



# YOUTH DIRECTORY

FOR  
FARIBAULT  
AND MARTIN  
COUNTIES

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# INTRODUCTION

This directory is a listing of resources for youth in Faribault and Martin counties. Due to limited space, not all agencies in these counties are listed. A listing is not intended as an endorsement, nor is not being listed intended as disapproval.

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**For more information on area resources, contact United Way 2-1-1 at 211 or 1-800-543-7709, or on-line at [www.211.org](http://www.211.org). You can also find resources at [minnesotahelp.info](http://minnesotahelp.info).**

**If you have any suggestions, comments, changes, or need additional copies contact the South Central WorkForce Council at 507-345-2418.**

**This directory is also available online at [www.workforcecouncil.org/youth-council/projects/youth-directories/](http://www.workforcecouncil.org/youth-council/projects/youth-directories/)**

## CHILD CARE

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Selecting a child care provider is a very important decision. As a parent, it is important to you that your child is in a safe, nurturing environment when you are away. Visit and interview your potential provider and don't be afraid to ask questions. During your interview discuss issues such as discipline, daily schedules, pickup time flexibility, payment arrangements, etc. It is also suggested that you get the names and phone numbers of at least two parents currently using the provider. Call them and ask about their experiences with the provider. Also, your county human service office is a resource in checking out potential child care providers.

### **For more information on child care contact:**

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**Parent Aware**

**888-291-9811**

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**Human Services of Faribault & Martin  
Counties**

Blue Earth **507-526-3265**  
Fairmont **507-238-4757**

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## COUNSELING

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If you feel good about yourself and others, your mental health is pretty good. Remember, though, that you may not feel good all of the time. No one does. Everyone has uncomfortable or angry feelings about things going on in their

lives. If you experience these kinds of feelings much or most of the time, you may want to contact a counselor.

## **When do I need counseling?**

If things you are feeling or doing begin to interfere with your normal everyday activities, you may need counseling. The following can be warning signs that someone may need counseling:

- Sudden changes in mood or behavior
- Depression-feeling unhappy for a long time
- Anxiety-strong feelings of fear or nervousness, unexplained rapid breathing or heartbeat, knotted stomach
- Losing temper over small things
- Physical aches and pains that have no real physical cause
- Dropping grades
- Difficulty sleeping for many nights
- Excessive use of drugs, alcohol, cigarettes
- Can only think of the problem and nothing else
- Can't eat or feel sick when you do eat

Many counselors charge fees, but some will adjust their fees to what you and your family can afford to pay.

With so many options, finding the right counselor can be difficult, but there are knowledgeable people to guide you. Talk to your school nurse, guidance counselor or social worker.

**For more information on counseling contact:**

## **Counseling – Chemical Dependency**

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**Adolescent Treatment Center of Winnebago** **1-800-637-2460**

620 1st Avenue SW  
P.O. Box 278  
Winnebago, MN 56098

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**Hazelden Betty Ford Foundation** **1-866-298-4931**

15251 Pleasant Valley Road  
Center City, MN 55012

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**Human Services of Faribault & Martin Counties** **507-526-3265**

412 N. Nicollet  
Blue Earth, MN 56013

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**Human Services of Faribault & Martin Counties** **507-238-4757**

115 W. 1st Street  
Fairmont, MN 56031

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**Mayo Clinic Health System – Fountain Centers** **507-377-6411**

408 W. Fountain Street  
Albert Lea, MN 56007 **1-888-999-2386**

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**Mayo Clinic Health System – Fountain Centers** **507-238-4382**

828 N. North Avenue  
Fairmont, MN 56031 **1-800-234-6141**

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## **Counseling and Mental Health Services**

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**Bonnie-Lyn II Mental Health Clinic** 507-235-8807

112 W. 1st Street, Suite 103  
Fairmont, MN 56031

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**Dr. Joseph Switras** 507-235-5651

208 W. 2nd Street  
Fairmont, MN 56031

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**Eunoia Family Resource Center** 507-526-2757

220 N. Main St., Suite A  
Blue Earth, MN 56013  
1-855-935-6463

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**Eunoia Family Resource Center** 507-235-6070

1420 N. State Street  
Fairmont, MN 56031  
1-855-935-6463

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**Human Services of Faribault & Martin Counties** 507-526-3265

412 N. Nicollet  
Blue Earth, MN 56013

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**Human Services of Faribault & Martin Counties** 507-238-4757

115 W. 1st Street  
Fairmont, MN 56031

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**Krisma Counseling** 507-399-2149

112 W. First St., Suite 104  
Fairmont, MN 56031

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**Mayo Clinic Health System - Naeve Behavioral Health** 507-377-6406  
404 W. Fountain Street 1-800-544-4822  
Albert Lea, MN 56007

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**Sioux Trails Mental Health Center** 507-235-8112  
303 Downtown Plaza  
Fairmont, MN 56031

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**South Central Crisis Center/Mobile Team** 507-344-0621 (info)  
521 Pfau Street 1-877-399-3040 (crisis)  
Mankato, MN 56001

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## **Counseling – Domestic Abuse/Sexual Assault**

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**Committee Against Domestic Abuse - CADA** 507-625-8688  
100 Stadium Court Crisis Line 1-800-477-0466  
P.O. Box 466  
Mankato, MN 56001

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**Martin County Victim Services** 507-238-3209  
201 Lake Avenue 24 hr. Crisis Line 1-800-333-3983  
Security Building Room 245  
Fairmont, MN 56031

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## **Counseling – Financial**

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**Catholic Charities** **507-387-5586**

201 N. Broad St., Suite 100  
Mankato, MN 56001

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**Lutheran Social Service** **507-625-7660**

710 S. 2nd Street  
Mankato, MN 56001

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**University of MN Extension – Faribault County** **507-526-6240**

412 N. Nicollet  
P.O. Box 130  
Blue Earth, MN 56013

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**University of MN Extension – Martin County** **507-235-3341**

201 Lake Avenue  
Fairmont, MN 56031

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## **Counseling – Gambling**

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**Lutheran Social Service** **507-625-7660**

710 S. 2nd Street  
Mankato, MN 56001

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**Minnesota Gambling Hotline** **1-800-333-HOPE**

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## **Counseling – Legal**

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### **Southern MN Regional Legal Services**

12 Civic Center Plaza, Suite 3000  
Mankato, MN 56001

**507-387-5588**  
**1-888-575-2954**

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## **Counseling – Pregnancy/Parenting**

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### **Birthright of Mankato**

330 Stadium Road, Suite 201B  
Mankato, MN 56001

**507-387-7818**  
National Hotline **1-800-550-4900**

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### **Catholic Charities**

201 N. Broad St., Suite 100  
Mankato, MN 56001

**507-387-5586**

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### **Early Childhood Family Education – Blue Earth**

315 E Sixth Street  
Blue Earth, MN 56013

**507-526-5552**

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### **Early Childhood Family Education – Fairmont**

714 Victoria Street, Ste. 101  
Fairmont, MN 56031

**507-235-6205**

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### **Family Services Collaborative of Faribault & Martin Counties**

115 W. 1st Street  
Fairmont, MN 56031

**507-238-4757**

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**Options Pregnancy Center****507-238-2330**

322 E. Blue Earth Avenue

Fairmont, MN 56031

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**Counseling – Suicide Prevention**

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**Yellow Ribbon Suicide Prevention****507-387-5020**SC MN Crisis Line **1-800-865-0606**National Crisis Line **1-800-784-2433**

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**South Central Crisis Center Warm/Crisis Line****1-877-399-3040**

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**Counseling – Support Groups**

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Check with your local hospital for support groups for specific illnesses.

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**Alcoholics Anonymous****507-526-3581**

118 W. 7th Street

Blue Earth, MN 56013

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**Alcoholics Anonymous/Alanon/Alateen****507-238-2114**

214 Downtown Plaza

Fairmont, MN 56031

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<b>Alcoholics Anonymous</b> Sherburn, MN	<b>507-764-5161</b>
<b>Alcoholics Anonymous/Alanon</b> Wells, MN 56097	<b>507-553-5871</b>
<b>Cancer Support Group</b> 800 Medical Center Drive Fairmont, MN 56031	<b>507-238-8506</b>
<b>Grief Support Group</b> United Hospital – United Hands Hospice 125 S. Main Blue Earth, MN 56013	<b>507-526-7970</b>
<b>Life-Work Planning Center</b> 127 S. Second St., Suite 210 Mankato, MN 56001 <i>Women in transition - personal growth &amp; career development</i>	<b>507-345-1577</b>
<b>Mayo Clinic Health System</b> Support Group Programs	<b>507-385-2691</b>
<b>Minnesota Brain Injury Force</b> <a href="http://www.mnbif.org">www.mnbif.org</a>	<b>507-228-8161</b>
<b>NAMI</b> National Alliance for the Mentally Ill P.O. Box 1175 Mankato, MN 56001	<b>507-317-3595</b>

## DISABILITY SERVICES

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The National Collaborative on Workforce and Disability (NCWD) has identified Guideposts for Success based on what research tells us that all youth need to transition to adulthood including:

1. School-Based Preparatory Experiences
2. Career Preparation and Work Based Learning Experiences
3. Youth Development in Leadership
4. Connecting Activities
5. Family Involvement and Supports

There are many local resources available to help individuals with disabilities in these areas.

**For more information on disability services contact:**

### School-Based Preparatory Experiences

#### Secondary

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**Southern Plains Education Cooperative**

**507-238-1472**

201 E. Third St.

Fairmont, MN 56031

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## Post-Secondary

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**Bethany Lutheran College** 507-344-7431

Student Support  
700 Luther Dr.  
Mankato, MN 56001

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**Gustavus Adolphus College** 507-933-7027

Disability Services  
Johnson Student Union 204  
St. Peter, MN 56031

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**Minnesota State University - Mankato** 507-389-2825

Office of Accessibility Resources  
132 Memorial Library  
Mankato, MN 56001

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**Rasmussen College** 507-625-6556

Campus Accommodations Coordinator  
130 Saint Andrews Drive  
Mankato, MN 56001

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**South Central College** 507-389-7339

Student Support Services  
1900 Lee Boulevard  
North Mankato, MN 56003

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## Career Preparation and Work Based Learning Experiences

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### **Lifeworks**

**507-625-7522**

201 N. Victory Drive  
Mankato, MN 56001

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### **Minnesota Valley Action Council - Faribault Co.**

**507-526-5291**

301 N. Main  
Blue Earth, MN 56013

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**1-800-767-7139**

### **Minnesota Valley Action Council - Martin Co.**

**507-235-5518**

400 S. State St., Suite 180  
Fairmont, MN 56031

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**1-800-767-7139**

### **MRCI WorkSource**

**507-238-4390**

701 Cory Lane  
Fairmont, MN 56031

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### **STEP, Inc.**

**507-238-4341**

5 Downtown Plaza  
Fairmont, MN 56031

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### **Vocational Rehabilitation Services**

**507-235-5518**

400 S. State St., Suite 180  
Fairmont, MN 56031

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## **Connecting Activities**

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**LEEP - Leisure Education for Exceptional People** 507-387-5122  
929 N. 4th Street  
Mankato, MN 56001

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## **Family Involvement and Supports**

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**AmeriCare Mobility Van** 507-625-6741  
703 S. 2nd St.  
Mankato, MN 56001

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**ARC of Minnesota** 507-345-4223  
501 S. 2nd St.  
Mankato, MN 56001

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**Community Options and Resources** 507-764-4612  
330 1/2 Fox Lake Ave. P.O. Box 333  
Sherburn, MN 56171

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**NAMI** 507-317-3595  
National Alliance for the Mentally Ill  
P.O. Box 1175  
Mankato, MN 56001

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**PACER** 1-800-537-2237  
8161 Normandale Boulevard  
Minneapolis, MN 55437



<b>REM</b> 202 Downtown Plaza Fairmont, MN 56537	<b>507-238-9932</b>
<b>SMILES Center for Independent Living</b> 820 Winnebago Ave Suite 1 Fairmont, MN 56031	<b>507-235-3488</b>
<b>Social Security Administration</b> 400 S. State St., Suite 70 Fairmont, MN 56031	<b>1-877-405-0414</b>
<b>State of MN Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services</b> 12 Civic Center Plaza, Suite 1670 Mankato, MN 56001	<b>507-344-2840</b>
<b>State Services for the Blind</b> 12 Civic Center Plaza, Suite 1600B Mankato, MN 56001	<b>507-389-6324</b>

## EDUCATION

Education is the best investment of time and money that you can make. It is important that you get as much education as you can when you are young. In high school there are tutoring systems to ensure that you get as much from that experience as possible.

When choosing a post-secondary school, do a comparison. If you are looking at a specific field, talk to someone in that career and ask for advice. If you are looking at a type of school, public vs. private, two year or four year college, compare advantages, prices & course offerings. Talk to school counselors. Most financial aid comes through the school's financial aid office; follow their advice on obtaining aid. There may also be help paying for school through a job or one of the armed forces.

**For more information on education contact:**

### Secondary Schools

<b>Blue Earth Area High School</b>	<b>507-526-3201</b>
<b>Fairmont High School</b>	<b>507-238-4411</b>
<b>Granada Huntley-East Chain</b>	<b>507-447-2211</b>
<b>Martin County West High School</b>	<b>507-764-4661</b>
<b>Martin Luther High School</b>	<b>507-436-5249</b>
<b>Southern Plains ALC - Winnebago</b>	<b>507-893-3701</b>
<b>Truman High School</b>	<b>507-776-2111</b>
<b>United South Central</b>	<b>507-553-5819</b>

## **Post-Secondary Schools**

<b>Bethany Lutheran College</b>	<b>507-344-7000</b>
<b>Gustavus Adolphus College</b>	<b>507-933-8000</b>
<b>Iowa Lakes Community College</b>	<b>1-800-242-5106</b>
<b>Martin Luther College</b>	<b>507-354-8221</b>
<b>Minnesota State University, Mankato</b>	<b>507-389-1866</b>
<b>MN West Technical College, Jackson</b>	<b>1-800-658-2330</b>
<b>Presentation College, Fairmont</b>	<b>507-235-4658</b>
<b>Rasmussen College - Mankato</b>	<b>1-800-657-6767</b>
<b>Riverland Community College</b>	<b>1-800-247-5039</b>
<b>South Central College</b>	Mankato <b>507-389-7200</b> Faribault <b>507-332-5800</b>

## **Community Education**

<b>Adult Basic Education/GED - Blue Earth</b>	<b>507-526-3172</b>
<b>Fairmont Community Education</b>	<b>507-235-3141</b>
<b>Lincoln Community Center (GED Testing)</b>	<b>507-345-5222</b>
<b>Martin County West Community Education</b>	<b>507-728-8284</b>
<b>Wells Community Education</b>	<b>507-553-5823</b>

## Head Start

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### **MN Valley Action Council – Faribault County**

**507-526-5291**

301 N. Main Street  
Blue Earth 56098

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### **MN Valley Action Council – Martin County**

**507-238-1663**

1200 Park St. N., Suite #108  
Fairmont 56031

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## Job Corps

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### **Humphrey Job Corps Center**

**651-642-1133**

1480 N. Snelling Avenue  
St. Paul, MN 55108

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**1-800-733-5627**

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## EMPLOYMENT

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If you are under age 14 and want a job, there are many things you can do to earn money or gain experience that will help you later. You can baby-sit, mow lawns or do odd jobs. You can volunteer at a variety of religious, school, or community programs.

Remember, plan on looking for work at least three months before you need it. For summer jobs apply as early as March, or better yet, obtain a part-time

job during the school year. Then you will be the first hired full time in the summer.

Almost all jobs ask for an application or resume. Ask a parent or teacher to review your application before you turn it in. An interview is also usually required. You should come up with some sample questions and practice an interview before you go. Your local WorkForce Center can provide information on completing applications, resumes, and interviews (see [www.mnwfc.org](http://www.mnwfc.org)). To see available jobs go to [minnesotaworks.net](http://minnesotaworks.net).

**For more information on employment contact:**

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<b>Fairmont WorkForce Center</b> 400 S. State St., Suite 180 Fairmont, MN 56031	<b>507-235-5518</b>
<b>Mankato WorkForce Center</b> 12 Civic Center Plaza, Suite 1600A Mankato, MN 56001	<b>507-344-2622</b>
<b>New Ulm WorkForce Center</b> 1618 S. Broadway, Suite 203 New Ulm, MN 56073	<b>507-354-3138</b>
<b>MN Valley Action Council – Faribault Co.</b> 301 N. Main St. Blue Earth, MN 56013	<b>507-526-5291</b>

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## **Staffing Agencies**

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**Aerotek** 507-995-9403

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**Aventure** 507-399-2027  
400 S. State St., Suite 270  
Fairmont, MN 56031

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**Doherty** 507-387-5009  
1400 Madison Ave., Suite 332  
Mankato, MN 56001

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**Express Employment Professionals** 507-387-5620  
113 Monroe Ave.  
North Mankato, MN 56003

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**Jeane Thorne** 507-625-8800  
1600 Madison Ave. Suite 104  
Mankato, MN 56001

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**People Ready** 507-344-0600  
210 E. Walnut St. Suite 100  
Mankato, MN 56001

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**Manpower** 507-345-4201  
111 Star St. Suite 110  
Mankato, MN 56001

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**Masterson Staffing Solutions** 507-625-3600  
612 N. Victory Drive  
Mankato, MN 56001

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**Spherion** 507-387-2200  
709 S. Front St. Suite 2  
Mankato, MN 56001

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**TEAM Personnel** 507-720-6556  
121 E. Main St. Suite 301  
Mankato, MN 56001

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**Volt** 507-304-6514  
1985 Lookout Drive  
North Mankato, MN 56003

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## FOOD & NUTRITION

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Eating nutritious food is essential to proper growth and good health. There are many programs that provide access to food, a healthful diet and nutrition education.

**For more information on food and nutrition contact:**

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**Faribault County Food Shelf** 507-526-7222  
214 S. Holland St.  
Blue Earth, MN 56013

<b>Heaven's Table Food Shelf</b> 909 Winnebago Ave. Fairmont, MN 56031	<b>507-238-5424</b>
<b>Human Services of Faribault &amp; Martin Counties</b>	Blue Earth <b>507-526-3265</b> Fairmont <b>507-238-4757</b>
<b>Ruby's Pantry</b> East Chain Evangelical Church 507 280th Avenue Granada, MN 56039	<b>651-674-0009</b>
<b>Salvation Army</b> 114 East Blue Earth Avenue Fairmont, MN 56031	<b>507-238-9797</b>
<b>University of MN Extension - Faribault Co</b> 412 North Nicollet Blue Earth, MN 56013	<b>507-526-6240</b>
<b>University of MN Extension - Martin Co</b> 201 Lake Avenue Fairmont, MN 56031	<b>507-235-3341</b>
<b>Wells Area Food Shelf</b> Good Shepherd Church 291 1st Street SW Wells, MN 56097	<b>507-553-3513</b>



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<b>Winnebago Food Shelf</b>	<b>507-893-3197</b>
127 Main Street North Winnebago, MN 56098	

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<b>Women, Infants &amp; Children - Faribault Co</b>	<b>507-526-3265</b>
412 North Nicollet Blue Earth, MN 56013	

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<b>Women, Infants &amp; Children - Martin Co</b>	<b>507-238-4757</b>
115 West First Street Fairmont, MN 56031	

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## HEALTH SERVICES

Taking care of your body is very important. If you have any health concerns or have not had a physical examination in some time see your family doctor. If you don't have a family doctor, or wish to see someone else, there are other options. You can get many health care services free or at a cost based on your income (called a sliding fee scale).

Before going to any of the places listed below, call and ask: What services are offered? Who can receive services? How are the charges handled? Do I need an appointment? Do I need my parent's permission? Also check with your school nurse.

**For more information on health services contact:**

## **Public Health Clinics**

Provide a variety of health services including: physicals, immunizations, nutrition for pregnant women and children (WIC), family planning, disease prevention and more.

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<b>Faribault County Public Health</b>	<b>507-526-3265</b>
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412 N. Nicollet  
Blue Earth, MN 56013

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<b>Martin County Public Health</b>	<b>507-238-4757</b>
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115 W. 1st Street  
Fairmont, MN 56031

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## **Medical Clinics/Hospitals**

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<b>Center for Primary Care - Fairmont</b>	<b>507-238-9533</b>
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717 S. State Street Suite 800  
Fairmont, MN 56031

**888-974-6636**  
24/7 Hotline **507-779-9634**

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<b>Center for Specialty Care - Fairmont</b>	<b>507-238-4949</b>
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717 S. State St. Suite 900  
Fairmont, MN 56031

**888-974-6636**  
24/7 Hotline **507-779-9634**

<b>Center for Specialty &amp; Primary Care – Blue Earth</b>	<b>507-526-5191</b>
435 S. Grove St. Suite 3	<b>888-974-6636</b>
Blue Earth, MN 56013	24/7 Hotline <b>507-779-9634</b>
<b>Dulcimer Medical Center</b>	<b>507-238-4968</b>
1950 Center Creek Drive	
Fairmont, MN 56031	
<b>Mankato Clinic – Main Street</b>	<b>507-625-1811</b>
1230 E. Main Street	
Mankato, MN 56001	
<b>Mayo Clinic Health System – Mankato</b>	<b>507-625-4031</b>
1025 Marsh Street	<b>1-800-327-3721</b>
Mankato, MN 56001	(appointments) <b>1-877-412-7575</b>
<b>Mayo Clinic Health System – Blue Earth</b>	<b>507-526-4642</b>
411 S. Grove St., Suite 3	
Blue Earth, MN 56013	
<b>Mayo Clinic Health System – Fairmont</b>	<b>507-238-8100</b>
800 Medical Center Drive	<b>1-800-234-6141</b>
Fairmont, MN 56031	(appointments) <b>507-238-8500</b>
<b>Mayo Clinic Health System – Kiester</b>	<b>507-294-3693</b>
120 N. Main St.	
Kiester, MN 56051	
<b>Mayo Clinic Health System – Sherburn</b>	<b>507-764-4610</b>
32 N. Main St.	
Sherburn, MN 56171	

<b>Mayo Clinic Health System - Trimont</b> 437 Main Street E. Trimont, MN 56176	<b>507-639-9301</b>
<b>Mayo Clinic Health System - Truman</b> 401 N. 4th Ave. East Truman, MN 56088	<b>507-776-2811</b>
<b>Mayo Clinic Health System - Wells</b> 301 S. Broadway Wells, MN 56097	<b>507-553-6341</b>
<b>Open Door Health Center</b> 309 Holly Lane Mankato, MN 56001	<b>507-388-2120</b>
<b>Smart Clinic</b> Five Lakes Centre - Sterling Drug 400 S. State St., Suite 55 Fairmont, MN 56031	<b>507-238-4844</b>
<b>The Clinic at Walmart</b> 1250 Goemann Road Fairmont, MN 56031	<b>507-238-8823</b>
<b>United Hospital District Clinic</b> 515 S. Moore Street Blue Earth, MN 56013	<b>507-526-7388</b>

<b>United Hospital District Clinic</b> 55 First Street SE Wells, MN 56097	<b>507-553-6550</b>
<b>United Hospital District Clinic</b> 1 Main St. N. Winnebago, MN 56098	<b>507-893-3399</b>
<b>United Hospital District - Hospital</b> 515 S. Moore St. Blue Earth, MN 56013	<b>507-526-3273</b>

## HOUSING PROGRAMS

Knowing what you want and can afford before you begin your housing search will make it more successful. When searching for appropriate housing there are a number of issues to consider including:

- Maximum Rent/Mortgage Payment
- Type of lease
- Space needs (# of bedrooms, etc.)
- Parking (garage, covered, street)
- Is it a safe neighborhood
- Security systems
- Cost of utilities

The following are resources that may be helpful in finding an apartment:

- Classified Ads of your local newspaper
- "Apartments" in the yellow page section of your local phone directory
- Bulletin Boards at local post-secondary schools

**For more information on local housing programs contact:**

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**Habitat for Humanity** **507-388-2081**

1730 Bassett Drive  
Mankato, MN 56001

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**Minnesota Housing Finance Agency** **651-296-7608**

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**Minnesota Valley Action Council - Faribault Co** **507-526-5291**

301 N. Main Street  
Blue Earth, MN 56013

*Must be income eligible*

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**Minnesota Valley Action Council - Martin Co** **507-238-1663**

1200 Park St. N., Suite #108  
Fairmont, MN 56031

*Must be income eligible*

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**Partners for Affordable Housing** **507-387-2115**

151 Good Counsel Drive, Suite 130  
Mankato, MN 56001

*Transitional housing*

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**Salvation Army** **507-345-7840**  
700 S. Riverfront Drive  
Mankato, MN 56001

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**Section 8 Rental Assistance** **1-800-767-7139**  
Minnesota Valley Action Council  
706 N. Victory Drive  
Mankato, MN 56001

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**South Central MN Multi-County HRA** **507-345-1977**  
422 Belgrade Ave. Suite 102 **1-800-733-9564**  
North Mankato, MN 56003

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**The REACH Drop-In Center** **507-381-6670**  
Lutheran Social Service  
125 E. Liberty St.  
Mankato, MN 56001

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*Homeless youth*

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## LIBRARIES

Libraries are an important resource. Libraries can provide resources that will help you with your homework or provide reading materials for your fun and leisure. Libraries also provide access to computers and the Internet.

**For more information on libraries contact:**

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<b>Blue Earth Community Library</b> 124 W. 7th Street Blue Earth, MN 56013	<b>507-526-5012</b>
<b>Dunnell Public Library</b> 145 W. Wenberg Street Dunnell, MN 56127	<b>507-695-2152</b>
<b>Elmore Public Library</b> 107 E. Willis St. Elmore, MN 56027	<b>507-943-3150</b>
<b>Fairmont/Martin County Library</b> 110 N. Park Street Fairmont, MN 56031	<b>507-238-4207</b>
<b>Sherburn Public Library</b> 27 N. Main Street Sherburn, MN 56171	<b>507-764-7611</b>
<b>Trimont Public Library</b> 190 Main Street W. Trimont, MN 56176	<b>507-639-2571</b>
<b>Truman Public Library</b> 101 E. Ciro Street Truman, MN 56088	<b>507-776-2717</b>



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<b>Wells Public Library</b>	<b>507-553-3702</b>
54 1st Street SW Wells, MN 56097	

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<b>Winnebago Muir Library</b>	<b>507-893-3196</b>
36 N. Main Street Winnebago, MN 56098	

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## **Library Systems**

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<b>SMILE Library System</b>	<b>507-625-7555</b>
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<b>Traverse Des Sioux Library System</b>	<b>507-625-6169</b>
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## **RECREATION AND LEISURE**

Having fun is an important part of your quality of life. Although meeting new people and trying new things can be scary, getting involved in leisure activities has a positive impact on your general well-being.

In addition to community education and park & recreation activities, you may want to explore local church youth groups and/or local cultural activities such as dance, music or theatre groups.

**For more information on recreation and leisure contact:**

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**Anytime Fitness** 507-235-5055

400 S. State St., Suite 80  
Fairmont, MN 56031

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**Blue Earth Community Education** 507-526-3172

315 E 6th St.  
Blue Earth, MN 56013

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**Blue Earth Gymnastics Center Inc.** 507-526-3668

515 W. 1st St.  
Blue Earth, MN 56013

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**Blue Earth Pool** 507-526-2715

111 W. 14th St.  
Blue Earth, MN 56013

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**Bowlmor Lanes** 507-235-5719

617 S. State Street  
Fairmont, MN 56031

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**Cutting Edge Fitness Center** 507-238-2966

1130 Spruce Street  
Fairmont, MN 56031

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**Faribault Co. Fair** 507-526-2984

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<b>Faribault Co. Fitness Center</b> 320 Oak Road Blue Earth, MN 56013	<b>507-526-3376</b>
<b>Fairmont Aquatic Park</b> 1400 S. Prairie Avenue Fairmont, MN 56031	<b>507-238-9292</b>
<b>Fairmont Children's Theater</b> 45 Downtown Plaza Fairmont, MN 56031	<b>507-238-4900</b>
<b>Fairmont Community Education</b> 714 Victoria Street Fairmont, MN 56031	<b>507-235-3141</b>
<b>Fairmont Theatre</b> 1201 N. State Street Fairmont, MN 56031	<b>507-235-3082</b>
<b>Flame Theatre</b> 125 S. Broadway Wells, MN 56097	<b>507-553-5713</b>
<b>I90 Moto Cross Course</b>	<b>507-639-3841</b>
<b>Lucky Lanes</b> 37 First Avenue SE Winnebago, MN 56098	<b>507-893-4311</b>

<b>Martin County Ice Arena</b> Martin County Fairgrounds Fairmont, MN 56031	<b>507-238-1995</b>
<b>Martin County West Pool</b> 105 E. 5th St. Sherburn, MN 56171	<b>507-764-3651</b>
<b>Sherburn Theatre</b> 116 N. Main Street Sherburn, MN 56171	<b>507-764-4045</b>
<b>The Lighthouse - Martin Co. Youth For Christ</b> 213 Downtown Plaza Fairmont, MN 56031	<b>507-235-6016</b>
<b>Truman Pool</b> 302 N. 2nd Ave. E Truman, MN 56088	<b>507-776-8561</b>
<b>Wells Community Education</b>	<b>507-553-5823</b>

Additional information can also be found on school district and chamber of commerce websites.

## THRIFT STORES

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Thrift stores sell new and gently used clothing, housewares, and small furniture.

**For more information on thrift stores contact:**

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<b>R &amp; M Deals</b>	<b>507-525-7614</b>
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28 W. Franklin St.  
Wells, MN 56097

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<b>Salvation Army</b>	<b>507-235-3717</b>
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314 Downtown Plaza  
Fairmont, MN 56031

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<b>Second Chances Consignment</b>	<b>507-553-5006</b>
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49 S. Broadway  
Wells, MN 56097

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<b>Treasure Chest</b>	<b>507-526-2017</b>
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107 N. Main St.  
Blue Earth, MN 56013

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<b>Twelve Baskets Re-Sale</b>	<b>507-235-6195</b>
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210 Downtown Plaza  
Fairmont, MN 56031

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# TRANSPORTATION

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A key issue for youth in a rural area is transportation. Below is a list of area resources that may be beneficial in meeting your transportation needs.

**For more information on transportation contact:**

## **Driver's License Road & Knowledge Test Sites**

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<b>Driver's License Exam Station</b>	<b>507-526-5012</b>
124 W. 7th St. Blue Earth, MN 56013	

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<b>Driver's License Exam Station</b>	<b>507-238-3222</b>
308 S. State Street, Bay 160 Fairmont, MN 56031	

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## **Transportation Services**

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<b>AmeriCare Mobility Van</b>	<b>507-625-6741</b>
703 S. 2nd St. Mankato, MN 56001	<b>1-800-963-7233</b>

*Non-emergency medical transportation for individuals with disabilities*

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**Gold Cross Ambulance** **507-238-2123**  
216 E. 4th Street  
Fairmont, MN 56031  
*Non-Emergency Medical Transportation*

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**National Run Away Safeline** **1-800-RUN-AWAY**  
*Must be youth initiated between the ages 12-20*

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**Prairie Lakes Transit** **507-235-5558**  
1023 Dewey St. N **1-800-382-7433**  
Fairmont, MN 56031

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**Wheel Get There - MVAC** **507-345-0446**  
706 N. Victory Drive  
Mankato, MN 56001  
*Cars/car repair assistance*

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## YOUTH ORGANIZATIONS

Being involved in youth organizations is a great way to meet new friends and learn team-building and leadership skills. In addition to the organizations listed below most local places of worship have youth groups also.

**For more information on youth organizations contact:**

<b>4-H University of MN Extension - Faribault Co</b> Faribault County Office Bldg. 412 N. Nicollet Blue Earth, MN 56013-0130	<b>507-526-6240</b>
<b>4-H University of MN Extension - Martin Co</b> 104 Courthouse 201 Lake Avenue Fairmont, MN 56031-1845	<b>507-235-3341</b>
<b>Boy Scouts of America</b> 810 Madison Avenue Mankato, MN 56001	<b>507-387-3123</b>
<b>Girl Scouts River Valleys</b>	<b>507-720-6456</b> 1-800-845-0787

## YOUTH SERVICES

There are many services and resources offered by a variety of agencies in South Central Minnesota that help youth. In addition to the agencies listed below, you may also want to check: [www.211.org](http://www.211.org) (or call 1-800-543-7709) for information on services that will meet your specific need.

**For more information on youth services contact:**



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**Faribault County Human Services** 507-526-3265  
412 N. Nicollet St.  
Blue Earth, MN 56013

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**Life-Work Planning Center** 507-387-1577  
127 S. Second St., Suite 210 1-800-369-5166  
Mankato, MN 56001

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**Lutheran Social Service** 507-381-6670  
710 S. 2nd Street 1-888-577-2227  
Mankato, MN 56001

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*Independent living skills*

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**Madelia Area Integration Collaborative** 507-642-3232 x204  
320 Buck Avenue SE  
Madelia, MN 56052

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*Includes LCWM, Madelia, Maple River, Truman*

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**Martin County Human Services** 507-238-4757  
115 W. 1st Street  
Fairmont, MN 56031

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**MN Valley Action Council** 507-526-5291  
301 N. Main 1-800-767-7139  
Blue Earth, MN 56013

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*Must be income eligible*

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**MN Valley Action Council** 507-235-5518  
400 S. State St., Suite 180 1-800-767-7139  
Fairmont, MN 56031

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*Must be income eligible*

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**SMILES Center for Independent Living****507-235-3488**

820 Winnebago Ave Suite 1

Fairmont, MN 56031

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**Vocational Rehabilitation Services****507-235-5518**

400 S. State St., Suite 180

Fairmont, MN 56031



## **This Directory will help you find information about:**

Child Care	Housing Programs
Counseling	Libraries
Disability Services	Recreation
Education	Thrift Stores
Employment	Transportation
Food & Nutrition	Youth Organizations
Health Services	Youth Services

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