

Where to turn for help in Oconee County (October 2019)

UNITED WAY- 528 Bypass 123 Suite C Seneca 882-9743 **Call 2-1-1 for list of services**. Also diapers, free Tax Prep help
Department of Social Services- 223a Kenneth St., Walhalla; ph-864-638-4400; Office hours: 8:30-5 M-F. Services include: **SNAP(Food Stamps), Family Independence Program** (Financial aid to Families with dependent children).
Department of Health and Human Services: Medicaid - 223 B Kenneth St., Walhalla SC, ph:638-4420 8:30-5pm M-F.
Veterans: Help w/VA benefits paperwork-each Wed; KOC Hall, 1-8pm; 112 E. N. 2nd St Seneca or call Terry at 303-501-4273;

Upstate Warrior Solution, connects veterans & families w/ local resources; 864-772-9039; 109-3 Sloan St. Clemson
Legal Help-SC Legal Services -Free legal help for civil (i.e. non criminal) situations. Call 800-763-4825 M-Th 9am to 6pm_
Oconee Humane Society: low cost pet spay/neuter voucher 1925 Sandifer Rd, Seneca 882-4719(

TEMPORARY/EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

Oconee United Ministries (was OPSF) 115 W South 1st St. Seneca; 882-0504; 9:30-11:15 Tue & Th. Help w/ rent, utility, meds.
SHARE (Sunbelt Human Advancement Resources)-708 East Main St, Seneca; ph-864-882-3495; office hours-8:30-5 M-F. Services include **RENT/UTILITY assistance**; Must have eviction notice for rent help. Twice a year limit for heating help.
Salvation Army- 100 Debra St. Seneca; 882-1160; Assistance hours-M-Th. 9-noon & 1-5pm. **Emergency assistance** including utilities, clothing, food, spiritual care, Christmas assistance, disaster services, vouchers for victims of fire loss (requires American Red Cross referral). **Utility requests require an appointment.** (Call 882-1160)
Golden Corner Food PANTRY: 635 Business Park Drive, Seneca, 864-882-3610; 10-12 M-F & 1ST Sat. of the month. Emergency & supplemental food for seniors & families living in Oconee Cty. w/ income less than 150% of Federal Poverty level
College St. Baptist: PANTRY-M/T10-1; 407 S. College St, Walhalla 638-2986; Must live in Walhalla
'SON' Flower Closet: free CLOTHING M/T 9:30-2; 301 S. Laurel St., Walhalla, 638-2986
St. Luke Methodist PANTRY-4-6pm, 2nd and 4th Wed, 607 E Main St., Walhalla, 638-3628, Must live in Walhalla
American Red Cross: For disaster services call Beth at 864-449-7281
Our Daily Bread: 106 Jordan St, Seneca; ph-864-882-3308; hours 11:30- 12:30. **LUNCH** for low income & homeless
Dot's Kitchen: American Legion Bldg; 205 Lucky St. Westminster. **LUNCH** served M-F 11:30 to 12:30pm - 903-1791
We Care: 610 Piedmont St. Westminster; Food **PANTRY** and limited **FREE CLOTHING**. Thursdays only, 9am-1pm; 647-8458_
Ann Hope United Methodist: 702 Goddard Ave. Seneca; **Wednesday evening DINNER** at 6pm. 882-5502

Local Thrift Stores

Salvation Army- Thrift Store 104 Colonial Plaza Drive, Seneca, 882-7450, 10-5 M-F; 9-5 Sat. For vouchers call 882-1160.
Collins Children's Home Thrift Store: No special programs; 540 W. N.1st Street, Seneca, SC; 882-4250; 10-5 Tues-Sat
Goodwill Thrift- 1616 Sandifer Blvd (near Walmart), 882-2600, 9-9 M-Sat; 1-5 Sun. Sundays 1/2 price on some clothes
Potter's Wheel Thrift Store: 119 S. College St. Walhalla. Also free clothing for families in need. Ph. 864-903-4983
Boys Camp Thrift. 714 W. North 1st St Seneca, 882-2734; 9-5 M-Sat & 11 E. Windsor St. Westminster, 647-4812; 9-5 Tu-Sat
Girls Camp Trading Post-304 W North 1st St. Seneca, 882-7008; 9-5 M-Sat & 9119 Long Creek Hwy, Westminster, 647-7014;
Tamassee DAR Thrift Shop – No special programs. 9695 N. Hwy 11, Tamassee, 944-2660; 9-5 Tues-Sat
Habitat For Humanity Thrift Store - 130 Bountylard Rd, Seneca; 864-888-2118; hours 10-4 W/Th/F; Sat 10-1.
Dream Center Thrift Store- 11011 N Radio Station Road, 10-6 M-Sat 864-614-8008

LIFE CHANGING ASSISTANCE----EMPLOYMENT/EDUCATION

SC Works (Unemployment Office)—at Quickjobs Development Center-104 Vocational Dr. Seneca, 8:30-5 M-F. 864-646-1741
Job placement assistance, resource center for job seekers, resume preparation assistance, job preparation workshops.
Goodwill Job Connection: 1616 Sandifer Blvd (near Walmart), 864-482-7857: M-F 9-12; 1-4:30 (ask for **Alison**). Services: employment help, on-line job applications, job leads/referrals, resume/cover letter help, copy/fax machine, Readiness workshops, job fairs, personal counseling; Help available for non-computer literate. Note: Food Pantry referrals M-Th 9-12 only
Jobs for those with criminal records: SCWorks/GJC have a list of '2nd chance' companies.
Ride To Work Ministry Nonprofit Inc.- low cost transportation to/from work only. Apply at website: rtwministry.org
Jobs for Seniors: Call toll free 855-850-2525. AARP free job search guide & sign up for info session at Tri County Tech
Jobs for those with disabilities: Vocational Rehabilitation of SC 1951 Wells Hwy, Seneca; 882-6669; hrs: 8:30-5 M-F. Vocational & medical assessment of a person's ability to work even if disabled. Train at the on-site factory/locate a job with a local business. All services free. **Tribble Center**:; 882-6347; hours 8-4 M-F. Jobs at local employers for disabled clients.
Oconee Adult Education Office: 315 Holland Ave. Seneca, 886-4429; Assists adults in becoming literate, obtaining a GED, and improving knowledge/skills for employment. Also ESL/GED Hispanic help. All capability levels are welcome & will receive help. **Palmetto Youth Connections** –help youth 17-24 obtain workforce training, GED & occupational skills. Emphasis on jobs, attending post-secondary or enlisting in the military. Supportive services/individual career coaching. Call 886-4467 (Annmarie)
Tamasee DAR School– Industrial Education. Boarding/rides if homeless/aged out youth/can't commute. Jon at 944-1390x110
TriCountyTech 1-6mo training for a better paying job; 864-646-1718; **NEW Westminster campus – call 864-646-8282**

Affordable Child Care-Oconee County First Steps-**985-8739 or 882-3342; Vouchers available from DSS** (see above)

FAMILY HELP, FINANCIAL & LIFESTYLE COUNSELING-

Ripple of One-in the educational building of Seneca Presbyterian Church 115 W. S. First St. Seneca, 882-8777; Services include: Financial & lifestyle Counseling to help families escape poverty using a plan to move toward self-sufficiency.
Heath's Haven: 523 Hwy 123. Suite F, Seneca. 710-4085 Training to promote healthy, nurturing relationships between children and adults. **Real Men**: at United Way; 882-9743. Helps men achieve maturity and healthy relationships in various life situations.

SCHOOL PROGRAMS for KIDS-contact your school's guidance office; **Grace's Closet** (located in each school) –FREE FOOD, CLOTHING, HYGIENE ITEMS & SCHOOL SUPPLIES (www.gracescloset.org or Julie-ann Shannon at 864-557-9399)

Safe Harbor: M-F 8:30 to 5pm; 467-3636, Counseling/shelter for victims of domestic violence; 24/7 Crisis line 800-291-2139

FamilyConnection SC- 864-231-8100; Help for children with special healthcare needs including autism, ADHD, asthma, others.

Foothills Care Center: 207 Main Street, Seneca, 882-8796; M-Th 9-12 & 2-5. Maternity/infant clothes; baby food & supplies, pregnancy testing/education, parenting help, sexual health screenings, limited OB Ultrasounds. All services free/confidential.

The Parenting Place, 864-898-5583 Free home visits to help ensure a healthy pregnancy and child well being

Collins Children's Home: 110 Collins Home Dr. Seneca; 882-0893; 8:30 to 5 M-F. Resident care for children birth-21, life skills for resident children and their families, foster care for children, counseling, parenting classes for "at risk" families

Tamassee School: 1925 Bumgardner Dr. Tamassee; ph-944-1390; Residential & outreach for children from families in crisis

Tribble Center: 116 South Cove Road, Seneca; 882-6347; hours 8-4 M-F. Services: adult day services, job coaching, living skills for intellectual disability, autism, and related disabilities. Early intervention for special needs children.

Able-SC: Empowering individuals with disabilities through independent living services. Call 864-235-1421.

Golden Corner Respite Care Program- 864-973-7590, for caregivers of seniors with early/mid-stage dementia providing seniors with activities & social interaction. Thurs. 1-4 pm; **Episcopal Church of the Ascension**, 214 Northampton Road, Seneca.

Foothills Alliance – sexual abuse counseling, crisis intervention, prevention/education services; **24 hr. Hotline 864-231-7273**

Fostering Faithfully- faithbased program for foster parents. 864-539-2133 905 E. Main St. Walhalla; www.fosteringfaithfully.org

MENTAL HEALTH/SUBSTANCE ABUSE

Oconee Mental Health Clinic: 115 Carter Park Dr, Seneca. Call 885-0157 M-F 8:30am-5pm. Give name, phone no., & info.

A counselor will contact you in 24hrs. Very low cost options available. **Suicide Hotlines**: 911 or 1-800-784-2433 or 864-885-0157

Christ Central Ministries: Ash Tree Substance Abuse recovery program for men-873-7134; Families Fighting Addiction support – 2nd Mon. each month at 6:30pm-at North Walhalla Church of God.

Anderson-Oconee Behavioral Health-691 South Oak St., Seneca, 882-7563; M-Th 8am-5pm; Provides substance abuse assessment & treatment for alcohol, drugs, gambling, smoking, anger management.

Alcoholics Anonymous - Oconee/Pickens area toll-free number is 877-544-8426

SC Voc Rehab Substance Abuse Treatment- contact local office 1951 Wells Highway; 882-6669.

NAMI National Alliance on Mental Illness: 882-5131; FREE educational meetings & courses; support groups. www.namiaop.org

Celebrate Recovery- A Christian twelve-step program designed to facilitate recovery from a wide variety of troubling behavior patterns- Grace Baptist Church-888-0703 Wed. 6:45-8pm; Welcome Wesleyan Church-280-3962 Fridays, 6:30-9pm;

MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

Oconee Public Health Dept. – 609 N. Townville St. Seneca, 882-2245. Immunizations, Women, Infants & Children (WIC), Family planning. STD/HIV testing, Help is free/on a sliding scale. **Quit Smoking**: 800-784-8669 Free help (nicotine patches)

Rosa Clark Medical Clinic: 301 Memorial Dr.; ph: 882-4664; hours 8-4 M-F. Services: free clinic; medical assistance; pharmacy; dental vouchers for critical dental needs; SNAP applications; Mental health/substance abuse counseling

Low Cost Dentures: New Horizons Health Center: 864-351-2400; Affordable Dentures Anderson 864-261-1889

AccessHealth Mountain Lakes: 298 Memorial Dr. Seneca, 864-885-7341; Call for appointment, M-F, 8-4:30. Help for uninsured/limited income to gain access to primary care, specialists, other medical services/case management. **DENTAL CLINIC**: 298 Memorial Dr. 885-7550; X-rays, evaluations, extractions/cleanings for uninsured w/ limited income; by appointment.

Foothills Community Healthcare-110 Liberty Dr. Clemson. 722-0283; Low cost health care. MWTThF 8-5:00; Tues-8-7pm

Anderson-Oconee Speech/Hearing-528 Bypass 123, Suite F Seneca 882-7169; Speech/hearing help; hearing aides; sliding fee

LIONS CLUB EYEGLASS & HEARING AID ASSISTANCE: In Seneca-Go to the SHARE office for an application-In Salem-Call 770-335-4389; Walhalla-Pick up/Turn in forms at Alexander's Office Supply, 118 E. Main St.; Westminster-call 882-1580

Medical Transportation- if on Medicaid call 1-866-910-7688 for a ride to/from medical appointment. Call 3 days before: M-F 8-5

HOUSING/SHELTERS/CURRENT HOME HELP

Habitat for Humanity-130 Bountyland Rd, Seneca; ph- 864-888-2118: building homes for qualified low income

United Housing Connections 864-241-0462-Service: permanent housing and care management for persons with mental illness or transitional housing if currently homeless or in a shelter

SC Regional Housing Authority-417 Tribble St, Seneca; 8-5pm; Call 885-1659 for info/appointment ; 200+ income based apts.

Safe Harbor-Emergency Shelter for victims of domestic violence and their children-864-467-3636 or 800-291-2139

Family Promise-864-644-8828; Sheltering program for families with children under 18 ; Background/drug checks required

Our Daily Rest-864-482-2040; Corner of Jordan & Main, Seneca. Services include shelter, case management and counseling for transition for individuals and families seeking employment and housing. Interviews & applications on Wednesdays at 2 pm.

Christ Central Ministries is refurbishing the old Walhalla Jail for a homeless shelter. **Opening date January 2020.**

Mortgage Assistance- call 888-995-4673 or go to www.makehomeaffordable.gov for guidance on working with lender

United Way Senior Home Repairs- Call 882-9743; ext. 104; Apply at United Way 528 Bypass 123, Suite C

SC Home Weatherization for low income. Call 864-229-8870 or go to www.gleanshrc.org (program links->weatherization)

SPIRITUAL NEEDS & SUPPORT

Local Churches supporting the Food Pantry- PLEASE contact the church of your choice. Tell them the Food Pantry sent you.

Baptist – Contact Rev. David Shirley at **Beaverdam Baptist Association, 882-7070**. Covers 63 local Baptist churches.

Catholic – Contact Father Bill Hearne at 864-882-8551 **Saint Paul the Apostle**, 170 Bountyland Road, Seneca

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints –5003 Wells Highway, Seneca

Foothills Community Church- 505 Bountyland Road, Seneca, 864-888-8008

Lutheran – **Eternal Shepherd**, 220 Carson Rd. Seneca, Pastor David Hammer, 882-3209; **St. John's** - 301 W. Main St., Seneca,

Methodist- **St. Mark United**- 616 Quincy Rd. Seneca, **Pastor Todd Davis (864) 882-2603**. Food box once every six mos./family.

Presbyterian- Seneca Presbyterian - 115 W South 1st St., Seneca, Rev. Mike Shelton 882-2505 **Fort Hill Presbyterian**, 101 Edgewood Ave., Clemson, Rev. Laura Conrad; **Oconee Assoc Reformed Presbyterian**, 121 Rochester Hwy, Seneca

United Assembly of God- 11075 Watson Dr., Seneca, 864-882-8546.

FOR SENIORS: Senior Solutions: 101 Perry Avenue, Seneca; ph-864-885-1000; hours 8-5 M-F. Services: transportation for seniors, senior activity center, congregational dining, home bound support, arts & crafts; home-delivered meals, adult day care information/referral service for senior-related topics-financial, legal and mobility issues; Medicare counseling, help with food stamps (SNAP)& Medicaid; Low-Income Subsidy (help w/ drug prescriptions); Finding senior housing/assisted living, home care; personal care items for the home; help with paperwork for insurance and other matters that are often confusing to seniors.