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Lee County Community Resource Guide

Linking Youth and Families to Community Resources

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This guide is not intended to be exhaustive of all the programs available in Lee County. Historically it has primarily included programs and services that parents and youth can access directly, with a focus on social services. This edition also includes programs that can only be accessed when a youth is in the juvenile justice system. They are noted as such. If you know of a youth program that should be included, please contact us at the address below. The programs listed are provided for information purposes only and inclusion here does not represent an endorsement of the program by the Lee County Sheriff’s Office. While every effort has been made to include accurate information, programs change from time to time. Parents are advised to contact programs to ensure the information is current. Please note that there is a fee for services for many of the programs listed. Parents should inquire about any costs when considering a program for their child or family. Compiled by C. Helton.

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✦ 21st Century C.A.R.E.
2234 Colonial Boulevard
Fort Myers, FL 33907

Phone:  (239) 936-3756
Website:  www.21stcenturycare.org

A foundation dedicated to cancer patients. Upon physician’s referral, provides financial assistance for incidental expenses related to cancer treatments. A weekly cancer support group meets in Fort Myers. See website for time and location.

✦ AARP Grandparent Information Center
Phone:  1-888-687-2277
Website:  www.aarp.org/home-family/friends-family/

Information and referral for grandparents raising grandchildren.

✦ Abiding Love Lutheran Church
3205 Chiquita Boulevard
Cape Coral, FL  33914

Phone:  (239) 945-2122
Website:  www.abiding-love.com

Provides a food pantry for homeless and needy families.

✦ Able Trust Youth Programs
Phone:  (888) 838-2253
Website:  www.abletrust.org/youth/

Works to reduce dropout rate of youths with disabilities by improving their participation in employment-related activities. Helps build self esteem, develop leadership skills, and prepare young adults with disabilities for life beyond high school.

✦ Abuse Counseling and Treatment (ACT)
P.O. Box 60401
Fort Myers, FL  33906

Phone:  (239) 939-2553       24-Hour Hotline:  (239) 939-3112
Website:  www.actabuse.com

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Provides assistance to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault through shelter, advocacy, counseling, support groups, education on teen dating violence, information and referrals.

📍 Acceleration Middle School
3348 Edgewood Avenue, Bldg. D
Fort Myers, FL 33916

Phone: (239) 400-1818
Website: www.amscharter.org

A free, public charter school that provides a flexible schedule tailored to individual learning styles. Assists students who have fallen behind in catching up to grade level.

📍 Adult and Career Education/Lee County School District
2855 Colonial Boulevard
Ages: 16+
Fort Myers, FL 33966

Phone: (239) 939-6310
Website: http://ace.leeschools.net/

Classes are provided in various locations throughout Lee County. Classes include GED preparation, computer skills, leisure, English as a second language, literacy, and foreign languages.

📍 African Caribbean American Center (AFCAAM)/St. Peter Claver Catholic Mission
3681 Michigan Avenue
Fort Myers, FL 33916

Phone: (239) 461-0234
Website: www.afcaam.com/

Provides education, youth mentoring groups, GED preparation, tutoring, computers, afterschool reading program, thrift store, and food donations.

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Agency for Health Care Administration (ACHA)
2295 Victoria Avenue, Room 309
Fort Myers, FL 33901

Phone: (239) 335-1300
Website: http://ahca.myflorida.com/

ACHA administers the statewide Medicaid program in collaboration with the Department of Children and Families. Local area offices are able to assist with questions about what services Medicaid covers, who provides Medicaid services, information and referral, and resolving billing disputes. See Department of Children and Families and Florida KidCare listings for information about enrolling in Medicaid or other children’s health insurance programs.

Agency for Persons With Disabilities
2295 Victoria Avenue
P.O. Box 60085
Fort Myers, FL 33906

Phone: (239) 338-1370
Website: www.apd.myflorida.com

Assists individuals who have developmental disabilities and their families. Can assist in identifying and accessing needed services.

Aim Target Programs, Inc.
3677 Central Avenue, Suite H
Fort Myers, FL 33901

Phone: (239) 939-3363
Website: http://aimtargetprograms.com

Provides outpatient alcohol and drug evaluation, counseling and education, relapse prevention, domestic violence psycho-educational program, anger management groups, and support group for victims of domestic violence. Bilingual services are offered.

Al-Anon & Al-Ateen
Website: www.southfloridaal-anon.org

Provides support groups for people who have been or are affected by the problem drinking of a relative or friend.
**Alcoholics Anonymous – Lee County Area Intergroup**  
12734 Kenwood Lane, Suite 72  
Fort Myers, FL 33907  

Phone:  (239) 275-5111 (24 hours)  
Website:  [www.leecountyaa.org](http://www.leecountyaa.org)

Provides support groups for people affected by problem drinking. Web site lists local meeting schedules.

**All Souls Episcopal Church Food Pantry & Thrift Store**  
14640 N. Cleveland Avenue  
North Fort Myers, FL 33903  

Phone:  (239) 997-7685  
Website:  [http://allsouls.diswfl.org](http://allsouls.diswfl.org)

North Fort Myers residents with a limited income may receive two bags of grocery items each month on Wed. from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Provides clothing assistance, blankets in cold weather, health checks and referral for medical treatment, counseling, and funds to help obtain a drivers license, birth certificate, or state ID.

**Alliance for the Arts**  
10091 McGregor Boulevard  
Fort Myers, FL 33919  

Phone:  (239) 939-2787  
Website:  [www.artinlee.org](http://www.artinlee.org)

Provides art programs for children ages 8 through high school.

**Alva United Methodist Food Pantry**  
21440 Pearl Street  
Alva, FL 33920  

Phone:  (239) 728-2277

Emergency food pantry for Alva residents as funds are available.
American Cancer Society
4575 Via Royale, #110
Fort Myers, FL 33919

Phone: (239) 936-1113
Website: www.cancer.org

Supports cancer research, patient services, early detection, treatment, and education. Provides ROCK Camp (Reaching Out to Cancer Kids) for youth ages 1 – 16 who are being treated for cancer or have been within the past 3 years. Must be referred by a physician.

American Civil Liberties Union of Florida (ACLU)
4500 Biscayne Boulevard, Suite 340
Miami, FL 33137

Phone: (786) 363-2700
Website: www.aclufl.org

Works in the courts, legislatures, and communities to defend the personal rights and freedoms guaranteed by the Constitution and Bill of Rights.

American Diabetes Association
Phone: (800) 342-2383 (Mon. – Fri.)
Website: www.diabetes.org

Provides physician referrals, referrals to support groups, diabetes management classes, education programs, and youth camps.

American Lung Association of Florida
3645 Bonita Beach Road SW
Bonita Springs, FL 34134

Phone: (239) 908-2680
Website: www.lung.org

Works to improve lung health and to prevent lung disease.

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**American Red Cross – Lee County Chapter**
7051 Cypress Terrace, Suite 110
Fort Myers, FL 33907

Phone: (239) 278-3401  
Website: [www.redcross.org/fl/naples](http://www.redcross.org/fl/naples)

A volunteer-driven organization that helps people prevent, prepare for, and respond to emergencies. Offers youth volunteer opportunities. Provides education on topics such as safety, water safety, first aid, disaster preparedness, stranger danger, and bullying prevention.

**AmeriCorps Florida State Parks**
Department of Environmental Protection  
Ages: 17+
4801 Camp Ranch Road
Gainesville, FL 32641

Phone: (850) 544-3596  
Website: [http://floridastateparks.org/getinvolved/americorps.cfm](http://floridastateparks.org/getinvolved/americorps.cfm)

Provides a work experience for youth age 17 and older within state parks of Florida. Participants commit to 11 months/1700 hours of service for which they receive a monthly living allowance. Upon completion of services they are eligible for a monetary award for college or vocational school tuition or repayment of student loans. January start dates each year. Requires H.S. diploma or GED, or commitment to earn one.

**AmeriCorps – National Civilian Community Corps**
Website: [www.nationalservice.gov/programs/americorps](http://www.nationalservice.gov/programs/americorps)

A residential, team based service program. Participants are assigned to one of five regional campuses and travel to complete community service projects throughout the region. Participants must commit to 11 months/1700 hours of service for which they receive a stipend. Upon completion of service they are eligible for a monetary award for college, educational training, or repayment of student loans. Assists participants in getting a GED if they have not completed high school. Participants may not have a history of violent criminal charges or sex offenses. January/February and September/October start dates.
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**AMIkids Southwest Florida – formerly SWFL Marine Institute**
1190 Main Street
Fort Myers Beach, FL 33931

Phone: (239) 765-9696
Website: [http://amikidsswflorida.org](http://amikidsswflorida.org)

A day treatment program for adolescents. Youth are referred to the program through the juvenile justice system or school district.

**Amigos Center (Amigos en Christo, Inc.)**
25999 Old 41 Road                                7401 Winkler Road (Admin.)
Bonita Springs, FL 34135                       Fort Myers, FL 33919

Phone: (239) 992-4348                        (239) 437-6727
Website: [www.amigoscenter.org](http://www.amigoscenter.org)

Provides services to immigrants including temporary food aid to families in crisis, immigration assistance, translation services, language classes, employment assistance, and social services.

**Angel Flight Southeast**
8864 Airport Boulevard
Leesburg, FL 34788

Phone: 1-800-352-4256 or (352) 326-0761
Website: [www.angelflightse.org](http://www.angelflightse.org)

Coordinates free air transportation for children and adults with medical or compelling humanitarian needs.

**Anger Class Online**
Website: [www.angerclassonline.com](http://www.angerclassonline.com)

Provides an online anger management course. Offers a course for parents and a course for adolescents. Participants can work at their own pace to complete the course.

**Autism Society of Florida**
Website: [www.autismfl.com](http://www.autismfl.com)

A statewide organization that supports individuals with autism, their families, and care givers. Promotes autism awareness and advocacy.
The Behavioral Health Center
12550 New Brittany Boulevard, Suite 200
Fort Myers, FL 33907

Phone: (239) 936-1114
Website: www.leememorial.org/caring/ops/services.asp

Offers child, adolescent, and adult psychiatry, medication management, psychological assessments, and individual, family, couples, and group therapy. Accepts Medicaid, Medicare, private insurance and private pay. Also offers a partial hospitalization program. Free case management is offered for those without insurance.

Benefits.gov
Website: www.benefits.gov

A website to see if you may be eligible to receive government benefits.

Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Sun Coast
7275 Concourse Drive
Fort Myers, FL 33908

Phone: (239) 288-4224
Website: www.bbbssun.org

Offers community-based and school-based mentoring for youth with volunteer mentors who serve as positive role models for youth.

Birth Defect Research for Children, Inc.
976 Lake Baldwin Lane, Suite 104
Orlando, FL 32814

Phone: (407) 895-0802
Email: staff@birthdefects.org
Website: www.birthdefects.org

Provides information on birth defects and links to birth defects support organizations for parents.

(Division of) Blind Services, Department of Education
2830 Winkler Avenue, Suite 207
Fort Myers, FL 33916

Phone: (239) 278-7130
Website: http://dbs.myflorida.com

Assists individuals who are blind or have visual impairments and their families with services to reach education and independent living goals.
Bonita Springs Assistance Office
25300 Bernwood Drive, Suite 6
Bonita Springs, FL 34135

Phone: (239) 992-3034 Email: info@bonitaassistance.org
Website: www.bonitaassistance.org

Provides temporary emergency financial assistance for housing, utilities, prescriptions, and dental care for Bonita Springs residents. Open Mon. – Fri.

Boy Scouts of America, S.W. Florida Council
1801 Boy Scout Drive
Fort Myers, FL 33907

Phone: (239) 936-8072
Website: www.swflcouncilbsa.org

Volunteer organization that promotes character development, citizenship, career development, patriotism and self-reliance among boys and young men.

Boys & Girls Clubs of Lee County
7275 Councourse Drive, Suite 200 Ages: 6 - 18
Fort Myers, FL 33908

Phone: (239) 334-1886
Website: www.bgclc.net

Provides positive youth development programs and services including education, character development, arts, and recreation.

Program Locations:
Lehigh Acres Club, 235 Joel Blvd, Lehigh Acres
Pueblo Bonito Club, 26120 Pueblo Bonito Blvd., Bonita Springs
Renaissance Club, 1633 Joust Street, Fort Myers
Shady Oaks Club, 3280 Marion Street, Fort Myers
Suncoast Site, 1856 Suncoast Lane, North Fort Myers
East Lee County High Extension, 715 Thomas Sherwin Ave., Lehigh Acres

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**Boys Town National Hotline**  
Phone: 1-800-448-3000  
Website: [www.boystown.org](http://www.boystown.org)

Teens and families can talk to trained counselors for help with suicide prevention, sexual abuse, parenting troubles, anger, physical abuse, school issues, chemical dependency, relationship problems, depression, emotional abuse, runaways, and other issues. Spanish speaking counselors are available. Translation services are available for 140 languages.

**Brain Injury Association of Florida**  
Family Help Line: 1-800-992-3442  
Website: [www.biaf.org](http://www.biaf.org)

Provides information about traumatic brain injuries (TBI) and assists in connecting families to a Family Support Specialist. A list of local TBI support groups is available from their web site.

**The Bridge Youth Center**  
1735 Jackson Street  
Fort Myers, FL 33901  
Ages: 12 -18

Phone: (239) 274-3437  
Website: [www.urbanteens.org](http://www.urbanteens.org)

Provides a safe, drop-in afterschool youth center during the school year. Summer programs are also available. Call for schedule.

**Broadway Community Church – SWFL Outreach**  
3309 Broadway Avenue  
Fort Myers, FL 33901

Phone: (239) 936-8366  
Website: [www.broadwaycommunitychurchoq.com](http://www.broadwaycommunitychurchoq.com)

Provides emergency financial assistance. Operates a food pantry as food is available.
**Café of Life**  
P.O. Box 367794  
Bonita Springs, FL 34136

Phone:  (239) 495-9325 Email: info@cafeoflife.org  
Website: www.cafeoflife.org

Serves a lunch Monday through Friday to needy individuals and families in Bonita Springs on the East side of Old 41, between Reynolds and Childers. Also distribute groceries and clothing.

**Candlelighters of Southwest Florida, Inc.**  
9981 S. HealthPark Drive  
Fort Myers, FL 33908

Phone:  (239) 432-2223 Email: info@candlelightersswfl.org  
Website: www.candlelightersswfl.org

Provides support, education, and assistance for families who have children diagnosed with cancer or blood disorders.

**Cape Coral Arts Studio**  
4533 Coronado Parkway  
Cape Coral, FL 33904

Phone:  (239) 574-0802  
Website: www.capecoral.net

Offers classes and summer camps in fine arts and musical theater for youth.

**Cape Coral Assembly of God**  
717 Skyline Boulevard  
Cape Coral, FL 33991

Phone:  (2239) 574-5690  
Website: www.capeassembly.com

The *Jeff Henry Food Pantry* is open Monday and Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Cape Coral Caring Center
4645 SE 15th Avenue
Cape Coral, FL 33904

Phone: (239) 945-1927
Website: www.capecoralcaringcenter.org

Provides emergency food and one-time financial assistance to needy families in Cape Coral.

Cape Coral Housing Development Corporation
824 SE 47th Street, Unit 1 & 2
Cape Coral, FL 33904

Phone: (239) 471-0922
Website: www.capecoralaffordablehousing.com

Assists first-time home buyers, single parents, or displaced homemakers, who meet income guidelines, purchase a home.

Cape Coral Parks & Recreation Youth Programs
P.O. Box 150027
Cape Coral, FL 33915

Phone: (239) 573-3128
Website: www.capecoral.net

Provides child care and afterschool/recreational opportunities for elementary and middle school age youth residing in Cape Coral. Full day programs are available on most school holidays. Rent-a-Teen Program provides a resource listing teens looking to find work. Offers many other classes and events for youth.

Also see Cape Coral Youth Center.

Cape Coral Police Department
1100 Cultural Park Boulevard
Cape Coral, FL 33990

Phone: (239) 574-3223
Website: http://capecops.com

The "Do the Right Thing" program recognizes youth that have made positive choices at a monthly awards ceremony. (Phone: 242-3342)

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Cape Coral Police Department (cont.)

A Police Explorers Post #465 involves youth in various police operations to help educate them about careers in law enforcement.

Prescription Drug Disposal – residents can drop off unused prescription medications at the Cape Coral Police Department lobby.

✦ Cape Coral Youth Center/William “Bill” Austen Youth Center
315 S.W. 2nd Avenue  Ages: 3 - 18
Cape Coral, FL 33991

Phone: (239) 242-3950
Website: www.capecoral.net

Activities include video games, air hockey, big-screen TV, aerobics, dance, arts, crafts, computers, sports, baby-sitting courses, teen dances and more.

✦ C.A.R.E.S. Suicide Prevention Resource Center
8695 College Parkway, Suite 2428
Fort Myers, FL 33919

Phone: (239) 425-3468 (Note: this is not a suicide hotline)
Website: www.caresprevention.org

Educates and supports members of the community on suicide prevention.

✦ Catholic Charities of Lee County
4235 Michigan Link Avenue
Fort Myers, FL 33916

Phone: (239) 334-4007
Website: www.catholiccharitiesdov.org

Provides social services for those in need to promote self-sufficiency. Services include assessments, counseling, tutoring, summer youth programs, financial assistance, job placement, education, translation services, and immigration/refugee assistance.

Locations:
African Caribbean American Center – see separate listing

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Catholic Charities, Bonita Springs
26820 Old 41 Road
Bonita Springs, FL 34135
Phone: (239) 390-2928

Elizabeth Kay Galeana Center/Immigration Services/Food Pantry/Positive Youth Development
4235 Michigan Link Avenue
Fort Myers, FL 33916
Phone: (239) 337-4193

Immigration Services/Clare House/Haitian Center/Human Trafficking Program
5597 Sunrise Drive
Fort Myers, FL 33919
Phone: (239) 334-2234
Phone: (239) 738-8722 (Human Trafficking Program)

✦ Center for Autism and Related Disabilities (CARD) at USF
Phone: 1-800-333-4530 (in Florida)
Website: http://card-usf.fmhi.usf.edu

Provides support, instruction, and coaching with the goal of optimizing the potential of people with autism and related disabilities.

✦ Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
Phone: 1-800-232-4636
Website: www.cdc.gov

A federal agency that works to protect the health and safety of all citizens. Provides information on diseases, health, and safety topics.

✦ CHADD of Lee County, #613
(Children & Adults with Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder)
14851 David Drive
Fort Myers, FL 33908
Phone: (239) 940-2578 Email: chadofleecounty@yahoo.com
Website: www.chadd.net

Provides information and support to parents of children with attention deficits, adults with attention deficits, educators and other interested professionals. Meeting schedule is online at www.chadd.net/template.cfm?affid=613&p=about.
**Challenger Baseball**
4385 Cortina Circle, #130
Fort Myers, FL 33916

Phone:  (239) 898-8677  Email: woodenbat22@hotmail.com
Website:  www.woodenbatclassic.com/challengerbb.html

A program for mentally and physically challenged children and adults to enjoy the full benefits of baseball, teamwork, sportsmanship, and fun in an atmosphere specifically designed to meet the individual needs of each challenged athlete.

**Child Abuse Hotline**
Phone:  1-800-96-ABUSE  or  1-800-962-2873
Website:  www.dcf.state.fl.us/abuse/

Receives reports of child abuse and neglect. Provides information and referrals to enhance the safety and wellbeing of children and vulnerable adults. Florida law requires certain professionals that know or have reasonable cause to suspect that a child is abused or neglected to report this information to the Department of Children and Families.

**Child Care Aware**
Phone:  1-800-424-2246
Website:  http://childcareaware.org/

Assists parents in becoming informed consumers of quality child care and in finding local, accredited child care services.

**Child Care of Southwest Florida, Inc.**
6831 Palisades Park Court, Suite 6
Fort Myers, FL 33912

Phone:  (239) 278-1002
Website:  www.ccswfl.org

Provides child care, voluntary pre-kindergarten programs, and afterschool programs located throughout the area.

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Child Find/Florida Diagnostic and Learning Resource System (FDLRS)  
Ages: birth - 5  
2855 Colonial Boulevard  
Fort Myers, FL 33966  
Phone: (239) 337-8199 or 337-8363  
Website: [http://fdlrs.leeschools.net/](http://fdlrs.leeschools.net/)

Provides developmental screening for children who might be experiencing developmental delays. Assists in finding appropriate services and educational programs for children with special needs.

Child Support Enforcement Office, Department of Revenue  
2830 Winkler Avenue, Suite 112  
Fort Myers, FL 33916  
Phone: 1-800-622-KIDS (5437)  

Assists in locating missing parents, determining paternity, establishing medical and financial support orders, and enforcing support.

Children’s Advocacy Center of Southwest Florida, Inc.  
3830 Evans Avenue  
Fort Myers, FL 33901  
Phone: (239) 939-2808  
Website: [www.cac-swfl.org](http://www.cac-swfl.org)

**Child Protection Team (CPT)** provides crisis intervention for child victims of abuse, neglect, or violent crimes which may include comprehensive medical assessments, family assessments, multidisciplinary staffing, case consultation, psychological evaluations and expert court testimony. Children are typically referred through the Department of Children and Families.

**Family Alliance Program** provides counseling for children that are victims of abuse or neglect, or who have witnessed violence or are victims of a violent crime, their families, and offenders.

**Family First** is a violence prevention and intervention program offered to parents whose children attend one of four designated day care centers.

**Partners in Parenting** offers free parenting education classes in English and Spanish based on the “Nurturing Parenting Program.” Free childcare is available for infants and toddlers.
Children’s Home Society  
1940 Maravilla Avenue  
Fort Myers, FL 33901

Phone:  (239) 334-0222  
Website:  www.chsfl.org

Provides counseling to promote healthy pregnancies, adoption services, support coordination to people with disabilities, independent living services to foster teens, safe sleep education/cribs for kids program, and therapeutic behavioral overly services for children.

The Bridges program provides case management services for families with children who are experiencing housing instability.

The Healthy Families program provides home visitation for expecting parents and parents of newborns to promote positive parent-child relationships and optimize the health and development of children.

Children’s Medical Services (CMS)  
9800 South Health Park Circle, Suite 405  
Ages: prenatal – 20  
Fort Myers, FL 33908

Phone: (239) 433-6723  
Website:  www.floridahealth.gov/AlternateSites/CMS-Kids/

Provides a comprehensive continuum of medical and supporting services to medically and financially eligible children and high-risk pregnant women. Serves children with special health care needs whose serious or chronic physical or developmental conditions require extensive preventive and maintenance care.

Children’s Network of Southwest Florida  
2232 Altamont Avenue  
Fort Myers, FL 33901

Phone:  (239) 226-1524  
Website:  www.childnetswfl.org

Lead administrative agency for social service organizations in Southwest Florida which provide prevention and intervention services that address child abuse and neglect. Provides a Diversion Program for at-risk children.
Children’s Rights Council  
Website:  www.crckids.org  
Email:  info@crckids.org  
Information, resources, and services on shared parenting to help divorced, separated, and never married parents and their extended family remain actively and responsibly involved in their child’s life.

Christ United Methodist Church of Lehigh Acres  
1430 Homestead Road North  
Lehigh Acres, FL 33936  
Phone:  (239) 369-1433  
Email:  admin@christumclehigh.org  
Website:  www.christumclehigh.org  

Oasis Community Food Pantry distributes groceries and clothing. Must be a resident of Lehigh Acres. Families may come twice a month. Call (941) 237-0047 for times.

City of Palms Charter High School (formerly Life Skills Academy)  
2830 Winkler Avenue, Suite 201  
Fort Myers, FL 33916  
Phone:  (239) 561-6611  
Email:  info@cityofpalmscharter.com  
Website:  www.cityofpalmscharter.com  
An alternative educational program for students ages 16 to 21 who have dropped out of school or are at risk of dropping out. The program accommodates students who are experiencing difficulties with the routine of traditional public school by using computer based instruction.

Community Cooperative Ministries (CCMI)  
3429 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.  
P.O. Box 2143  
Fort Myers, FL 33902 -3429  
Phone:  (239) 332-7687  
Website:  www.ccmileecounty.com  
Provides a soup kitchen for homeless and needy families, emergency groceries, and a Montessori preschool. Homeless Services provides crisis intervention and case management for families at risk of becoming homeless. Provides food distribution and targeted case management at the Cape Coral United Way House and the Dunbar United Way House.
- **Community Pregnancy Clinic**  
The Terraces, 8660 College Parkway, Suite 200  
Fort Myers, FL 33919  
Phone: (239) 689-1543  
Website: [www.communitypregnancyclinic.com](http://www.communitypregnancyclinic.com)  
Pregnancy testing, sexual health/STD education, adoption information, infant care classes, abstinence education, diapers, and infant clothing.

- **Compass Center/Coastal Behavioral Healthcare, Inc.**  
2208 Castillo Avenue  
Punta Gorda, FL 33950  
Phone: (941) 639-5535 ext. 100  
Website: [www.coastalbh.org](http://www.coastalbh.org)  
A residential substance abuse treatment center for adolescents which includes family counseling. Has a number of funding options available, including private insurance and a sliding fee scale based on income.

- **Cornerstone Ministries**  
3220 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.  
Fort Myers, FL 33916  
Phone: (239) 337-4140  
Website: [www.firstassemblycornerstone.com](http://www.firstassemblycornerstone.com)  
Provides food, clothing, work training, literacy training, back-to-school supplies for low-income families, youth groups and church services.

- **Coronado High School/Accelerated Learning Solutions (ALS)**  
3057 Cleveland Avenue  
Fort Myers, FL 33901  
Phone: (239) 337-9140  
Website: [www.yourdiplomayourway.com](http://www.yourdiplomayourway.com)  
A non-traditional school which uses computer-based/mastery-based courses to assist persons ages 16 to 21 to earn a high school diploma. Students work at their own pace and receive individual attention to meet their needs. Students have the option of attending the morning, mid-day, or late afternoon/evening session.
Court Administration, 20th Judicial Circuit
Lee County Justice Center
1700 Monroe Street
Fort Myers, FL 33901

Phone: (239) 533-9197
Website: www.ca.cjis20.org/home/main/homepage.asp

Provides case management and operational support to the courts. Administers family court programs, court alternative programs, and adult probation, among other programs.

Teen Court is an alternative to traditional court for first time juvenile offenders that have committed misdemeanor crimes. Youth from the community serve as volunteer attorneys and jury members to impose sanctions. (Phone 533-2840)

Juvenile Arbitration also is a court diversion program for arrested youth which utilizes community volunteers to hear the case and impose sanctions. (Phone: 533-7101) (Address: 1039 SE 9th Place, #361, Cape Coral, FL 33990)

CredAbility – formerly Consumer Credit Counseling

Phone: 1-800-251-2227
Website: www.credability.org

Provides free counseling 24/7 by phone and online on budgeting and credit and debt management. Provides education programs online on budgeting and debt management, foreclosure prevention, and a homebuyers workshop.

Cyber Tip Line/Child Pornography Tip Line

Phone: 1-800-843-5678
Website: www.cybertipline.com

Provides a means for reporting child pornography and cases of child sexual exploitation.

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**DJB Technical Academy**  
13830 Jetport Commerce Parkway, Suite 6  
Fort Myers, FL 33913

**Phone:** (239) 476-9100  
**Email:** mail@djbtechnicalacademy.org  
**Website:** www.djbtechnicalacademy.org

An alternative charter high school designed to work with students who are at risk of dropping out of high school due to previously being retained, suspended, failing to receive credit, or having had excessive school absences. The school combines individually paced academic instruction with career preparation.

**Deaf Service and Hard of Hearing Center of Southwest Florida**  
1860 Boy Scout Road, Suite B208  
Fort Myers, FL 33907

**Phone:** (239) 461-0334 or TTY (239) 461-0438  
**Website:** www.dsc.us

Provides interpreting services for deaf and hard of hearing, information and referral, assistive devices, community education, job assistance, advocacy, and sign language classes.

**Delta Family Counseling**  
3723A Del Prado Boulevard  
Cape Coral, FL 33904  
8695 College Parkway, Suite 1250  
Fort Myers, FL 33919

**Phone:** (239) 540-1155  
**Website:** www.deltafamilycounseling.com

Provides individual, couples, and family counseling. Services include play therapy and pet assisted play therapy. Fee for services. Accepts some insurance (see website).

**Department of Children and Families**  
2295 Victoria Avenue  
Fort Myers, FL 33901

**Phone:** (239) 338-1211 or (877) 595-0384  
**Website:** www.dcf.state.fl.us

State agency which administers a variety of social services.

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Child Abuse Investigations conducts child protective investigations on all reports of child abuse or neglect. To report abuse or neglect call 1-800-962-2873.

ACCESS sites are located at partner agencies throughout the community to apply for public assistance. For ACCESS locations go to www.myflorida.com/accessflorida. (Phone: 866-762-2237)

Department of Juvenile Justice
2295 Victoria Avenue, Suite 195 (Administrative Offices)
Fort Myers, FL 33901

Phone: (239) 338-2493
Website: www.djj.state.fl.us

The Juvenile Assessment Center Screening Unit at 2107 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. in Fort Myers screens all youth who have been arrested. (Phone: 258-3461)

Probation Office Locations: Phone
2295 Victoria Ave., Fort Myers 278-7202
6296 Corporate Court, Bldg. A, Suite 101, Fort Myers 433-6710
Boca Bay Building, 4720 SE 15th Ave., Ste 101, Cape Coral 541-4884

Southwest Florida Regional Detention Center at 2525 Ortiz Avenue in Fort Myers provides a short-term secure facility for youth who have been detained for committing law violations. Youth may be detained if they have committed a serious offense, are a threat to the community, or to insure his/her presence in court. (Phone: 332-6927)

Destiny Ministries of Southwest Florida/Destiny Diaper Bank
5583 Lee Street, #4
Lehigh Acres, FL 33971

Phone: (239) 288-6209
Website: www.destinydiaperbank.com

Provides diapers and other baby supplies to low income populations. Moms in school must have an 80% attendance each month. Offers classes in parenting, finances, health and wellness and other specialty classes through its “Mom’s University” program.
Devereux Florida/Dual Diagnosis Center
6314 Corporate Court, Suite B
Fort Myers, FL 33919

Phone: (239) 690-5200        Central Referral Unit: 1-800-338-3838
Website:  www.devereux.org

Has a group home in the local area serving teens with symptoms of both developmental disabilities and mental illness. Statewide offers a range of programs for individuals with a combination of a mental illness and a developmental disability.

Disability Rights Florida (formerly Advocacy Center)
2728 Centerview Drive, Suite 102
Tallahassee, FL 32301

Phone: 1-800-342-0823
Website:  www.disabilityrightsflorida.org

A non-profit organization that educates, supports, and advocates with people who have disabilities, their families, and circles of support.

(The International) Dyslexia Association
Website:   www.interdys.org

Provides information and research on dyslexia. Search by state for professional services addressing dyslexia.

Early Learning Coalition of Southwest Florida
2675 Winkler Avenue, Suite 300
Fort Myers, FL 33901

Phone: (239) 935-6100
Website:  www.elcofswfl.org

Contracts for subsidized childcare services and for voluntary pre-kindergarten services. Provides free information and referral to families looking for childcare, voluntary pre-kindergarten (VPK), before and after school care for school aged children, and summer camps.

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**Easter Seals Florida, Gulf Coast Region**  
1650 Medical Lane, Suite 1  
Fort Myers, FL 33907  
Phone: (239) 277-9817  
Website: [http://fl.easterseals.com](http://fl.easterseals.com)  

Provides case management and advocacy for individuals with special needs and their families. Provides workshops for parents of school aged children with Individual Education Plans (IEP's).

Also see *Lily Academy* under separate listing.

**Edge of Southwest Florida**  
2974 Lincoln Blvd., Suite 27  
Fort Myers, FL 33916  
Phone: (239) 878-6591  
Website: [www.facebook.com/EDGEofNaples](http://www.facebook.com/EDGEofNaples)  

A youth leadership organization that utilizes mentoring, community service, and team building to help empower youth.

**Epilepsy Services of Southwest Florida, Inc.**  
7275 Concourse Drive, Suite 400  
Fort Myers, FL 33908  
Phone: (239) 275-4838  

Provides medical services, consultation, clinical assistance in accessing medication, education program, and summer youth camp. Sliding fees.

**Faith-Based Groups Website**  
Website: [http://faithgroups.leegov.com](http://faithgroups.leegov.com)  

Website lists services provided by local faith-based organizations including food, clothing, counseling, education, child care, and recovery groups.

**Family Care Council**  
Phone: 1-800-470-8101  
Website: [www.fccflorida.org](http://www.fccflorida.org)  

Promotes the welfare, dignity and achievement of full potential of developmentally disabled individuals and preserving the family’s ability to function as a unit. Local meetings are held once a month. Call for schedule.
**Family Court Services**  
Lee County Justice Center  
1700 Monroe Avenue  
Fort Myers, FL 33901

Phone: (239) 533-2247  
Website: [www.ca.cjis20.org/home/main/fcs.asp](http://www.ca.cjis20.org/home/main/fcs.asp)

Provides assistance to those representing themselves in family law matters. Staff provide guidance in understanding court procedures, accessing necessary forms, and provide notary and copying services.

**Family Health Centers of Southwest Florida**  
2256 Heitman Street  
Fort Myers, FL 33901

Phone: (239) 278-3600  
Website: [www.fhcswf.org](http://www.fhcswf.org)

Provides primary medical and dental care to all ages. Fees are based on a sliding scale. Adult, pediatric, and dental services are located at various sites throughout the county. See website for locations and phone numbers.

**Family Network on Disabilities of Florida, Inc.**  
2196 Main Street, Suite K  
Dunedin, FL 34698

Phone: 1-800-825-5736  
Website: [www.fndfl.org](http://www.fndfl.org)

A statewide network of individuals with disabilities or special needs and their families that promotes full access to family-driven support, education, information, resources and advocacy.

**First Baptist Church/Elevation Ministries**  
1735 Jackson Street  
Fort Myers, FL 33901

Phone: (239) 334-7747

Provides showers, clean clothes, and toiletries for homeless men and women on Tuesday from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.
**First Candle**  
Phone: 1-800-221-7437 (toll free)  
Website: [www.firstcandle.org](http://www.firstcandle.org)

Provides support to families that experience an infant death. Grief counselors are available 24/7. Supports research, education, and advocacy to promote safe pregnancies and survival of babies through the first years of life. Primary focus is on stillbirths, Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS), and other Sudden Unexpected Infant Deaths (SUID).

**Florida Coalition Against Domestic Violence**  
Phone: 1-800-500-1119  
Website: [www.fcadv.org](http://www.fcadv.org)

A 24-hour, toll-free domestic violence hotline that links callers to the nearest domestic violence center. Provides translation services, legal assistance and assistance to immigrant victims of domestic violence.

**Florida Coalition Against Human Trafficking**  
Phone: (727) 442-3064  
Website: [www.stophumantrafficking.org](http://www.stophumantrafficking.org)

Provides advocacy, immigration assistance, transportation assistance, information and referral to victims of human trafficking.

**Florida Council on Compulsive Gambling**  
Phone: 1-888-236-4848 (888-ADMIT-IT)  
Website: [www.gamblinghelp.org](http://www.gamblinghelp.org)

A 24-hour, toll-free, confidential and multilingual helpline that provides support, information, and referral to problem gamblers and their families.

**Florida Department of Law Enforcement**  
Fort Myers Regional Operations Center  
4700 Terminal Drive, Suite 1  
Fort Myers, FL 33907

Phone: (239) 278-7170  
Website: [www.fdle.state.fl.us](http://www.fdle.state.fl.us)

In addition to many other law enforcement functions, provides a sex offender search to find offenders that live near your home or school. The website also provides information on how one can get criminal records sealed and expunged.
Florida Directory of Early Childhood Services
Phone: 1-800-654-4440
Website: www.centraldirectory.org

Provides information and referral for children with disabilities or special healthcare needs.

Florida Equal Justice Center
3210 Cleveland Avenue, Suite 102
Fort Myers, FL 33901

Phone: (239) 277-7060

Provides free legal representation to low income and indigent people in the areas of immigration, landlord/tenant law, education law, family law, and civil rights.

Florida Housing Search
Phone: 1-877-428-8844
Website: www.floridahousingsearch.org

A free resource for finding affordable housing in Florida. Provides a calculator to help figure what one can afford to rent and matches to local listings in that range.

Florida KidCare
Phone: 1-888-540-5437
Website: www.floridakidcare.org

Florida’s children’s health insurance program which includes MediKids, Healthy Kids, the Children’s Medical Services network for children with special healthcare needs, and Medicaid for children.

Florida Kinship Center
USF School of Social Work
4202 East Fowler Avenue, MGY 132
Tampa, FL 33620

Phone: 1-800-640-6444
Email: kinfo@flkin.org
Website: http://kinshipcenter.cwcs.usf.edu/default/index.cfm

Provides emotional support, information, and referral for relative caregivers throughout Florida. Their website lists local support groups.

The Kinship Care Warmline at 1-800-640-6444 provides “a listening ear,” information, and referral for relative caregivers between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on business days.
**Florida MENTOR**  
13420 Parker Commons Boulevard, Suite 106  
Fort Myers, FL 33912  

Phone: (239) 466-2000

Provides a therapeutic foster care program and outpatient therapy services for children and adolescents with difficulties with depression, anxiety, grief and loss, Post-Traumatic Stress, Conduct Disorder, ADD/ADHD, family issues, oppositional defiant, behavior problems, sexual abuse, and attachment issues. Accepts Medicaid and some insurances. Adjusted fees for those without insurance.

**Florida Network of Youth and Family Services**  
Phone: (850) 922-43243  
Website: [www.floridanetwork.org](http://www.floridanetwork.org)

A statewide association that manages the local agencies that provide services for homeless, truant, and ungovernable youth ages 10-17. Their website offers information for parents struggling with their child’s behavior.

**Florida Parent Educators Association (FPEA)**  
Website: [www.fpea.com](http://www.fpea.com)

Offers support to families who homeschool to promote the highest quality home education programs. Provides information for families considering homeschooling and contacts for local support groups.

**Florida Parental Information and Resource Center – USF**  
Website: [www.floridapartnership.usf.edu](http://www.floridapartnership.usf.edu)

Provides both parents and educators with training, resources, and information to connect and strengthen parental involvement in their child’s education to enhance student achievement.

**Florida Rural Legal Services**  
3210 Cleveland Avenue, Suite 101  
P.O. Box 219  
Fort Myers, FL 33902  

Phone: (239) 334-4554  
Website: [www.frls.org](http://www.frls.org)

Free legal representation is provided to those below poverty level in matters related to housing, civil rights, public benefits, income maintenance, health care and consumer law.
Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches
P.O. Box 2000 Ages: 10 – 18 (summer camp)
Boys Ranch, FL 32064 8 – 18 (residential program)
Phone: 1-800-765-2697 (Family Case Manager for Lee County)
Website: www.youthranches.org

Provides a week-long summer camp for youth. Provides residential programs for at-risk youth. A Request for Service form is filled out by the legal guardians and then submitted to the Sheriff in the child’s county of residence. It is then forwarded to a Family Case Manager responsible for the geographic area of Florida in which the child resides. Check the website for eligibility requirements.

Florida Southwestern State College Dental Hygiene Clinic
8099 College Parkway
Fort Myers, FL 33916
Phone: (239) 985-8334
Website: www.fsw.edu

Students learning to be dental hygienists provide dental cleaning and x-rays at reduced fees.

Florida Virtual School
Website: www.flvs.net

Provides a statewide, online public school that offers accredited courses for grades K-12. Free to Florida students.

Florida Vision Quest
Website: www.flvq.org

Provides free children’s eye exams and new eyeglasses for children with poor vision who cannot afford glasses. Referrals are accepted online from school personnel and public health departments.

Florida Youth ChalleNGe Academy
5629 State Road 16 West Ages: 16 – 18
Building 3800
Starke, FL 32091
Phone: (904) 290-1205 (Admissions)
Website: www.floridayouthchallengeacademy.org

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A 17½ month quasi-military training and mentoring program. Assists high school dropouts, expellees and at-risk youth to develop life skills, complete education goals, and develop employment potential.

❖ **Florida’s Adoption Information Center**  
4203 Southpoint Boulevard  
Jacksonville, Florida 32216  

Phone: 1-800-936-ADOPT (In Florida)  
1-904-353-0679 (Outside of Florida)  
Website: [http://adoptflorida.com/index.htm](http://adoptflorida.com/index.htm)

Provides adoption information and referral services to adoptive parents, adult adoptees, birth relatives, pregnant women, and professionals.

❖ **Fort Myers Christian Outreach Center**  
3500 Fowler Street  
Fort Myers, FL 33901  

Phone: (239) 481-6262  
Website: [www.fmcoc.com](http://www.fmcoc.com)

Includes a teen ministry. Provides non-perishable food to individuals and families on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

❖ **Fort Myers Housing Authority**  
4224 Renaissance Preserve Way  
Fort Myers, FL 33916  

Phone: (239) 344-3220  
Website: [www.hacfm.org](http://www.hacfm.org)

Provides public housing, family services, and Boys and Girls Club.

❖ **Fort Myers Institute of Technology** (formerly High Tech Central)  
3800 Michigan Avenue  
Fort Myers, FL 33916  

Phone: (239) 334-4544  
Website: [www.fortmyerstech.edu](http://www.fortmyerstech.edu)

A post secondary career and technical education center. Offers career training and GED preparation. Students must be at least 16 years old. High school students must have completed one year of high school.
**Fort Myers Police Department**
2210 Widman Way
Fort Myers, FL 33901

Phone: (239) 321-7700
Website: www.fmpolice.com

The "**Do the Right Thing**" program recognizes youth that have made positive choices during a monthly awards ceremony and at special events planned for the winners. See website for nomination form.

The **JAM Unit (Juvenile Arrest and Monitoring)** assists in providing monitoring of youth that have been arrested and have court sanctions.

The **Police Athletic League** (PAL) offers sports and other recreational activities for boys and girls ages 8-17.

**KOPS (Kids Our Primary Source)** provides youth, ages 11-13, an opportunity to build positive relationships with police through live police scenarios and demonstrations, hands-on equipment displays, and team building activities. Call 321-7700 for information.

The **Police Explorer Post #55** provides youth ages 14-19 with an opportunity to experience daily operations of the police department by riding along with police officers on the road. Explorers assist police officers with various tasks and at community events.

**Respect for Law Camp** – 1 weekend in summer, ages 11-14. Space is limited. Call 321-7688 for information.

**Young LEO’s Mentoring** provides one to one mentoring relationships with teens and law enforcement to encourage a better understanding about the need for cooperation between the police and the community. For Fort Myers youth ages 12 to 17. Call 321-7700 for information.

**Fort Myers Recreation Division**
1820 Hendry St, P.O. Drawer 2217
Fort Myers, FL 33902

Phone: (239) 321-7553
Website: www.cityftmyers.com/Recreation.aspx

Offers recreational classes and programs, special events, summer camps, school break camps, afterschool programs, swimming lessons, skate board park, ice skate rink, and youth athletic programs.
**Fort Myers Rescue Mission**  
6900 Mission Lane  
Fort Myers, FL 33916  

Phone:  (239) 334-7365  
Website:  [www.fortmyersrescuemission.org](http://www.fortmyersrescuemission.org)  

Provides a faith-based homeless shelter for men, a shelter for homeless women with children, a soup kitchen, and homeless outreach.

**Freida B. Smith Special Populations Center**  
410 Santa Barbara Boulevard  
P.O. Box 15007  
Cape Coral, FL 33915  

Phone:  (239) 574-0574  
Website:  [www.capecoral.net](http://www.capecoral.net)  

Provides adults and children with developmental disabilities social and educational opportunities designed to foster independence, self-esteem, individual growth and interpersonal relations. Provides supported employment, non-residential support services, after school, evening and weekend socials, special events, bowling and travel club.

**Gabriel House**  
16520 South Tamiami Trail #138251  
Ages: 0 – 6  
Fort Myers, Florida 33908  

Phone:  (239) 489-2663  
Website:  [http://gabrielhouse.org](http://gabrielhouse.org)  

A Christian based home for abandoned, displaced, under privileged, and medically needy children.

**Girl Scouts of Gulfcoast Florida, Inc.**  
12651 Girl Scout Lane  
Ages: 5 -17  
Fort Myers, FL  33913  
Other: girls  

Phone:  (239) 561-1800  
Website:  [www.gsgcf.org](http://www.gsgcf.org)  

Volunteer organization that promotes character development, good conduct, patriotism and service.
**Gladiolus Learning and Development Center**  
10320 Gladiolus Drive  
Fort Myers, FL 33908  
Ages: 4 weeks - 12

Phone: (239) 481-2100  
Website: [www.gladkids.net](http://www.gladkids.net)

Provides an enriched educational program with an emphasis on literacy for children of working parents in the Harlem Heights community. Includes afterschool and summer programs.

**The Golisano Children’s Hospital of Southwest Florida**  
9981 S. HealthPark Drive  
Ft. Myers, FL 33908

Phone: (239) 343-5000  
Email: children@leememorial.org  
Website: [www.leememorial.org/childrenhospital](http://www.leememorial.org/childrenhospital)

A comprehensive child health care facility. Offers Safe Sitter classes for ages 11 to 13 (fees, call 343-5101).

**Goodwill Industries of Southwest Florida, Inc.**  
4940 Bayline Drive  
North Fort Myers, FL 33917

Phone: (239) 995-2106  
Website: [www.goodwillswfl.org](http://www.goodwillswfl.org)

Assists those with employment challenges to find jobs, keep a job, and advance in a career.

The *Florida High School – High Tech* program is for youth with disabilities between the ages of 14 and 22. It encourages youth to explore their potential and interests in science, technology, engineering, and math through mentoring, corporate site visits, job shadowing, and visits to colleges. (Phone 995-2106, extension 227)

**Four Wheels to Work** – Assists low income individuals who are employed and in need of transportation to obtain a vehicle at a low cost. The program is located at the Goodwill Auto Sales & Donation Center, 3333 Fowler Street, Fort Myers. (Phone: 274-3191)

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Job-Link Family Resource Center – Located at 4162 Palm Beach Blvd. in Ft. Myers, the center co-locates several social service agencies. Services include job and skills training, food stamps, English language classes, family literacy, mental health information, credit counseling, and money management. (Phone: 693-9304)

The L.I.F.E. Academy is a charter school for students with intellectual disabilities ages 11 to 22 entering grades 6-12. Located at 5100 Tice Street, Fort Myers. (Phone: 334-4434; Website: www.goodwilllifeacademy.org)

✧ Grace Community Center
4151 Hancock Bridge Parkway
North Fort Myers, FL 33903

Phone: (239) 574-7161

Thrift store, GED classes, parenting classes, afterschool programs, Celebrate Recovery, free health screenings, and food bank. Call for hours.

✧ Grace Church - Cape Coral Campus
13 SE 21st Place
Cape Coral, FL 33990

Phone: (239) 574-7161
Website: www.egracechurch.com

“Celebrate Recovery: Healing Hurts, Habits, and Hang-ups,” a church service to assist those in recovery and in resolving family issues, is offered on Fridays at 7:00 p.m. Separate services are available for youth and adults.

✧ G.R.I.P. (Grandparents Returning Into Parenting)
P.O. Box 249
Estero, FL 33929

Phone: (239) 415-9780 or (239) 433-0780

Provides outreach, assistance, workshops, and support meetings for grandparents raising their grandchildren. Provides financial resources, clothing, and food on a limited basis.
Guardian Ad Litem
2075 West First Street, Suite 300
Fort Myers, FL 33901

Phone: (239) 533-5437
Website: www.guardianadlitem.org

Assigns volunteers to represent abused, neglected and abandoned children in court proceedings.

Habitat for Humanity
1288 North Tamiami Trail
North Fort Myers, FL 33903

Phone: (239) 652-0434
Website: http://habitat4humanity.org/

Offers an opportunity for low income families to own a home through the help of donors, volunteers, and homeowner participation in construction of the home.

Harbor Counseling & Lighthouse Addiction Services
2804 Del Prado Boulevard, #104
Cape Coral, FL 33904

Phone: (239) 540-8011

Outpatient substance abuse treatment for adolescents and adults. Sliding fee scale.

Harry Chapin Food Bank
3760 Fowler Street
Fort Myers, FL 33901

Phone: (239) 334-7007
Website: http://harrychapinfoodbank.org/

Works in a cooperative effort with other local entities to procure and distribute food to those in need. (Does not distribute food directly to individuals or families.) Provides opportunities for volunteer community service.
Head Start/Early Head Start/Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten/Lee County Public Schools Early Childhood Learning Services
3650 Michigan Avenue, Suite 4 (administrative offices)
Fort Myers, FL 33916
Phone: (239) 332-2512
Website: http://earlychildhood.leeschools.net/

Provides programs for families with pre-school children to enhance school readiness. Both center based programs and home-based programs are available.

Health Insurance Marketplace
Website: www.healthcare.gov

Florida residents may use this website to apply for health insurance coverage, compare plans, and enroll beginning October 1, 2013.

Health Planning Council of Southwest Florida
8961 Daniels Center Drive, Suite 401
Fort Myers, FL 33912
Phone: (239) 433-6700
Website: www.hpdswf.com

Provides health-related information and data.

Early Steps/Early Intervention Program serves children ages 0 to 3 with developmental delays and their families.

Healthy Kids
Phone: 1-888-540-5437 Ages: 5 – 18
Website: www.healthykids.org

Offers affordable, low cost health insurance for uninsured children in Florida who are not eligible for Medicaid.

Healthy Start/Lee Memorial Health System
2070 Carrell Road, Suite B Ages: up to age 3
Fort Myers, FL 33901
Phone: (239) 418-2900
Website: www.leememorial.org

Provides home nurse visitation and care coordination to high-risk pregnant moms and babies. Serves young children who are at risk of poor health outcomes.
Healthy Start Coalition of Southwest Florida, Inc.
1921 Jefferson Avenue                                            Ages: up to age 3
Fort Myers, FL 33901

Phone: (239) 425-6920 (administration)
(239) 425-6924 (for services)
Website: www.healthystartswfl.com/

Assists at-risk pregnant mothers and families with youth children to access health care and other community services to improve health outcomes.

The Heights Center
15570 Hagie Drive
Fort Myers, FL 33908

Phone: (239) 482-7706
Website: http://heightsfouhdatio.org/center

Provides educational opportunities to the Harlem Heights community including classes in literacy, GED, and computer, employment training, medical screenings, visual and performing arts, violence prevention, afterschool program, sports, scouts, and family strengthening activities.

High Tech North/Cape Coral Institute of Technology
360 Santa Barbara Boulevard North
Cape Coral, FL 33993

Phone: (239) 574-4440
Website: www.hightechnorth.com

Offers career education programs for adults and high school students ages 16 years and older. Programs include business, health, hospitality, and technology.

Home Ownership Resource Center of Lee County (HORC)
2915 Colonial Boulevard, Suite 200
Fort Myers, FL 33966

Phone: (239) 768-2013
Website: www.horcswfl.org

Provides comprehensive counseling and education on housing including affordable housing assistance, credit and budgeting, buying a first home, and foreclosures.
Home School Education Program/School District of Lee County
2855 Colonial Boulevard
Fort Myers, FL 33966
Phone: (239) 337-8259
Website: http://studentservices.leeschools.net/Home_Ed/welcome.htm

Home School is one option parents have in schooling their children. To do so, parents must register with the Home School Education Office.

Hope HealthCare Services
9470 Healthpark Circle (Main Office) Ages: 5 and up
Fort Myers, FL 33908
Phone: (239) 482-4673 or 1-800-835-1673
Website: www.hopehospice.org

Other Locations: Phone:
2430 Diplomat Parkway East, Cape Coral 33909 574-4888
1201 Wings Way, Lehigh Acres, FL 33936 363-2040
27200 Imperial Parkway, Bonita Springs, FL 34135 444-1100

Provides a variety of services to all people with complex needs related to transitions, loss, and end of life. Services include individual and group grief counseling, support groups, counseling for victims of crime, and home health care for the elderly.

Hope Kids Care provides developmentally appropriate care to infants, children and adolescents with life-limiting conditions.

Rainbow Trails Camp is provided for children ages 6-16 who have lost a loved one.

IMPACT for Developmental Education, Inc.
P.O. Box 51319, 1650 Medical Lane #4,
Ft. Myers, FL 33994
Phone: (239) 334-6160 Ages: 0 – 5
Website: www.impactforkids.org

Provides a continuum of early intervention services and education programs to families of children with developmental delays or special needs including autism spectrum disorders and behavioral issues. An inclusive preschool is available for children ages 2 to 5.
Interfaith Charities of South Lee, Inc.
17592 Rockefeller Circle
Fort Myers, FL 33967

Phone: (239) 267-3510  
Website: [http://icslee.org/](http://icslee.org/)

Provides a food pantry, emergency financial assistance and minor home repair. Co-locates other social service agencies on-site. Serves only residents of San Carlos Park and Estero.

Island Coast Aids Network (I CAN)
2231 McGregor Boulevard
Fort Myers, FL 33901

Phone: (239) 337-2391  
Website: [www.icanswfl.org](http://www.icanswfl.org)

Provides HIV/AIDS education and prevention services. For individuals certified as HIV positive, provides case management and assistance in accessing resources and services.

Job Corps

A comprehensive residential education and job training program for economically disadvantaged, at-risk youth. Must be a U.S. citizen, have parent’s permission (if a minor), be drug free, a high school dropout or in need of further vocational training/education, and free of face-to-face court or institutional supervision while in the program. Programs are located throughout the state. Call for information at (239) 278-7140 or go online to [http://jobcorps.dol.gov/centers/fl.htm](http://jobcorps.dol.gov/centers/fl.htm).

Junior Achievement of Southwest Florida
9530 Marketplace Road, Suite 302
Fort Myers, FL 33912

Phone: (239) 225-2590  
Email: info@jaswfl.org  
Website: [www.jaswfl.org](http://www.jaswfl.org)

Provides in-school and after-school programs for students to learn work readiness, entrepreneurship, and financial literacy.
**Juvenile Assessment Center of Lee County (JAC)**
2107 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard
Fort Myers, FL 33901-3603

Phone: (239) 258-3450  
Website:  [www.swfljac.org](http://www.swfljac.org)

Provides screening/assessment and referral for arrested youth and at-risk youth (non-arrested). Partner agencies provide counseling with youth and families. Provides information and referral to assist families to find treatment and services for youth.

The *Civil Citation* program is an alternative to arrest for youth who have committed minor crimes. Youth who successfully complete assigned sanctions will have no arrest record. Youth are referred by a law enforcement officer. (Phone: 258-3466)

**Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation**  
Website:  [www.jdrf.org](http://www.jdrf.org)

Supporting diabetes research and provides education about diabetes.

**Juvenile Diversion Alternative Program (JDAP)**
*Bay Area Youth Services*
2830 Winkler Avenue, Suite 103B
Fort Myers, FL 33916

Phone: (239) 939-3238  
Website:  [http://baysflorida.org/](http://baysflorida.org/)

Provides intensive case management, monitoring, and behavioral interventions for arrested youth who are at risk for reoffending. Youth are referred to the program by the court system.

**Juvenile Firesetter Intervention Program**
An educational program to teach children about the dangers of fire and fire safety. Children may be referred by law enforcement or parents. Contact the fire district where the youth resides.

**Laces of Love**
1976 Bethany Place
Naples, FL 34109

Phone: (239) 591-1172  
Email:  lacesoflove@gmail.com  
Website:  [www.lacesoflove.org](http://www.lacesoflove.org)

Provides new shoes to low income and disadvantaged youth in Lee and Collier counties. Educates the public on the needs of these children.
**LARC, Inc.**  
2570 Hanson Street  
Fort Myers, FL 33901

Phone: (239) 334-6285  
Email: info@larcleecounty.org  
Website: www.larcleecounty.org

Assists individuals with developmental disabilities through support services, vocational training, job placement and assisted living.

**Lee Adolescent Mother’s Program (LAMP) at New Directions**  
3650 Michigan Avenue, Suite 2  
Fort Myers, FL 33916

Phone: (239) 332-2526  
Website: http://lamp.leeschools.net

Allows pregnant teenagers to continue their high school education during their pregnancy. Students may continue in the program after the birth of their child with the assistance of on-site day care.

**Lee County Bar Association**  
2077 First Street, Suite 207  
P.O. Box 1387  
Fort Myers, FL 33902-1387

Phone: (239) 334-0047  
Website: http://leebar.org/

Sponsors free legal clinics on important topics of local interest. Provides a lawyer referral service. Youth programs include Moot Court and annual Mock Trial competitions.

**Lee County Clerk of Courts**  
P.O. Box 2469  
Ft. Myers, FL 33902

Phone: (239) 533-5000  
Website: www.leeclerk.org  
(239) 533-1400

The office’s many functions include filing and maintaining court records, collecting and disbursing court fees, collecting court ordered child support, maintaining all official records for the county, collecting traffic fines, processing passports, summoning jurors, and issuing marriage licenses.

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Lee County Clerk of Courts (cont.)

Program Locations:

Lee County Justice Center, 1700 Monroe St. or 2075 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Fort Myers

First Floor:  Criminal and Traffic Services
Includes processing of payments for traffic fines and probation, pre-trial payments, payment plans on traffic and criminal balances, scheduling criminal court dates, reinstating and clearing drivers licenses suspensions, printing driving records, juvenile/delinquency, and providing copies of criminal court and traffic records.

Second Floor:  Civil, Jury Assembly, and Clerk Administration
Includes all processes dealing with Circuit Civil Court and County Civil Court, family law, probate, small claims, appeal cases, foreclosure cases, child support payments, and jury duty.

Lee County Government Center, 1039 S.E. 9th Place, Cape Coral

Second Floor:  Traffic Services and Payments, Official Records, Probate, Civil
Check the website for the specific services offered at this location as it is not a full service site.

Lee County Coalition for a Drug Free Southwest Florida
P.O. Box 61688
Fort Myers, FL 33906-1688

Phone: (239) 931-9317
Website:  www.drugfreeswfl.org

Substance abuse prevention programs for parents and youth.

Lee County Department of Human Services
2440 Thompson Street
Fort Myers, FL 33901

Phone: (239) 533-7900
Website:  http://dhs.lee-county.com

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Lee County Department of Human Services (cont.)

Provides emergency services for families experiencing unforeseen financial hardship. Provides assistance with mortgage, rent, utility expenses, and emergency home improvement repairs for eligible low income families. Offers vocational training in medical office skills to assist individuals in becoming financially self sufficient.

The Moral Reconciliation Therapy Program (MRT) works with youth who have committed a crime and strives to re-educate them socially, morally, and behaviorally and instill appropriate goals, motivations and values.

The Neighborhood Accountability Boards (NAB) program is a court diversion program for youth who were arrested for minor crimes. It utilizes trained community volunteers in a restorative conferencing model. Program participants must be referred through the justice system. However, youth and adults in the community may serve as volunteers. (Phone: 533-7947) (Website: http://dhs.leegov.com/AccountabilityBoards/Pages/default.aspx)

✦ Lee County Extension
3406 Palm Beach Boulevard
Fort Myers, FL 33916

Phone: (239) 533-4327
Website: http://lee.ifas.ufl.edu/index.shtml

Provides training and education on topics such as nutrition, health, food safety, agriculture, natural resources, horticulture, youth development, financial management, consumer education, stress management, and more.

✦ Lee County 4-H
C/o Lee County Extension Service
3406 Palm Beach Blvd.
Ft. Myers, FL 33916-3736

Phone: (239) 533-4327
Website: http://lee.ifas.ufl.edu/4H/4HAbout.shtml

Provides youth development opportunities through traditional 4-H clubs, school enrichment, and special interest programs.
Lee County Government
2115 Second Street
Fort Myers, FL 33901

Phone: (239) 533-2111
Website: www.lee-county.com

The county’s website provides information about local public resources.

Lee County Health Department
3920 Michigan Avenue
Fort Myers, FL 33916

Phone: (239) 332-9501
Website: www.lee-county.com/healthdept

Works to assure the health and safety of all county residents and visitors.

Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) is a federally funded nutrition program for women, infants, and children that provides at no cost healthy foods, nutrition education and counseling, breast feeding support, and referrals for health care.

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Clinic Locations:

Lehigh Clinic
5624 8th Street West, Suite 106
Lehigh Acres, FL 33971

Michigan Clinic
3920 Michigan Avenue
Fort Myers, FL 33916

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Lee County Health Department (cont)

Clinic Locations:                        Services Available:  
Pondella Clinic                        (WIC, Women’s Health/Family Planning, 
83 Pondella Road                        STD, Birth & Death Certificates) 
North Fort Myers, FL 33903          

San Carlos Park                        (WIC) 
18070 Tamiami Trail, Suite 10 
Fort Myers, FL 33908 

Lee County Homeless Coalition 
1500 Colonial Boulevard, Suite 221 
Fort Myers, Florida 33907 

Phone:  (239) 322-6600                        Email:  leehomeless@gmail.com 
Website:  www.leehomeless.org/ 

A coalition of agencies and citizens that work to solve problems of 
affordable housing and homelessness in Lee County. Their website provides 
a pocket guide to emergency assistance including emergency housing, food 
pantries, emergency financial assistance, etc. 

Lee County Housing Authority 
14170 Warner Circle 
North Fort Myers, FL 33903 

Phone:  (239) 997-6688 
Website:  http://leecountyha.org 

Offers public housing, housing vouchers, and family self sufficiency 
program. 

Lee County Legal Aid Society 
2211 Widman Way, Suite 600 
Fort Myers, FL  33901 

Phone:  (239) 334-6118                        Email:  info@leecountylegalaid.org 
Website:  www.leecountylegalaid.org 

Provides family law services to residents of Lee County with a limited income.
Lee County Library System
2345 Union St. (Administration)
Fort Myers, FL 33901

Phone: (239) 533-4800
Website: www.leelibrary.net

Provides youth/family activities and sources of self-help information. Website provides catalog search for books and resources.

Other Library Locations:

Bonita Springs, 26876 Pine Avenue, Bonita Springs 533-4860
Cape Coral, 921 S.W. 39th Terrace, Cape Coral 533-4500
Captiva Memorial, 11560 Chapin Lane, Captiva 533-4890
Dunbar – Jupiter Hammon, 3095 Blount St., Fort Myers 533-4150
East County Regional, 881 Gunnery Rd., Lehigh Acres 533-4200
Fort Myers Regional, 2450 First St., Fort Myers 533-4600
Johann Fust, 1040 W. 10th St., Boca Grande (941) 964-2488
Lakes Regional, 15290 Bass Road, Fort Myers 533-4000
North Fort Myers, 2001 N. Tamiami Trail NE, North Fort Myers 533-4320
Northwest Regional, 519 Chiquita Blvd. N., Cape Coral 533-4700
Pine Island, 10700 Russell Road NW, Bokeelia 533-4350
Riverdale, 2421 Buckingham Road, Fort Myers 533-4370
South County Regional, 21100 Three Oaks Parkway, Estero 533-4400
Talking Books, 519 Chiquita Blvd. N., Cape Coral (moving soon) 533-4780
Talking Books, 1651 Lee Street, Fort Myers (open Fall 2013) 533-4780
Victor Yingst, 3406 Palm Beach Blvd., Fort Myers 533-4327

Lee County Parks & Recreation
3410 Palm Beach Blvd.
Fort Myers, FL 33916

Phone: (239) LEE-PARK (533-7275) Email: LeeParks@leegove.com
Website: www.leeparks.org

Provides recreation and positive youth development programs at numerous sites throughout unincorporated Lee County including summer camps, after-school recreation, sports, aquatics, teen and special needs activities. Also has volunteer opportunities for teens (call 432-2159). Check their website for additional programs, community parks, afterschool programs, and seasonal pools.

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<td>Boca Grande Community Center, 131 First St W</td>
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<td>Buckingham Community Center, 4940 Buckingham Rd.</td>
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<td>Estero Recreation Center, 9200 Corkscrew Palms Blvd</td>
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<td>Karl Drews Community Center, 18412 Lee Rd, Ft Myers</td>
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<td>Wa-ke Hatchee Recreation Center, 16760 Bass Rd, Ft Myers</td>
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**Lee County Sheriff’s Office**

14750 Six Mile Cypress Parkway  
Fort Myers, FL 33912  

Phone: (239) 477-1000  
Website: [www.sheriffleefl.org](http://www.sheriffleefl.org)

The Lee County Sheriff’s Office youth programs work in partnership with the community to provide positive and preventive programs to the youth and families in Lee County.

**Crime Prevention Programs and Services** offers a wide variety of free presentations to prevent crime and enhance safety in the community. Examples of presentations and programs geared to youth and families include alcohol and drug awareness, bicycle and pedestrian safety, child fingerprinting, child safety, computer/cyber safety, children home alone, stranger danger, and gun safety. Call 477-1400 for information and to request services.

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'Do the Right Thing’ program recognizes and rewards youth (grades K-12) that have made positive choices. School Resource Officers, teachers and other members of the community may nominate the students. Winners are recognized at a monthly awards ceremony during the school year.

The Sheriff’s Office Explorer Post 18 provides youth ages 14-21 with an opportunity to experience daily operations of the sheriff’s office by assisting deputies with various tasks and attending community events with fellow members. The program instills responsibility, leadership, teamwork and initiative. For information contact your Lee County Sheriff’s Office School Resource Officer or call 477-1400.

Also see Juvenile Assessment Center of Lee County.

Prescription Drug Drop Off Sites – Proper disposal of prescription medications can help prevent substance abuse in the community. Citizens who wish to properly dispose of unused medications may anonymously drop off prescription medications at drop boxes during regular business hours at the following LCSO locations:

14750 Six Mile Cypress Parkway, Fort Myers, 33912
121 Pondella Road, North Fort Myers, 33903
1301 Homestead Road, Lehigh Acres, 33936
15650 Pine Ridge Road, Fort Myers, 33908
8951 Bonita Beach Road, Springs Plaza # 565, Bonita Springs, 34135

School Resource Officers (SRO’s) are assigned to middle and high schools in Lee County. The SRO’s interact with students, make presentations, attend school functions, and serve as a community services referral source for students, parents, and faculty. Call (239) 258-3200 for the Youth Services Office. SRO’s can also be reached by calling the individual school. School phone numbers can be found from the School District of Lee County’s web site at www.leeschools.net/school.

Teen Driver Challenge is a two day, hands on education program that teaches life saving skills in the operation of a motor vehicle for youth ages 15 to 19. It is held at the Lee County Gun Range/Buckingham Airfield. Call 477-1400 for the schedule and for more information.

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Lee County Sheriff’s Office (cont.)

The **Sheriff’s Youth Activities League** provides various youth athletic programs and activities in Lee County with focus on the Lehigh Acres community. (See [www.leecountysheriffsyouthactivitiesleague.com](http://www.leecountysheriffsyouthactivitiesleague.com).)

**Lee Tran (Lee County Transit)**
6035 Landing View Road
Fort Myers, FL 33907

Phone: (239) 533-8726 (LEE-TRAN)
Website: [www.rideleetran.com](http://www.rideleetran.com)

Provides a fixed route public bus system within Lee County. Their website includes routes, schedules, and a trip planner.

**Lee Virtual Instruction Program**
2855 Colonial Boulevard
Fort Myers, FL 33906

Phone: (239) 337-8178
Website: [http://lvip.leeschools.net](http://lvip.leeschools.net)

Provides virtual school opportunities for kindergarten through grade 12. (Lee residents only.)

**Lehigh Community Services**
201 Plaza Drive, Suite 3
Lehigh Acres, FL 33936

Phone: (239) 369-5818
Website: [http://lehighcommunityservices.com](http://lehighcommunityservices.com)

Provides emergency assistance to families who reside in Lehigh Acres with food, past due rent, utilities, medicine, diapers, school supplies, and clothing. Documentation of need is required. Call for appointment.

**Liberty Youth Ranch**
24900 Liberty Youth Ranch Way
Bonita Springs, FL 34135

Phone: (239) 597-7070 or 1-866-FL-YOUTH (toll free)
Website: [www.libertyyouthranch.org](http://www.libertyyouthranch.org)

A home for youth who are orphaned, abused, abandoned, or neglected with no history of delinquency.
**Lifeline Assistance Program**  
Website:  [www.psc.state.fl.us/utilities/telecomm/lifeline/](http://www.psc.state.fl.us/utilities/telecomm/lifeline/)

Program of the Florida Public Service Commission that is designed to ensure that all residents of Florida have access to telephone service in their homes.

**Lifeline Family Center**  
907 S.E. 5th Avenue  
Ages: 15 - 22  
Cape Coral, FL 33990  
Other: Must pass drug test, no active felony charges

Phone: (239) 242-7238  
Email: [helpline4teens@mindspring.com](mailto:helpline4teens@mindspring.com)  
Website: [www.lifelinefamilycenter.org](http://www.lifelinefamilycenter.org)

A Christian residential program for pregnant teens. Provides parenting skills training, counseling, education, GED preparation, and job training.

**Lighthouse of SWFL**  
35 W. Mariana Avenue  
North Fort Myers, FL 33903

Phone: (239) 997-7797  
Website: [www.vipcenter.org](http://www.vipcenter.org)

Assists visually impaired persons to develop the skills necessary to achieve their desired level of independence.

**Lily Academy/Easter Seals**  
2438 Second Street  
Fort Myers, FL 33901

Phone: (239) 337-9328

Private K-12 school for students with autism.

**Literacy Council Gulf Coast**  
26820 Old 41  
Ages: 18+  
Bonita Springs, FL 34135

Phone: (239) 676-5202

**Other Locations:**  
7275 Concourse Drive, #300, Fort Myers, FL 33908  
201 Plaza Dr., Suite 3, Lehigh Acres, FL 33936  
4162 Palm Beach Blvd., Fort Myers, FL 33916

**Phone:**  
415-3621  
368-1002  
693-9304 ext.  
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**Literacy Council Gulf Coast (cont.)**

Volunteer agency that provides literacy services to adults with low reading and writing skills or for whom English is a second language. Assist literacy students with studying for GED or citizenship tests. Offers a financial literacy class. See web site for office hours.

**Lutheran Services of Florida**

3634 Central Avenue
Fort Myers, FL 33901

Ages: 10 - 17
Other: Youth cannot be under the supervision of DJJ or DCF

Phone: (239) 278-1030
Website: [www.lsfnet.org](http://www.lsfnet.org)

**Youth and Family Services** provides crisis counseling for youth and their families. Services are available for run away, truant, homeless, and ungovernable youth and their families. Call 278-5400 for intake.

A Lutheran Services counselor also provides individual and family counseling for non-arrested youth at the Juvenile Assessment Center. Call 278-5400 for an intake.

**Adolescent Outpatient Substance Abuse Program** at 3615 Central Avenue in Fort Myers offers a 12-week treatment program for youth ages 12-17 and family members. Call 275-1126.

The **Family Preservation Program** provides extensive in-home case management and counseling services to families in Lee County referred by the Department of Children & Families.

**Oasis Youth Shelter** provides temporary shelter for troubled, runaway, or homeless youth (ages 10-17). (Phone: 278-1030)

**Lutheran Services of Florida (cont.)**

Project **Safe Place** is a network of business and community locations at which youth that are runaway, at risk, or in crisis can get help immediately. Yellow and black Safe Place signs are displayed outside of businesses and agencies that have been trained to be Safe Place sites. Youth who request assistance at a Safe Place site are immediately linked to supportive services at the Oasis Youth Shelter.

*Tip: Use Control + F to search for key terms and program names when accessing the electronic version of this resource guide.*
M. C. Library Education Center Corporation  
2801 Michigan Avenue  
P.O. Box 1533  
Fort Myers, FL 33902  

Phone: (239) 288-5349  
Website: www.mclecc.org  
Email: info@mclecc.org  

Offers free services to low income families and individuals including a library, food/clothing/household goods bank, afterschool program, academic support, day care, computer training, GED assistance, social services, health services, and housing assistance.

MADD of Southwest Florida (Mother’s Against Drunk Driving)  
12601 Metro Parkway, #3  
Fort Myers, FL 33966  

Phone: (239) 791-7560  
Website: www.madd.org  

Supports efforts to stop drunk driving, provide support to victims of drunk driving, and prevent underage drinking.

Make a Wish Foundation, Southern Florida Chapter  
West Coast Field Office  
3635 Bonita Beach Road, Suite 3  
Bonita Springs, FL 34134  

Phone: 239-992-9474  
E-mail: naples@sfla.wish.org  
Website: http://sfla.wish.org  

The foundation grants the wish of any child who is between the ages of 2 ½ -18 and diagnosed by a physician as having a life-threatening medical condition. Children may be referred by the child’s physician, parents or legal guardians, social worker or other healthcare professional or themselves.

March of Dimes – Southwest Coast Division  
6314 Corporate Court, Suite 140  
Fort Myers, FL 33919  

Phone: (239) 433-3463  
Website: www.marchofdimes.com/  

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**March of Dimes – Southwest Coast Division (cont.)**

Works to improve the health of babies by preventing birth defects, premature birth, and infant mortality. Provides information about birth defects, genetic conditions, prenatal care, labor and delivery, and newborn screenings.

**McGregor Baptist Church Food Pantry**  
3131 East Riverside Drive  
Fort Myers, FL

Website:  [www.mcgregor.net/need-help/benevolence](http://www.mcgregor.net/need-help/benevolence)

Provides groceries to individuals and families on Mondays and Wednesdays from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**Missing Endangered Persons Information Clearinghouse-Florida**  
Phone:  1-888-356-4774  
Email:  MEPIC@fdle.state.fl.us  
Website:  [www.fdle.state.fl.us/mcicsearch](http://www.fdle.state.fl.us/mcicsearch)

The Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) operates a state clearinghouse that provides a centralized file to collect, store and disseminate information on missing endangered persons.

**Missionary Directional Mission Church of God**  
2837 Cleveland Avenue  
Fort Myers, FL 33901

Phone:  (239) 334-0122  
Email:  missionarychurchofgod@gmail.com

Provides faith-based self development programs for at-risk youth and teens.

**Mount Hermon Christian School**  
2856 Douglas Street  
Fort Myers, FL 33916

Phone:  (239) 334-8075

Provides day school (K-12), recreational activities, and tutoring.
NAMI (National Alliance for the Mentally Ill)
7275 Concourse Drive, Suite 300
Fort Myers, FL 33908

Phone: (239) 337-9024  
Email: namilee@nami.org
Website: http://namilee.org

Provides support groups, education and advocacy for those with mental illnesses and their families. Classes available for parents of mentally ill youth.

Narcotics Anonymous (NA), Gulf Coast Area
Phone: 1-866-389-1344 (24-hour help line)
Website: www.nagulfcoastfla.org

Support groups are offered for those recovering from drug addiction.

National Center for Missing and Exploited Children
Phone: 1-800-THE-LOST or 1-800-843-5678 (24-hour Hotline)
Website: www.missingkids.com

Provides information and support for families of missing or exploited children. Provides information on prevention of child abductions.

National Child Traumatic Stress Network
Website: www.nctsnet.org

Youth that have had multiple exposures to violence or victimization are at higher risk for mental health problems, health problems, behavioral problems, school problems, substance abuse, and delinquent behaviors. Systems which address these youth problems are at a disadvantage if they are not trauma-informed. This website provides information and resources for professionals, survivors of childhood trauma and their families, and the general public on child traumatic stress.

National Dissemination Center for Children With Disabilities
Phone: 1-800-695-0285
Website: http://nichcy.org/

Provides information on disabilities and related topics with a focus on babies through young adults.
- **National Domestic Violence Hotline**
  Phone: 1-800-799-SAFE (7233)
  Website: [www.ndvh.org](http://www.ndvh.org)

  A 24-hour, toll-free hotline for victims of domestic violence or those calling on their behalf to provide crisis intervention, safety planning, information and referral.

- **National Organization of Parents of Murdered Children, Inc.**
  Phone: 1-888-818-7662
  Website: [www.pomc.com](http://www.pomc.com)

  Provides ongoing emotional support, education, advocacy, prevention, and awareness to all survivors of homicide victims.

- **National Parent Helpline**
  Phone: 1-855 4A PARENT  1-855-427-2736
  Website: [www.nationalparenthelpline.org](http://www.nationalparenthelpline.org)

  Operated by Parents Anonymous ([www.parentsanonymous.org](http://www.parentsanonymous.org)), a trained advocate is available to provide emotional support to parents, Monday – Friday, 1:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. (EST)

- **National Runaway Safeline**
  Phone: 1-800-RUNAWAY or 1-800-786-2929 (24-hour Hotline)
  Website: [www.1800RUNAWAY.org](http://www.1800RUNAWAY.org)

  Provides crisis intervention for runaway teens, or those at-risk, and their families. Provides information and referral. Teens may leave messages to their parents to reopen communication. Conducts conference calls between teens and parents/guardians/social service agencies to resolve issues. Assists in arranging free transportation home for runaways through assistance from Greyhound Lines, Inc.

- **National Suicide Prevention Lifeline**
  Phone: 800-273-TALK (8255)
  Website: [www.suicidepreventionlifeline.org](http://www.suicidepreventionlifeline.org)

  A 24-hour, toll-free suicide prevention service for anyone in suicidal crisis. Callers are routed to the closest crisis center in their area. Their website provides education about warning signs of suicide risk and suicide prevention.
National Teen Dating Abuse Helpline  
Phone: 1-866-331-9474  
Website: www.loveisrespect.org/about-national-dating-abuse-helpline

A 24-hour phone and internet support service for teens and young adults involved in dating abuse relationships as well as for concerned friends, parents, or other supportive persons in their lives.

Nations Association Charities  
4625 Palm Beach Boulevard  
Fort Myers, FL 33905

Phone: (239) 332-7575  
Website: http://nationsassociation.org/

Provides emergency food and financial assistance, prescription drug and clothing assistance, and job training. Summer program for inner city youth. Provides mentoring, tutoring and summer youth camp.

NCEC Pediatric Dental Center  
7007 Lely Cultural Parkway  
Naples, FL34113

Phone: (239) 775-3052  
Website: https://ufhealth.org/ncef-naples-pediatric-dental-center

Located on the campus of Edison Community College in Naples, the center provides comprehensive dental care to children in Southwest Florida. It is staffed by University of Florida College of Dentistry faculty and residents. In addition to providing routine dental care, it is able to provide advanced dental care and specialty services including sedation and hospital based dentistry. Accepts some private insurance as well as Medicaid and Healthy Kids-CompDent. For patients without insurance, a sliding fee scale is available (with proof of income).

The New Church of Southwest Florida  
10811 Sunset Plaza Circle, #401  
Fort Myers, FL 33908

Phone: (239) 481-5535  
Website: www.newchurchflorida.com

Provides emergency assistance of food and clothing to needy families.

The Kids Vision and Intervention Program (Kids V.I.P.) provides family intervention, mentors, and advocates for youth at risk. The after school program provides tutoring and homework assistance.
✦ **New Life Dream Centers**  
2150 Collier Avenue, H  
Fort Myers, FL 33901

Phone: (239) 274-8881  
Website: [http://newlifedreamcenters.com](http://newlifedreamcenters.com)

A Christian based, 18-month residential substance abuse and addictions programs for men and women.

✦ **North Nicholas High School/Accelerated Learning Solutions (ALS)**  
428 S.W. Pine Island Road  
Cape Coral, FL 33991

Phone: (239) 242-4230  
Website: [www.yourdiplomayourway.com](http://www.yourdiplomayourway.com)

A non-traditional school which uses computer-based/mastery-based courses to assist persons ages 16 to 21 to earn a high school diploma. Students work at their own pace and receive individual attention to meet their needs.

✦ **Office of the Attorney General, Crime Victims Services**  
Phone: 1-800-226-6667  
Website: [http://myfloridalegal.com](http://myfloridalegal.com)

A state agency which administers a compensation program for injured crime victims. Victims may be eligible for financial assistance for medical care, lost income, mental health services, funeral expenses and other out-of-pocket expenses directly related to the injury. If needed, they can also be referred to support organizations within their home area.

✦ **Office of the State Attorney, 20th Judicial Circuit**  
2000 Main Street, 6th Floor  
Fort Myers, FL 33901

Phone: (239) 533-1000  
Website: [www.sao.cjis20.org](http://www.sao.cjis20.org)

Prosecutes criminal cases on behalf of the state. Advocates for the rights of victims.
On-Line Gamers Anonymous (OLGA)
Website:  www.olganon.org

A self help support network for recovery from the problems caused by video game addiction. Website has information for parents dealing with their child's video game addiction.

Our Mother’s Home of Southwest Florida, Inc.
18011 S. Tamiami Trail, #16-106  Ages:  13 - 18
Fort Myers, FL 33912  Other:  girls
Phone:  (239) 267-4663  Email:  info@ourmothershome.com
Website:  www.ourmothershome.com

Residential home for pregnant teens and post-partum mothers and their babies. Through the Mentored Living Program residents are provided with education, life skills, parenting classes, physical and mental health care.

PACE Center for Girls
3800 Evans Avenue  Ages:  12 - 18
Fort Myers, FL 33901  Other:  girls
Phone:  (239) 425-2366
Website:  www.pacecenter.org/centers/lee

A non-residential delinquency prevention program, targeting the unique needs of females who are identified as dependent, truant, runaway, delinquent, or in need of academic skills.

Parenting & Divorce
Website:  http://pcdclasses.educationprograms.com/

Fulfills the court mandated parent education course required of all divorcing parents in Florida. Classes are available online, by mail, or within the community. Class schedules are available on their website.

Parents of Bipolar Children, Lee County Florida, Inc.
Phone:  (239) 313-5664  Email:  parentsofbpkidzlee@yahoo.com

A support group for parents of children with bipolar disorder. Meets weekly, both in Fort Myers and Cape Coral.
**Partnership for Prescription Assistance**  
Phone: 1-888-477-2669 (toll free)  
Website: [www.pparx.org](http://www.pparx.org)  

Helps qualifying patients without prescription drug coverage locate free or low cost prescription assistance programs.

**Peace By Piece Learning Center**  
6714 Winkler Road  
Fort Myers, FL 33919  
Ages: 5 - 14  
Phone: (239) 245-8301  
Email: [info@peacebypiece.com](mailto:info@peacebypiece.com)  
Website: [www.peacebypieceinc.com](http://www.peacebypieceinc.com)  

Provides specialized education for children with autism and related disorders. Services include parent coaching, parent support group, training and consultation to schools and other agencies.

**Pine Manor Community Resource Center**  
5447 10th Avenue  
Fort Myers, FL 33907  
Phone: (239) 275-5180  
Website: [http://pmiafl.org/](http://pmiafl.org/)  

Provides an afterschool program on school days and all day on teacher inservice days, a summer camp, and a teen program. Provides education, parenting classes, support activities, and referrals for services for Pine Manor residents. A food bank is open the second Tuesday of the month, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. or by appointment.

**Planned Parenthood of Southwest and Central Florida**  
8595 College Parkway, Suite 250  
Fort Myers, FL 33919  
Phone: (239) 481-9999  
Website: [www.plannedparenthood.org/ppswcf](http://www.plannedparenthood.org/ppswcf)  

Provides affordable sexual health care for adults and teens including gynecological exams, bladder/urinary tract infections, pregnancy testing and options education, sexually transmitted disease testing/treatment, and counseling.
(Florida) Poison Information Center – Tampa General Hospital
Phone: 1-800-222-1222
Website: www.poisoncentertampa.org

Provides expert advice in poisonings 24-hours a day including information on poisonings from bites, stings, household products, chemicals, food poisoning, plants, medicines, and substance abuse.

Prescription Discount Card
Website: http://dhs.leegov.com/

A prescription discount card is available to anyone in Lee County. Discounts average 20%. Available at county libraries, Lee County Human Services (2440 Thompson Street, Fort Myers), and other locations throughout the county. A card can also be printed from the Coast 2 Coast website at www.coast2coastrx.com/index.php. Cannot use with insurance.

Project Dentist’s Care of S.W. Florida, Inc. / Lee County Dental Society
Phone: (239) 656-2590
Website: http://leecountydental.com/dental_programs.htm

A low-income clinic staffed by dentists that volunteer their time on Wednesday evenings and Saturday mornings. Performs extractions, fillings, and x-rays. Services are free for those who qualify. Call to apply.

Public Defender’s Office, 20th Judicial Circuit
P.O. Drawer 1980 P.O. Box 151327
1700 Monroe Street 1039 S.E. 9th Place, Suite 201
Fort Myers, FL 33902-1980 Cape Coral, FL 33915-1327

Phone: (239) 533-2911 (239) 533-7051
Website: www.pd.cjis20.org/Lee.htm

Provides legal representation for persons with criminal charges and are determined by the court be unable to afford a private attorney.

Quality Life Center of Southwest Florida “The Q”
3210 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.
P. O. Drawer 1290
Fort Myers, FL 33902-1290

Phone: (239) 334-2797
Website: www.qualitylifecenter.org

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Quality Life Center of Southwest Florida (cont.)

Provides positive youth development activities, homework assistance, tutoring, life skills, character development, performing arts, martial arts, a young men’s drill team, summer camp, social services, and community development. Primarily serves the 33901, 33905, and 33916 zip codes.

Royal Palm Christian Counseling
1705 Colonial Boulevard, D2
Fort Myers, FL 33907
Ages: All

Phone: (239) 939-0707
Website: http://rpmcounseling.org

Provides Christian and Bible based counseling, workshops, and seminars including parenting, effective discipline, anger management, marriage and family, blended families, grief, trauma, abuse issues, and careers. Fee for services based on a sliding scale. Some evening hours.

Rx Assist
Website: www.rxassist.org

A searchable website that provides information about free and low cost medicine programs.

Safe Harbor Therapeutic Services
3900 Broadway Ave., Suite B-8
Fort Myers, FL 33901

Phone: (239) 537-3135
Website: www.safeharbortherapeuticservices.com

Child and adolescent services include individual and group counseling, assessment and psychological testing. Areas of focus include trauma, sexual, physical, and emotional abuse victims, conflicts with siblings and parents, adolescent criminal behaviors, anger management, sexual acting out, self harm, risk taking behaviors, and parenting issues. Fee for services.

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Safe Haven for Newborns
Phone: 1-877-767-2229
Website: www.asafehavenfornewborns.com

Under Florida statute, a parent may leave an unharmed, newborn infant (up to seven days old) at a Safe Haven without fear of prosecution. Hospitals, fire stations and EMS facilities are considered Safe Havens.

The Gloria M. Silverio Foundation Safe Haven for Newborns Helpline is a 24/7, multilingual helpline to assist pregnant girls or mothers who are considering the Safe Haven option or are hiding a pregnancy or are not receiving medical care. They can assist with coordinating the Safe Haven option or provide other resources to protect the lives of both the mother and the infant.

Saint Vincent DePaul Church / Our Lady’s Cupboard Food Pantry
13031 Palm Beach Boulevard
Fort Myers, FL 33905

Phone: (239) 694-3985
Website: http://stvincentftmyers.org

Provides a food pantry for families in need on Mon., Wed., and Fri. from 10:00 a.m. to noon.

Saint Vincent DePaul Society
2263 Lafayette Avenue
Fort Myers, FL 33901

Phone: (239) 334-9225
Website: www.svdpusa.org

Provides emergency assistance to Lee County residents in need, such as help with utility bills, prescriptions, clothing, furniture, etc., limited to one time a year. Call for the schedule of the food pantry program.

Many participating Catholic churches also provide emergency food and financial assistance to residents in their neighborhood. Call the church nearest one’s residence.

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SalusCare
3763 Evans Avenue (Main Campus)
Fort Myers, FL 33901

Phone: (239) 332-6937          Emergency Services: (239) 275-4242
Website:  www.saluscareflorida.org

Comprehensive provider of services for individuals with mental health
and/or substance abuse issues including outpatient, residential,
emergency/crisis services, prevention programming and community
based services. Accepts some insurance and Medicaid. Fees may be
adjusted based on household income. (See website for adult services.)

Other Program Locations:
Cape Coral Campus, 1105 Cultural Park Blvd., Cape Coral    772-1211
Colonial Campus, 10140 Deer Run Farms Rd., Fort Myers     275-3222
Ortiz Campus, 2789 Ortiz Avenue, Fort Myers              275-3222
Vince Smith Campus, 2450 Prince Street, Fort Myers      338-2306

YOUTH SERVICES:

The **Access Center** provides mental health assessments for first-time,
non-emergency patients. Walk in from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday –
Friday for an assessment at the Colonial Campus.

The **Baker Act Receiving Facility** offers 24-hour emergency,
involuntary assessments for children and teens with psychiatric
symptoms at the Colonial Campus.

The **Community Action Team (CAT)** offers a community behavioral
health and co-occurring treatment solution for parents and caregivers of
seriously emotionally disturbed children as an alternative to residential
treatment or psychiatric hospitalization.

The **Crisis Stabilization Unit** provides secure, inpatient psychiatric
stabilization for youth who require the highest level of care and are at
risk of harming themselves or others.

**Day Treatment** offers structured programming and treatment in the
daytime to youth ages 13 to 17 years old that are in need of more
intensive services than outpatient services.

The **Juvenile Addiction Receiving Facility (JARF)** offers voluntary
and involuntary substance abuse services (per the Marchman Act) to
children and teens at the Colonial Campus.

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**Outpatient Psychiatry Services** include psychiatric evaluations and medication management services.

**Outpatient Therapy Services** offers voluntary therapy and counseling, in both individual and group settings, for youth ages 3-17 with a mental health or substance abuse diagnosis.

**Residential Substance Abuse Treatment** is provided at the Vince Smith Campus for youth ages 13 to 17 with a substance dependence diagnosis. The program provides a 24-hour supervised, structured setting with intensive treatment programming, family counseling, and an academic program provided through the School District of Lee County.

The **Substance Abuse Diversion Program** is an outpatient treatment program that serves as an alternative to court for youth who are arrested for a substance abuse related crime.

**Therapeutic Behavioral On-Site Services (T-BOS)** is a voluntary service that provides mental health services to children and their families in the home or in the community. It includes individual and family therapy plus behavioral skills training with services lasting around three to six months.

**PREVENTION SERVICES:**

The **Challenge Ropes Course** is used to promote team building in a challenging rope climbing environment.

**Family Intervention Specialists** provide awareness, education and support to families referred by the Department of Children and Families (DCF) with substance abuse issues.

The **Great Body Shop** is a comprehensive substance abuse prevention, violence prevention, and health curriculum provided in schools serving kindergarten through middle school students.

The **Health and Wellness Program** works to prevent substance abuse through education and promotion of healthy living strategies.

The **Phoenix Curriculum**, a gang prevention program, is implemented in various schools.

**Project SUCCESS** (Schools Using Coordinated Efforts to Strengthen Students) works to prevent and reduce substance use and abuse among high risk, multi-problem adolescents attending alternative schools.
The Salvation Army  
10291 McGregor Blvd., PO Box 60087  
Fort Myers, FL 33906-6087

Phone: (239) 278-1551  
Website: www.salvationarmyleecounty.org

Service Locations:

Bonita Springs Service Unit  
25221 Bernwood Drive, Suite 2  
Bonita Springs, FL 34135  
Phone: (239) 948-5200

Red Shield Lodge  
2400 Edison Avenue  
Fort Myers, FL 33901

Phone: (239) 334-3745

Provides meals, food pantry, emergency shelter, crisis management, transitional living, and medical care to people who are homeless or near homeless.

Sally’s Café  
2476 Edison Avenue  
Fort Myers, FL 33901

Opens each evening to serve “Meals with Compassion” to anyone in need of a nutritious meal.

Sandcastles  
Phone: (239) 693-8893  
Ages: 6 - 17

A group-style class that assists youth in coping with separation or divorce of their parents. Fulfills the court mandated education course for minor children of divorcing parents. Information on courses available in Lee County is at: www.educationprograms.com/sandcastles/lee.html.

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School District of Lee County  
2855 Colonial Blvd.  
Fort Myers, FL 33966

Phone: (239) 334-1102  
Website: www.leeschools.net

Frequently Called Departments (see website for departments not listed)

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Early Childhood Learning Services 332-2512  
Exceptional Student Education 337-8104  
Health Services 337-8245  
Intervention Programs 337-8311  
Lee Virtual Instruction Program 337-8178  
Student Assignment – Cape Coral 242-2059  
Student Assignment – Fort Myers 337-8247  
Student Assignment – Lehigh Acres 337-8347  
Student Services 337-8181  
Student Welfare and Attendance 337-8261

For the Transportation Department, go to http://transportation.leeschools.net/zones.htm for a list of transportation zones and the schools within each zone.

SEDNET (Severely Emotionally Disturbed Network)  
5775 Osceola Trail  
Naples, FL 34109

Phone: (239) 377-0131

A multiagency service network for emotionally disturbed youth and their families. Facilitates the coordination of services provided by education, mental health, juvenile justice, and child welfare agencies.

Shriners Hospital for Children - Tampa  
Phone: 1-800-237-5055 (patient referral/eligibility information)  
Website: www.shrinershospitalsforchildren.org

Provides specialized medical care for children with a focus on orthopedic conditions, burns, spinal cord injuries, and cleft lip and palate.
Social Security Administration
3650 Colonial Blvd.
Fort Myers, FL 33966

Phone: 1-800-772-1213 or (239) 931-0066
Website: www.socialsecurity.gov

Government agency providing retirement, disability, survivor benefits, and supplemental security income for the aged, disabled, and survivors.

Source of Light and Hope Development Center (Hope House)
3903 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.
Fort Myers, FL 33916

Phone: (239) 334-3739

A residential shelter for teens in the dependency system, placed there by the Department of Children and Families.

South County Family YMCA
701 S. Center Road
Venice, FL 34285

Phone: (941) 492-9622
Website: www.southcountyfamilyymca.org

Program Locations:
27200 Kent Road, Bonita Springs Phone: (239) 221-7560
1360 Royal Palm Square Blvd., Fort Myers Phone: (239) 275-9622
235 Joel Boulevard, Lehigh Acres Phone: (239) 275-9622

Provides recreational programs, childcare and summer camp. Provides subsidized care for low-income families.

Southwest Florida Children’s Home
4551 Camino Real Way
Fort Myers, FL 33912

Phone: (239) 275-7151
Website: www.royalpalmbaptist.com/188109

Provides residential care to children that have been abused or neglected or come from families in turmoil. It also operates a Christian-based foster care program.
Southwest Florida Safety Council
1714 Evans Avenue
Fort Myers, FL 33901

Phone: (239) 332-3008
Website: www.safedrivingschool.com/index.htm

Offers live and online traffic schools. Provides Drug Alcohol Traffic Education (D.A.T.E.) course, which is a prerequisite for getting one’s first drivers license. Learner’s permit test is available online.

Southwest Florida Works
4150 Ford Street Extension               1020 Cultural Park Blvd., Bldg. 2
Fort Myers, FL 33916                        Cape Coral, FL 33990

Phone: (239) 931-8200                    Phone: (239) 673-8591
Website: http://swflworks.org

Services include job placement, job search assistance, job opportunities, vocational rehabilitation, unemployment compensation, family assistance, and welfare transition services.

Special Equestrians
5121 Staley Road, P.O. Box 61528
Fort Myers, FL 33906

Phone: (239) 226-1221                     Email: spequestrians@gmail.com
Website: www.specialequestrians.net

A horseback riding program which provides therapeutic riding to mentally and physically challenged children and adults. Fee for services; scholarships available.

Special Olympics
Phone: (239) 267-2181                     Email: dbarilla@leegov.com
Website: www.specialolympicslee.org

Provides sports training and competitions in a variety of Olympic-type sports for people with intellectual disabilities.
✦ **STARS Complex**  
2980 Edison Avenue  
P.O. Box 2217  
Fort Myers, FL 33902  

Phone: (239) 332-6671  
Website: [www.cityftmyers.com](http://www.cityftmyers.com)  

Provides recreation programs, afterschool program with tutoring and homework assistance and summer camp programs.

✦ **Step Up for Students**  
Phone: 1-877-735-7837  
Website: [www.stepupforstudents.org](http://www.stepupforstudents.org)  

Provides scholarships for low income Florida school children to attend a private school or for transportation costs to attend an out of district public school that may better suit their individual needs. Students qualifying for the free or reduced lunch program are generally income eligible for this program. This is a Florida Tax Credit Scholarship program which is funded through tax credit donations from corporations.

✦ **Student Assignment Centers / School District of Lee County**  
Website: [http://studentassignment.leeschools.net](http://studentassignment.leeschools.net)  

Provides information on the school district’s student assignment process (school choice) and registers students to attend Lee County public schools.

**Registration Locations:**  
Cape Coral Office, 370 Santa Barbara Blvd. N.  
Fort Myers Office, 2855 Colonial Blvd  
Lehigh Acres Office, 1262 Wings Way, Suite 207  

**Phone:**  
242-2059  
337-8247  
337-8347

✦ **Sunrise Community of Southwest Florida**  
810 S.E. 10th Court  
Cape Coral, FL 33990  

Phone: (239) 283-1333  
Email: capecoral@sunrisegroup.org  
Website: [www.sunrisegroup.org](http://www.sunrisegroup.org)  

Provides support services for people with developmental disabilities including behavior analysis/assessment, vocational training, supported employment, learning projects, social events, and respite care.
**Sylvan Learning Center**  
12741 World Plaza Lane  
Fort Myers, FL 33907  
Phone: (239) 275-1130  
Website: [http://tutoring.sylvanlearning.com/centers/tutoring-fortmyers/index.cfm](http://tutoring.sylvanlearning.com/centers/tutoring-fortmyers/index.cfm)

Provides learning skills assessment, individualized learning program, and tutoring.

**Take Stock in Children**  
2266 Second Street  
Fort Myers, FL 33901  
Phone: (239) 337-0433  
Website: [www.takestockinchildren.org](http://www.takestockinchildren.org)

Provides mentoring and support to low income and at risk middle school and high school students. Students apply for the program in 6th or 9th grade, and upon selection, sign a contract promising to remain crime and drug free, maintain good grades and behavior, and meet with an assigned mentor on a regular basis through high school graduation. Upon graduation, students receive a 4 year college tuition scholarship.

**Talking Books Library at Northwest Regional Library**  
519 Chiquita Boulevard North  
Cape Coral, FL 33993  
Phone: (239) 533-4780  
Website: [www.leelibrary.net](http://www.leelibrary.net)

Provides recorded books and magazines, and Braille materials for individuals who are not able to see regular print or have a physical limitation.

**Teen Challenge International**  
P.O. Box 60802  
Fort Myers, FL 33906  
Website: [www.teenchallenge.cc](http://www.teenchallenge.cc)

**Locations:**  
Men’s Home, 5646 7th Ave. Fort Myers 33907  
Women’s Home, 5424 7th Ave., Fort Myers 33907

**Phone:**  
275-1974  
939-7705

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A Christian organization that provides substance abuse treatment programs throughout Florida. (Note: They have youth treatment programs located outside of Lee County.)

✦ TMC Productions
5651 Halifax Avenue, Suite 1
Fort Myers, FL 33912

Phone: (239) 939-4769
Website: www.tmc4.com

Provides “Redirecting Children’s Behavior” parenting skills course and other personal growth courses.

✦ Together Rx Access
Website: www.togetherrxacces.com

A prescription assistance program for individuals and families without prescription drug coverage that helps save on prescription products.

✦ The Trevor Project
Phone: 866 4U TREVOR (1-866-488-7386)
Website: www.thetrevorproject.org

A 24-hour, toll-free, suicide prevention helpline for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning youth. It also provides an online, confidential question and answer forum for non-emergency questions regarding sexual orientation and gender identity.

✦ Txt 4 Help
A project of the National Safe Place program, youth in crisis can text the word SAFE and their current location to the number 69866 and they will receive an address of the nearest Safe Place site and contact number for the local youth shelter.

Tip: Use Control + F to search for key terms and program names when accessing the electronic version of this resource guide.
United Way of Lee, Hendry, & Glades
7273 Concourse Drive, SW
Fort Myers, FL 33908

Phone: (239) 433-2000
Website: www.unitedwaylee.org

United Way 211 - Dial 211 or utilize the 211 website at www.unitedwaylee.org/211.html to locate social and health services in Lee County. (Call 433-3900 from cell phones.)

United Way Houses – Neighborhood based resource centers are located throughout the county. Services vary by location.

United Way Volunteer Center – creates connections between those who wish to volunteer to help serve the community and volunteer opportunities available in the community.

United Way House Locations:
Bonita Springs East, 26820 Old 41 Rd., Bonita Springs 357-4024
Bonita Springs West, 25300 Bernwood Dr., Bonita Springs 992-3034
Cape Coral, 1105 Cultural Park Blvd., Cape Coral 242-0401
Dunbar, 3429 Dr. Martin Luther King Blvd., Fort Myers 332-7687
East Ft. Myers, 4040 Palm Beach Blvd., Fort Myers 313-7719
Estero/San Carlos, 17592 Rockefeller Cir., Ft. Myers 267-3510
Harlem Heights, 15570 Hagie Dr., Fort Myers 482-7706
Lehigh Acres, 201 Plaza Drive, Suite 103, Lehigh Acres 369-5818
Palm Beach Blvd, 4162 Palm Beach Blvd., Fort Myers 693-9510
Pine Island, 5465 NW Pine Island Road, Bokelia 898-6071
Pine Manor, 5547 10th Avenue, Fort Myers 275-5180
Sanibel, 1630 Periwinkle Way, Suite B, Sanibel 472-4775
Suncoast Community Center, 2241 Case Lane, N. Ft. Myers 731-9838

United Way Clinics:
Cape Coral, 1435 SE 1th Terrace, Suite C 424-2757
Dunbar, 3511 Dr. Martin Luther King Blvd., Fort Myers 343-4910
North Fort Myers, 13279 N. Cleveland Ave., N. Ft. Myers 652-4111

Verity Pregnancy and Medical Resource Center
8890 Salrose Lane, Suite 240
Fort Myers, FL 33912

Phone: (239) 433-1929
Website: www.veritypmc.com

Provides information and support for unplanned pregnancies. Provides free pregnancy testing, referrals, peer counseling, childbirth/parenting classes, limited assistance for infant supplies, and post abortion support.
Visuality
1400 Colonial Blvd., Suite 204
Fort Myers, FL 33907

Website:  www.ftmyerslgbtteencenter.com

A center for LGBTQ teens that provides a safe, welcoming environment where youth can engage in social activities, educational programs, and peer support groups, plus special events and outings.

Vocational Rehabilitation (Division of), Department of Education
5264 Summerlin Commons Way, Ste 404  1031 SE 19th Place, Ste 1
Fort Myers, FL 33907  Cape Coral, FL 33990

Phone:  (239) 278-7150  (239) 772-6968
Website:  www.rehabworks.org/

Provides services for eligible persons with physical or mental impairments. Services include vocational evaluations, career planning, job placement, job coaching, school-to-work transition services for high school students, and other support services.

Vocational Rehabilitation Ombudsman
Phone:  1-866-515-3692  Email:  ombudsman@vr.fldoe.org

A Division of Vocational Rehabilitation help line to assist with information and referral for all disability needs and to resolve client service needs.

Voices for Kids of Southwest Florida
2075 West First Street
Fort Myers, FL 33901

Phone:  (239) 533-1435  Email:  program@voicesforkids.org
Website:  www.voicesforkids.org

 Provides support and advocacy for youth in foster care in Southwest Florida. Provides limited financial assistance for the health, education and social needs of children in the child welfare system when no other resources are available, or as funding allows.

Volunteer Match
Website:  www.volunteermatch.org/search

A searchable data base of volunteer opportunities that can be searched by zip code.
We Care / Faith Presbyterian Church
4544 Coronado Parkway
Cape Coral, FL  33904

Phone:  (239) 542-2858

Provides food to needy families in Cape Coral.

Young Driver Program
c/o Lee Memorial Health Systems

A class which teaches young drivers about driving responsibly and outcomes of acts of irresponsible driving.  Call 336-6797 for details.

Young Life Lee County
5264 Clayton Court #5
Fort Myers, FL  33907

Phone:  (239) 275-5908
Website:  http://sites.younglife.org/sites/LeeCountyYL/default.aspx

Provides positive youth development activities through weekly meetings, outings and seasonal camping.  Clubs are available at most high schools.  Check website for locations.

Youth Connections
4150 Ford Street Extension Ages: 16 - 21
Fort Myers, FL 33916

Phone:  (239) 931-8200 ext. 11198 or 11140

Provides career coaching and assistance to young adults, ages 16-21, to complete high school or GED, attain job skills, and connect to jobs. Eligibility based on youth having barriers to employment.
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