



Community Resource Guide

*Financial, food, clothing, and other
community resources in*

Columbia County

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To view a complete list of Columbia County resources, visit:

<https://www.co.columbia.wi.us/columbiacounty/Portals/7/Community%20Resource%20Guide/Community%20Resource%20Guide.pdf?ver=2021-09-10-161235-477>

FOOD RESOURCES

Wisconsin FoodShare (Food Stamps or SNAP)

The goal of the Wisconsin FoodShare Program is to end hunger. You can use FoodShare benefits at most stores and many farmers markets.

For more information: [Wisconsin FoodShare Program](#)

The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP)

TEFAP is a federal program that provides food assistance to those with low incomes.

For more information: [Wisconsin TEFAP Program](#)

Women, Infants, and Children Nutrition Program (WIC)

WIC helps families stay healthy by providing nutrition education, breastfeeding support, healthy foods, and referrals to health services and other resources.

For more information: [Wisconsin WIC Program](#)

Free and Reduced Meals

Free and reduced priced meals are available to qualifying students within school meal programs.

For more information: [Wisconsin Free and Reduced Lunch Program](#)

Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP)

The CSFP provides free monthly food packages to low-income adults aged 60 years and older.

For more information: [Wisconsin Commodity Supplemental Food Program](#)

Columbia County Food Pantries

There are organizations located across Columbia County that offer food to those in need.

For more information: [Columbia County Food Resources](#)

FINANCIAL RESOURCES

Budgeting:

Family Financial Education

The UW Extension offers volunteer coaches to help you increase your financial security through free courses.

For more information: [Dodge Co. Extension, Family Financial Education](#)

GreenPath

GreenPath offers financial counseling services helping to manage debt, make housing decisions, etc.

For more information: [GreenPath Website](#)

Money Management International (MMI)

MMI can help users on their journey to financial freedom through debt relief programs, housing services, and financial education.

For more information: [Money Management International Website](#)

National Foundation for Credit Counseling

The National Foundation for Credit Counseling is available to help people who are struggling with debt management.

For more information: [National Foundation for Credit Counseling Website](#)

Financial Assistance:

Wisconsin Home Energy Assistance Program (WHEAP)

WHEAP is available for eligible households who are in need of assistance with their heating and electric bills.

For more information: [Wisconsin Home Energy Assistance Program](#)

Columbia County Financial Assistance Office

The Columbia County Financial Assistance Office provides assistance to families and individuals experiencing financial hardship.

For more information: [Columbia County Financial Assistance Office](#)

Job Access Loan

The Job Access Loan is up to \$1,600 and available for folks who need a loan to get or keep their job.

For more information: [Job Access Loan Information Page](#)

Emergency Assistance

Assistance available to individuals who are about to lose their home or have their utilities shut off.

For more information: [Emergency Assistance Information Page](#)

Salvation Army Financial Assistance Request

Financial assistance is available through The Salvation Army in Wisconsin and Upper Michigan.

For more information: [Salvation Army Financial Assistance Request Form](#)

Wisconsin Shares Child Care Subsidy Program

The Wisconsin Shares child care subsidy program helps make quality child care more accessible and affordable by covering a portion of the costs.

For more information: [Wisconsin Shares Child Care Subsidy Program](#)

HOUSING RESOURCES

[Columbia County Housing Resources](#)

Columbia County Complete Housing Resources List

Columbia County has a number of housing resources available. View these and more resources in the listing below.

For more information: [Columbia County Housing Resources](#)

Columbia County Low Income Housing Listing

View low income housing available in Columbia County, starting on page two of the linked listing.

For more information: [Columbia County Low Income Housing](#)

Eviction and Legal Resources:

Eviction Defense Clinic (EDC)

The EDC provides legal help for people that have an eviction court case. The cases are overseen and handled by clinical law students.

For more information: [UW-Madison Eviction Defense Clinic](#)

Tenant Resource Center

The Tenant Resource Center is a nonprofit organization promoting positive relations between rental housing consumers and providers in Wisconsin.

For more information: [Tenant Resource Center](#)

Fair Housing Resources - Wisconsin HUD

This resource will help tenants to understand their housing rights and where to find help when they need it.

For more information: [Fair Housing Resources - WI HUD](#)

Legal Action of Wisconsin

Legal Action of Wisconsin helps clients find and keep safe and affordable housing.

For more information: [Legal Action of Wisconsin](#)

SUPPORT GROUPS

Columbia County Support Groups

For group listing: [Columbia County Support Groups](#)

Columbia County Alcoholics Anonymous

For more information: [Columbia County Alcoholics Anonymous Listing](#)

YMCA Livestrong

Livestrong is a 12-week program designed for small groups of people living with, though, or beyond cancer.

For more information: [YMCA Livestrong Program Information](#)

MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

BadgerCare Plus

BadgerCare Plus is a health care program that helps low-income children, pregnant people, and adults in Wisconsin.

For more information: [Wisconsin BadgerCare Plus](#)

Medicaid

Medicaid is available for adults 65 and older or people who are blind or disabled.

For more information: [Medicaid Information](#)

Financial Assistance from SSM

Financial assistance is available for people without insurance, underinsured, or otherwise unable to pay for medically necessary care at SSM.

For more information: [SSM Financial Assistance](#)

ADRC Columbia County

ADRC of Columbia County provides elder adults and people with physical or developmental/intellectual disabilities various resources

For more information: [ADRC of Columbia County](#)

St. Vincent de Paul Free Medical Clinic

St. Vincent de Paul offers a free medical clinic on Wednesdays from 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. at Wilz Hometown Pharmacy.

140 E Cook Street
Portage, WI 53901

For more information: [Medical Clinic Information](#)

CLOTHING & PERSONAL ITEMS

ASSISTANCE

Reach Out Lodi Community Store

Reach out Lodi offers community members a food pantry, personal essentials, a community closet, and school supplies for local residents.

601 Clark Street
Lodi, WI 53555

Phone:
(920) 592-4592

For more information: [Reach out Lodi](#)

The Neighborly Community Free Clothing Store

Open to all, no income requirements. Free new and gently used clothing donated by community members and businesses

615 Broadway
Baraboo, WI 53913

Located at:
First United Methodist of
Baraboo

Phone:
(608) 356-3991

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