Community Resource Guide for Youth

Young Adult Passport

Future

NOW

For Help and Opportunity Now and in the Future
Top 10 Youth Identified Resources

1 Emergency Rooms
2 Transitions Homeless Center
   2025 Main Street
   Columbia, SC 29201
   (803) 708-4861
3 Comet Transit Station
   Corner of Sumter & Laurel Street
   Columbia, SC 29201
   catchthecomet.org
4 Richland Library
   1431 Assembly St.
   Columbia, SC 29201
   (803) 799-9084
5 Daybreak Pregnancy Center
   2009 C Hampton Street
   Columbia, SC 29202
   (803) 771-6634 (24/7 Hotline)
6 Columbia Area Mental Health
   2715 Colonial Drive
   Columbia, SC 29203
   (803) 898-8888

In Downtown Columbia

7 Free Medical Clinic
   1875 Harden Street
   Columbia, SC 29204
   (803) 765-1503
8 Lexington/Richland Alcohol and Drug Council (LRADAC)
   2711 Colonial Drive
   Columbia, SC 29203
   (803) 726-9300
9 USC Supportive Housing
   1325 Laurel Street
   Columbia, SC 29201
   (803) 343-3437
10 MIRCI Youth Drop In Center
    1433 Gregg Street
    Columbia, SC 29201
    (803) 799-0331
This Young Adult Passport belongs to:

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In Case of Emergency Contact:

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This Passport has been designed by Youth for Youth and is updated yearly by Transitions Homeless Center staff, interns and clients. It is important for me to ensure this is updated and shared with the community to bring awareness and education about services to get our youth to the appropriate linkages to care and to reduce duplication of efforts.

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**Tools**

*ID, paperwork, emergency numbers*

**Columbia/Richland**

Services include but not limited to: police, fire fighters, and EMS.

911 **Emergency**  (803) 252-2911 Columbia Police Department **Non-Emergency**

**Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC)**

Get your birth certificate and apply for WIC.

2600 Bull Street  (803) 898-3432
Columbia SC 29201  www.scdehec.gov

**Richland County Department of Social Services (DSS)**

Family Independence (FI) and Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP).

3200 Two Notch Road  (803) 714-7300
Columbia, SC 29204  www.dss.sc.gov

**SC Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV)**

Identification cards require a person to visit a local SC DMV office.

228-A O’Neil Court  (803) 419-9403
Columbia SC 29223  www.scdmvonline.com

**US Social Security Administration**

SSI/SSDI benefits, Social Security Numbers (SSN), etc.

1835 Assembly Street, 11th Floor  (866) 964-7594
Columbia SC, 29201  www.ssa.gov/ssnumber

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“Help is around the corner.” ~ Jayquan, 15

**My Questions to Ask**  
*Questions to ask when visiting an agency, group, or program.*

For any call or visit you make, begin by recording the date and the agency, group, or program name. Then write down what is important for you to learn before you make the call.

- What do I need help with?
- What information do I need to have for appointment? (ex. picture ID, Social Security card, address)
- What opportunities do you offer?
- Does it cost anything, if yes how much?
- Where are they located and what are transportation options?
- Who is a contact name and number there I can have?

**Keep Up with Your Questions**

Set goals and keep a “to-do” list. Use this page to make lists and make notes about your Life Dream. List people you meet on your journey. These people could be employers, faith community members, organizations, and/or special friends to help you on your journey.

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“Follow your dreams and stay focused.” ~ Gilbert, 16

Food, Clothing, and Financial Help
Find food, clothing, and financial support.

Christ Central Ministries
Food, counseling, clothing, and school support.
2401 N. Main Street (803) 765-1998
Columbia, SC 29201 www.christcentralministries.org

Clean of Heart
Catholic (faith based) Charities showers and laundry.
1219 Laurel Street (803) 726-7764
Columbia, SC 29201 www.charitiessc.org/clean-of-heart

Harvest Hope Food Bank
Food pantry.
2220 Shop Road (803) 254-4432
Columbia, SC 29201 www.harvesthope.org

Lexington Interfaith Community Service
Food pantry, clothing closet, financial. (803) 356-6916
Support Services www.licssc.org

Salvation Army
Food, clothing, and utility help.
3024 Farrow Road (803) 765-0260
Columbia, SC 29203 www.salvationarmycarolinas.org/columbia

The Cooperative Ministry
Food pantry, clothing closet, income tax, cars for workers, health insurance ACA.
3821 West Beltline Boulevard (803) 799-3853
Columbia, SC 29204 www.coopmin.org

When in Doubt, Call 211
211 – United Way of South Carolina
211 is your one-stop telephone bank for finding help for yourself or someone else.
You can dial 211 from any phone or visit www.211.org

“Know YOU can...discover your wings and fly.” ~ Stacey, 57
Support and Hotlines
Find someone to talk to.

Harriet Hancock LGBT Center
Support groups for LGBT youth and their allies.
1108 Woodrow Street
Columbia, SC 29205
(803) 771-7713
www.harriethancockcenter.org
Youth OutLoud, ages 15-19
1st & 3rd Saturday, 6:00pm

Hispanic Connections
Interpretation and translations services across SC.
2005 Hampton Street, Suite B
Columbia, SC 29204
(803) 765-0560
www.hispanicconnections.com

National Domestic Violence Hotline
If you are someone you know is being abused.
1-800-799-SAFE (7233)

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline
Provides trained counselors for support.
1-800-273-TALK (8255)

Rape, Abuse, & Incest National Network (RAINN)
Crisis support for survivors of abuse and rape.
1-800-656-HOPE (4673) (24/7 Crisis Hotline)
www.Online.rainn.org (24/7 Online Crisis Chat)

Sexual Trauma Services of the Midlands
Confidential support and therapy for survivors of sexual assault.
3830 Forest Drive, Suite 201
Columbia, SC 29204
(803) 771-RAPE (7273) (24/7 Crisis Hotline)

Sistercare Battered Women Hotline
Talk confidentially about abuse and get help and shelter for women and children.
(803) 765-9428

S.C. Legal Services
Legal support and advice.
(803) 744-9430
Toll Free: 1-888-346-5592

Greater Columbia Intergroup
AA Meetings (803) 254-5301

Emotional Support and Substance Abuse
Support for you or someone you know having mental/emotional problems or drug/alcohol challenges

Columbia Area Mental Health
Emergency services mental health facility.
2715 Colonial Drive
Columbia, SC 29201
(803) 898-8888
www.state.sc.us/dmh/camhc

LRADAC – Lexington Richland and Drug and Abuse Counseling Columbia
Drug and alcohol treatment and counseling.
2711 Colonial Drive
Columbia, SC 29201
(803) 726-9300
www.lradac.org

MIRCI Youth Drop-In Center
Day center with referrals, showers, meals, and storage lockers.
1433 Gregg Street
Columbia, SC 29201
(803) 799-0331
http://www.mirci.org/
“With all the challenges we face today, you are better off than 2/3 of the rest of the world, if you take advantage of what is available.” ~ Chaplain John, 66

**Health Care**

*Help for health, teeth, and eyes. Emergencies call 911*

**Clinica El Buen Samaritano**
Free clinic specializing in serving the Hispanic Community.
7915 Old Percival Road (803) 790-0239
Columbia, SC 29223 www.scpasos.org

**Daybreak Crisis Pregnancy Center**
Baby items, family planning, free pregnancy test, free ultrasounds, and maternity clothes.
Childbirth/parenting classes, dating/relationship classes, and post abortion support.
2009-C Hampton Street (803) 771-6634 (24/7 Hotline)
Columbia, SC 29204 www.daybreakcpc.org

**Richland County Department of Social Services**
Family Independence (FI) and Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP).
3200 Two Notch Road (803) 714-7300
Columbia, SC 29204 www.dss.sc.gov

**Free Medical Clinic**
Free medical clinic services.
1875 Harden Street (803) 765-1503
Columbia, SC 29204 www.freemedclinic.org

**WellPartners**
Free dental and eye care services for non-insured.
2000 Hampton Street Dental: (803) 888-1692
Suite 4090 Eye: (803) 888-1690
Columbia, SC 29204 www.wellpartners.org

**Transportation**

*Learn how to get a ride*

**Catch the Comet**
City’s bus system. Fee or pass required.
3613 Lucius Road (803) 255-7100
Columbia, SC 29201 www.catchthecomet.org

*Transit Station:*
1780 Sumter Street
Columbia, SC 29201

**e-Rover**
City Center Partnership. Courtesy shuttle between Main Street and the Vista.
(803) 309-7758 www.citycentercolumbia.sc

“When investing in your surroundings you are investing into your future.” ~ Cheryl, 47
School, Jobs, and Career
Help with decisions about GED/Diploma, higher education, and employment

Columbia Literacy Council--Turning Pages
Continuing education and literacy support.
2062 N. Beltline Boulevard
Columbia, SC 29204
(803) 782-1210 www.turning-pages.org

Goodwill Job Connections
Job search assistance programs and placement.
2744 Decker Boulevard
Columbia, SC 29206
(803) 731-1786 www.goodwillsc.org

Richland County Library - Job Center
Information about job and career opportunities.
1431 Assembly Street
Columbia, SC 29201
(803) 929-3464 www.richlandlibrary.com

Job Corp Centers
Free training program that helps youth, 16-24, earn a diploma/GED, and find/keep a job.
(803) 245-5101
www.jobcorps.gov/centers/sc.aspx

Richland One Adult and Community Ed
Support for GED and continuing education.
1616 Richland Street
Columbia, SC 29201
(803) 231-7000 www.richlandone.org

SC Department of Education
GED and high school diploma.
1401 Senate Street Room 105
Columbia, SC 29201
(803) 734-8347 www.ed.sc.gov

SC Works, SC Department of Employment
and Workforce
Job search assistance.
700 Taylor Street
Columbia, SC 29201
(803) 737-5627 www.jobs.scworks.org

Youth Challenge Academy
Designed to help youth learn basic life and job skills, earn GED, self-discipline, health, driver’s education, and leadership. Free tuition and residential for young men and women ages 16-18 years.
5471 Leesburg Road Building 3891
Eastover, SC 29044
(803) 299-4872 www.scyouthchallenge.com

USC Trio Program
Tutoring, financial aid, and admissions counseling.
1400 Wheat Street
Columbia, SC 29206
(803) 777-5125 www.sc.edu/trio

Vocational Rehabilitation
Help with Career for people with special mental and physical needs.
516 Percival Road
Columbia, SC 29206
(803) 782-4329 www.scvrd.net

Work it Up through Midlands Tech
Trainings to help gain employment.
701 Hampton Street
Columbia, SC 29204
(803) 738-763 www.midlandstech.edu/learn/training/quickjobs

YouthBuild Columbia at Benedict-Allen
Ages 16-24 help with getting GED/high school diploma, job training and placement, and career counseling.
2601 Read Street
Columbia, SC 29204
(803) 705-4682 www.youthbuild.org

“Believe in yourself and you will accomplish great things.” ~ Mary, 61
**Family Shelter**
Emergency shelter for families with young children.
2411 Two Notch Road
Columbia, SC 29203
(803) 771-7040
www.familysheltersc.org

**Hannah House**
Emergency shelter for homeless single women and women with children.
1726 Sumter Street
Columbia, SC 29201
(803) 771-4357
www.christcentralministries.org

**Inclement Weather Shelter**
Temporary shelter *November 1-March 31* when temperature is 40 degrees or below or terrible weather. 18 years of age and older.
*Pick up at Clean of Hearts*
1219 Laurel Street
Columbia, SC 29201
*Shelter at*
191 Calhoun Street
Columbia, SC 29201
(803) 260-1675
www.transitionssc.org

**Oliver Gospel Mission**
Emergency shelter for men age 18 and older.
Faith-based housing, food, and services.
1100 Taylor Street
Columbia, SC 29201
(803) 254-6470
www.olivergospelmission.com

**Palmetto Place Children’s Shelter**
Emergency shelter and residential homes for children, unaccompanied teens, and young adults in school.
(803) 708-6819
www.palmettoplaceshelter.org

**SC Housing Search**
Information for housing.
300-c Outlet Pointe Boulevard
Columbia, SC 29210
(803) 428-8844
www.schousingsearch.com

**Transitions Homeless Center**
Homeless men and women age 18 and older. Day Center (library, computer lab, laundry, shower, clothing closet, hygiene kits, food), life skills programs, support, and outreach.
2025 Main Street
Columbia, SC 29201
(803) 708-4861
www.transitionssc.org

**USC Supportive Housing**
For people who are homeless and have a disability or AIDS.
1325 Laurel Street
Columbia, SC 29201
(803) 343-3437
www.supportivehousing.med.sc.edu

“The community wants to assist those that ask and actually want help. Learn what your goals and needs are and when you are ready to change, just ask. Our job is to help you navigate the resources.”

~ Lauren, 32
Leadership and Ways to Help Others
Meet new friends, be a leader, and help others

Big Brothers Big Sisters
Mentoring program for children and teens ages 6-18.
4300 N. Main Street
Columbia, SC 29203
(803) 691-5700
www.bbbsgc.org

Columbia Urban League, Inc.
Jobs, school, friends, and economic empowerment for ages 12-21.
1400 Barnwell Street
Columbia, SC 29201
(803) 799-8150
www.columbiaurbanleague.org

Boy Scouts of America
Indian Waters Council. Young Explorer Program for youth ages 18+.
715 Betsy Drive
Columbia, SC 29210
(803) 798-9868
www.indianwaters.org

Boys and Girls Club of the Midlands
A safe environment with health & life skills.
500 Grace Road
Columbia, SC 29210
(803) 231-3300
www.bgcmidland.org

Volunteer and Helping Others in Need
Find what makes you happy, have fun, and meet new friends.
United Way Volunteer Center.
(803) 733-7312
www.getconnected.uway.org
Volunteer Match
www.volunteermatch.org