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Association for Children With Learning Disabilities (ACLD)

28 Pine Street
Sharon, PA 16146

Geographic Area Served: Mercer County and surrounding areas

Telephone: 724-346-5887

Office Hours: Phone answered 24 hours a day • Hours open are program specific

Services: Advocacy for learning disabled children and their families to insure appropriate education placement; peer counseling from parent to parent of learning disabled child; tutoring program-year round for person with learning disabilities; parent support group meeting.

Fee Policy: Small fee for tutoring

Eligibility: Open to those with learning disabilities and their families

Autism Society of America- Midwestern PA Chapter

Human Services Center
130 West North Street
New Castle, PA 16101

Geographic Area Served: Mercer, Butler and Lawrence Counties

Telephone: 724-658-3578

Office Hours: Monday – Friday: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Website: www.autism-society.org

Services: Support group for parents, family members and professionals who deal with Autistic individuals; Provides advocacy to promote appropriate education and services for Autistic individuals; Promotes the welfare of Autistic individuals in the community through presentations; Library containing books, journals, audio-visual materials concerning aspects of Autism- considered to be one of the best in the state; Monthly meetings held at the Human Services Center.

Fee Policy: Small fee for tutoring

Eligibility: Open to those with learning disabilities and their families

Ark House: Transitional Shelter

418 Fruit Avenue
Farrell, PA 16121

Geographic Area Served: Mercer County

Telephone: 724-342-2751

Services: Homeless Shelter

Eligibility: Women with children up to age 12

AWARE, Inc.

Partners in the Prevention of Violence
343 Smith Ave.
Hermitage, PA 16148

Geographic Area Served: Mercer County

Telephone: 724-342-4934

Website: <http://merceraware.org/>

Services: AWARE, Mercer County Center against Domestic and Sexual Violence! AWARE is the only dedicated domestic violence/sexual assault center serving Mercer County. Our mission is to educate, advocate and support all people impacted by domestic and sexual violence in Mercer County. Our vision is to help the hurting to heal, and to partner in the prevention of violence.

Fee Policy: Services are available for all victims in Mercer county at no cost, and are offered regardless of age, sex, race, creed, gender, ethnicity, national origin, marital status, sexual orientation, class, economic status, physical ability, parental status, cultural background, or religion.

Blindness & Visual Services in PA

3100 Lovell Place
Erie, PA 16503

Geographic Area Served: Mercer & Lawrence Counties

Telephone: 814-871-4401 or 866-521-5073

Office Hours: Monday – Friday: 8:00 am - 4:30 pm

Services: *Vocational Rehabilitation Program* includes basic education and rehabilitation, mobility training and employment preparation.

Social Services helps individuals cope with the activities of daily living: In-home services to help maintain safe living; Counseling; Housing; Life-skill to perform daily; and Transportation to receive social and medical services.

Blindness Prevention Program consists of services such as vision screening, glaucoma screening, public education, and informational services including eye-safety education in schools and industry.

Children's Services assists children who are blind or visually impaired achieve their maximum sensory, cognitive and social development.

BUHL Club

28 North Pine Street
Sharon, PA 16146

Geographic Area Served: Mercer County and surrounding areas

Telephone: 724-981-3700

Office Hours: Monday – Friday: 9:30 am - 9:00 pm • Saturday: 9:30 am - 5:00 pm

Website: www.fhbuhlclub.org

Services: Recreation; Explorers Club; Tutoring; Handball and Racquetball; MH-MR program; Nursery School-ages 4 and 5; Buhl Toddler Program for 2 and 3 year olds with emphasis on social skills with many other facilities and activities.

Fee Policy: Call for information

Eligibility: Open to anyone - membership required

Children's Aid Society of Mercer County

350 West Market Street
P.O. Box 167
Mercer, PA 16137

Geographic Area Served: Mercer County**Telephone:** 724-662-4730**Office Hours:** Monday – Friday: 8:00 am - 5:00 pm • On Call 24 Hours a day/ 7 days a week**Website:** www.casmercercer.org**Services:** To identify and provide services to improve the quality of life for children and families, in collaboration and cooperation with other agencies and services that may be appropriate.

- Family Life Education (Nurturing Program; Safe Kids of Mercer County; Babysitting; Tran parenting)
- FBMHS are intensive therapeutic services designed to help parents care for their children and adolescents with mental health problems at home to prevent hospitalization or other out-of-home placements.
- Jumpstart Daycare
- Neighborhood Based Family Intervention Center

Eligibility: Children birth to 18 years of age and their families**Community Counseling Center of Mercer County**

2201 E. State Street
Hermitage, PA 16148 or
406 North Buhl Farm Drive
Hermitage, PA 16148

Geographic Area Served: Mercer County**Telephone:** 724-981-7141**Office Hours:** Monday – Friday: 8:30 am - 5:00 pm**Greenville Office**

428 South Main Street
Greenville PA 16125

Telephone: 724-588-6490**Office Hours:** Monday, Tuesday, Friday: 8:30 am - 5:00 pm**Grove City Office**

135 Broad Street
Grove City, PA 16127

Telephone: 724-458-4144**Office Hours:** Monday, Thursday: 8:30 am-5:00 pm • Tuesday: 11:30 am-8:00 pm**Website:** www.cccmer.org**Services:** Transition to adult life services; Pre-Work Adjustment, Transitional and Support Employment; Individual, Group, Family Counseling; Mental Health treatment, consultation and assessment for children ages birth through 22 years; Outpatient Counseling, School-Based Counseling in designated schools; Psychiatric Services; Psychological Services; Specialized Child Care through Respite Care; In-Home Therapy with Children's Aid Society; Continuum of Services for People with Severe, Persistent Mental Illness; Adult Partial Hospitalization; Residential Services; Training and Social Rehabilitation; Vocational Services; Community Education.**Fee Policy:** Based on household income; accepts insurance/medical assistance. No charge for special needs children and adults with sever disabilities for rehabilitation services.**Eligibility:** Any person experiencing short-term or long-term emotional problems may inquire about the Center's services.

Community Food Warehouse

821 Broadway Avenue
PO Box 425
Farrell, PA 16121

Geographic Area Served: Mercer County

Telephone: 724-981-0353 or 724-983-0671

Office Hours: Monday – Friday: 8:00 am - 3:30 pm

Website: <http://foodwarehouse.org>

Services: Food Bank

Eligibility: Client referrals are made from Warehouse to food pantry closest to client

Diversified Family Services

5454 E. State Street
Sharon, PA 16146

Geographic Area Served: Mercer County

Telephone: 724-346-2123

Office Hours: Monday – Friday: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Website: www.diversifiedfamily.org

Services: Services provided to non-MR population also. Family Living, In-Home Services, Mental Retardation provides a variety of services to person with mental retardation including family living, group homes, family education, companion (sitter, retirement); Recreation-Summer Day Camp; Specialized Foster Care; Vocational Services; Family & Adolescent Counseling; Wrap Around Services.

Eligibility: Program Specific

Down Syndrome Association of Pittsburgh

5513 William Flynn Highway # 400
Gibsonia, PA 15044

Geographic Area Served: Western PA

Telephone: Mercer County Parent Contacts (via website)
Lori DelMonaco – 724-962-0756
Robin Drew – 724-475-4613
Lori King - 724-457-4621

Office Hours:

Website: www.dsapgh.org

Services: DSAP are a volunteer organization of parents and professionals committed to improving the quality of life, health, and well being of individuals who have Down syndrome. The Down Syndrome Association of Pittsburgh is comprised of a Board of Directors and a mailing membership of over 1,000. Our purpose is to educate the public through awareness projects and community events, inform parents and caregivers about developments in research and clinical practice and to promote acceptance in the community for people with Down syndrome.

The mission at the Down Syndrome Association of Pittsburgh (DSAP) is simple. We are here to provide support to families and individuals with Down syndrome through education and information. We also believe in supporting the best practice of medical care; which is the philosophy of individual attention and specialized clinical services throughout the lives of people with Down syndrome.

Eligibility: Children, adults and families of those who have Down Syndrome

Down Syndrome Center at Children's Hospital

3705 Fifth Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15213

Geographic Area Served: Western PA

Telephone: 412-692-7963

Website: <http://www.chp.edu/CHP/downsyndrome>

Policy Statement: The Down Syndrome Group of Western PA and the Down Syndrome Center at Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh are interested in and work toward enhancing the lives of individuals who have Down Syndrome. We provide information on educational, vocational, medical, social, adult and legal issues which may benefit children and adults who have Down Syndrome. However, we do not support or endorse specific therapies or programs.

Mission Statement: The mission statement of the Down Syndrome Center is to educate families and others about Down Syndrome and related issues via quarterly newsletters, an annual conference, and packets of information for new parents. The mission of the Down Syndrome Center is to provide medical and developmental assessments and family, behavioral, psychology, and psychiatric services to individuals of all ages who have Down Syndrome and/or their families. Research, writing articles about Down Syndrome and related issues, and teaching medical residents and other professionals are also important services offered. The center is associated with the Ohio-Pennsylvania Down Syndrome Network, The National Down Syndrome Congress, The National Down Syndrome Network, The National Down Syndrome Society and The Down Syndrome Medical Interest Group.

Good Shepherd Center

144-146 Main Street
Greenville, PA 16125

Geographic Area Served: Mercer County (Greater Greenville Area)

Telephone: 724-588-2210

Office Hours: Monday – Friday: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Website: <http://thegoodshepherdcenter.org>

Services: The Good Shepherd Center is a multi denominational ministry established in 1991 to be of service to the economically challenged of the greater Greenville community. The Center shows concern for all individuals who enter our doors regardless of creed, race, nationality or lifestyle. "Our mission is to address the physical needs of the economically challenged in the greater Greenville area."

- Clothes
- Food Pantry
- Hot Meals
- Free Medical Clinic

Greenville Area Leisure Services Association

45 Alan Avenue
PO Box 244
Greenville, PA 16125

Geographic Area Served: Northern Mercer County

Telephone: 724-588-4810

Office Hours: Monday – Sunday: 7:00 am - 10:00 pm

Website: www.galsa.org

Services: Recreation - full line of recreational services and facilities

Fee Policy: Program Specific

Eligibility: Open to residents that are covered by Greenville United Way

Grove City YMCA

543 East Main Street
Grove City, PA 16127

Geographic Area Served: Grove City Area

Telephone: 724-458-9781

Office Hours: Monday – Thursday: 6:00 am - 9:00 pm • Friday: 6:00 am - 8:00 pm
Saturday: 7:30 am - 5:00 pm • Sunday: 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Website: <http://www.grovecityymca.org>

Services: Kids Stuff - Gymnastics, softball league, basketball, dances, other activities; Aerobics; Volleyball League; Softball League; Walking Club; Swimming; Day Camp; Nautilus; Other Recreational Activities.

Fee Policy: Membership Fee

Jamestown Food Pantry

405 Deport Street
PO Box 245
Jamestown, PA 16134

Geographic Area Served: Jamestown and 16134 zip code

Office Hours: Friday: 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Services: Food Pantry

Eligibility: Open to anyone who meets financial requirements and lives in 16134 zip code

Keystone Blind Association

1230 Stambaugh Avenue
Sharon, PA 16146

Geographic Area Served: Mercer and Crawford Counties

Telephone: 724-347-5501

Office Hours: Monday – Friday: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Website: www.keystoneblind.org

Services:

- Transportation with escort around community.
- Chore Services: mail reading, letter writing, checkbook, etc.
- Housing Service
- Talking Book Machines, Adaptive Devices
- Radio Reading Service (Daily News)
- Rehabilitation Teaching Department (Braille Instruction, Communication Skills, Home Management, Mobility Instruction)
- Prevention of Blindness Program
- Screening for Glaucoma, Visual Acuity, Amblyopia
- Dispense Eye Glasses
- Rehabilitation Employment Services
- Interstate Highway Rest Area Operations
- Micrographic Services
- Cleaning Chemical Manufacturers
- Labeling and Mailing Services
- Photo ID Services
- Food Service

Eligibility: Casework & Rehabilitation Services- functional blindness

Employment: Any disability

Prevention of Blindness: general public

Lakeview Area Helping Hands

51 Lake Street
Stoneboro, PA 16153

Geographic Area Served: Mercer County

Telephone: 724-376-3231

Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Website: <http://www.merlink.org/mcjac/foodbank.htm>

Services:

- Food Pantry
- Information and Referral
- Clothing
- Teen Center
- Rent/Utility Help

Fee Policy: Free

Eligibility: Open to anyone – Program Specific

Lifesteps

383 New Castle Road
Butler, PA 16001

Geographic Area Served: Mercer County as well as Butler, Beaver, Armstrong, Lawrence, Indiana and Westmoreland Counties

Telephone: 724-283-1010

Office Hours: 7:30 am - 5:30 pm

Website: www.lifesteps.net

Services: Community Living Arrangements - C.L.A; Adult Training Facility; Speech and Hearing; Geriatric

Day Program: Child Care and Preschool

Fee Policy: Community Living Arrangement - Referred by Mental Health/Mental Retardation (MH/MR) Offices; Adult Training Facility- Referred by MH/MR Offices; Speech and Hearing- based on a sliding scale.

Eligibility: Community Living Arrangement - Referral through BASE Service Unit; Adult Training Facility - Referral through MH/MR; Speech/Hearing Services - Available for all speech and language needs.

The Literacy Council of Mercer County

222 Main Street
Greenville, PA 16125

Geographic Area Served: Mercer County

Telephone: 724-588-6141

Office Hours: Monday –Thursday: 8:30 am- 7:30 pm • Friday: 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

Website: <http://the-literacy-council.org>

Services: Their mission is to provide opportunities for adults and children to achieve their intellectual, social, and economic potential. They do this by providing instruction in those skills adults and children need to set and attain their lifetime goals. These skills include: Goal setting, Reading Effectively, Writing Effectively, Speaking Effectively, Using Math to Solve Problems, Career Planning and Job Ready Computer Skills.

Fee Policy: There is no charge for Literacy Council services

Eligibility: Adults and Children who have an educational need

Mental Health Association of Mercer County

19 North Water Street
Sharon, PA 16146

Geographic Area Served: Mercer County

Telephone: 724-347-1303

Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday & Friday: 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Website: <http://www.merlink.org/mcjac/mh.htm>

Services:

- Advocacy - on behalf of mentally ill persons in state and national legislatures
- Bus/Van - monthly van service to Warren State Hospital for loved ones to visit patients
- Support groups for survivors of suicide
- Recovery Inc. for self improvement of psychic tension
- Socialization affairs for recovering persons who have been mentally ill
- Education of general public in nature of mental illness to remove stigma
- Information and Referral to various treatment options
- Recreation - social functions for clients and former clients of the counseling services

Fee Policy: No Cost

Eligibility: All residents of Mercer County who is or has been a consumer of mental health services.

Mercer County Assistance Office

2236 Highland Road
Hermitage, PA 16148

Geographic Area Served: Mercer County

Telephone: 724-983-5000 or 800-747-8405
LIHEAP 724-983-5022

Office Hours: Monday – Friday: 7:30 am - 5:00 pm

Services:

- Public Assistance Income Maintenance Payments- Mercer County residents may be eligible for cash grants if they are in need. “Need” may exist if income, assets and other means of support are less than the Department of Welfare standard for basic living requirements.
- Medical Assistance
- Food Stamp Program
- Social Services
- Basic information and referral services are offered to all applicants or recipients who request or have a need.
- Emergency Energy Assistance Program

Eligibility: Residents of Mercer County. Refer to office for eligibility check; consideration is on an individual basis

Mercer County Association for the Retarded (MCAR)

850 North Hermitage Road
Box 1069
Hermitage, PA 16148

Geographic Area Served: Mercer County

Telephone: 724-981-2950

Office Hours: Monday – Friday: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm • Residential: 24 hours a day

Website: www.mercerarc.org

Services: Mercer County Family - Children Learning Center - Nursery/Preschool Day Care, Latch Key, Fun Unlimited Day Care (Infant Stimulation); Job Assistance - Tasks Unlimited; Supportive Employment; Mental Retardation-Adult Day Care, Vocational Habilitation, Tasks Unlimited support employment; Residential Treatment-Community Living Arrangement Group Home and Family Living Arrangements; In-Home Family/Support Services, Family Driven, Family Aide, Community Behavior Shaping, Home Management; Sheltered Workshop

Fee Policy: Program Specific

Eligibility: Mental Retardation Diagnosis; will accept court orders

Mercer County Behavioral Health Commission

8406 Sharon-Mercer Road
Mercer, PA 16137

Geographic Area Served: Mercer County

Telephone: 724-662-1550

Office Hours: Monday – Friday: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Website: www.mercercountybhc.org

Base Service Unit • 3150 Highland Road • Hermitage, PA 16148

Telephone: 724-981-7141

Services: Intake and Referral Service; Emergency Services – 24 hour mental health crisis line (712-981-4555), Crisis Intervention, Delegate voluntary and involuntary emergency psychiatric hospitalization; Case Management Services – Intensive, General, Geriatric, Forensic, Forensic/Mental Health services to county jail and court system; Take and Referral; Emergency services; Mental Health Assessments and Recommendations

Mercer Offices • 8425 Sharon Mercer Road • Mercer, PA 16137

Telephone: 724-662-4424

Services: Program Administration; Contracted Services- Psychological, Psychiatric, Social Evaluations, Outpatient Counseling, Partial Hospitalization (adult/adolescent), Vocational Rehabilitation, Family Support for the Mentally Retarded, Early Intervention Services for Children Birth to 3 years of age regardless of Diagnosis; Respite Care for children, Community Services (CPR + CLA), Community Education, Social Rehabilitation, Child & Adolescent Service System (CASSP); Case Management Services-Mental Retardation

Fee Policy: Usually None

Eligibility: Mental Health/Mental Retardation diagnosis/Developmental Delay (Children birth to 3 years of age)

Mercer County Board of Assistance

2236 Highland Road
Hermitage, PA 16148

Geographic Area Served: Mercer County

Telephone: 724-983-5000

Office Hours: Monday – Friday: 7:30 am - 5:00 pm

Services:

- Public Assistance- Financial aid
- Medical Assistance
- Energy Assistance
- Food Stamps
- Information and Referral

Fee Policy: Usually None

Eligibility: Based on income and resources

Mercer County Children & Youth

8425 Sharon-Mercer Road
Mercer, PA 16137

Geographic Area Served: Mercer County

Telephone: 724-662-2703

Office Hours: Monday - Friday: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Services: The goal of the agency is to provide social services which support supplement or substitute for parental care and supervision for the purpose of (1) preventing or remedying, or assistance in the solution of problems which may result in the neglect, abuse, exploitation, or delinquency of children, (2) protecting and caring for homeless, abused, dependent or neglected children. Prevention of the family breakdown-whenever possible, attempt to keep children in their home.

To meet these goals, the following services are provided—Information (intake) - Direct or Agency Referral; Screening; Referrals; Protective Services; Temporary/Emergency Shelter; Foster Family Care; Family Counseling; Family Preservation.

Eligibility: Families with children under 18 years of age; children under 18 years of age;

Mercer County Community Transit

2495 Highland Road
Hermitage, PA 16148

Geographic Area Served: Mercer County

Telephone: 724-981-6222 or 800-222-8797

Office Hours: Monday – Friday: Shenango Valley 6:00 am - 5:00 pm • Outside Shenango 8:00 am - 3:00 pm

Website: <http://mcct.mrcog.com>

Services:

- Bus and Van Service
- Transit van Service - call a day in advance and schedule a ride for anywhere in Mercer County, handicap and wheelchair accessible
- Bus service is available in Sharon, Farrell, Sharpsville, Hermitage and Wheatland, handicap accessible

Eligibility: Open to Anyone

Mercer County Cooperative Extension of Penn State

PO Box 530
462 North Perry Highway
Mercer, PA 16137

Geographic Area Served: Mercer County

Telephone: 724-662-3141

Office Hours: 8:30 am - 4:00 pm

Website: <http://mercer.extension.psu.edu/>

Services: Penn State Cooperative Extension in Mercer County gives local residents easy access to the resources and expertise of the Pennsylvania State University. Through educational programs, publications, and events, cooperative extension agents deliver unbiased, research-based information to Mercer County citizens. People can participate by attending workshops, learning from demonstrations, attending individual and group meetings, volunteer programs, and much more.

Program Areas:

Agriculture – Dairy, Livestock, Agronomy, Fruit and Vegetable, Farm Management.

Family Living – Expanded foods and nutrition, education program

- Nutrition, health & food safety
- Family strengths
- Parenting education
- Money Management
- Care giving for children and elderly
- Water quality

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Community Development

Fee Policy: No Cost

Eligibility: All residents of Mercer County

Mercer County Education and Rehabilitation Center

900 North Hermitage Road
Hermitage, PA 16148

Geographic Area Served: Mercer County and surrounding areas

Telephone: 724-342-3738

Office Hours: Monday – Friday: 8:00 am - 3:30 pm

Services:

- Early Intervention Provider
- Home Based Specialized instruction with Speech Therapy and Physical therapy for children ages 0-2 years
- Center Based Classroom Instruction with Speech therapy and Physical Therapy for children ages 0-5 years
- Hearing Impaired Program for children 0-5 years.
- Summer Speech Therapy Program
- Speech Therapy Evaluations

Fee Policy: Based on Services Provided

Eligibility: 25% Delay in one or more of the following developmental areas:

Physical Development; Cognitive & Sensory Development; Language/Speech/Auditory; Social/Emotional Development; Self-Help Skills

Mercer County Head Start

Main Office
1901 Memorial Drive
Farrell, PA 16121
724-346-4482
866-284-1059
Fax: 724-346-4431

EHS Office
660 Fisher Hill
Sharon, PA 16142
724-342-3734
866-250-4527
Fax: 724-342-3771

HS / EHS Mercer Office
8484 Sharon-Mercer Road
Mercer, PA 16137
724-662-0170
866-250-4526
Fax: 724-662-2068

Geographic Area Served: Mercer County

Telephone: 866-284-1059

Office Hours: Monday – Friday

Website: <http://www.mchs-ehs.org>

Services: Infant & toddler (ages birth to 3) Home Based

- Weekly home visits from a qualified Home Visitor who plans with parental input and with guidance from the Parents as Teachers Curriculum. Focus on proper nutrition, home safety, and early childhood development with periodic health and developmental screenings. Socialization activities for parents and children are offered twice per month, with transportation provided as needed.

Preschool (ages 3 to 5) Center Based

- Children meet in a classroom Monday through Friday for 6 hours per day September through May.
- Classroom located at 12 sites throughout Mercer County.
- Health and Developmental screenings
- Services designed to help children strengthen emotional, social, physical, and cognitive development.
- Family Advocates visit in the home on a regular basis to help with parenting skills
- Creative Curriculum Developmental Continuum assessment tool

Pregnant women

- Bi-monthly home visits to pregnant women by Home Visitors
- Focus on health, nutrition and preparation for the birth of a new baby
- Referrals to community agencies/programs as needed
- Prenatal and newborn home visits by EHS nurse

Fee Policy: Head Start is a free program, providing a comprehensive preschool program in Mercer County. All services are provided for free to enrolled clients through a variety of Federal and State grants.

Eligibility: Certain income guidelines must be met

Mercer County Housing Authority

80 Jefferson Avenue
Sharon, PA 16146

Geographic Area Served: Mercer County

Telephone: 724-342-4000

Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday – Friday: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm • Tuesday: 10:00 am - 4:30 pm

Website: www.mercercountyhousingauthority.com

Services: Dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for people who need affordable, safe housing choices and supportive services in well-maintained neighborhoods. Providing safe, decent and affordable housing to eligible low-income families and individuals of Mercer County -Public Housing, Section 8, Family/Elderly, Tax Credit

Eligibility: Applicant must meet financial and/or other eligibility criteria

Mercer County Red Cross

517 W. Main Street
Sharpsville, PA 16150

Geographic Area Served: Mercer County

Telephone: 724-962-9180

Office Hours: Monday – Friday: 9:00 am - 4:00 pm • 24 Hours for Emergencies

Services:

- Disaster Services
- Emergency Assistance toward food, clothing, shelter immediately after a disaster
- Information and Referral

Fee Policy: Program Specific

Eligibility: Program Specific

Midwestern Intermediate Unit IV

453 Maple Street
Grove City, PA 16127-2399

Geographic Area Served: Butler, Lawrence, and Mercer Counties

Telephone: 724-458-6700

Office Hours: Monday – Friday: 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

Website: www.miu4.k12.pa.us

Services: Midwestern Intermediate Unit IV (MIU 4) provides programs and services to the 27 school districts, 3 vocational schools and the nonpublic schools in Butler, Lawrence and Mercer Counties. A variety of consultative, advisory and educational programs and services are offered in the following areas: Curriculum, Instruction & Assessment, Continuing Education, Education Research and Planning, Instructional Materials, Distance Education, Nonpublic School Services, Technology and Information Services, and Special Education. Communications & Publications, Arts in Education, MIU IV also operates a variety of State and Federal programs including a Teen Parenting Program, Child Care Information Services and the Frew Mill School at the Youth Development Center, New Castle, PA.

Serving Students:

Special Education Programs: Acute Partial Hospitalization, Autistic Support, Community Schools, Early Intervention (EI), Emotional Support, Hearing Impaired Support, Language Support, Learning Support, Life Skills Support, Multihandicapped Support, Related Speech & Language Support, and Vision Support. Special Education Support Services: Academic Games for the Gifted, Assistive Technology, Audiological Services, Community Based Instruction, Central Auditory Processing Evaluations, Dysphagia Evaluations, Extended School Year Program, Instruction in the Home, Local Task Force, Orientation & Mobility Services, Physical/Occupational Therapy, Preschool Connection, Psychological Services, Social Work Services and Training & Consultation.

Enrichment opportunities for students include Kids on the Block and the annual Very Special Arts exhibit.

Office for the Deaf and Hearing Impaired (ODHI)

1308 Labor and Industry Building
Seventh & Foster Streets
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Geographic Area Served: State of Pennsylvania

Telephone: 800-233-3008

Office Hours: 8:30 am - 5:00 pm

Services: Provide information, referral and advocacy. Act as a clearing house of information about deafness and hearing loss

Office of Vocational Rehabilitation (OVR)

217 W. State St. 2nd Floor
Sharon, PA 16146

Geographic Area Served: Mercer, Venango, Crawford, Erie, Clarion, Warren & Forrest Counties

Telephone: 724-983-5720 or 800-545-8421

Office Hours: 8:00 am - 4:30 pm

Website: <http://www.nepacil.org/OVR.htm>

Services: Vocational Rehabilitation Services to individuals with disabilities. Services available include, but are not limited to: Diagnostic Services, Vocational Evaluation, Counseling and Guidance, Restoration Services Training and Job Placement Assistance, depending upon need.

Fee Policy: No charge for applying for services, diagnostic service, vocational evaluation counseling or job placement assistance. For other services, eligible individuals may have to contribute to the cost of OVR services.

Eligibility: Must have a disability (a physical, mental or emotional problem) and the disability must cause a vocational impairment.

Prince of Peace Center

502 Darr Avenue
Farrell, PA 16121

Geographic Area Served: Mercer County

Telephone: 724-346-5777

Office Hours: Monday – Friday: 9:00 am - 4:00 pm • Soup Kitchen-Monday & Wednesday: 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Website: <http://www.princeofpeacecenter.org>

Services: Prince of Peace offers a variety of emergency and family supportive services that help to strengthen families through the use of an individualized, holistic approach. In addition to these services, which include HOPE Advocacy, Project RUTH, and other forms of emergency assistance, the Center hosts a twice-weekly soup kitchen and food distribution. Its thrift store provides free and low-cost clothes, house wares, and other items to those in need.

Salvation Army

PO Box 629
Sharon, PA 16146

Geographic Area Served: Mercer County

Telephone: 724-347-5537 • After hours 724-981-5582

Office Hours: Monday – Friday: 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Services:

- Crisis Counseling
- Project Bundle-Up (Winter Clothing)
- Transient Services (No Local Address)
- Emergency Housing
- Emergency Food Assistance

Eligibility: Program Specific.

Shenango Valley Urban League, Inc

WIC Program
601 Indiana Avenue
Farrell, PA 16121

Geographic Area Served: Mercer County

Telephone: 724-981-6154

Website: www.PAWIC.com

Services:

- Breastfeeding Information and Support
- Health Screening and Referrals
- Supplemental Food Packages
- Nutrition and Education

Eligibility: Income eligibility standards are effective for all PA pregnant and postpartum women, infants, and children up to age five, and for recertifying current participants at the time of their next certification on or after May 1, 2009.

Shenango Valley YMCA

925 North Hermitage Road
Hermitage, PA 16148

Geographic Area Served: Mercer County and Western PA

Telephone: 724-981-6950

Office Hours: Monday – Friday: 9:00 am - 9:00 pm • Saturday: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Website: www.svymca.com

Services: Recreation- varied programs for people of all ages and abilities; MH/MR Day Camp

Fee Policy: Percent based on income and family size; special programs have fees; memberships

Social Security Administration

295 North Kerrwood Drive Suite 107
Hermitage, PA 16148

Geographic Area Served: Mercer County

Telephone: 800-772-1213

Office Hours: Monday – Friday: 9:00 am - 4:30 pm

Services: Retirement Benefits – From FICA taxes, Full retirement, early retirement, delayed retirement; Disability benefits; Survivors benefits; Medicare coverage; Supplemental Security Income (SSI); Social Security Numbers

Fee Policy: No Fee

Eligibility: Retirement – contact local office, usually age 65; Survivors - Can be paid to widow, widower, unmarried, dependent parents; Disability –there is a strict definition of disability; SSI – must be 65 or older or blind or disabled

Spina Bifida Association of Western PA

134 Shenot Road
Building 1
Wexford, PA 15090

Geographic Area Served: 28 counties in Western Pennsylvania and bordering counties in NY, OH and WV

Telephone: 800-243-5787

Office Hours: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Website: www.sbawp.org

Services: Developmental camping program, ages 7 thru adult; School consultation services; Gatehouse Independence Training Program- Residential Facility (18 weeks); Woodlands Weekend Retreats- weekend programs twice a month for teens and adults with Spina Bifida.

Fee Policy: Varies depending on program

Eligibility: Persons with Spina Bifida

Western Central Job Partnership

Colonial Building
44 South Beaver Street
New Castle PA, 16101

Geographic Area Served: Mercer and Lawrence Counties

Telephone: 724-658-2501

Office Hours: 8:30 am-4:30 pm

Website: www.wcjp.org

Services: Older Worker Program; In School youth programs; Dislocated Worker Program; Educational and Testing Services; Assessment; Classroom Training; On-the-job Training; Job Search Assistance; Remedial Education; General Education Diplomas; Computerized Library and Adult Basic Education; Summer Community Service Corps; Summer School in Math and Reading; Single Point of Contact (SPOC)

Fee Policy: Program specific

Eligibility: Low income and dislocated



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