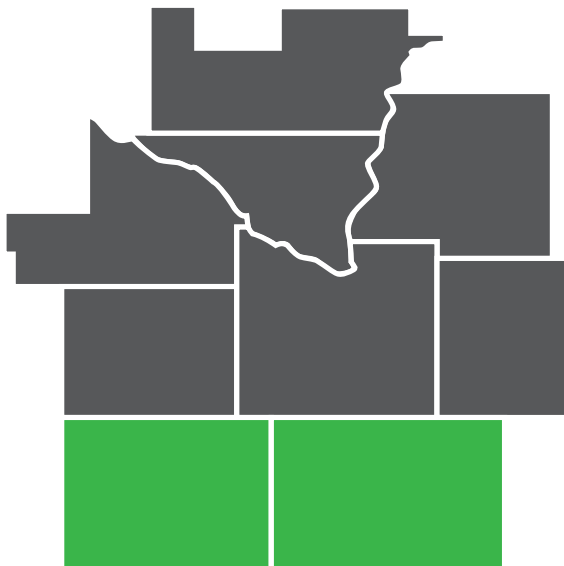


YOUTH DIRECTORY



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. You can also find resources at minnesotahelp.info.

If you have any suggestions, comments, changes, or need additional copies contact the South Central WorkForce Council at 507-345-2408.

This directory is also available online at www.workforcecouncil.org/youth-council/projects/youth-directories/

CHILD CARE

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:

Human Services of Faribault & Martin Counties	Blue Earth 507-526-3265
	Fairmont 507-238-4757

Ivy House	507-766-6925
New Ulm, MN 56073	https://ivyhousemn.org

Parent Aware	888-291-9811
	www.parentaware.org

Child Care – Centers

Building Blocks Learning Center & Child Care	507-235-5021
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610 Summit Drive Suite 1
Fairmont, MN 56031

Little Giants	507-526-5554
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425 South Grove
Blue Earth, MN 56013

Little Lambs Daycare Center	507-553-5121
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10 1st Avw SW
Wells, MN 56097

COUNSELING

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 – Autism

ASC Psychological Services
12 Civic Center Plaza #1615
Mankato, MN 56001

507-345-4679

Cavel Autism Health 1720 Bassett Drive Mankato, MN 56001	507-399-7963
Five Rivers Mental Health Clinic 1650 Madison Av. Suite 102 Mankato, MN 56001	507-345-7012
Fraser	612-767-7222 www.fraser.org
M Nelson Psychological Counseling 142 Riverfront Dr Mankato, MN 56001	507-625-4442
River Oaks Counseling Services 931 Madison Ave Mankato, MN 56001	507-351-5185
Serenity Family Counseling LLC 15 South Minnesota Street New Ulm, MN 56073	507-338-5600
Stages of Change Center, LLC 100 Warren Street Suite 300-122 Mankato, MN 56001	507-519-2285
The Christopher Center 83 Navaho Av. Suite 27 Mankato, MN 56001	507-720-0570

Counseling – Chemical Dependency

Addiction Recovery Technologies

507-345-4670

12 Civic Center Plaza, Suite 2116
Mankato, MN 56001

Adolescent Treatment Center of Winnebago

1-800-637-2460

620 1st Avenue SW

507-893-3885

P.O. Box 278

Winnebago, MN 56098

Hazelden Betty Ford Foundation

1-877-793-5205

15251 Pleasant Valley Road
Center City, MN 55012

Human Services of Faribault & Martin Counties

507-526-3265

412 N. Nicollet

Blue Earth, MN 56013

Human Services of Faribault & Martin Counties

507-238-4757

115 W. 1st Street

Fairmont, MN 56031

Mayo Clinic Health System – Fountain Centers

507-377-6411

408 W. Fountain Street

1-800-533-1616

Albert Lea, MN 56007

Mayo Clinic Health System – Fountain Centers

507-238-4382

828 N. North Avenue

1-800-234-6141

Fairmont, MN 56031

Counseling – Domestic Abuse/Sexual Assault

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

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	

Counseling – Financial

Catholic Charities	507-387-5586
201 N. Broad St., Suite 100	
Mankato, MN 56001	

Lutheran Social Service	507-625-7660
710 S. 2nd Street	1-888-577-2227
Mankato, MN 56001	

University of MN Extension – Faribault County	507-526-6240
412 N. Nicollet	
P.O. Box 130	
Blue Earth, MN 56013	

University of MN Extension – Martin County	507-235-3341
201 Lake Avenue	
Fairmont, MN 56031	

Counseling – Gambling

Lutheran Social Service

710 S. 2nd Street
Mankato, MN 56001

507-625-7660

1-888-577-2227

Minnesota Gambling Hotline

1-800-333-HOPE

Counseling – Legal

Immigrant Law Center of Minnesota

1-800-223-1368

651-641-1011

www.ilcm.org

Minnesota Disability Law Center

1-800-292-4150

mylegalaid.org/about/our-work/disability-law

Southern MN Regional Legal Services

12 Civic Center Plaza, Suite 3000
Mankato, MN 56001

507-396-6815

1-888-575-2954

Volunteer Lawyers Network (VLN)

600 Nicollet Mall Suite 390A
Minneapolis, MN 55402

612-752-6655

www.vlnmn.org

Counseling – LGBTQIA+ Support

Planned Parenthood of MN/ND/SD **507-387-5581**

201 N Victory Dr. Suite 211
Mankato, MN 56001

Pride Counseling Services **507-246-2667**

100 Warren St. Suite 324
Mankato, MN 56001

River Oaks Counseling Services **507-351-5185**

931 Madison Av.
Mankato, MN 56001

Counseling – Mental Health Services

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

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

Dr. Joseph Switras **507-238-1287**

221 E. 1st St.
Fairmont, MN 56031

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

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

Human Services of Faribault & Martin Counties	507-526-3265
412 N. Nicollet	
Blue Earth, MN 56013	

Human Services of Faribault & Martin Counties	507-238-4757
115 W. 1st Street	
Fairmont, MN 56031	

Mayo Clinic Health System - Fairmont	507-238-8598
800 Medical Center Drive	
Fairmont, MN 56031	

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

Open Door Health Center	507-388-2120
309 Holly Lane	
Mankato, MN 56001	

South Central Crisis Center/Mobile Team	507-344-0621 (info)
2100 Bassett Drive	
Mankato, MN 56001	

Counseling – Pregnancy/Parenting

Birthright of Mankato	507-387-7818
330 Stadium Road, Suite 201B	National Hotline 1-800-550-4900
Mankato, MN 56001	

Catholic Charities	507-387-5586
201 N. Broad St., Suite 100	1-800-222-5859
Mankato, MN 56001	

Early Childhood Family Education – Blue Earth	507-526-5552
315 E Sixth Street	
Blue Earth, MN 56013	

Early Childhood Family Education – Fairmont	507-235-6205
1200 N. Park St. # 103	
Fairmont, MN 56031	

Family Services Collaborative of Faribault & Martin Counties	507-238-4757
115 W. 1st Street	
Fairmont, MN 56031	

Options Pregnancy Center	507-238-2330
322 E. Blue Earth Avenue	
Fairmont, MN 56031	

Counseling – Suicide Prevention

Alcoholics Anonymous MN meeting locator	https://aaminnesota.org
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South Central Crisis Center Warm/Crisis Line	1-877-399-3040
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Yellow Ribbon Suicide Prevention**507-387-5020**National Crisis Line **1-800-273-8255***Text "Help" to 741741*

Counseling – Support Groups

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

Alcoholics Anonymous**507-764-5161**

Sherburn, MN

Alcoholics Anonymous/Alanon**507-526-3581**

118 W. 7th Street

Blue Earth, MN 56013

Alcoholics Anonymous/Alanon**507-553-5871**

Wells, MN

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

214 Downtown Plaza

Fairmont, MN 56031

Cancer Support Group**507-238-8506**

Mayo Clinic Health System

800 Medical Center Drive

Fairmont, MN 56031

Diabetes Support Mayo Clinic Health System 800 Medical Center Drive Fairmont, MN 56031	507-238-8500
Grief Support Group United Hospital – United Hands Hospice 125 S. Main Blue Earth, MN 56013	507-526-7970
Life-Work Planning Center 127 S. 2nd St., Suite 210 Mankato, MN 56001 <i>Women in transition - personal growth & career development</i>	507-345-1577
Mayo Clinic Health System	Support Group Programs 507-385-2691
Minnesota Brain Injury Force	507-228-8161 www.mnbif.org
NAMI National Alliance on Mental Illness	651-645-2948 1-888-626-4435 www.namimn.org

DISABILITY SERVICES

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

Southern Plains Education Cooperative

507-238-1472

201 E. Third St.
Fairmont, MN 56031

Post-Secondary

Bethany Lutheran College	507-344-7577
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Student Support/Academic Resources
700 Luther Dr.
Mankato, MN 56001

Gustavus Adolphus College	507-933-7227
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Disability Services
Johnson Student Union 204
St. Peter, MN 56031

Minnesota State University - Mankato	507-389-2825
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Office of Accessibility Resources
132 Memorial Library
Mankato, MN 56001

MN West Community & Technical College - Jackson	507-847-7970
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Disability Services
401 West Street
Jackson, MN 56143

Rasmussen University	507-625-6556
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Campus Accommodations Coordinator
1400 Madison Avenue
Mankato, MN 56001

South Central College	507-389-7222
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Academic Support Center
1900 Lee Boulevard
North Mankato, MN 56003

Career Preparation and Work Based Learning Experiences

Lifeworks	507-625-7522
424 N. Riverfront Drive Suite 300	612-702-9861
Mankato, MN 56001	

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

Minnesota Valley Action Council – Martin Co.	507-618-5610
400 S. State St., Suite 180	1-800-767-7139
Fairmont, MN 56031	

MRCI WorkSource	507-238-4390
701 Cory Lane	
Fairmont, MN 56031	

STEP, Inc.	507-238-4341
5 Downtown Plaza	
Fairmont, MN 56031	

Vocational Rehabilitation Services	507-235-5518
400 S. State St., Suite 180	
Fairmont, MN 56031	

Connecting Activities

LEEP – Leisure Education for Exceptional People 929 N. 4th Street Mankato, MN 56001	507-387-5122
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Family Involvement and Supports

AmeriCare Mobility Van 307 Pine Street Mankato, MN 56001	507-625-6741
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Arc of Minnesota 501 S. 2nd St. Mankato, MN 56001	507-345-4223
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Autism Society of Minnesota 2380 Wycliff St. #102 St. Paul, MN 55114	651-647-1083 www.ausm.org
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Community Options and Resources 330 1/2 Fox Lake Ave. P.O. Box 333 Sherburn, MN 56171	507-764-4612
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Minnesota Disability Law Center mylegalaid.org/about/our-work/disability-law	1-800-292-4150
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NAMI National Alliance on Mental Illness	1-888-626-4435 www.namimn.org
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PACER	952-838-9000
8161 Normandale Blvd. Minneapolis, MN 55437	

REM	507-238-9932
202 Downtown Plaza Fairmont, MN 56537	

SMILES Center for Independent Living	507-235-3488
301 Downtown Plaza Suite 3 Fairmont, MN 56031	

Social Security Administration	1-877-405-0414
400 S. State St., Suite 70 Fairmont, MN 56031	

State of MN Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services	507-344-2840
12 Civic Center Plaza, Suite 1670	TTY 866-266-2461
Mankato, MN 56001	

State Services for the Blind	507-389-6070
12 Civic Center Plaza, Suite 1600B Mankato, MN 56001	

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

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

Post-Secondary Schools

Bethany Lutheran College	507-344-7000
Gustavus Adolphus College	507-933-8000
Iowa Lakes Community College	1-800-242-5106
Martin Luther College	507-354-8221
Minnesota State University, Mankato	507-389-1866
MN West Technical College, Jackson	1-800-658-2330
Rasmussen University - Mankato	1-800-657-6767
Riverland Community College	507-625-6556 1-800-247-5039
South Central College	Mankato 507-389-7200 Faribault 507-332-5800

Community Education

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

Head Start

MN Valley Action Council - Faribault County	507-553-5099
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17 1st Avenue SW
Wells, MN 56097

MN Valley Action Council - Martin County	507-764-6955
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303 South Lake Street PO Box 338
Sherburn, MN 56171

MN Valley Action Council - Faribault County	507-526-5458
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301 N. Main Street
Blue Earth, MN 56013

MN Valley Action Council - Martin County	507-238-1663
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820 Winnebago Av. Suite 3
Fairmont, MN 56031

Job Corps

Humphrey Job Corps Center	651-642-1133
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1480 N. Snelling Avenue
St. Paul, MN 55108

1-800-733-5627

EMPLOYMENT

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 CareerForce can provide information on completing applications, resumes, and interviews (see www.careerforcemn.com). To see available jobs go to minnesotaworks.net.

For more information on employment contact:

CareerForce in Fairmont	507-618-5610
400 S. State St., Suite 180	
Fairmont, MN 56031	

CareerForce in Mankato	507-344-2622
12 Civic Center Plaza, Suite 1600A	
Mankato, MN 56001	

CareerForce in New Ulm	507-354-3138
1618 S. Broadway, Suite 203	
New Ulm, MN 56073	

MN Valley Action Council – Faribault Co.	507-526-5291
301 N. Main St. Blue Earth, MN 56013	

Staffing Agencies

Aerotek	507-601-5046
921 Madison Ave, Suite 101 Mankato, MN 56001	

Aventure	507-399-2027
400 S. State St., Suite 300 Fairmont, MN 56031	

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

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

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

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

Masterson Staffing Solutions 627 S. Front St. Mankato, MN 56001	507-720-6556
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People Ready 1707 Madison Ave. # 100 Mankato, MN 56001	507-201-8246
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TEAM Personnel 627 S. Front Street Mankato, MN 56001	507-720-6556
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Volt Workforce Solutions 2030 Lookout Dr. North Mankato, MN 56003	507-304-6514
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FOOD & NUTRITION

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:

Faribault County Food Shelf 214 S. Holland St. Blue Earth, MN 56013	507-526-7222
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Heaven's Table Food Shelf	507-238-5424
909 Winnebago Ave. Fairmont, MN 56031	

Hope Shop	507-235-5535
St. John Vianney 901 S. Prairie Ave. Fairmont, MN 56031	

Human Services of Faribault & Martin Counties	Blue Earth 507-526-3265
	Fairmont 507-238-4757

Ruby's Pantry
rubysherburnrwc@gmail.com Sherburn, MN

Ruby's Pantry	507-236-4653
East Chain Evangelical Church	651-674-0009
507 280th Avenue Granada, MN 56039	

Salvation Army	507-238-9797
114 East Blue Earth Av. Fairmont, MN 56031	

The Shepherd's In Soup Kitchen	507-236-5362
theshephersin@gmail.com	

University of MN Extension - Faribault Co	507-526-6240
412 North Nicollet Blue Earth, MN 56013	

University of MN Extension – Martin Co 201 Lake Avenue Fairmont, MN 56031	507-235-3341
Wells Area Food Shelf PO Box 12 Wells, MN 56097	507-553-3234
Winnebago Food Shelf First Presbyterian Church of Winnegabo 127 Main Street North Winnebago, MN 56098	507-893-3197
Women, Infants & Children – Faribault Co 412 North Nicollet Blue Earth, MN 56013	507-526-3265
Women, Infants & Children – Martin Co 115 West First Street Fairmont, MN 56031	507-238-4757

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.

Faribault County Public Health

507-526-3265

412 N. Nicollet

Blue Earth, MN 56013

Martin County Public Health

507-238-4757

115 W. 1st Street

Fairmont, MN 56031

Medical Clinics/Hospitals

Center for Primary Care - Fairmont

507-238-9533

717 S. State Street Suite 800

888-974-6636

Fairmont, MN 56031

24/7 Hotline **507-779-9634**

Center for Specialty & Primary Care – Blue Earth		507-526-5191
435 S. Grove St. Suite 3		888-974-6636
Blue Earth, MN 56013	24/7 Hotline	507-779-9634
Center for Specialty Care – Fairmont		507-238-4949
717 S. State St. Suite 900		888-974-6636
Fairmont, MN 56031	24/7 Hotline	507-779-9634
Dulcimer Medical Center		507-238-4968
1950 Center Creek Drive		
Fairmont, MN 56031		
Mankato Clinic – Main Street		507-625-1811
1230 E. Main Street	Psychiatry Department	507-387-3195
Mankato, MN 56001		
Mayo Clinic Health System – Blue Earth		507-526-4642
411 S. Grove St., Suite 3		
Blue Earth, MN 56013		
Mayo Clinic Health System – Fairmont		507-238-8100
800 Medical Center Drive		1-800-234-6141
Fairmont, MN 56031	(appointments)	507-238-8500
Mayo Clinic Health System – Mankato		507-625-4031
1025 Marsh Street		1-800-327-3721
Mankato, MN 56001	(appointments)	1-877-412-7575

Mayo Clinic Health System – Sherburn Mobile Health Clinic on Mondays and Wednesdays 21 E 1st. Street Sherburn, MN 56171	507-238-8500 (appointmnets)
Mayo Clinic Health System – Wells 301 S. Broadway Wells, MN 56097	507-553-6341
Open Door Health Center 309 Holly Lane Mankato, MN 56001 <i>Provides medical and dental services</i>	507-388-2120
Smart Clinic 322 S. State Street Fairmont, MN 56031	507-238-4844
United Hospital District 221 E. 1st St. Fairmont, MN 56031	507-238-1287
United Hospital District – Hospital 515 S. Moore St. Blue Earth, MN 56013	507-526-3273
United Hospital District Clinic 515 S. Moore St. Blue Earth, MN 56013	507-526-7388

United Hospital District Clinic**507-553-6550**

55 First Street SE
Wells, MN 56097

United Hospital District Clinic**507-893-3399**

1 Main St. N.
Winnebago, MN 56098

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:

Habitat for Humanity	507-388-2081
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1730 Bassett Drive
Mankato, MN 56001

Minnesota Housing Finance Agency	651-296-7608
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Minnesota Valley Action Council – Faribault Co	507-526-5291
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301 N. Main Street
Blue Earth, MN 56013

Must be income eligible

Minnesota Valley Action Council – Martin Co	507-238-1663
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1200 Park St. N., Suite #108
Fairmont, MN 56031

Must be income eligible

Partners for Housing	507-387-2115
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12 Civid Center Plaza Suite 2145
Mankato, MN 56001

Transitional housing

Salvation Army	507-345-7840
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201 Star Street
Mankato, MN 56001

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

South Central MN Multi-County HRA	507-345-1977
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422 Belgrade Ave. Suite 102 North Mankato, MN 56003	1-800-733-9564
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The REACH Drop-In Center	507-720-0331
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Lutheran Social Service
125 E. Liberty St.
Mankato, MN 56001

Homeless youth

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:

Blue Earth Community Library	507-526-5012
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124 W. 7th Street
Blue Earth, MN 56013

Elmore Public Library 107 E. Willis St. Elmore, MN 56027	507-943-3150
Fairmont/Martin County Library 110 N. Park Street Fairmont, MN 56031	507-238-4207
Sherburn Public Library 27 N. Main Street Sherburn, MN 56171	507-764-7611
Trimont Public Library 190 Main Street W. Trimont, MN 56176	507-639-2571
Truman Public Library 101 E. Ciro Street Truman, MN 56088	507-776-2717
Wells Public Library 54 1st Street SW Wells, MN 56097	507-553-3702
Winnebago Muir Library 36 N. Main Street Winnebago, MN 56098	507-893-3196

Library Systems

SMILE Library System	507-625-7555
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Traverse Des Sioux Library System	507-625-6169
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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:

Blue Earth Community Education	507-526-3172
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315 E 6th St.

Blue Earth, MN 56013

Blue Earth Gymnastics Center Inc.	507-526-3668
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515 W. 1st St.

Blue Earth, MN 56013

Blue Earth Pool 111 W. 14th St. Blue Earth, MN 56013	507-526-2715
Bowlmor Lanes 617 S. State Street Fairmont, MN 56031	507-235-5719
Cutting Edge Fitness Center 1130 Spruce Street Fairmont, MN 56031	507-238-2966
Fairmont Aquatic Park 1400 S. Prairie Avenue Fairmont, MN 56031	507-238-9292
Fairmont Children's Theater 45 Downtown Plaza Fairmont, MN 56031	507-238-4900
Fairmont Community Education 115 S. Park St. Suite 131 Fairmont, MN 56031	507-235-3141
Faribault Co. Fair	507-526-2984
Faribault Co. Fitness Center 320 White Oak Road Blue Earth, MN 56013	507-526-3376

Flame Theatre 125 S. Broadway Wells, MN 56097	507-553-5713
Livfit Sprt and Wellness 1215 N State St. Suite 2 Fairmont , MN 56031	507-399-2049
Lucky Lanes 37 First Avenue SE Winnebago, MN 56098	507-893-4311
Martin County Ice Arena Martin County Fairgrounds Fairmont, MN 56031	507-238-1995
Martin County West Pool 105 E. 5th St. Sherburn, MN 56171	507-764-3651
Sherburn MX Park 1010 70th Avenue Sherburn, MN 56171	507-236-4900
Sherburn Theatre 116 N. Main Street Sherburn, MN 56171	507-764-4045
The Lighthouse – Martin Co. Youth For Christ 213 Downtown Plaza Fairmont, MN 56031	507-235-6016

Truman Pool	507-776-8561
302 N. 2nd Ave. E Truman, MN 56088	

Wells Community Education	507-553-5823
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Additional information can also be found on school district and chamber of commerce websites.

THRIFT STORES

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

For more information on thrift stores contact:

Giddy Up Boutique	507-236-1977
105 Downtown Plaza Fairmont, MN 56031	

R & M Deals	507-525-7614
28 W. Franklin St. Wells, MN 56097	

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

Twelve Baskets Re-Sale**507-235-6195**

210 Downtown Plaza
Fairmont, MN 56031

TRANSPORTATION

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 Education

Chain of Lakes Driver's Training**507-236-9382**

Fairmont, MN

507-236-9323

GHEC/RM Driving**507-235-9833**

Fairmont Area Driver's Education

507-236-4058

811 Albion Ave.

Fairmont, MN 56031

Driver's License Road & Knowledge Test Sites

Driver's License Exam Station	507-526-6234
435 S. Grove St. Suite 1B	
Blue Earth, MN 56013	

Driver's License Exam Station	507-238-3222
308 S. State Street Suite 280	
Fairmont, MN 56031	

Transportation Services

AmeriCare Mobility Van	507-625-6741
307 Pine Street	
Mankato, MN 56001	
<i>Non-emergency medical transportation for individuals with disabilities</i>	

Blue Earth Taxi	507-388-2227
111 Butterworth St. North	
Mankato, MN 56001	

FAST Ride Share	507-236-1242
101 W	
Fairmont, MN 56031	

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

National Run Away Safeline	1-800-RUN-AWAY
<i>Must be youth initiated between the ages 12-20</i>	

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

Royalty Rides	507-848-3748
Fairmont, MN	

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

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:

4-H University of MN Extension – Faribault Co	507-526-6240
Faribault County Office Bldg.	
412 N. Nicollet	
Blue Earth, MN 56013-0130	

4-H University of MN Extension – Martin Co	507-235-3341
104 Courthouse 201 Lake Avenue Fairmont, MN 56031-1845	
Boy Scouts of America	507-387-3123
810 Madison Avenue Mankato, MN 56001	
Girl Scouts River Valleys	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 (or call 1-800-543-7709) for information on services that will meet your specific need.

For more information on youth services contact:

BEST - Building and Empowering Students Together	507-236-0223
Youth Intervention & Prevention 201 Lake Avenue Fairmont, MN 56031	

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

Life-Work Planning Center	507-345-1577
127 S. 2nd St., Suite 210 Mankato, MN 56001	

Lutheran Social Service	507-625-7660
710 S. 2nd Street Mankato, MN 56001	

Independent living skills

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

Includes LCWM, Madelia, Maple River, Truman

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

MN Valley Action Council	507-526-5291
301 N. Main Blue Earth, MN 56013	

Must be income eligible

MN Valley Action Council	507-618-5610
400 S. State St., Suite 180 Fairmont, MN 56031	

Must be income eligible

SMILES Center for Independent Living	507-235-3488
301 Downtown Plaza Suite 3	
Fairmont, MN 56031	

Vocational Rehabilitation Services	507-235-5518
400 S. State St., Suite 180	
Fairmont, MN 56031	

NOTES



This Directory will help you find information about:

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