

Community Resources

- DuPage County Community Resource Information System (“C.R.I.S.”)
 - Information on over 1,400 social service agencies throughout DuPage County — includes information on food, clothing, elder care, child care, and more.
 - Telephone: (630) 407-6500, 1-800-942-9412, TDD (630) 407-6502
 - Internet: <http://www.dupagecris.org>
- DuPage PADS (Public Action to Deliver Shelter)
 - Provides basic needs assistance, overnight and permanent supportive housing, health services (medical, substance abuse, and mental health), access to laundry and shower facilities, daily lunches, employment/career services, and financial literacy assistance.
 - Overnight housing available 365 days a year
 - Family friendly housing available October through April in southern DuPage County
 - Phone: (630) 682-3846, Fax: (630) 682-3874
 - Internet: <http://dupagepads.org/>
- Humanitarian Service Project
 - Provides groceries for senior citizens, lunches for children during the summer, a children’s birthday project, school supply drive, and Christmas program
 - Serves DuPage and Kane counties
 - Phone: (630) 221-8340, Fax: (630) 221-8371
 - Internet: <http://www.humanitarianservice.org/>
- West Suburban Community Pantry
 - Located in Woodridge. Open to all residents of DuPage County. May visit the pantry once a week for bread and produce, and once a month for a full food order.
 - Hours: Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday 8:30am to 11:30am, and Tuesday 1:30pm to 3:30pm, and Thursday 5:30pm to 7:30pm. Monday — bread/produce ONLY 10am to 12pm
 - Must provide current utility bill with the name of a household member and a state ID card
 - Phone: (630) 512-9921
 - Internet: <http://www.wcpinc.org>
- People’s Resource Center
 - Helps provide assistance such as food, clothing, rent assistance, literacy classes, job assistance, and computer training
 - Locations in Wheaton and Westmont
 - Phone: (630) 682-5402 (for both locations)
 - Internet: <http://www.peoplesrc.org/>
- Bensenville/Wood Dale Food Pantry
 - Service hours: Wednesday and Saturday 8:30am to 11am
 - Location: 192 S. Center St., Bensenville, IL 60106
 - Phone: (630) 766-1141
- Illinois Application for Benefits Eligibility (“ABE”)
 - Use the “Check if I should apply” tool to discover if you qualify for government benefits, and apply for food, cash, and medical assistance programs
 - Programs include SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program), TANF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families — temporary financial/medical assistance for pregnant women and families with children), AABD (Aid to the Aged, Blind, and Disabled), and Medicaid
 - Internet: <https://abe.illinois.gov/abe/access/>

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- Addison Township
 - Provides services that include (but are not limited to): voter registration, notary public, food pantry, clothes closet, senior care, ACCESS DuPage applications (medical), and LIHEAP applications (Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program)
 - Phone: (630) 530-8161
 - Internet: <http://www.addisontownship.com>
- Addison Township Ride DuPage Program
 - (630) 530-8161
- Wood Dale Dial-a-Ride
 - Service provides subsidized rates for to and from destinations in Wood Dale, Elk Grove Village, Itasca, and parts of Addison and Bensenville
 - Flat rate of \$3.00 each way, or a punch pass of ten rides for \$18.00 (seniors and disabled)
 - Flat rate of \$4.00 each way, or a punch pass of ten rides for \$34.00 (all other riders)
 - Service hours 9:00am to 3:00pm Monday to Friday
 - Telephone: (630) 787-3763, must call at least 24 hours in advance
- Metra Train Schedules
 - Find train schedules for any Metra train in the Chicagoland area (Wood Dale is the Metra Milwaukee District West line)
 - Internet: <http://bit.ly/NRcElq>
- IDOT (Illinois Department of Transportation) Road Construction Guide
 - Find local road construction project information — you can search by highway, interstate, county, or district
 - Internet: <http://www.gettingaroundillinois.com>
- Illinois Department on Aging
 - Apply for benefits such as Seniors Free Transit Ride, Persons with Disabilities Free Transit Ride, and Secretary of State License Plate Discount
 - To apply by phone with your social security number, call toll free 1-800-252-8966 (1-888-206-1327 TTY)
 - Internet: <http://www.illinois.gov/aging/BenefitsAccess/Pages/default.aspx>
- Free Tax Preparation for the Elderly and Low Income Families (updated 2015)
 - <http://www.revenue.state.il.us/News/2015FreeTaxAssistanceProviders.pdf>
- College of DuPage Adult Basic Education and ESL Office
 - Find information on local GED and ESL programs; classes are offered in more than 25 locations throughout the district.
 - Telephone: (630) 942-3697, fax: (630) 942-3804
 - Office Hours: Monday—Friday 8:00am to 4:30pm
 - Internet: <http://www.cod.edu/academics/conted/basic/>
- Hamdard Center
 - A not-for-profit agency that provides healthcare and case management for the elderly, low income, and victims of domestic violence
 - Telephone: Crisis line (866) 305-3933, Addison general number (630) 835-1430
 - Email: main@hamdardcenter.org

Community Resources

- IDES: Illinois Department of Employment Security
 - File an unemployment claim, certify for unemployment benefits, search for a job, or search for employment assistance for veterans
 - Internet: <http://www.ides.illinois.gov>
- Community Career Center
 - Assists with unemployment and under-employment in DuPage, Kendall, Kane, and Will Counties
 - Offers services such as career assessments, workshops, skill building classes, and individual coaching
 - Located in Naperville
 - Telephone: (630) 961-5665, Fax: (630) 961-1271
 - Email: ccc@communitycareercenter.org
 - Internet: <http://www.communitycareercenter.org/>
- Affordable Care Act Healthcare Marketplace (ACA or “Obamacare”)
 - Find out if you are eligible for a health insurance subsidy, and browse and apply for insurance plan coverage
 - Internet: <https://www.healthcare.gov>
- DuPage Rx Prescription Discount Program
 - Free program cards are available at local organizations and may be used at any participating retail pharmacy
 - Program may be used by all DuPage residents regardless of age, income, or health coverage
 - May be used on any prescription not covered by insurance
 - In Wood Dale, cards available at: Agape Family Church, City of Wood Dale, Wood Dale Community United Methodist Church, and Wood Dale Public Library (see website for all locations in DuPage County)
 - Internet: <https://www.dupageco.org/CountyBoard/9250/>
- ComEd
 - Report a power outage in your area, and check the outage map to check the status of a power outage near you
 - Internet: <http://bit.ly/MikCvF>
- Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)
 - Provides monetary assistance for energy bills for qualifying households
 - Assistance available for both homeowners and those who rent
 - DuPage residents need to apply at the DuPage County Department of Human Resources in Wheaton
 - Call to make an appointment and see what paperwork you need to bring with you
 - Phone: (630) 407-6500
 - Internet: <http://bit.ly/1El7iGc>