

Career Source Information

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Provide Vocation Assessments: Interest Inventory and TABE (Test of Adult Basic Education)

Offer Career Success Workshops: Resume building, Interview skills, Barriers, Job Fairs

Suit Up to Move Up: provides outfits for interviews and for job offer requirements.

Partners: Vocational Rehabilitation, Department of Economic Opportunity, Welfare Transition, Career Counseling/Planning, Food Stamps, Medicaid, GED, FAFSA (Pell Grant)

Youth Services: Classes that offer gift card incentives

FEDERAL BONDING PROGRAM: Insurance for employer through Career Source, must be requested prior to starting employment on agency letterhead, good for six months, renewable

WORK OPPORTUNITY TAX CREDIT: incentive to hire target groups who have difficulty finding employment, employer must file within 28 days of hire, good for up to \$9600 first year, no limit to number of employees used for credit, can be files electronically or by mail

Career Source Location:

409 Racetrack Road

Fort Walton Beach FL 32547

850-833-7587

Mobil Center:

Manager Randy Hunter

Same number as above

Workforce Services

Federal Bonding Program

April 2019



The Federal Bonding Program provides fidelity bonds to employers that hire hard-to-place job seekers who may be considered high risk due to facing certain barriers to employment. The fidelity bonds, issued as insurance policies, cover job seekers for the first six months of employment at no cost to the job seeker or the employer. The fidelity bond insurance policies are issued in coverage amounts of \$5,000 up to \$25,000, and they protect businesses against any loss due to employee dishonest acts. These acts include but are not limited to: theft of money or property, forgery, larceny, and/or embezzlement up to the amount of coverage.

All jobseekers with barriers to employment qualify for the Federal Bonding Program. Common barriers to employment include having a criminal history, a dishonorable discharge from the military, poor or limited work history, or poor credit history. This program also benefits employed individuals that need the bond to secure a job promotion or to avoid being laid off. For newly hired job seekers, the steps below must be followed for the bond to be issued to their employer.

Federal Bonding Program Steps:

- The employer must provide the job seeker with a written job offer letter that requires bond issuance.
- The job seeker must present a written job offer letter with an anticipated start date to the local career center.
- The local career center must verify the job seeker's actual start date with the employer.
- After verifying the job seeker's actual start date, the local career center must complete the online Fidelity Bond Request form and submit it to the Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO).
- DEO must process, certify, and submit the bond request to Union Insurance Group.
- Union Insurance Group prepares and sends the insurance policy to the employer.

Federal Bonding Program Restrictions:

- The job seeker must be authorized to work in the United States.
- The job seeker must receive wages with federal taxes automatically deducted.
- Self-employed individuals and independent contractors cannot be bonded.



Ron DeSantis, Governor
Ken Lawson, Executive Director

For additional information call: 1-866-352-2345



CareerSource Okaloosa Walton

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CareerSource Okaloosa Walton offers a wide range of job seeker and employer services including job postings, local and statewide Labor Market Information (LMI), and skill-based job matching available online at Employ Florida (EF) - www.employflorida.com

JOB SEEKER SERVICES - CareerSource Okaloosa Walton is committed to providing valuable job seeker services and resources to meet your needs. Resources such as access to Internet, Telephones, Fax Machines and Copiers help to assist you in your job search.

SEARCH FOR JOB OPENINGS - Search for local, regional and national job postings on the Employ Florida Marketplace, www.employflorida.com, and other websites.

CAREER COUNSELING - Our Career Advisors assist with career planning, decision-making and identifying barriers that may be keeping you from obtaining employment. Assistance with resume preparation, interview skills and other employment search activities.

EMPLOYMENT SEARCH WORKSHOPS - A variety of workshops, such as Resume Writing and Interviewing Skills, are available to assist you with your job search needs and prepare you for the workforce.

CAREER ASSESSMENT TESTING - Take an assessment to measure and/or identify your skills, interests and abilities. The results will provide insight into the types of jobs and training programs you are best suited for.

LABOR MARKET INFORMATION - Learn which jobs are hot, research average wages, and explore employment trends. Current Labor Market Information is focused on High Wage and/or High Demand Occupations.

SUIT UP TO MOVE UP - Provides career apparel, both professional and casual, for those interviewing and seeking employment.

COMPUTER SERVICES

- **IBM KENEXA** – Web-enabled assessment used for pre-employment screening, training and certification testing, skills testing and pre-employment assessments evaluate you, the jobseeker, for competencies in various occupational skills.
- **TRATIFY** – Interest and aptitude assessments to assist you in career planning.

PROGRAMS

- **Employer Services:** Helps businesses find and retain qualified employees through Job Listings, Applicant Screening, Job Fairs, and Specialized Recruiting Events.
- **Mobile Business Center Unit:** Allows employers and job seekers to access CareerSource Okaloosa Walton services outside of our centers to include computer, printing, referrals, and customer service.

- **Reemployment Assistance (RA)**: Provides assistance with reemployment compensation claims, veteran services, job referrals, job development, referrals to training and supportive services, labor market information, and resume assistance, as well as, hosts [www. employflorida.com](http://www.employflorida.com); a federally funded labor exchange developed to match employers with qualified out of work applicants.
- **Veteran Services**: Provides support to eligible veterans and transitioning service members by offering case management, resume review, job development, case management, labor market information, mock, referrals to jobs, training and supportive services and more.
- **Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Adult and Dislocated Worker Programs**: Provides career counseling and planning, employment assessment, and vocational scholarship assistance for qualified applicants.
- **Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Veteran Spouse Programs**: Provides career counseling and planning, employment assessment and employment readiness workshops for qualified applicants.
- **Welfare Transition Program**: Provides employability skills training, employment and educational support services, emergency financial assistance (*upfront diversion program*), and employment relocation assistance for qualified participants of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program.
- **WIOA Youth Program**: Provides services for eligible youth ages 16-24 and not attending school. Services can include: Work readiness training, Life Skills, Work Experience, and assistance with the post-secondary school enrollment.
- **Military Family Employment Services**: Provides employment assistance specifically to Active Duty military spouses and family members.
- **Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Employment and Training**: Assists SNAP recipients in gaining training and employment that will increase their ability to obtain economic self-sufficiency.
- **Navigator Program**: Promotes comprehensive services and work incentive information for Social Security Administration beneficiaries and other individuals with disabilities.
- **Tobacco Cessation Program**: Connect tobacco users with multiple free tools and resources to help them improve both their employability and health through a partnership between the Bureau of Tobacco Free Florida and CareerSource Florida. The referral project provides tobacco users seeking employment three easy ways to help quit tobacco, these include access to a trained quit coach online, over the telephone or by attending classes with the local AHEC office.
- **Ticket To Work**: Assists eligible Social Security disability beneficiary's progress toward financial independence. Offering beneficiaries with disabilities access to meaningful employment with the assistance of Ticket to Work employment service providers called employment networks.
- **Trade Adjustment Assistance**: Assists workers who have been laid off or jobs have been threatened as a result of foreign competition. Assistance may include training, reemployment services, job search, relocation allowances, trade readjustment allowances, wage subsidy for older workers and health coverage tax credit benefits.

PARTNER SERVICES

- **Senior Community Employment Programs**: Subsidizes part-time employment and training in community service positions so that older workers can move to unsubsidized private sector jobs.
- **State Vocational Rehabilitation**: Provides special services to vocationally disabled individuals residing in Okaloosa and Walton counties in an effort to develop, preserve, or restore their ability to become employed.

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Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act



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Individual Training Grants Up to \$6,000.00!

The Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) is a federally funded employment and training program designed to build a skilled workforce that meets employer demand. Our program is designed to provide training opportunities in high demand occupations to increase employment, retention, and earnings of program participants.

Eligibility to Apply

Must be a citizen or have the right to work in the U.S.

Must be at least 18 years of age

Must be registered for the Selective Service (males born after 12/31/1959)

Must be an Okaloosa or Walton County Resident

Some Eligible Training Providers:

Northwest Florida State College

Okaloosa Technical College

Emerald Coast Technical College

Some Eligible Training Programs:

Medical – LPN and RN

Information Technology

Welding

Refer to our website www.careersourceokaloosawalton.com/pages/education_training_wia for a complete list of occupations, eligible programs, and eligible training providers.

Interested?

Start the process by completing the WIOA Orientation and Application online. Please visit <https://www.careersourceokaloosawalton.com/> to our CareerSource Okaloosa/Walton webpage. Choose CAREER SEEKERS—then choose SCHOLARSHIP AND TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES. It should then expand to allow you to watch the WIOA Orientation and start the Application process. All parts of the WIOA Application must be completed.

CareerSource Okaloosa Walton Centers require a business casual dress code; please refer to our website for more information: www.careersourceokaloosawalton.com/pages/Dress_code

Contact a WIOA Career Advisor with any questions!

Fort Walton Beach Center

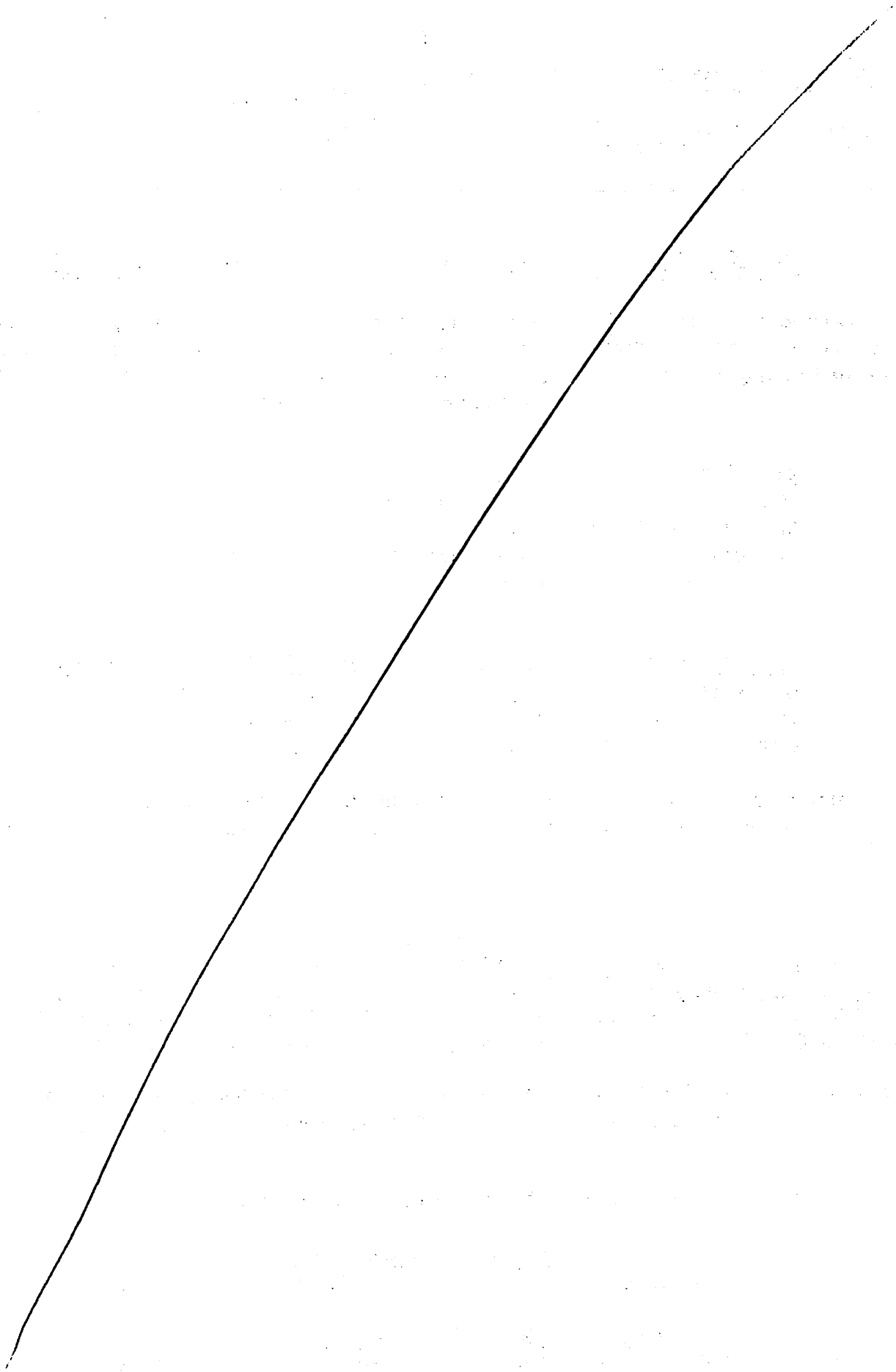
Call and ask to speak to a WIOA Career Advisor at (850) 833-7587

Emerald Coast Technical College Satellite Center

Call and ask to speak to a WIOA Career Advisor at (850) 520-5990

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Welcome
Hours of Operation
Monday through Friday
8:00 am to 4:00 pm

409 Racetrack Road NE
Fort Walton Beach
850.833.7587





For the most up to date information:
➤ Visit us at
www.careersourceokaloosawalton.com

➤ View us on **in**

➤ Like us on **facebook**



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Other Locations


Eglin Education Center
Bldg. 251, Room 114;
502 West D Ave.
Eglin AFB, FL 32542
Phone: 850.882.1446
Monday - Friday
7:00 AM- 4:00 PM

Walton County Center
at Emerald Coast
Technical College
761 North 20th Street
DeFuniak Springs, FL
32433
Phone: 850.520.5990
Monday - Friday
8:00 AM - 12:00 PM
12:00-4:00 PM by Appt
only


Our Mission

Ensure that every citizen
in Okaloosa and Walton counties
has the opportunity and skills necessary
to engage in meaningful employment
and that businesses have access to
educated, trained and prepared employees
to meet their organization's needs.



How CareerSource Can Help

- * Job search and referral
- * Resource Room (free access to equipment)
 - * Computer Lab
- * Career Success Workshops
 - * Suit Up to Move Up
 - * Labor market information
 - * Community resource referrals



Career Seeker Services


- > Tune up your job skills
 - > Help you Test and Assess your skills
- > Information about financial aid and screening for training programs
 - > Monthly workshops to enhance employability
 - > Computers, fax, telephones, and copiers

**To find out more info:
Speak with a staff member**

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Career Success Workshops

- Resume Basics
- Resume Review
- Writing a Resume In Employ Florida
- Interview Skills
- Making EFM Work For You
- Barriers and Issues
- Unemployed! Now What?
- Working a Job Fair



Monthly Career Success Workshops

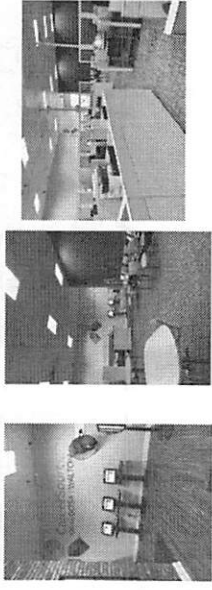
- * **Resume Basics**
(Every Wednesday @ 9:00)
- * **Interviewing Skills**
(Every Second Thursday @ 9:00)
- * **Employ Florida Workshop**
(Every Fourth Thursday @ 9:00)

Ask the Front Desk for a calendar of events!

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Resource Room

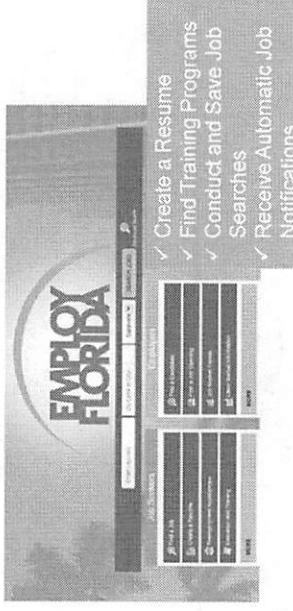
- Copiers
- Fax Machines
- Telephones
- Computers with Internet Access and Printers



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Begin your job search now!

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- ✓ Create a Resume
- ✓ Find Training Programs
- ✓ Conduct and Save Job Searches
- ✓ Receive Automatic Job Notifications

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Labor Market Information

1. Okaloosa-Walton Counties? State of Florida? USA?
2. Informs you of regional/national changes in the labor market
3. Provides increase/decrease in occupations and entry-level pay scales
4. Provides educational requirements for occupations

Computer Lab

Provides Software programs for enhancing skills:

- IBM Kenexa Assessments
- Vocational Assessments
- Ready to Work
- Traitify



Ready to Work
Online
Credentialing
Program

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Vocational Assessments

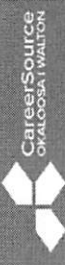

Interest Inventory
A combination of interest inventories and proficiencies in marketable skills used for career exploration and recommendations

TABE
Testing of Adult Basic Education
Used for placement in GED preparation classes, work readiness, training, etc.

GED Education Diploma

-GED preparation computer software available at CareerSource center

Referrals to GED testing in Okaloosa and Walton Counties

Division of Vocational Rehabilitation

-VR is a federal-state program that works with people who have physical or mental disabilities to prepare for, gain or retain employment.

Please see a staff member to complete a Vocational Rehabilitation application for an appointment




For more info visit: rehabworks.org

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CareerSource Partners

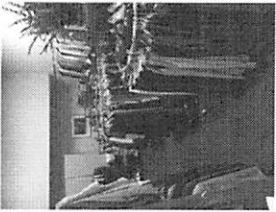
-State Vocational Rehabilitation – Special services to vocationally disabled individuals residing in Okaloosa and Walton counties in an effort to develop, preserve, or restore their ability to become employed

VA Vocational Rehabilitation – Provides employment assistance to Veterans with service connected disabilities. This program offers service and assistance to help Veterans find and keep suitable employment

Suit Up To Move Up

You never get a second chance to make a first impression!



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YOU NEVER GET A SECOND CHANCE TO MAKE A FIRST IMPRESSION!



- If available, we can provide two outfits
- Must have an interview scheduled or a job offer




Youth Program – Ages 16-24

Are you Age 16-24 Looking for Employment or Training?

The Career Pathway to Success Program May Be for You!

Earn Incentives

Attain A GED

ELIGIBLE CANDIDATES MUST MEET THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

Be 16-24 years old and looking for employment or training opportunity with one of the following partners:

- Emerald Coast Community College
- Gulf Breeze High School or its high school
- Gulf Breeze Post-Secondary Center
- Okaloosa Community College
- Okaloosa Technical College
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****Required documentation and documents list (links):**

With Broader Workplace:

- Ask Application
- Creating a Resume
- Interviewing Skills
- Employment Skills
- Money Management

Complete up to 10 Weeks of Work Experience!

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Emerald Coast Community College is an Equal Opportunity Institution. For more information, please contact the American Job Center at 904.438.2222 or visit our website at www.careersourceokaloosawatson.com.



For more information, please contact Career Advisors:

Fort Walton Beach:
 Jennifer Baker
 jennifer@okaloosawatson.com

Gulf Breeze:
 Jennifer Baker
 jennifer@okaloosawatson.com

Call us at Springs 6:30-6:00 PM

904.438.2222
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Emerald Coast Professionals

Emerald Coast Professionals (ECP)


A networking group designed to address the needs of the highly qualified professional during the job search process.

Requirements for ECP membership are as follows:

- AA degree and 2 years' experience in a related field
- or
- five years managerial experience.

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Please see the front desk for more information. There is no fee for membership.




Military Family Employment Services

Services for Active Duty Military Family Members:


- Employment Counseling
- Military Spouse Preference
- Resume Assistance
- Interview Rehearsals
- Spouses Network
- Job Referrals
- Job Development
- Labor Market Information
- Referrals to Services

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Ask the CareerSource Okaloosa Walton Staff for more information

facebook.com/MilitaryFamilyEmployment




ATTENTION

YOU MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR PRIORITY SERVICE IF:


- You served in the military, or were activated as a member of a National Guard or Reserve Unit

OR ARE THE SPOUSE OF:

- A veteran who died of a service-related disability
- A member of the armed forces who is:
 - *Missing in action
 - *Captured in the line of duty OR
 - *Forcibly detained by a foreign government or power
- A veteran who has a Department of Veteran Affairs total disability rating
- A veteran who died while a Department of Veteran's Affairs total disability rating existed



UPON CHECK-IN, LET THE FRONT DESK STAFF KNOW YOUR STATUS




Ticket to Work


Attention All SSDI and SSI Beneficiaries

What is Ticket to Work?

The Ticket to Work Program connects SSI/SSDI beneficiaries over the age of 18 with employment services to help maximize their earning potential and attain greater self-sufficiency.


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Senior Employment Program (NCBA)

NCSEP provides part-time work experience training in community service for low-income persons over the age of 55.



Eligibility Requirements for Participation:

- Must be unemployed
- Must be 55 years of age or older
- Must be capable of performing part-time training duties
- Must reside in the state of Florida
- Must have an annual family income which does not exceed 125% of the federal poverty income guidelines

For more info contact:
Pamela Meyer
 at 833-7587
 Ext: 2155



Interested in occupational training?


You may be eligible for WIOA

WIOA provides training opportunities in high demand occupations in order to increase employment, earnings and job retention.


Attend WIOA orientation on Tuesday @ 9:00




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Federal Bonding Program



The Federal Bonding Program
A US Department of Labor Initiative
Since 1980, the Federal Bonding Program has helped more than 1 million job seekers.

- > Ex-offenders
- > Recovering substance abusers (alcohol or drugs)
- > Welfare recipients and other persons having poor financial credit, or who have declared bankruptcy
- > Economically disadvantaged youth and adults who lack a work history
- > Individuals dishonorably discharged from the military
- > Anyone who cannot secure employment without bonding services

For more info. Ask a CareerSource Okaloosa Walton Staff member

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Federal Bonding Program

- Unique job placement tool for the job seeker with a less than perfect background.
- Can assist you in obtaining employment by providing the employer insurance to protect against dishonesty, theft, forgery or embezzlement.

Provides an incentive to the employer to hire an at-risk job applicant.

Only available through the CareerSource Centers

Federal Bonding Program

Employers – 10% willing to hire without bond
- 60% willing to hire with bond

Over 40,000+ employees helped; 99% have proven to be honest employees.

Greater opportunity and variety of jobs with higher wages.

How Bonding Works

1. Must have a written job offer with a start date
 2. Good for 6 months, can be renewed then bondable for life
 3. \$5000 coverage per applicant
 4. Underwritten by Travelers Property Casualty Insurance Company
 5. Sponsored by U.S. Department of Labor
- www.floridajobs.org/workforce/bonding

Work Opportunity Tax Credit (currently on hold)

A Federal Income Tax Credit that provides incentives to private for-profit employers to encourage the hiring of individuals from certain targeted groups who traditionally have difficulty finding employment.

*Employer must file for credit within 28 days of hire

*Up to \$9600 tax credit available (1st year)

*Depending on the targeted group

*No limit to the number of qualified employees.

WOTC Targeted Groups

- Qualified TANF recipients
- Qualified Veterans/Disabled Veterans/Unemployed Veterans
- Qualified Ex-felons
- Qualified Designated Community Residents
- Qualified Vocational Rehab. Referrals
- Qualified Summer Youth
- Qualified Food Stamp recipients
- Qualified SSI recipients
- Qualified Long-term Family Assistance recipients

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Eligibility Requirements:

For job applicants who appear eligible, employer must submit:


- (1) physical (mail) or electronic (online) application,
- (2) Pre-Screening Notice and Certification Request for the Work Opportunity Credit,

⚠️ **Must file within 28 days of employee's start date.**

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New Job Email List



In a hurry?
Stay connected on the go
with our daily jobs e-mail!



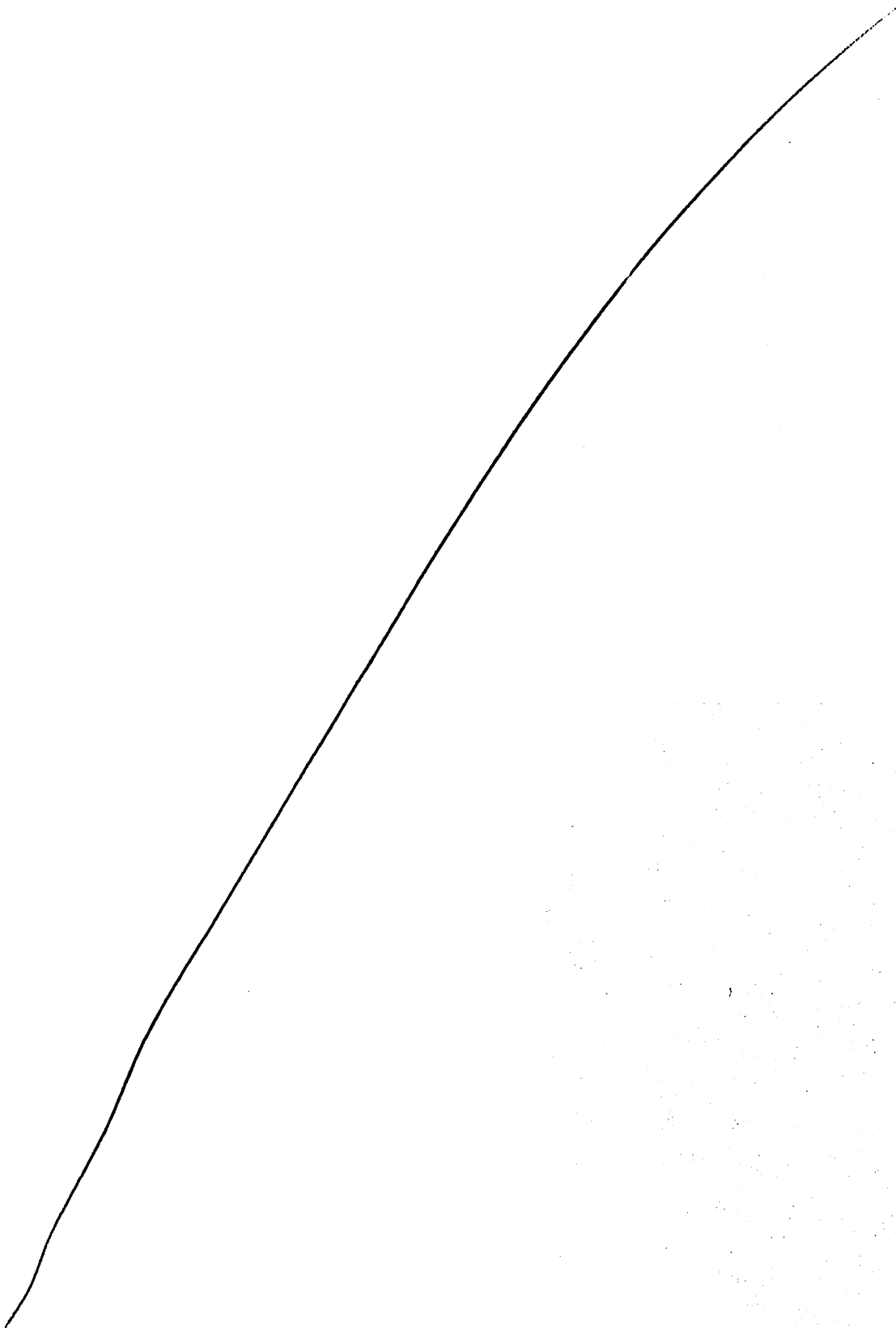
Text
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to 42828 to get started

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Questions?

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Social Service Resource Guide for Okaloosa/Walton County

Agency	Address/Phone	Hours	Service Provided	Additional Info.
Fort Walton Beach, Mary Esther & Destin				
7 th Day Adventist	119 St. Mary Ave Fort Walton Beach (850) 243-1970	Sunday 6:30am-8:30am	Assist with ID's, Water & Gas Cards. Clothing & Shower	Clothing, Showers, ID's, water, gas cards and food stamps
90 Works	648 Anchors Street Fort Walton Beach 1-(855) 909-6757	Monday-Friday 9:00am-5:00pm	Life Skills Training	Help with relieving clients from crisis situations to safe and stable environments
Beulah Baptist Church	69 McGriff Street Fort Walton Beach (850) 243-1724	Monday-Friday 8:00am-4:00pm	Rent, Utilities & Food	Rent: Tuesdays by Appt (Call Monday) Food: Tuesday & Thursday 4:00pm-6:00pm
Bridgeway	137 Hospital Drive NE Fort Walton Beach (850) 833-7500	Monday-Thurs 8:00am-8pm Friday 8:00am-5pm	Mental Health Assistance	Behavioral Health/Substance Abuse; Individual/Group Therapy Monday-Friday Standby 8am-11am, 1pm-3pm
Catholic Charities	11 First Street Fort Walton Beach (850) 244-2825	Monday-Thurs 9:00am-5pm	Rent, Utilities, Food, Counseling	Call Mondays at 8:30 for Financial Assistance 8:30am-4:00pm Sandwiches Monday-Thurs 9am-12pm Food Pantry
Department of Children & Families	407 Racetrack Road Fort Walton Beach (850) 833-8300	Monday-Friday 8:00am-5pm	Child & Family Services	Variety of services including Assistance Programs
Early Learning Coalition	1130 N. Eglin Pkwy Shalimar (850) 833-3627	Monday-Thurs 7:30am-5:00pm Friday 7:30am-1:30pm	Child Care Resources and Referrals	Subsidized child care. School readiness programs.
First Baptist Church	211st Street Fort Walton Beach (850) 863-1969	Monday-Friday 8:30am-4:00pm	Utilities Assistance	Call for Information
First Baptist Church of Mary Esther	28 North Street Fort Walton Beach (850) 243-8300	Monday 9:00am-3:00pm	Food Pantry	Food Pantry Mondays 9:00am-3:00pm
First United Methodist Church	103 1 st Street SE Fort Walton Beach (850) 243-9292	Monday-Friday 8:00am-4:00pm	Utilities & Food Assistance	Community Breakfast: Tuesdays 6:30am-7:30am Utilities: Call for Appointment
Fresh Start	8 Bobolink Street Fort Walton Beach (850) 243-5648	Monday-Friday 9:00am-3:30pm	Transitional Housing & Counseling	Help becoming self- sufficient through transitional housing
Greater Peace Missionary Baptist Church	102 Fourth Street Fort Walton Beach (850) 243-2024	Monday-Friday 9:00am-1:00pm	Food Pantry	Food Pantry
Harvest House	300 Mountain Drive Destin (850) 837-2277	Monday-Friday 10:00am-12pm	Food & Clothing	Destin/Sandestin Residents Only Food Panty: Monday-Friday 10am-12pm

Head Start	2018 Lewis Turner Fort Walton Beach (850) 651-0645	Monday-Friday 8:00am- 5:00pm	Child Education	School readiness programs for ages birth-5. Help with low-income families enhancing child development
Health Department	221 Hospital Drive Fort Walton Beach (850) 833-9252	Monday-Friday 8:00am-5:00pm	Public Health Services	Nutrition Services, Wellness & Family Planning Programs
Healthy Start	201 Miracle Strip Pkwy Fort Walton Beach (850) 833-9284	Monday-Friday 8:00am-5:00pm	Services for pregnant women	Provides services to pregnant women and their babies, based on the need and resources of the community
Healthy Families	348 Miracle Strip Pkwy Fort Walton Beach (850) 776-5075	Monday-Friday 8:00am-5:00pm	Parenting Assistance	Parenting skills, connection with other services
Helping Hands	566 Timberlake Drive Mary Esther, FL 32569 (850) 581-3675	Monday-Friday 9:00am-5:00pm	Assistance Programs	Food Pantry, gas cards, diapers, financial assistance
Housing Authority (FWB)	27 Robinwood Drive Fort Walton Beach (850) 243-3224	Monday-Thurs 7:30am-5:30pm	Housing Assistance Programs	Affordable housing and housing assistance programs
Jesus, Alcohol & Drug Addiction	117 Windham Ave Fort Walton Beach (850) 244-5337	Tuesday & Saturday 7:00pm	Transitional Rehab	Call for appointment. Meetings on Tuesdays & Saturdays
Hollywood Baptist Church	204 Hollywood Blvd Fort Walton Beach (850) 243-1021	Monday-Thurs 9:00am-5:00pm	Food	Food pickup on the 2 nd and 4 th Friday of month from 9am-12pm
One Hopeful Place	1564 Percy L Coleman Fort Walton Beach (850) 586-7879	Call for Availability	Shelter for Men	Call for Availability
Opportunity Place	305 Lovejoy Road Fort Walton Beach (850) 659-3190	Call for Availability	Shelter for Women and Children	Call for Availability
The Others of Destin	200 Beach Drive Destin (850) 279-3388	Monday-Friday 9:00am-5:00pm	Rent Assistance	Assistance with Rent and Deposit
S4P Synergy	24 Bass Avenue Fort Walton Beach (850) 862-3899	Monday-Friday 8:00am-6:00pm	Food Bank	Food Bank: Wednesday & Thursday 1:00pm-4:00pm
Salvation Army	425 Mary Esther Cutoff Fort Walton Beach (850) 243-4531	Mon-Saturday 9:00am-5:00pm	Food Pantry, Emergency Financial Assistance	Food Pantry, Emergency Financial Assistance
Sharing & Caring	126 Beal Pkwy Fort Walton Beach (850) 244-0778	Monday-Friday 9:00am-2:00pm	Emergency Food Bank	Food Pantry, Emergency Food Bank, Pres Medical Assistance, Clothing Vouchers
Shelter House	16 Ferry Road Fort Walton Beach (850) 863-4777	24 Hours a day, 7 days a week	Domestic Violence Shelter	Domestic Violence Shelter and Assistance
Tri-County Community Center	913 Beal Pkwy Fort Walton Beach (850) 200-4425	Monday-Friday 9:00am-5pm	Community Action Agency	Emergency Food & Shelter, Rent Assistance, Child Programs, Transportation
United Way 2-1-1	112 Tupelo Avenue Fort Walton Beach (850) 892-4357	24 Hours a day, 7 days a week	Resource Guide	Call 2-1-1 List of resources in the area for specific situations

Veterans Crisis Center	(800) 273-8255 Press 1		Veteran Services	Veteran Services
Crestview				
Catholic Care Center	550 Adams Drive Crestview (850) 682-4032	Tuesday & Thurs 9:00am-12pm	Utilities & Food	Okaloosa County Residents Only
Cross Point Church	400 S. Ferdon Blvd Crestview (850) 682-3518	Monday-Thurs 9:00am-4:00pm	Food Assistance	Wed: Soup Kitchen 11am-12pm Sun: Cold Weather Shelter (Below 40F, Arrive by 6pm)
Sharing & Caring of Crestview	298 Martin Luther King Crestview (850) 682-1907	Monday-Thurs 9:00-12pm	Food	Call for availability
Tri-County Community Center	290 Martin Luther King Crestview (850) 306-1134	Tuesday 8:00am-4:00pm	Community Action Agency	Emergency Food & Shelter, Rent Assistance, Child Programs, Transportation
Niceville				
Cross Point Methodist Church	603 McKinney Street Niceville (850) 678-4411	Monday-Thursday 10:00am-2:00pm Friday 8:00am-12:00pm	Rent & Utilities	Niceville Residents only. Contact ministry for other services
First Baptist Church of Niceville	31 st Street Niceville (850) 678-4062	Monday-Thursday 10:00am-12:30pm	Rent, Utilities, Food, Medication, Car Repair	Niceville and Valparaiso Residents Only
First United Methodist Church of Niceville	214 S. Partin Drive Niceville (850) 678-4062	Monday-Thursday 10:00am-2:00pm	Utilities, Medication, Car Repair, Furniture	Niceville & Valparaiso Residents Only
Rocky Bayou Christian Church	2401 N. Partin Drive Niceville (850) 678-6062	Monday-Thursday 8:00am-5:00pm	Rent & Utilities	Niceville & Valparaiso Residents Only. Call Tuesday or Wednesday for Appointment
Sharing and Caring of Niceville	104 Bullock Street Niceville (850) 678-8459	Monday-Friday 9:00am-2:00pm	Rent, Utilities, Food, Medication	Niceville, Valparaiso & Choctaw Beach Residents. Call for Availability
St. Vincent DePaul of Niceville	1200 Valparaiso Blvd Niceville (850) 678-7813	Monday-Thursday 9:00am-12:00pm	Rent & Utilities	Niceville & Valparaiso Residents Only. Call for Availability
DeFuniak Springs				
The Matrix	37 North 9 th Street DeFuniak Springs (850) 892-1090		Rent, Utilities, Food and Clothing	Certain documentation must be provided. Call for appointment
New Vision (Bonifay)	2600 Hospital Drive Bonifay (850) 547-8092	Monday-Friday 8:00am-5:00pm	Substance withdrawal management	Inpatient Stabilization, currently using alcohol/drugs. Up to 3 days. Accepts most insurances
Sharing and Caring Walton County	2986 Hwy 83, 3110 Hwy 90W DeFuniak Springs (850) 892-1090	Monday-Friday 8:00am-3:45pm	Rent, Utilities, Food and Clothing	Certain documentation must be provided. Call for appointment
Tri County Community of DeFuniak Springs	1586 US Hwy 331 S DeFuniak Springs (850) 892-3615	Monday-Friday 8:00am-5:00pm	Food, Rent, Utilities, Medication, Employment Support	Walton County Residents Only. Call for additional info

Walton/Okaloosa Council on Aging	207 Hospital Drive DeFuniak Springs (850) 892-8165	Monday-Thursday 7:30am-5:30pm Friday 8:00am-3:30pm	Utilities	For Chelco Customers 60+
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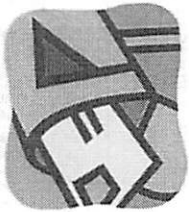
**Community Resource Guide Okaloosa Walton County
Updated Hours & Services due to COVID-19**

Subject to Change

Sharing & Caring of Niceville	Monday-Friday 9:00am-12:00pm Food Only. Clients must stay in their car and follow instructions on the signs	104 Bullock Street Niceville (850) 678-8459
Sharing & Caring of Fort Walton Beach	Monday-Friday 9:00am-12:00pm Food Only. Clients must stay in their car and follow instructions on the signs	126 Beal Pkwy Fort Walton Beach (850) 244-0778
Catholic Charities of Northwest Florida	Food Pantry bags of food: Monday Thursday 9:00am-12:00pm Lunches: Monday-Thursday 12:30pm – 4:00pm Hot lunches: Wednesday 1:00 (only to go for now)	11 First Street Fort Walton Beach (850) 244-2825
Crestview Area Shelter for the Homeless	Sack lunches out the door.	120 Duggan Ave Crestview (850) 398-5670
Trinity United Methodist Church	Sack Lunches: Monday-Friday 12:00pm-1:30 pm	403 Racetrack Road Fort Walton Beach
Church by the Bay	Food Pantry: Saturday 9:00am-4:00pm drive thru only	24388 US Highway 331 S Santa Rosa Beach, Florida
First Baptist Church of Mary Esther	Food Pantry: Monday 9:00am-12:00pm	28 North Street Fort Walton Beach (850) 243-8300
Life Point Church	Sack Lunches: Friday	400 S. Ferdon Blvd Crestview (850) 682-3518
First United Methodist	Sack Lunches: Saturday	(850) 331-2354
First Presbyterian Church	Sack Lunches: Wednesday	
Salvation Army	Sack Lunches & Food Pantry: 9:00am-11:00am & 1:00pm-3:00pm	425 Mary Esther Cutoff Fort Walton Beach (850) 243-4531
Bridgeway	Monday-Friday 8:00am-5:00pm Mental Health Assistance	137 Hospital Drive Fort Walton Beach (850) 833-7500

Department of Veteran Affairs	Monday-Friday 8:00am-5:00pm Veteran Affairs	1250 Eglin Pkwy Shalimar (850) 912-2297
Homelessness & Housing Alliance	Monday-Thursday 10:00am-3:00pm Housing Assistance	183 Eglin Pkwy Fort Walton Beach (850) 499-4609 Okaloosa (850) 635-1092 Walton
Okaloosa County Health Department	Monday-Friday 8:00am-5:00pm Public Health Services	221 Hospital Drive Fort Walton Beach (850) 833-9252
The Matrix	Rental and utilities assistance, food and clothing. Call only- (850) 892-1090	
St. Vincent De Paul	Call only (850) 267-2558	
Caring & Sharing of South Walton	Monday, Wednesday & Friday 9:00am-2:00pm Food, utility assistance, rental assistance, pharmacy assistance	112 Lynn Drive Santa Rosa Beach (850) 267-2866
90Works	Monday-Friday 9:00-5:00pm Veterans Assistance. If veteran is experiencing homelessness or in need of prevention services, please call SSVF screener at 850-619-5899.	(855) 909-6757
First United Methodist Church	Bag Meals: Tuesday 6:30am-7:30am	103 First Street Fort Walton Beach (850) 243-0431
2-1-1	Call 2-1-1 for a full list of resources	
COVID-19 Call Center	Available 24/7 1 (866) 779-6121 COVID-19@flhealth.gov	

Homelessness & Housing Alliance
Updated March 23, 2020



YES! Please send me....

- Information on becoming a volunteer
- Application to serve on CIL Board of Directors
- Information on becoming a member of CIL's Advocacy Committee
- Information on ADA/AT Training
- I would like to talk with a Peer Counselor
- I have a Loan Locker Donation
- I would like to receive the CIL Newsletter

Name

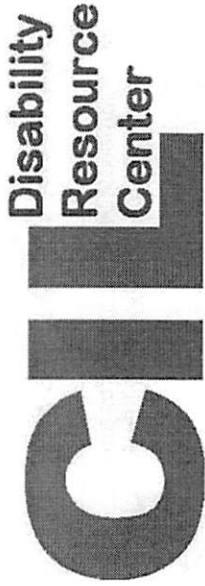
Address

City, State, Zip

Telephone

Email

CIL DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER
CENTER FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING
OF NORTHWEST FLORIDA, INC.
3600 NORTH PACE BLVD.
PENSACOLA, FLORIDA 32505



Promoting Independence with
People with Disabilities
in Northwest Florida
since 1980

Serving Escambia, Santa Rosa,
Okaloosa and Walton Counties

Our Mission

To assist individuals with
disabilities achieve their goals
for independence

CONTACT INFORMATION

877-245-2457 (Toll free)
850-595-5566
850-595-5560 (FAX)
850-208-3106 (VP)
info@cil-drc.org (EMAIL)
www.cil-drc.org (WEBPAGE)

WE WELCOME YOU AT:
3600 NORTH PACE BLVD
PENSACOLA, FLORIDA 32505

Alternative Formats Available
Upon Request

Five Core Services

INDIVIDUAL AND SYSTEMS ADVOCACY

- ❖ Promote positive change for and with individuals with disabilities
- ❖ Work with you on self advocacy assertiveness to personal empowerment
- ❖ Systems advocacy activities in partnership with CIL consumers and community members to affect attitudinal and environmental change
- ❖ Regional Consultants for all five titles of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)



INFORMATION AND REFERRAL

- ❖ Provide information on any subject related to all types of disabilities
- ❖ Refer consumers to other agencies in our network to assist in gaining independence

INDEPENDENT LIVING SKILLS

- ❖ Trained staff available with innovative approaches to performing basic tasks that lead to independence, such as budgeting, resume writing, and employment readiness assistance



PEER COUNSELING

- ❖ Peer Counselors with disabilities serve as role models and provide moral support and share creative solutions related to disability issues in a person's life



TRANSITION SERVICES (NEW!)

- ❖ Nursing home diversion/transition assistance
- ❖ Youth Transition Services (programs under development)

COMMUNICATION SERVICES

- ❖ Sign Language Interpreter referral service
- ❖ Sorenson Video Phone

RAMPS AND HOME MODIFICATIONS

- ❖ Referrals to appropriate funding sources for consumers who need assistance with ramps, home modifications and accessibility projects



COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

- ❖ Accessibility Surveys
- ❖ ADA Workshops
- ❖ Sensitivity Training
- ❖ ADA Advocacy Meetings



INTERNET AND WEB PAGE INFORMATION

- ❖ Computer Addresses:
Email: info@cil-drc.org
Webpage: <http://www.cil-drc.org>
Facebook: www.facebook.com/NWF/CILDRC

SOCIAL AND RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES

- ❖ ADA Anniversary Celebration Events
- ❖ Annual Community and Volunteer Awards

FUNDING PROVIDED BY:

- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services - Administration for Community Living (ACL)
- Florida Department of Education - Division of Vocational Rehabilitation
- Florida Alliance for Assistive Services and Technology (FAAST)
- Local Businesses, Private and Individual Donations

Programs

ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM

- ❖ Gulf Coast Regional Demonstration Center of Florida Alliance for Assistive Services and Technology
- ❖ Free short-term and long-term loans of assistive technology devices and equipment
 - ☞ Wheelchairs: Manual
 - ☞ Walkers, Canes, Crutches
 - ☞ Hospital Beds, Hoyer Lifts
 - ☞ Shower Chairs/Transfer Benches
 - ☞ Communication Devices
 - ☞ Vision Aids
- ❖ Special Needs Learning Toys and Devices Equipment refurbishing/recycling program (when funding allows):
 - ☞ Vehicle lifts
 - ☞ Power wheelchairs
- ❖ Assistive Technology is any equipment or service used to increase, maintain or improve your capability to participate actively in work, recreation or daily living



FREE TELEPHONE PROGRAM

- ❖ Florida Telecommunications Relay Regional Distribution Center
- ❖ Free amplified telephones for people who are deaf/hard of hearing or speech impaired
- ❖ Bluetooth available on some phones



CIL services are provided at no cost to people of any age with any disability



**ONE
HOPEFUL
PLACE**

**1564 Percy L Coleman Rd,
Fort Walton Beach, FL 32547**

DAY PROGRAM

(For Men, Women, and Families)

Days and Times:

Tuesday and Thursday

10 am to 4 pm only:

Saturday

12 pm to 4 pm only

Day Program Services Offered:

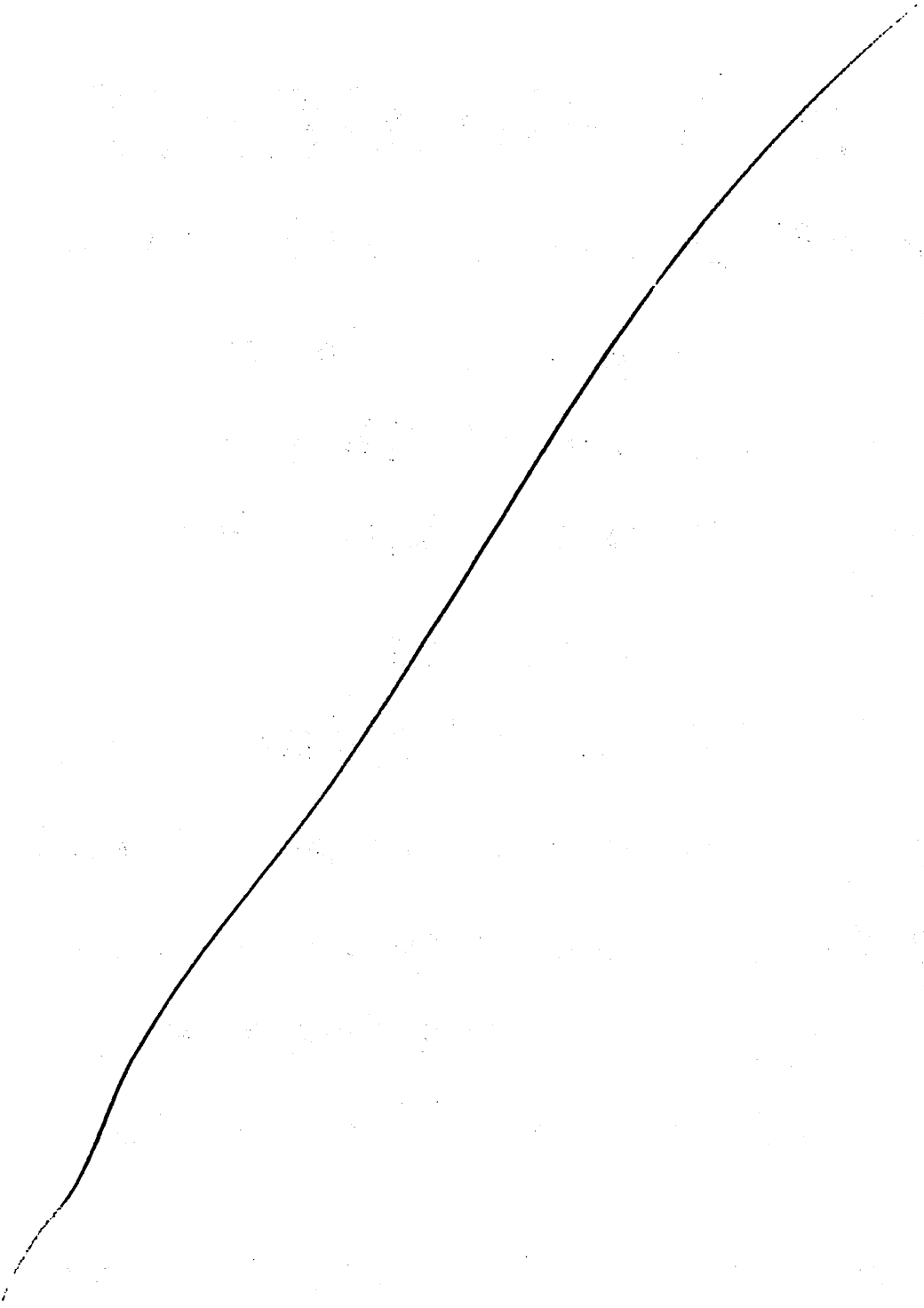
Showers, Laundry, Computers,

Hygiene Items, Food, and

Information/ Resources

*Services are limited to availability and all guest must sign in,
and follow OHP guest protocol. These are the only days/times
these services will be offered at OHP*

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"To help
others live
the life they
would if they
only knew
how"

**Suicide Prevention
Hotlines**

Call easy 3 digit #-211
or

1 (800) 273-TALK 1
(800) 273-8255 or

1 (800) SUICIDE or

1 (800) 784-2433

Available 24 hours everyday

Offers FREE, confidential
support

**Crisis Intervention
Line**

Text HELLO to 741741

CRISIS CENTERS

Bridgeway Center: Behavioral, judicial, educational
and in-home services. Call for an appointment or
more information Crestview/FWB
www.bridgewaycenter.org, 833-7500

**Baptist Hospital – Behavioral Medicine Center –
Adult Stress Treatment**

1000 W. Moreno St. Pensacola, FL 32501
Administrative Contact: 850-434-4091

Stepping Stones Professional Counseling

151 Mary Esther Blvd., Suite 310A
Mary Esther, FL 32569
(850) 226-6430
Ashley Brown, LMHC
www.steppingstonescounseling.org

C.O.P.E. Center-Chautauqua Offices of

Psychotherapy & Evaluation

3686 Highway 331 S.
DeFuniak Springs, FL 32435
Administrative Contact:
850-892-8045
www.copecenter.org

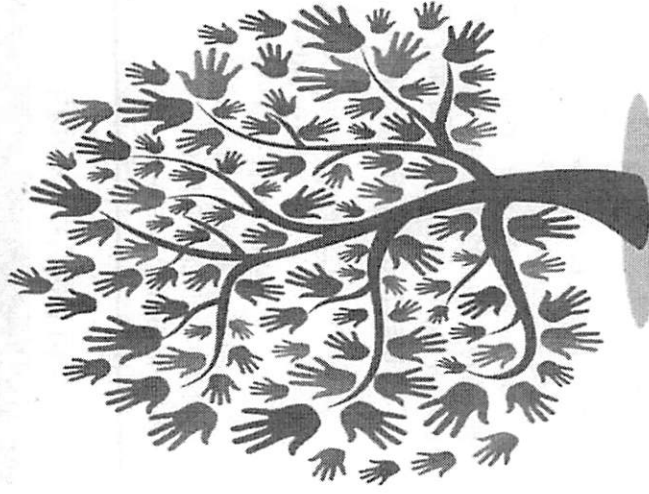
SURVIVORS OF SUICIDE: SUPPORT GROUPS

Survivors of Suicide Support Group
Meetings take place on an as-needed basis in Milton,
FL.

Contact: Pam Wheeler
(850) 572-7272 or pjwildchild@aol.com

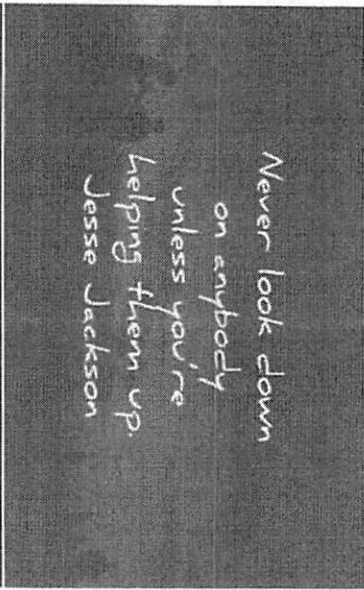
Community Resources

A compiled list of resources
available in the surrounding areas



"The purpose of life is not to be
happy. It is to be useful, to be
honorable, compassionate, to
have it make some difference that
you have lived and lived well."

-Ralph Waldo Emerson



Never look down
on anybody
unless you're
helping them up.
Jesse Jackson

FEMALE SHELTERS

Ronda Coon Home provides safety, shelter, transitional assistance, counseling and case management to homeless and/or pregnant women in Fort Walton Beach, Florida.

Ronda Coon Women's Home

1007 Gospel Road

Fort Walton Beach, FL 32547

850.243.5800

Email: admin@flm.gccoxmail.com

Shelter House emergency shelter up to 8 weeks provides safe and confidential shelter to victims of domestic and sexual violence, their children and pets. Program Office: Shelter House 16 Ferry Road SE Fort Walton Beach, FL 32548 Tel: 850-243-1201

Healthy Start Coalition assists pregnant woman with multiple resources with multiple locations in Walton and Okaloosa Counties. 850-833-9284

Opportunity Place help families with minor children and single women who are homeless become self-sufficient. 305 Lovejoy Road Fort Walton Beach, FL 32548 PHONE: (850) 659-3190

MORE RESOURCES

Emerald Coast Child Advocacy Center
Family services fund for immediate critical needs of children and families.

OKALOOSA COUNTY: 401 McEwen Drive, Niceville, FL 32578 850-833-9237

WALTON COUNTY: 336 College Avenue, DeFuniak Springs, FL 32435 850-892-0280

Chautauqua Healthcare Services

Community Mental Health Center providing mental health, substance abuse and psychiatric services, rehabilitation, prevention services, crisis counseling, case management and 2-1-1 services. 850-892-8045; 850-833-3870

Children's Volunteer Health Network, Inc.

Providing free, immediate access to medical, dental, vision and other health services for uninsured and under-insured children. 850-622-3200

Crossroads Center provides quality primary healthcare, limited dental services and other related professional services to low income uninsured adults residing in Okaloosa and Walton counties. 850-389-3015


Goodwill Industries-Eastseals of the

Gulf Coast creates a way out of poverty with education, job skills training, and with other supports for people with disabilities. 850-302-0576

Sharing and Caring of Okaloosa County

Provides food and assistance for rent, utilities, school supplies, personal care items and special needs. 850-244-0778

MALE SHELTERS



One Hopeful Place currently a 20-bed facility housing twenty male individuals and veterans desiring to make a change in their lives. During inclement winter weather we provide shelter for all of those experiencing homelessness.

1564 PERCY L. COLEMAN RD.
FORT WALTON BEACH, FL 32548
(850) 586-7879

Waterfront Rescue Mission provides services to include emergency shelter to men, recovery program, Veterans Affairs Care Program, and respite.
380 West Herman Street
Pensacola, Florida 32505
(850) 478-4027

Alfred-Washburn Center provides food, showers, laundry facilities, clothing and Identification Cards for the homeless.
31 Murphy Ln Pensacola, Fl. 32505

PLACE HSR TO MENTAL HEALTH FOR FREE TO RECEIVE MORE INFORMATION IF NEEDED. THERE ARE MORE RESOURCES.

We will gladly accept all donations including but not limited to:

<p>Clothing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Men's & Woman's (All Sizes/Seasons)• Shoes• Backpacks, Tote Bags <p>Hygiene Products:</p> <p>Travel Sizes Please</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Shampoo/Conditioner• Hand Soap• Toothpaste• Razors• Deodorant• Feminine Products• Hand Sanitizer <p>Shelter Supplies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Laundry Pods• Bleach• Lysol• Hand Sanitizer• Toilet Paper• Paper Towels• Disposable Plates/Cups/Utensils• Trash Bags• Ziploc Bags/Containers	<p>Food:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Milk & Eggs• Condiments• Bottled Water• Non-Perishables/MRE's <p>Office Supplies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Copy Paper• Ink Cartridges -952 & 962 <p>Medical:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cough/Cold Meds• Band-Aids• Antacids• Alcohol/Peroxide• Cough Drops <p>Miscellaneous:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Plastic Storage Bins• Adult Bikes/Locks• Tents/Tarps• Sleeping Bags• Bug Spray/Sun Block• Hand Warmers• Batteries• \$5-\$10 Gift Cards• Cell Phones/Minutes
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Crestview Area Shelter for the Homeless

**120 Duggan Ave
Crestview, Florida 32536
(850) 398-5670**

**Hours of Operation
Mon-Wed-Fri 9:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M**

MONETARY DONATIONS ALWAYS WELCOME

Make checks payable to Crestview Area Shelter for the Homeless, send/ deliver to Shelter. Or visit www.crestviewshelter.org click on DONATE.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/sleepinabed>

Web: www.crestviewshelter.org

Email: admin@crestviewshelter.org

SERVICES AVAILABLE:

General Services MWF 9-4:

- Bag Lunch/Bottled Water
- Showers
- Laundry Facilities
- Case Management
- Clothing Assistance
- Hair Cuts
- When Available- Tents, Tarps, Sleeping Bags, Flashlights, Bikes
- Cold Night Shelter (Below 40°)

Assistance with:

- Food Stamps/Medicaid
- Housing Applications
- Doctor Appointment Transportation
- Government Forms for ID
- Disability Paperwork
- Social Security
- Bus Tickets

Referrals:

- Job Services
- Community Resources
- AA & Detox Centers
- Veteran Programs
- Medical/Mental Health Assistance

FOOD PANTRY

AVAILABLE WITH CO-OPERATION OF:

ALL-IN CREDIT UNION

SOUP KITCHENS - SACK LUNCH

SUN CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE 2PM

395 APLIN 850-682-7995

MON HELPING HANDS-CENTRAL BAPTIST 11AM

120 DUGGAN 850-398-5670

TUES OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH 11AM

178 NORTH AVE 850-682-3154

WED LIFE POINT CHURCH 11AM

400 S.FERDON 850-682-3518

FRI FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 11AM

492 FERDON 850-682-2835

SAT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 11AM

559 8TH AVENUE 850-682-2018

Monetary Donations

Make checks payable to Crestview Area Shelter for the Homeless, send/ deliver to Shelter, Or visit www.crestviewshelter.org