

Employment

Indiana Workforce Development Provides free public employment service, including placement, occupational counseling and testing, both aptitude and proficiency tests; labor market information; claims service for unemployment compensation applicants.

Indiana Workforce Development
201 Rudisill Boulevard
Fort Wayne, IN 46806, (260)745-3555

Indiana Workforce Development
850 North Miller Avenue
Marion, IN 46952, (765)668-8911

People Link Staffing 360 North Main St., Ste. E
(260)824-1797

Manpower 915 N Main St. (260)824-1404
Temporary agencies, listed in yellow pages under
“Employment Contractors–Temporary Help”

Important things to remember

- All income reflects unemployment compensation
- Check all possibilities–spouse working, teenage children working

Dolly Parton’s Imagination Library

Wells County children can receive 1 free book per month from birth to age 5! Register at the United Way office, the United Way website or the Wells County library!

Education



Bluffton-Harrison MSD (260)824-3724
adult education classes

Norwell Community School Corporation (260)622-4125
adult education classes

Ivy Tech Community College of Indiana
(800)859-4882 OR (260)482-9171

Work One 360 N. Main St., Suite B (260)824-0855

If your income does not cover all of your bills, be sure to pay the following **first**, in this order:

1. Housing
2. Utilities
3. Transportation
4. Food

These are your most basic priorities!

Budgeting your Income and Resources

Consumer Credit Counseling Service of Northeastern Indiana Call for details at (800)432-0420

Banks Check with your bank to see if they offer budget counseling

Contact all creditors and explain your present problem

Wells County Cooperative Extension Service Call for information at (260)824-6412. Provides help in the form of bulletins, classes, and individual consultation in the areas of budgeting for food, nutrition, economizing for the future, and wise food buys.

Tax Preparation www.myfreetaxes.com

Additional Resources

If you have difficulty deciding where to turn, please call **2-1-1**.

There are dozens of resources available to Wells County residents. These resources can be accessed through
www.in211.findhelp.com



Puzzled about
where to turn...

when there is
a need?



Get Connected. Get Help.™



Faith Fund
122 LaMar St., Suite 118
Bluffton, IN 46714
(260)824-2217

www.in211.findhelp.com



Housing

Mortgage payment problems Go to your lending institution and discuss problems early. Also, check with the Trustee in your township (see insert). You could possibly be eligible for additional assistance from the Trustee.

Contracts Go to contract holder and try to work out payments. Contracts vary. If you are entering into a contract purchase, it is wise to consult an attorney.

Rent Assistance for rent may be available through the Trustee in your township or the Faith Fund.

St Joseph's Catholic Church -1300 N Main Street (260)824-138
Can assist with housing and other areas as well. Call for appointments.

Utility Assistance

Community and Family Services 1169 N. Main St., Suite 12
(260)824-4836
May be able to help with utility bills.

Faith Fund 122 LaMar Street, Suite 118 (260)824-2217
May be able to help with utility bills or rent.

Township trustees can assist with utilities in some cases. You should contact your utility company as soon as possible. They may have some assistance available.

The Salvation Army 116 S Johnson St (260)622-8441
May be able to help with utility bills or rent.

Clothing

Bargain Hut 120 W. Spring St. (260)824-9537
Wed, Thurs & Fri 9am-4pm, Sat 9am—12:30
Sells clothing at low prices.

The Closet Family Centered Services
1515 Sutton Circle (260)824-8574
Thursdays 10am-3:00pm
Baby clothes & diapers.

Wells County Food and Clothing Bank (260)827-0053
Can give assistance with clothing needs. You will need a referral from a social service agency.

Community Thrift Store—117 S Main St. (260)353-1004
Clothing, cleaning, & household items.

Counseling

Adams Wells Crisis Center (800)728-9800
24 Hour Crisis Intervention

Park Center (260)824-1071
Sliding fee scale for those who qualify, Medicaid provider.

Family Centered Services (260)824-8574
Offers crisis intervention counseling for families.

Center for Nonviolence (260)456-4112
Offers support groups for men, women and children for domestic violence situations.

Clergy Many ministers do counseling.

Suicide Prevention Hotline (800)552-0985

Medical

MEDICAL EMERGENCIES DO NOT HESITATE!
Emergency Medical Services (EMS) - Call 911.

Bluffton Regional Medical Center Emergency Room
303 S Main Street (260)824-3500 OR (800)756-2663

Medical Assistance Programs (260)824-4836
Community and Family Services may be able to help with physician visit costs and limited prescription costs for those who qualify. **You will need a referral from your township Trustee to receive assistance from Community & Family Services.**

Department of Family Resources 915 N. Main St., Suite 102
(800)403-0864
May be able to help with uninsured hospitalization bills.

Hoosier Healthwise Offers medical insurance for low-income children. Call Department of Family Resources at (800)403-0864.

Reduced Medication Cards FamilyWize, Call (866)810-3784 or go online at www.familywize.com.

Kool Smiles (260)479-1086
General Dentistry for kids & teens.

Vision USA If you haven't had an eye exam in the last 2 years & don't have vision insurance, you may qualify for an exam. Ask the Faith Fund for an application.

Food & Household Items

Economize: Wells County Extension Office
(260)824-6412

Apply for food stamps 915 N. Main St., Suite 102
Apply in person at Department of Family Resources,

Nutrition Program 1169 N. Main St., Suite 12
(260)824-4180 Ext 2503
Women, Infants & Children (WIC) sponsored by Community and Family Services.

Wells County Food & Clothing Bank 1254 S. Main St.
(260)827-0053
Tues & Thurs 12:30–2:30 pm (Winter Hours) & 9-11:00 am (Summer Hours). Closed the 1st week of the month.

Church of God Food Bank 327 W. Cherry St. (260)824-8202
Food Pantry 1st & 3rd Thursday 9am-Noon

Community Harvest Farm Wagon—Life Community Church
428 S. Oak St. (260)824-6069 Tuesday at 9 am

Kate's Kitchen Old Café at the Wells Co. Library (260)824-2654
Hot Meal served Wednesdays 5-6 pm

Baptist Church, 1001 Dehner Dr. Ossian
Thursdays 2-4 PM.

Sonlight Wesleyan Church 2350 S. SR 1, (260)824-0068
Living Well program, basic toiletry, and clean items. Open the 3rd Sunday 11:45-12:15 pm

Northern Wells Community Food Bank—Ossian residents only
122 S. Jefferson St., Ossian (260)622-4886
Open 4th Tuesday of the month 9 -11 am & 5:30-7 pm

Master's Pantry—Markle residents only
105 E. Morse St, Markle (260)758-2171
Open the 2nd Saturday of each month, 10am–noon.



Transportation

Car Payments As in the case of other loan payments, see your lending institution early to make arrangements.

Is your child's **car seat** properly installed & the correct size? If not ask the Faith Fund for a referral to FCS or Purdue Extension.

WOW (Wells on Wheels) (260)824-4969
Monday through Friday 7:30am-5:30pm Call for a ride & pricing.

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Bluffton Utilities
128 E. Market Street
Bluffton, IN 46714
260-824-2500

United REMC
4563 E. Markle Road
Huntington, IN 46750
1-800-542-6339

American Electric Power
1-800-311-4634

Jay County REMC
1-800-835-7362

Natural Gas

Indiana Gas Company
1-800-777-2060

NIPSCO
1-800-422-6199

Telephone

Ameritech
260-556-3560

Craigville Telephone Company
260-565-3131
or
260-622-6270

Verizon Wireless
1-800-483-4600

Sprint United
1-800-257-3212

Citizens Telephone Company
260-375-2111

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