



**Big Brothers  
Big Sisters®**  
OF METRO ATLANTA

# RESOURCE GUIDE FOR FAMILIES

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**COBB COUNTY**

**CHEROKEE COUNTY**

**DOUGLAS COUNTY**

**PAULDING COUNTY**

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# Health & Wellness

## **Cobb & Douglas Public Health**

Cobb & Douglas Public Health offers a wide range of exceptional, cost-effective health services for both adults and children. The doctors, nurses, technicians, and educators on our teams are some of the most caring and respected in their fields, striving daily to lead others and raise the bar for compassion, confidentiality, professionalism, and attentive customer care. In addition to our on-site clinical offerings, we also offer an extensive referral network to guide clients to any additional medical or social services needed.

Ages 3mos-18 | Medicaid and Peach Care Accepted

**(404) 294 – 3700 | [www.cobbanddouglaspublichealth.com](http://www.cobbanddouglaspublichealth.com)**

## **Paulding County Health Department**

Paulding County Health Department Children 1st Services helps children prepare for school and develop to their full potential. Services include dental care, immunization, and Well-Child checkups. Family planning and Women's Health service also available.

Ages 3mos+ | Medicaid and Peach Care Accepted

**(770) 443-7881 | [www.nwgapublichealth.org](http://www.nwgapublichealth.org)**

## **Good Samaritan Health Center of Cobb**

Good Samaritan Health Center takes a family centered approach to ensure that we deliver high quality primary and preventative medical and dental services in addition to counseling, pharmaceutical, referral, and health education programs in an atmosphere of dignity and respect, regardless of race, ethnicity, religion, or ability to pay.

All ages | Sliding Scale & Insurance Accepted

**(770) 419 - 3120 | [www.goodsamcobb.org](http://www.goodsamcobb.org)**

## Someone Cares, Inc. of Atlanta

Someone Cares offers holistic support and interventions to the LGBTQ, and underserved, marginalized, and homeless populations. Someone Cares provides HIV/AIDS/STI prevention education, women's health, interventions, counseling & testing, mental health, research, screening, treatment, and medical care.

All ages | No cost for most uninsured clients

**(678) 921 - 2706 | [www.s1catl.org](http://www.s1catl.org)**

## North Georgia Health District

North Georgia Health District is an integral part of the quality health care system in Cherokee County and provides core public health services and innovative health care solutions for residents of our community. Services provided include women's health, dental services, youth health services, immunizations, and prescription management.

All Ages | Sliding Scale and Accepts Insurance

**(706) 529 - 5757 | [www.nghd.org](http://www.nghd.org)**

## With A Child's Heart

With A Child's Heart is a behavioral health center providing mental health services to children, individuals, and families. Services provided includes assessments, medication management, youth, and family counseling.

Ages 3-Adult | Sliding Scale and Accepts Insurance

**(770) 224 - 7245 | [www.withachildsheartbhc.com](http://www.withachildsheartbhc.com)**

## The Potters Behavioral Medicine Clinic

The Potters Behavioral Medicine Clinic is set up with the total well-being of the patient in mind. Our goal is to go beyond treating the symptoms to address the root issue of the problem wherever possible. We offer individual and group counseling and medication management; Autism and ADHD services; addiction services; court ordered services.

Ages 6-65 | Insurance Accepted

**(770) 459 – 8799 | [www.thepottersclinic.org](http://www.thepottersclinic.org)**

## **Our House - Community Advanced Practice Nurses, Inc.**

Community Advanced Practice Nurses offers low-barrier, equitable health care for all. Our services are free-of-charge and available through walk-in visits. We provide immunizations and Vaccinations, Specialized Pediatric Care, Physical Exams, STI Testing and Treatment, Birth Control, Breast Exams, Mental Health Counseling, Substance Abuse Counseling, Referrals (Dental, Vision, Pregnancy, and Emergency), and Case Management.

All Ages | No information needed for intake

**(404) 658 – 1500** | [www.capn.org](http://www.capn.org)

## **The Cherokee Family Violence Center**

The Cherokee Family Violence Center enhances the safety of those impacted by intimate partner violence through services that empower victims while advocating for a community standard of zero tolerance for violence in the home.

All Ages | Support Groups for ages 4 – 18 | No cost

**(770) 479 - 1804** | [www.cfvc.org](http://www.cfvc.org)

## **CareLink of Northwest Georgia**

CareLink of Northwest Georgia was created to provide healthcare and other resources to Paulding county's uninsured and underserved adult residents. CareLink is providing much needed primary care medical, mental health, and prescription management services to residents and those living in adjacent counties, who have no medical insurance or Part A Medicare insurance only.

Age 18 + | \$25 for the initial application and first primary care visit

**(678) 903 – 5103** | [www.carelinkga.org](http://www.carelinkga.org)

## **Georgia Highlands Medical Services - Canton Family Health Center**

Georgia Highlands services include Family Practice, Pediatrics, GYN, Family Planning, Pharmacy, On-site Laboratory, In-person Assistance with the Healthcare Marketplace.

All Ages | Sliding Scale and Accepts Insurance

**(678) 807 - 1050** | [www.ghms-inc.org](http://www.ghms-inc.org)

## **CHRIS 180 Counseling Center – Smyrna**

CHRIS 180 provides trauma-informed care through our CHRIS Counseling Center offices. Counseling services include Individual Therapy, Family Therapy, Substance Use TREE House Program (teens and young adults), LGBTQ+ specialists, Grief groups, and Psychological Testing.

All Ages | Insurance Accepted | Sliding Scale

**(770) 722 – 0080 | [www.chris180.org](http://www.chris180.org)**

## **Must Ministries - Mercy Care Services, Inc.**

Mercy Care offers comprehensive services that meet most of the primary physical, mental health and wellness needs. Everyone receives exceptional care, no matter your insurance or income status. Mercy Care is not a free clinic. If you have no income, we require certain documents to assist you with your payments (picture ID, proof of residency, check stubs if you are employed, or wage verification from the Department of Labor if you are unemployed).

All Ages | Sliding Fee Scale

**(678) 843 - 8600 | [www.mercyatlanta.org](http://www.mercyatlanta.org)**

## **Partnership Against Domestic Violence (PADV)**

PADV's services include a 24-hour crisis line; two 24-hour emergency shelters in metro Atlanta with 96 beds, legal advocacy; supportive housing a teen dating violence prevention program; outreach and prevention programs for battered women and children; workshops on the effects of domestic violence on the workplace; and community education and training.

All Ages | No Cost

**(404) 870 - 9600 | [www.padv.org](http://www.padv.org)**

**WellStar Health System**

**(770) 794 - 0477**

**Safe Kids Cobb County**

**(770) 852 - 3285**

**Safe Kids Cherokee County**

**(678) 493 - 6290**

**Safe Kids Douglas County**

**(770) 949 - 5155**

**Family Health Centers of Georgia, Inc.**

**(404) 752 - 1400**



# Social Services

## Salvation Army – Cobb County, Douglas County and Cherokee/Canton

Salvation Army provides family and social services to assist with rent, hunger relief and youth empowerment. In addition to providing free groceries or meals, The Salvation Army helps vulnerable families sign up for public assistance programs that address hunger.

**(770) 724 - 1640 (Cobb County) | (770) 720 – 4316 (Cherokee County) |  
(912) 384 – 6530 (Douglas County) | [www.southernusa.salvationarmy.org](http://www.southernusa.salvationarmy.org)**

## Helping Hands of Paulding County, Inc.

Helping Hands provides food for qualifying families or individuals up to twelve (12) times per calendar year (minimum of 7 days between visits and only once per month). In addition, provide perishable food items weekly such as bread, pastries and produce as available (minimum of 7 days between visits for perishable foods). Client file must be complete and meet all guidelines before any vouchers will be given

**(770) 443 – 1230 | [www.hhpcga.org](http://www.hhpcga.org)**

## Act 6 Ministry

Acts 6 ministry was created through Stonebridge Church to help those who need a Georgia State Identification Card or Social Security Card by walking them through the process.

**770-878-4807 | [www.shepherds.org/acts6](http://www.shepherds.org/acts6)**

## The Giving Kitchen

The Giving Kitchen provides emergency assistance for food service workers through financial support and a network of community resources.

**(404) 254 – 1227 | [www.thegivingkitchen.org](http://www.thegivingkitchen.org)**

## **Papa's Pantry**

Papa's Pantry is open Tuesday-Friday 10am-1pm for food assistance. Reservations are preferred.

**(770) 591 - 4707 | [www.encompassministriesinc.org](http://www.encompassministriesinc.org)**

## **Cobb County Family Promise**

Cobb County Family Promise is committed to assisting homeless families with children achieve adequate and consistent income, stable housing, and lasting independence by providing temporary meals, shelter, compassionate hospitality, and professional social services.

**(678) 594 - 3150 | [www.familypromisecobbcounty.org](http://www.familypromisecobbcounty.org)**

## **Center for Family Resources**

Center for Family Resources believes in providing services that reinforce and support each other. We have a food pantry, rental, and utilities assistance as well as prescription medication assistance. To receive assistance, you must be a Cobb County resident for at least the last two months and have at least one child under 18 in the household.

**(770) 428 – 2601 | [www.thecfr.org](http://www.thecfr.org)**

## **H.O.P.E Family Resource Center**

H.O.P.E is designed to help assist and support families in Cobb County and surrounding counties. We assist families with basic need of food, clothing, and financial resources. We support Cobb County and surrounding counties by providing daily and weekly food boxes to families throughout the county. The food is prepared in boxes with enough food to feed a family of six.

All Ages | No Cost

**(678) 310 – 0525 | [www.hopefamilyresourcecenter.org](http://www.hopefamilyresourcecenter.org)**

## **Come As You Are – Reconciliation Ministries**

CAYA offers food, clothing, and financial assistance to residents of Paulding County and surrounding areas. Our pantry is open on Tuesdays and Fridays from 10 am – 12:30 pm. Each family can receive food assistance one time per month. For those who are unable to come to our office, groceries are delivered to homes. When funds are available, we help with rent and other utility bills.

**(770) 445 – 9303 | [www.cayaministries.com](http://www.cayaministries.com)**

## **Catholic Church of the Transfiguration – Family Promise**

St. Vincent de Paul Family Promise is committed to assisting families with children achieve adequate and consistent income, stable housing, and lasting independence by providing meals, shelter, compassionate hospitality, and professional social services.

**(770) 634-7307 | [www.transfiguration.com](http://www.transfiguration.com)**

## **Family Center of Douglas County**

Family Support Organization (FSO) are family-run organization that provide direct family-to-family peer support, education, advocacy, and other services to family members of children with emotional, mental, substance abuse and behavioral problems. We offer Nurturing Parent Program, Choice-Based Anger Management, Academic Programs, Support Groups, and Resource Referrals.

**(404) 437 – 5973 | [www.faogainc.com](http://www.faogainc.com)**

## **Good Samaritan Center**

The Good Samaritan Center provides a variety of nutritious foods for families including meat and produce. Clients may receive food every 2 weeks for as long as they have a need and a photo ID. We work with Douglas County residents who are endanger of immediate utility disconnection. We cannot pay bills, but we can usually get our clients extra time to pay. We also have relationships with several pharmacies in Douglas County and can help our clients obtain needed prescription medications

**(770) 949 – 7335 | [www.goodsamaritan-douglassville.com](http://www.goodsamaritan-douglassville.com)**





# Youth Development Services

## Georgia 4-H – All Counties

4-H offers youth development program to build leadership skills, public speaking skills, citizenship, and community service for K-12 residents of Cobb, Cherokee, Douglas, and Paulding County for no cost. 4-H offers a variety of educational clubs including Horse club, Shotgun team, STEAM club, in school club meetings, summer camps and a variety of other youth educational and competitive programs.

**(770) 724 - 1640 (Cobb County) | (770) 720 – 4316 (Cherokee County)**  
**(912) 384 – 6530 (Douglas County) | (770) 443 – 7616 (Paulding County)**

[www.4-h.org](http://www.4-h.org)

## Families in Transition – Peach Girls Mentoring Program

Peach Girls Mentoring Program inspires girls to realize their personal power by focusing on self-esteem, education, and behavior to live a happy and successful life. Peach Girls will expose girls to a broader world of opportunity through community professionals, programming, and a fun environment designed to maintain a girl's interest, while motivating her to be her very best. Girls will have a chance to meet other teens who share the same interests and are experiencing similar life changes.

Ages 13-18

**(404) 814 - 4099 | [www.fitwestga.com](http://www.fitwestga.com)**

## YouthSpark – Expressions! LGBTQ

YouthSpark is a great opportunity for youth and families to talk, learn, and ask questions about sexuality and gender in a non-judgmental, safe, educational environment.

**(404) 612 – 4628 | [www.youth-spark.org](http://www.youth-spark.org)**

## **Boy Scouts – Cub Scouts**

The Boy Scouts of America provides youth programs of character development and values-based leadership training, which helps young people be Prepared For Life. Boy Scout activities are centered around earning badges that are specific to each grade level. We focus on interactive activities designed to be fun for children while teaching them about perseverance and developing their problem-solving abilities. In Cub Scouts, there are opportunities to spend time as a family and to do things that help build upon the Scout Oath and Scout Law.

Ages 5-21 | Costs vary by program

**(404) 247 – 1086 | [www.scouting.org](http://www.scouting.org)**

## **Cherokee Youth Connection - D.E.T.A.I.L.S**

DETAILS offers sports teams and other parent-driven youth organizations access to community leaders who can provide additional support. Youth can participate in Youth Council, a committee of diverse area teenagers that come together to tackle the substance use issues facing youth in Cherokee County.

Ages 11-14 | No cost

**(770) 345-5483 | [www.cherokeefocus.org](http://www.cherokeefocus.org)**

## **The 100 Black Men of America, Inc.**

100 Black Men aims to improve the quality of life by supporting and enhancing educational and economic opportunities particularly for African American youth. Services include mentoring programs for young men in Cobb and Douglas County.

Ages 11-18 | No cost

**(678) 688 – 4130 (Cobb County) | (734) 673 – 0248 (Douglas County)**  
**[www.100blackmen.org](http://www.100blackmen.org)**

## **PFLAG – Atlanta**

PFLAG provides support to LGBTQ+ individuals and their parents, families, and friends in the North Atlanta metro area. Includes support, game nights & virtual discussions for LGBTQ+ teens and their teenage allies.

Ages 13-17 | No Cost

**[www.pflag.org](http://www.pflag.org)**

## **The Trevor Project**

The Trevor Project offers 24/7 crisis support services to LGBTQ young people. Text, chat, or call anytime to reach a trained counselor. Through a toll-free telephone number, it operates The Trevor Lifeline, a confidential service that offers trained counselors.

Ages 13-24 | No Cost

**(866) 488 – 7366 | [www.thetrevorproject.org](http://www.thetrevorproject.org)**

## **Destiny's Daughters of Promise**

A leadership development program utilizing key components for preparation, success, intervention, exploration, and awareness for middle and high school girls, and boys in grades 5 through 8.

Ages: Girls: 6th-12th grade, Boys: 5th- 8th grade | One-time registration fee

**(770) 485-5894 | [www.ddpgirls.com](http://www.ddpgirls.com)**



# Educational Services

## **Communities In Schools - Cobb County/Douglas County**

Communities In Schools® (CIS™) of Georgia in Cobb and Douglas County is part of the state's leading organization providing drop-out prevention, connecting the most vulnerable students to the support they need in the classroom and beyond.

Open to students in select schools

**(678) 503 – 0901 (Cobb County) | (770) 651 – 2039 (Douglas County)**

**[www.cisga.org](http://www.cisga.org)**

## **Cobb Adult Education Center**

Adult Basic Education (ABE) and GED preparation for Cobb County and Paulding County residents.

Ages 16 + | No Cost for course and materials–Participants pays testing fee

**(678) 594 - 8011 Ext. 245 | [www.cobbk12.org](http://www.cobbk12.org)**

## **Cherokee Youth Connection**

The workforce program develops essential employability skills and provides training that will aid our youth in gaining and maintaining employment. The Life Skills Program is to mentor, develop, and inspire our youth to become self-sufficient and make positive life choices as well as GED preparation.

Ages 11-21 | No cost

**(770) 345-5483 | [www.cherokeefocus.org](http://www.cherokeefocus.org)**