.adamsfoodpolicy.org/healthy-options



The WIC Farms Market Nutrition Program (FMNP) and Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program (SFMNP) provide WIC recipients and low-income seniors with fresh, locally grown fruits, vegetables, and herbs from approved farmers in PA. For WIC participants, contact your WIC office for details. For seniors, call the Office for Aging to find out when and where the vouchers are being distributed; they are available on a first serve basis. A list of participating farmers and farmer's markets are distributed along with the vouchers.

(800) 942-9467

www.pawic.com



Your SNAP/EBT benefits and Farmers Market Nutrition Program checks can go twice as far at the Adams County Farmers Market held at Rec Park in Gettysburg on Saturdays from April through October. Visit the main farmers market booth to receive tokens doubling your buying power.

Clothing

Where can I find affordable clothing?

Adams Rescue Mission (ARM) operates three thrift stores in the county

ARM Boutique – 2515 York Road, Gettysburg

Agape Boutique – 114 Chambersburg Street, Gettysburg

Biglerville Thrift Store – 38 West York Street, Biglerville

Reference page 4 for more information.

The Gettysburg United Methodist Church Clothing Closet operating in the lower level of the church on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays 11:00am-2:00pm.

30 West High Street, Gettysburg

(717) 334-3032

Freedom Valley Church operates the free FV Kids Clothing Closet by appointment only.

3185 York Road, Gettysburg

(717) 624-3411

www.fv.church/clothingcloset



Is there a program to help with professional clothing for interviews and new employment?

Suits to Careers, Inc. operates the Dress for Success program for women and Tied to Success program for men in South Central PA. Managed through the YWCA of Greater Harrisburg, the organization assists with professional clothing for interviews, job training, and additional wardrobe items when employment has been achieved. The program operates a Mobile Boutique that visits Adams County on Wednesdays by appointment.

(717) 232-1333 ext. 106

www.suitstocareers.org

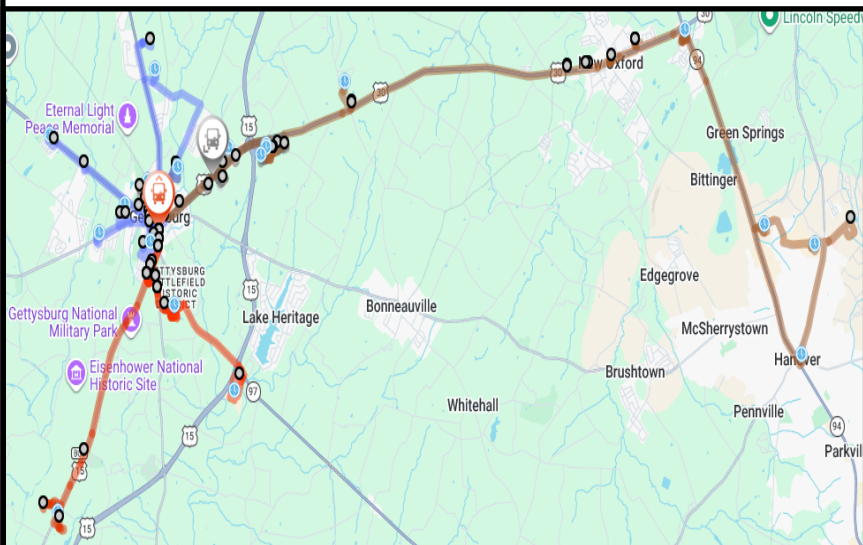


Transportation

What are some transportation options if I do not drive?

Rabbit Transit operates the Freedom Transit fixed-route bus system in Gettysburg, which also has links to Hanover, York, and Harrisburg. Rabbit also operates the shared ride or paratransit program through the Office for Aging and a medical assistance transportation program. Details, schedules, and route maps can be found at www.rabbittransit.org/services/gettysburg-fixed-route/ Or download the myStop Mobile app to track buses in real time.

Commute PA is a program dedicated to more energy-efficient travel through the use of rideshare, carpooling. The website assists in matching your needs with established options in your area.



Need Help with Transportation?

Commute PA wants to help YOU find the best option for your commute to your job. You can earn rewards for choosing green transportation!

How to Get Started

- 1) **Join** Commute PA by downloading the app or visiting my.commutepa.org.
- 2) **Complete** your profile with commuting details, including home address and organization.
- 3) **Research** your commute options to find what works best for you!
- 4) **Start** using that mode to get to work, record it, and earn rewards (like discounts/coupons or gift cards).

Commute PA is a free resource providing transportation options for your work commute. If you carpool at least twice a week to work, be sure to record it in Commute PA. You will automatically be eligible for our Emergency Ride Home program. Read all the details and instructions within Commute PA under the "more" section.

How to Find a Ride

- Select "Find Rides" on the website or "Rides" in the app
- Select "For my commute (to work or school)"
 - On the website: Under "Matches," click where it shows # of carpools
 - In the Commute PA app: Click on the Car icon below the map
- Click on potential carpooler profiles to view more info & see their locations on the map
- Send a message explaining your situation
- When you find a good match, plan the carpool details

How to Record Green Trips

- Click on the trips tab: click record; click new trip
- Select mode (IE carpool or transit)
- Make sure your home address is listed as the origin and destination is your new employer
- Commute? Yes for work
- Round Trip? Yes if used both to and from

Download
the app



COMMUTEPA.ORG

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Questions?
Kandi@CommutePA.org
717.341.5740

1.866.579.RIDE

BASIC NEEDS

Coverage

How can I find medical coverage for myself and my family?

PA Compass offers Medicaid medical assistance for low-income individuals and families. Some programs offered are specific to needs and/or children to include the CHIP program. Applications can be completed online or over the phone.

Reference page 7 for more information.

The Adams County Assistance Office can provide in person assistance with completing Medicaid applications.

225 South Franklin Street, Gettysburg

(717) 334-6241 or (800) 638-6816

Monday-Friday 8:30am-5:00pm

PENNIE is PA's official health insurance marketplace for consumers who do not qualify for medical assistance and do not have insurance through an employer or family member.

(844) 844-8040

www.pennie.com



Where can I go for medical care without insurance?

Family First Health Gettysburg Center offers medical, dental, and vision care and accepts most insurances. Patients may also apply for the Sliding Fee Discount Program that may help lower the cost of services based on household income.

1275 York Road, Suite 17, Gettysburg

(717) 337-9400

www.familyfirsthealth.org/forms



Mission of Mercy MD/PA operates a mobile medical and dental clinic on a rotating schedule. Walk-in appointments are limited, please contact the medical appointment line to book an appointment.

Gettysburg Foursquare Church 328 West Middle Street, Gettysburg

(717) 339-6914

www.amissionofmercy.org/maryland-pennsylvania/



Medical Care

Where can I find affordable medical care?

Mission of Mercy is a mobile medication, medical appointment, and dental clinic for those over 18. Walk-ins are accepted but limited.

328 W. Middle Street, Gettysburg

(717) 339-6914 appointment

(301) 682-5683 clinic schedule

www.amissionofmercy.org/maryland-pennsylvania/



Family First Health strives for all inclusive treatment to include primary care, dentistry, substance use, behavioral health, and more. They operate on a sliding fee scale to ensure services are available to everyone.

1275 York Road, Suite 17, Gettysburg

(717) 337-9400

www.familyfirstthehealth.org



Who can assist mothers and pregnant women?

Tender Care offers several services to include free pregnancy verification and ultrasound with an appointment, baby supplies, and education.

1844 York Road, Gettysburg

(717) 334-8613

<https://tendercare.org/>



Woman, Infants, Children (WIC) program provides services for pregnant women, mothers, and children up to the age of five who meet income guidelines. Services focus on completing health screenings, referrals and ensuring nutrition.

153 N Stratton Street, Gettysburg

(717) 334-7634

www.pawic.com/



BASIC NEEDS

SAMHSA

Substance Abuse and Mental Health
Services Administration



Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) provides a 24/7 helpline for treatment referrals and information services. SAMHSA also offers an online search of treatment providers based on your needs and desired location.

Call: 1(800) 662-HELP(4357)

Web: <https://www.samhsa.gov/find-help/helplines/national-helpline>

 **FindTreatment.gov**



**Every journey is
unique—make it
a healthy one!**



Where can I find support for mental health?

The Healthy Adams County initiative maintains a list of mental and behavioral health providers that can be accessed online to include information for Pennsylvania Counseling, WellSpan Phillhaven, TrueNorth Wellness and many more providers.

424 South Washington Street, Gettysburg, PA 17325

(717) 337-4137

www.healthyadamscounty.org



Wellspan Crisis Intervention hotline can submit referrals to local providers to ensure you receive the appropriate care.

(717) 851-5578 or (717) 851-5320

Where can I find support for substance use?

PA Access Center provides a 24/7 number intended for expedited detox placement. If individuals do not qualify for detox services, they are able to place referrals for appropriate care.

1(866) 769-6822

Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) meetings can be found across Adams County and can be found through the following sources.

(866) 920-0628

<https://area59aa.org>



Narcotics Anonymous (NA) meetings can be found across Adams County and can be found through the following sources.

1(844) 310-9590

<https://www.na-meetings.com>



Overcomers Support Group meets in several locations. You can connect to this group on Facebook or using the number below.

Call or Text: (717) 965-2116

29 Carrolls Tract road, Fairfield, PA 17320

Thursdays 6-7pm

10 Westminster avenue, Hanover, PA 17331

Mondays 7-8pm

ADDITIONAL SERVICES

Once stability is achieved, we can look forward, reach higher, and expand our horizons. This section is about continuing education and training, seeking employment opportunities, and strengthening our families.

How can I stay up to date on Adams County events?

Gettysburg Wire Facebook posts community events and news from around Adams County. You can be notified by joining the Adams County Events and Happenings Group.
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/adamscountyevents/>



Where can I go for adult education assistance?

Lincoln Intermediate Unit 12 (LIU) offers Adult Basic Education and English as a Second Language classes as well as small group or individual literacy tutoring and job skills training.
(717) 624-4616
www.iu12.org



The Harrisburg Area Community College (HACC) offers GED preparation classes and testing. Scholarships are available.
(717) 780-1160
www.hacc.edu



LIU 12 also offers free GED preparation classes and practice equivalency tests. All adults must complete an intake, orientation, and assessment prior to starting classes.
Michele Gavazzi: (223) 230-8597

New Hope Ministries provides a weekly preparation class during the regular school year at their Hanover and Mechanicsburg centers. Reference page 5 for more information.

How can I further my education or vocational training?

New Hope Ministries provides educational and vocational training on a variety of topics in partnership with accredited and licensed training providers. The agency offers financial assistance to promote the educational and employment goals of the students. Reference page 5 for more information.

The Keystone Education Yields Success (KEYS) Program through HACC provides support to help students succeed in college by fostering connections, providing resources, and overcoming challenges. Eligibility for the program is determined by the County Assistance Office. Email keysprogram@hacc.edu to schedule an appointment.

Who can help me seek new employment opportunities?

PA CareerLink is more than a job search database. Jobseekers have all the tools at their fingertips to match their skills with the right employer. Whether changing fields or just starting out, CareerLink offers resources to find apprenticeships, and the knowledge to help with creating a resume and completing applications. For students with disabilities, CareerLink offers Pre-Employment Transition Services to help with training options, career choice, and practicing work skills.

The nearest locations to Gettysburg are:

600 Norland Avenue, Chambersburg, PA 17201

(717) 264-4584

40 Noble Boulevard, Suite 12, Carlisle, PA 17013

(717) 243-4431

www.pacareerlink.pa.gov



ADDITIONAL SERVICES

What early learning is available for my child?

Head Start is an early learning option for low income families. Enrollment can be completed online or through the mail after picking up documents from the main office.
705 Old Harrisburg road #5, Gettysburg
(717) 337-1337
<http://www.achsaccess.org/>



Compass offers a search tool for child care and other early learning programs based on your needs and what your family qualifies for. Reference page 7 for more information.

What agencies provide services for those with intellectual or developmental disabilities?

The Arc of York and Adams Counties facilitate the development of networks and support systems that allow people with intellectual and developmental disabilities to build skills and find their voice.
14 Deatrick Drive, Gettysburg, PA 17325
(717) 846-6589
www.thearcyorkadams.org



York/Adams Mental Health-Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (MH-IDD) assists community members with mental illness, intellectual disabilities, and developmental delays to enhance their quality of life. Services include early intervention, evaluations, therapy and service coordination, and support services.
525 Boyds School road, Suite 200, Gettysburg, PA 17325
(717) 398-0330
<https://www.adamscountypa.gov>

The Hanover Adams Rehabilitation and Training (H.A.R.T.) Center provides vocational opportunities to consumers with physical, developmental, and/or mental health disorders. Local industry leaders contract for production and fulfillment at the H.A.R.T. Center where individuals gain vocational training through meaningful paid employment.
(717) 624-4323
www.hartcenterpa.org



ADDITIONAL SERVICES

Who can help with taxes and property tax rebates?

Free tax forms and instruction booklets are available at the Adams County Library. See *page 1* for branch locations.

The MyFreeTaxes Partnership also provides free state and federal tax preparation and filing assistance for qualified individuals.
www.MyFreeTaxes.com



United Way, in partnership with other local organizations, operates the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program, which offers free federal, state, and local tax preparation by IRS-certified volunteers for seniors, people with disabilities, and eligible low- and moderate-income residents.

Reference page 8 for more information.

Adams County Office for Aging Persons assists persons over 60 years of age complete their taxes and the property tax rebate form.
318 West Middle Street, Gettysburg, PA 17325
(717) 334-9296

Manos Unidas Spanish-American Center for Spanish speaking residents
19 West High Street, Gettysburg, PA 17325
(717) 334-1498
<https://manosadams.com/services>



Where can I find legal resources?

Self-help legal forms are available at www.adamscountypa.gov under "Court Self-Help." There is also a list of attorneys that are available for consultation about completing the forms.

MidPenn Legal Services is a non-profit, public interest law firm that provides high quality free civil legal services to low-income residents and survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault.
123 Baltimore St., Ste. 301, Gettysburg, PA 17325
(800) 326-9177
www.midpenn.org



ADDITIONAL SERVICES

Who can help me provide back-to-school supplies and Christmas presents for my children?

United Way operates an annual school supplies drive to assist families struggling to make ends meet.

Reference page 8 for more information.

Adams County Holiday Outreach hosts an annual event where parents can shop for donated toys. They also distribute food certificates for low-income seniors, those who are disabled, and families.

(717) 398-1388

www.achfo.org

The Salvation Army operates the Angel Tree program, which provides warm winter clothing, toys, and other needed items to children up to 12 years of age. Families can apply during the fall.

Gettysburg Service Center (717) 688-6940

www.salvationarmyusa.org



The Adams Rescue Mission provides the Adopt-A-Family program each year.

Reference page 4 for more information.

Are there any resources to furnish my living space?

Adams Rescue Mission's ARM Boutique offers an array of affordable used furniture items.

2515 York road, Gettysburg, PA 17325

114 Chambersburg street, Gettysburg, PA 17325

38 West York Street, Biglerville, PA 17307

Reference page 4 for more information.

New Hope Ministries makes referrals to the PA Furniture Mission for those in need.

Reference page 5 for more information.

Adams County Habitat for Humanity operate Habitat for Humanity ReStore locations that accept new and gently used furniture, appliances, and building materials for affordable resale or donation.

3561 Gettysburg, PA 17325

1(717) 334-5557

www.habitat.org/pa/gettysburg/adams-county-habitat-humanity



ADDITIONAL SERVICES

What resources are available for the Hispanic community?

Manos Unidas is a community organization that promotes the integration of the diverse Adams County population through programs that facilitate cross-cultural understanding and appreciation. Services include:

- Information and referrals to community agencies
- Spanish Speaking Counselors
- Translation and Interpretation
- Advocacy in issues related to: Health, Education, Housing, Financial, Employment, Immigration and Citizenship

19 West High St., Gettysburg, PA 17325

(717) 334-1498

www.manosadams.com



Casa De La Cultura promotes cultural rights of immigrant communities through community activities and collaboration with governmental, academic, and community partners. Programs include:

- English classes
- Swimming classes
- Immigration Support and Advocacy
- Scholarships and College Prep
- Food justice initiatives

(717) 382-8116

www.casagettsburg.org



Are there other resource guides in the community?

This resource guide is meant to be an overview to help members of the community know that they are not alone in tackling life's challenges. There are several community organizations that have produced their own resource guides with an even more detailed list of providers:

Casa De La Cultura:

click "Resource Guide" for a list of topics - www.casagettsburg.org

Healthy Adams County:

guides for local foods and mental and behavioral health providers

www.healthyadamscounty.org/resources-data

Adams County Head Start:

www.achsaccess.org/forms--handbooks.html

ADDITIONAL SERVICES

Where can I find opportunities to volunteer in my community?

There are many opportunities in Adams County to support the growth of the community. This list is only a few locations almost always open to volunteers. Please be mindful that some of the following agencies may require background checks, fingerprints, and/or paperwork to be completed prior to participation.

Adams County Project Hope Mentoring is a program to help guide and empower at-risk youth and young adults ages 13-23.

(717) 337-0110

www.adamscountypa.gov/departments/childrenandyouthservices/project-hope-mentoring

Adams County Library accepts volunteers for daily operations and an assortment of programs offered on sight.

(717) 334-5716

www.adamslibrary.org/volunteer

United Way posts a virtual booklet of current volunteer opportunities primarily published by non-profit organizations across the county.

(717) 334-5829

<https://www.uwadams.org/volunteer-booklet/>

Gettysburg College posts an online listing of local volunteer opportunities primarily geared towards currently enrolled students that offer some community connection opportunities.

www.gettysburg.edu/offices/center-for-public-service/students/

The Arc York & Adams Counties has an assortment of volunteering options for daily operations, after school activities, and fundraising for those 15 years of age and older to positively impact the lives of those with intellectual disabilities.

(717) 846-6589

<https://thearcyorkadams.org/volunteer/>

Adams County SPCA has opportunities for individuals 14 (with a parent/guardian) and older to help with daily care and comfort of animals at the shelter.

(717) 334-8876

www.adamscountyspca.org/volunteer-aspca

Maintaining important documents is crucial for navigating small and large hurdles in life. In this section you will find how to obtain some important documents and tips on managing them.



- Quick Information -

- Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV), Gettysburg
Physical Location: 37 N 4th St, Gettysburg, PA 17325
Phone: (800) 932-4600
- Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT), Gettysburg
Physical Location: 37 N 4th St, Gettysburg, PA 17325
Phone: (717) 412-5300
Mail In: PennDOT, P.O. Box 68272, Harrisburg, PA 17106-8272

What are considered important documents I should have accessible?

- Important Paperwork to Maintain -

- ID Card/Driver's License/ Naturalization Papers
- Birth Certificate
- Social Security Card
- Credit Report
- Medical Records
- Proof of Benefits and Disability Documentation
- High School Diploma/GED
- Marriage Certificate and/or Divorce Papers
- Military Service Records
- Vehicle Title
- Record of Immunizations
- Credit Card Account Information

How do I obtain certain important documents?

- ID Card -

You can mail the required DL-54A form to your local Drivers License Center or complete the form at the center. You must provide:

- DL-54A Form
- Proof of Identification
- Social Security Card
- Two Proofs of Address (Over 18)
- Payment Option

If you have a valid PA driver's license, you must take the completed DL-54A form to your local Drivers License Center with your driver's license or other acceptable ID proof; or mail the required documentation to PennDOT. For more information visit:

<https://www.pa.gov/services/dmv/get-a-photo-id>

- Driver's License -

First Time License Requirements:

- Pass Vision Screening
- Pass Knowledge Test
- Complete DL-180 Learner's Permit Application
- Pass Road Test
- Hold Learner's Permit for 6 months and Complete Required Driving Hours (Under 18)
- Proof of Identity
- Social Security Card
- Two Proofs of Residency

Renew License Requirements:

Can be completed online for some applicable individuals.

- Renewal Application DL-54B
- Current License
- Payment Option

Change/Correct/Replace License Requirements:

Can be completed in person, online, or mailed.

- Complete DL-80 Form
- Payment Option

How do I obtain certain important documents?

- Social Security Card -

Online:

- 7 to 10 Business Days
- <https://www.ssa.gov/number-card>

In Person:

- 2670 Industrial HWY, Suite 2, York, PA 17402
- 200 S Spring Garden ST, Suite 1, Carlisle, PA 17013

- Birth or Death Certificate -

Certificates After 1905 Online Request:

- Approximately 3 Week Processing
- <https://mycertificates.health.pa.gov>

Birth Certificates After 1905 Mail Request:

- Approximately 4 Week Processing
 - Access the link below and select *Application for Birth Certificate* for the application and instructions.
- <https://www.pa.gov/agencies/health/programs/vital-records>

Certificates Before 1906:

- Written request to include contact number, payment, and a self addressed stamped envelope
- PA Dept. of Health
Division of Vital Records
105 Nesbitt Road
New Castle, PA 16105

Same Day Birth Certificate:

- If certificates are requested in person prior to 2:30pm at the below location, you may be able to obtain the certificate the same day.
- Forum Place, 1st Floor
555 Walnut Street
Harrisburg, PA 17101
Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:00AM - 4:00PM. Closed holidays

- Birth or Death Certificate -

To request a copy of a marriage certificate, you must contact the county courthouse the marriage license was issued.

How do I obtain certain important documents?

- Passport -

New and In Person:

- The Prothonotary of Adams County can complete orders for new passports by appointment only. Call (717) 337-9834.
- 117 Baltimore St # 104, Gettysburg, PA 17325
- Visit this site for a full description of requirements:

<https://www.adamscountypa.gov/departments/prothonotary/passport>

Renewals/Online Services:

- <https://travel.state.gov/content/travel.html>

- Military Service Record -

The Veterans Affairs Office can assist with obtaining these records or answering questions that you may have pertaining to this document.

Location: 117 Baltimore Street, Room 7, Gettysburg, PA 17325

Phone: (717) 337-9835

- Credit Score -

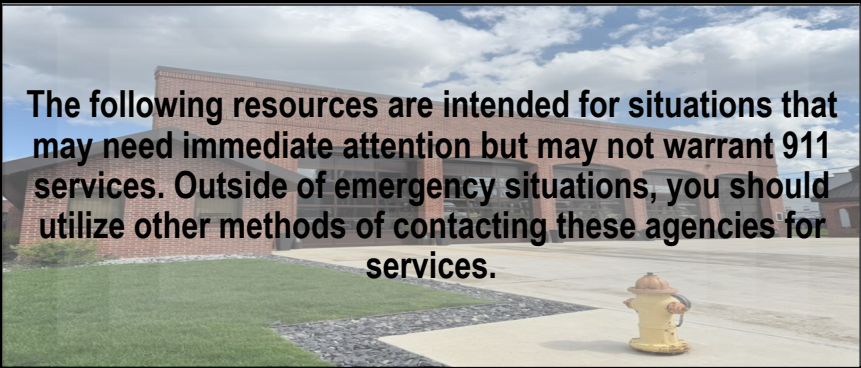
Create a free online account for daily updates upon sign in.

<https://www.freecreditreport.com/>

What are some tips for safely securing important documents?

- 1) Store original or not commonly needed documents in waterproof and fireproof safes or in a bank safety deposit box.
- 2) Scan and save electronic versions of important documents on a secure cloud service or external hard drive.
- 3) Create a filing system using a cabinet or folder for commonly used documents. Using a folder can ensure access to documents in emergencies.
- 4) Regularly review and purge documents that are outdated. Ensure sensitive documents are shredded when being disposed of.
- 5) Inform your attorney or trustee of where your important documents are located.

INTERVENTION SERVICES



The following resources are intended for situations that may need immediate attention but may not warrant 911 services. Outside of emergency situations, you should utilize other methods of contacting these agencies for services.

- Hospitals and Urgent Care Centers in Adams County -

WellSpan Gettysburg Hospital

147 Gettys street, Gettysburg, PA 17325
(717) 334-2121

WellSpan Urgent Care

455 South Washington street, Gettysburg, PA 17325
(717) 339-2875

UPMC Urgent Care

5615 York road, New Oxford, PA 17350
(717) 353-8645

- Adams County Non-Emergency Contact Numbers -

(717) 334-8101 or (717) 624-2101

- Youth and Child Welfare -

24/7 ChildLine: 1 (800) 932-0313

Child and Youth Services (CYS): (717) 337-0373

Children's Advocacy Center (CAC): (717) 334-7300

- Animal Welfare and Control -

PA Dog Warden: (717) 756-4350

PA Game Commission: 1 (833) 742-4868

INTERVENTION SERVICES

What is 211?

PA 211 offers free and confidential crisis and emergency counseling, stable housing and utilities payment assistance, food, health care and insurance assistance, employment programs, veteran services, disaster assistance and more; 24/7/365.

Get Help



Dial 211



Text your Zip
Code to 898-
211



Visit
pa211.org

Communicate with resource specialists who will help find programs to meet your needs.

Dial 211 or 1-855-567-5341

Text your ZIP code to 898-211, specialists are available by text Monday-Friday, 9-5

Visit www.pa211.org and click "Search Our Programs" to search categories by location or use the chat function to connect with a specialist.



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Pennsylvania



INTERVENTION SERVICES

KEY DIFFERENCES BETWEEN

988&911

Knowing when and how to communicate the distinctions between 988 and 911 is critical.

People may not always know when to reach out for behavioral health support versus emergency services.

988**A Resource for Behavioral Health Crises****911****A Response System for Medical, Fire, or Police Emergencies**

DESCRIPTION

The 988 Lifeline connects people with counselors who are trained to provide emotional support, crisis de-escalation, and local resources, without relying on law enforcement or emergency medical intervention unless necessary.

911 is the primary contact for medical emergencies, fire, crimes in progress, or other situations requiring immediate physical intervention. Although 911 is highly effective for emergencies involving physical harm, it is not specialized to manage behavioral health crises.

KEY FEATURES

**Skilled, Caring Support 24/7:**

988 counselors are trained to provide emotional and mental health support and crisis intervention.

**Minimal Law Enforcement**

Intervention: Most crises are managed without involving law enforcement, reducing the likelihood of escalated responses.

**Connection to Local Resources:**

People are referred to local mental health and/or substance use treatment services for follow-up care, ensuring continuity of support.

**Immediate Intervention for Physical**

Danger: 911 dispatches police, fire, or EMS to address urgent threats to life or safety.

**Law Enforcement Involvement:**

Law enforcement officers are typically dispatched in crises involving potential violence or criminal activity.

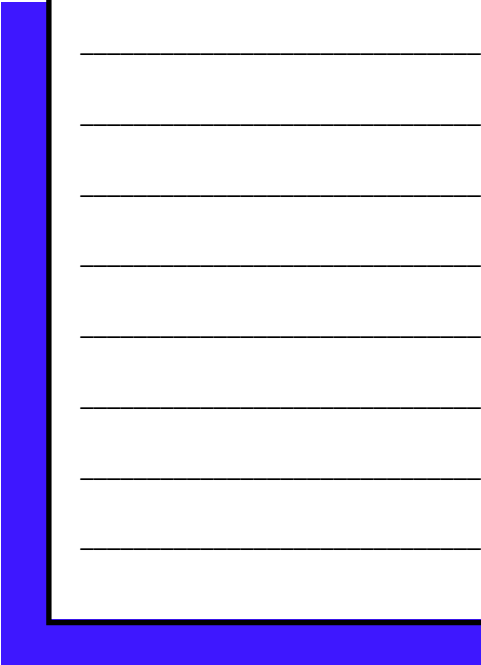
Summary: Both 988 and 911 provide critical support but focus on different crisis types. 988 specializes in behavioral health crises and offers crisis counseling and emotional de-escalation; 911 addresses physical dangers needing police, fire, or EMS. Understanding the distinction is essential to ensuring the appropriate response and care.

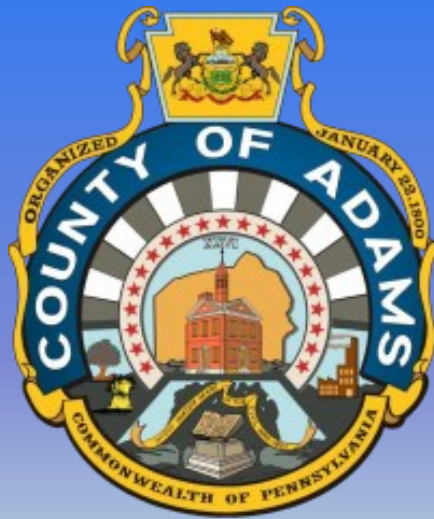
**When in crisis you can call, text or chat
at 988 or at <https://988lifeline.org/>**

988

SUICIDE & CRISIS LIFELINE

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Adams County will provide services which are responsive to the health, safety, and general welfare of County residents.

The County government is dedicated to providing these services through the effective use of the County's resources in a caring and honest manner. We strive to provide a healthy and safe community to enhance the quality of life for our citizens.

We invite any residents to contact the Board or any Commissioner with your ideas, thoughts or concerns. It is an honor for us to serve the residents of beautiful Adams County and thank you for that privilege!