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St. Vincent de Paul Resource List Updated August 2019

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GENERAL RESOURCES

American Red Cross

309-662-0500

Bloomington Township Office of General Assistance

309-828-2356

607 S. Gridley, Bloomington

Emergency Assistance is limited to rent & utilities.

- Available only one time in a 24-month period to alleviate life-threatening situations or to assist individuals in maintaining self-sufficiency.
- Documentation showing legal notice of eviction or utility shut-off notice (gas, electric, water) required.

Chestnut Health Care Systems

309-827-6026

1003 Martin Luther King Dr, Bloomington

Offers Alcohol, Drug, Gambling Addiction Intervention; **Credit Counseling & Debt Mgmt Plan – low cost**, dependent on need and availability of funds (Medicaid, insurance, etc.)

Faith in Action

309-827-7780

Hours: M-Th 9a-4p; Fri 9a-12:30p

Serves: Must be age 60yr and over

Services: Transportation; Friendly Visit; Telephone Reassurance; Chores by Volunteers

Hunger Hotline

800-359-2163

Advocacy organization. Helps hungry people obtain proper assistance; case management, facilitates programs which help the hungry in Illinois. See website ILHUNGER.ORG or call M- F 9a-5p.

JM Scott Health Resources Center

309-823-4224

607 S Gridley Ave, Bloomington

Health education, information and referral services. Prescription fund, office visits fund, maternal/child health transportation, Peace Meals for Seniors, Vision Care referrals.

Mid Central Community Action

LIHEAP (Low Income Energy Assistance Program)

309-829-0691

1301 W. Washington #1, Bloomington

Normal Township

309-452-2060

PATH [Providing Access to Help] Crisis Center

309-827-4005 or 828-1022

201 E. Grove #2A, Bloomington

Safe Harbor [affiliated with Salvation Army]

309-829-7399

601 W. Washington, Bloomington

Salvation Army

309-829-9476

Comprehensive Emergency Assistance & Food Pantry

601 W. Washington, Bloomington

UNITED WAY 2-1-1 Call "211" - free information & referrals for residents of McLean, Livingston & DeWitt Co.



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East Central Illinois Area Agency on Aging in Bloomington, IL

1003 Maple Hill Road Bloomington IL 61705
(309) 829-2065

Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs) are local aging programs that provide information and services on a range of assistance for older adults and those who care for them.

Construction Charities of North America : work on mobile homes, they also do disaster relief.

309-312-0173. Web Site <http://www.constructioncharities.com>

FOOD PANTRIES

Apostolic Pentecostal Church

309-829-3936

2810 Tractor Lane, Bloomington

Hours: 2nd & 4th Sat of month at Noon

Directions: South on Veterans, south on Main St (Hwy 51), Left at Brigham Rd/Tractor Lane before crossing under I-74.

Center for Hope Temba Food Pantry

309-827-2009 Ext 311

14940 Old Colonial Rd, Bloomington

Hours: Thurs 4:30p – 6:30p.

Requires a photo ID; must be McLean County resident.

Directions: South on Veterans, south on Main St (Hwy 51), Left at 1st stoplight after crossing under I-74.

City of Refuge

309-827-4223

401 E Jefferson, Bloomington

Food Pantry: Every 2nd and 3rd Friday, 4p-6p

College Avenue Baptist Church Food Pantry

309-452-3359

1320 E College, Normal

Once per month – Call for appointment

Eastview Christian Church

309-451-5056

1500 N. Airport Rd, Normal

Hours: Tuesday 1:00-2:30 pm; Wednesday 10:00a -11:30 & 5:00p - 6:30p; Thursday 10:00a -11:30a & 1:00p -2:30p

Photo ID and proof of address [ex. Piece of mail] required.

Closed from Dec 11th to Jan 5th.

Farmer's Market of Bloomington

Saturdays May through October, 7:30a-noon

Accepts LINK card. Take LINK card to General Information table at the corner of Main & Jefferson to get tokens.

All vendors accept these tokens. NO change given.

Little Free Food Pantry

309-287-1873

502 S. Morris Ave, Blm



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FOOD PANTRIES (continued)

Holy Trinity St Vincent de Paul

Hours: Mondays, 9a-noon and 1p-4p

309-829-9611

705 N. Roosevelt, Bloomington

Home Sweet Home Mission Bread For Life FOOD CO-OP

Call or stop by to enroll.

309-828-7356

303 E. Oakland, Bloomington

Ministry & More

Hours: Mon-Wed, 10a – 1p

Must call for an appointment and bring a photo ID to the appointment.

309-823-9804

1107 W. Empire, Bloomington

Mt. Pisgah Baptist Church

Hours : Wed 5-7p

No ID required, but may only receive help twice per month

309-828-7483

801 W. Market, Bloomington

Salvation Army

Hours: Mon-Thur 1-4p

Photo ID required

Allowed assistance once every 30 days

309-829-9476

611 W Washington, Bloomington

Park United Methodist Ministries

Mon twice a month

Call for dates and times

309-829-4665

704 S. Allin St

Bloomington, IL

Living Word Ministries

Every other Monday 5-6:15 p.m.

309-829-3353

411 Mulberry St., Bloomington

**Paper Products Ministry 413 E Washington St., Bloomington
3rd Saturday of Month 9:30-11:30**

MEALS

Home Sweet Home Mission

Serving 2 FREE meals daily: Mon-Sat Noon and 5:00; Sun 1p & 6p

309-828-7356

303 E. Oakland, Bloomington

Loaves and Fishes [St Mary's Catholic Church]

Serving FREE lunch Tues & Thurs 11:30a – 12:30p

309-827-8526

527 W. Jackson, Bloomington

Peace Meals for Seniors

Miller Park Pavillion; Lincoln Towers

Mon-Thurs 11a-noon - Call for reservations by 1:00p the day before. For home delivery, call to schedule an assessment

Available for anyone aged 60 or older.

Normal Activity and Recreation Center (ARC center)

800-543-1770 or 309-827-8044

309-888-9099



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HOME/RENT ASSISTANCE

[Also General Resources on page 2 and various area churches]

Bloomington Community Development

Repair assistance and loans for owner occupied properties (Roof, siding, electrical, plumbing work)
Eligibility (see City of Bloomington Website)

309-434-2244

Bloomington Housing Authority

Public housing for any age resident, on an availability basis – need to apply in advance

309-829-3360

104 E. Wood St, Bloomington

Amanda Brooks Apt.

Income Based Rental

309 454- 2322

1402 E College Ave
Normal, IL 61716

Orlando Northbrook Est

Income Based rental

309-454-414

710 W. Orlando Ave
Normal IL 61761

Mid Central Community Action

Hours: Mon-Fri, 8a – 4:30p
Rent - Call office to go through pre-screen process
Homeowners/Homebuyers: Contact office for program availability

309-829-0691

1301 W Washington, Bloomington

Habitat for Humanity

Provides homebuyer assistance; contact office for screening process

309-827-3931

301 N Main St, Bloomington

Normal Community Development

Qualified home buyers receive up to \$3000 for Down Payment (Mobile homes do not qualify)

309-454-9556

Normal Township Office

Rent and utility assistance to qualified applicants residing in Normal Township (Late notice or shut-off notice required)
Call for appointment

309-452-2060

304 E Mulberry St, Normal

DEBT MANAGEMENT

Chestnut Health Care Systems

Offers credit counseling and debt management; low cost

309-827-6026

1003 Martin Luther King Dr, Bloomington

Mid Central Community Action

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309-829-0691

1301 W Washington, Bloomington Hours: Mon-Fri, 8a – 4:30p



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CLOTHING/HOUSEHOLD ITEMS

Advocate BroMenn Thrift Store

Hours: Mon-Sat 10a – 5p
Last two business days of month **some items are free**, call for details

309-454-7074

1203 S. Main St, Normal

Goodwill

Hours: Mon-Sat 9a – 7p; Sun noon – 6p

309-451-1010

302 Landmark Dr, Normal

Habitat for Humanity ReStore

Hours: Tues - Fri 10a-5p; Sat 9a-4p
Gently used appliances, furniture; NO mattress/bedding
Proceeds support building new homes for Habitat for Humanity

309-454-6047

1402 W. Washington, Bloomington

Holy Trinity St Vincent de Paul Clothing Pantry

Mondays, 9a – Noon & 1pm-4pm
FREE adult and children clothing

309-829-9611

705 N. Roosevelt, Bloomington

Kingdom Closet [Center for Hope Ministries]

Hours: First Saturday of each month, 10a – 1pm
FREE clothing

309-452-8240

1805 Hovey, Normal

Mission Mart [Home Sweet Home]

Hours: Mon - Sat 9a - 6p
Clothing in exchange for work performed for Home Sweet Home

309-828-1530

303 E. Oakland Ave, Bloomington

Mt. Pisgah Baptist Church Clothing Closet

FREE. Wed 5:30p-7:00p. No ID required.

309-828-7483

801 W. Market, Bloomington

Recycling Furniture for Families

309-829-6500

515 N Center, Bloomington



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WOMEN AND CHILDREN

Birthright

309-829-5430

505 N. Center, Bloomington

Call for hours, depending on services needed

• FREE pregnancy testing • FREE maternity clothes for pregnant mom • FREE baby clothes up to 24 months

Other assistance available as needed

Center for Youth & Family Solutions

309-829-6307

603 N. Center, Bloomington

Formula, Diapers & occasionally baby food

Formerly Catholic Charities

Center for Youth & Family Solutions

309-820-7616

503 S Morris Av, Bloomington

Family and troubled youth counseling • Foster Care and Adoption Services • SASS Program – (24-hour program for at-risk youth)

Children's Foundation

309-827-0374

Crisis Nursery

403 S State St, Bloomington

All Kids [McLean Co Health Dept]

866-255-5437 or 309-888-5517

200 W. Front St, Rm 304, Bloomington

Provides medical care for families at 200% or below of the federal income guidelines.

WIC of McLean County [Women, Infants & Children]

309-888-5457

The Women, Infants, and Children Nutrition, Education, and Supplemental Food Program

200 W. Front St, Bloomington

The Baby Fold

309-454-1770

Free diapers

612 Oglesby Ave

Normal, IL 61761

Heartland Head Start

309-662-4880

Early Childhood development

206 Stillwell

Bloomington, IL 61701

MISCELLANEOUS

Comcast Low Cost Internet

<http://www.cheapinternet.com/low-income-internet/internet-essentials>

\$9.95 per month or FREE. Must have 1 child in the FREE school lunch program.

Joy Care Center

510 E Washington Ste 403, Bloomington

*Offers a job partnership to help ex-offenders with resumes, interview skills & proper work habits.

Utilities Payment Plan - Ameren, Nicor and Bloomington Water Company offer these. Must contact them.



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Lifeline Assistance and Link-Up America

www.icc.illinois.gov/lifeline

*Federal telephone programs. Provide discounts on basic monthly service and initial installation or activation fees for telephone service at the primary residence to income-eligible consumers. Lifeline provides up to \$10 off/month. Link-Up provides up to one half of installation. Applicants contact their landline or cellular provider and requests this program.

Prairie State Legal Services

309-827-5021

201 W Olive 2nd fl, Bloomington
4 Yount Dr, Bloomington

United Cerebral Palsy [UCP]-Land of Lincoln

Computer center to help disabled find and keep jobs.

Veterans Assistance Commission

309-888-5140 or 309-888-5141

Hours: M-Th, 830a-430p; Fri 8a-4p

200 W Front St Suite 350, Bloomington

Jobs For Felons in Bloomington, Illinois

<https://www.jobsforfelonshub.com/locations/jobs-for-felons-in-bloomington-illinois/>

Wishbone Dog Rescue

309-808-4477

FREE dog food. Distribution BY APPOINTMENT ONLY for low income with ID & Link card. Every 2 weeks, on Saturdays.

1303 Morrissey, Bloomington

Free Income Tax Preparation

Two programs provide Free Tax Preparation. AARP Tax Counseling for the Elderly provide tax service at the Bloomington Public Library Feb 1st through April 15th. Days and times are available through the Library.

VITA hours and locations vary To locate the nearest VITA site near you, use the VITA Locator Tool or call 800-906-9887. Web site: BNFREETAXSERVICES.ORG

HEALTHCARE RESOURCES

Community Health Care Clinic

309-888-5531

902 N. Franklin Ave, Normal

Free healthcare for residents of McLean County with income below 185% of the federal poverty guidelines and no other medical coverage

- Primary medical care
- Diagnostic testing and emergency/hospital services (provided by Advocate Bromenn/OSF)
- Referrals to specialty physicians for additional medical care
- Care coordination for patients
- Free prescriptions

McLEAN COUNTY RESOURCES

McLean County Township

309-452-2060

Mt Hope Township [McLean County]

309-532-2182

LeRoy



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LeRoy Township

Utility and other hardship assistance

309-962-3731

111 E Center St, LeRoy

Faith's Second Chance Thrift Store

Hours: Tues – Sat, 10a – 6p
Clothing, shoes, purses, housewares, some furniture

309-962-5683

218 E Center St, LeRoy

Mercy Ministries

Mercy Fund

Administered by the LeRoy Police Department to aid stranded travelers

Benevolence Fund

Utility, Rent, Mortgage and possibly medical bills; One time use only; Go to any LeRoy Church during normal business hours

Leroy Christian Church

Food Pantry – available to residents of LeRoy Mondays - 5:30 – 6:30
Allowed to visit every other week.

309-962-6491

603 S East St, LeRoy

OTHER COMMUNITY RESOURCES AVAILABLE

AGENCY: EAST CENTRAL ILLINOIS AREA AGENCY ON AGING

*We are dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for **Older Americans and their families by providing information about and access to a variety of services in their community in the 16 counties of East Central Illinois***

<http://www.eciaaa.org>

1003 Maple Hill Road, Bloomington
Call: 309 829 2065

AGENCY: PATH homeless services information
<https://www.pathcrisis.org/services/homeless-services/>
Call: 309 827 4005

AGENCY: COMMUNITY CARE SYSTEMS.
www.ccsicare.com
3601 GE ROAD, BLOOMINGTON, SUITE 2
Call: 309 661 6400 Ask for an Assist Coordinator



TEMPORARY HELP AGENCIES IN BLOOMINGTON listed below are looking for people with access to **reliable transportation** to fill light industrial, clerical, and technical jobs at small and large companies in the area. Call first to make an appointment although you could walk in without an appointment. Register with **at least three or four** of these agencies to have a better chance of getting employed. There are no charges for applying with these agencies.

Randstad Bloomington

808 S. Eldorado Road Ste 200
Bloomington, IL 61705, USA
309-862-4555

STL STAFFING

501 S Towanda Barnes Rd,
Bloomington, Il
309-661 7851

PrideStaff· Employment agency

902 IAA Dr #2c
+1 309-661-1906
Open · Closes 5PM

Express Employment Professionals

Employment agency
Eastland Commons Shopping Center
2203 E Empire St Suite I
+1 309-662-6922
Open · Closes 5:30PM

Kelly Services, Inc.

Employment agency
303 N Hershey Rd d3
+1 309-663-4241
Open · Closes 5PM

Abbey Placements LLC

Employment agency
2310 E Oakland Ave #5
+1 309-662-6680
Open · Closes 5PM

Manpower

Employment agency
1324 E Empire St
+1 309-663-1324
Open · Closes 5PM

Peoplelink Staffing Solutions

Employment agency
502 N Prospect Rd #19
+1 309-820-0127

LIFE Center for Independent Living (LIFE CIL) is a community-based, not-for-profit, non-residential organization serving DeWitt, Ford, Livingston, and McLean counties. Services Include:

- Advocacy for civil rights of persons with disabilities.
- Disability awareness, in-services, and presentations to community groups.
- Communication access for persons with hearing and speech disabilities.
- Independent living skills training (money management , assertiveness training, self-advocacy).
- Information and referral.



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- Peer counseling (individual and group settings).
- Personal assistant services.
- Community Training Advocacy program for youth and adults.
- Assistive devices and skills training for persons age 55 and older with vision loss or blindness.
- Medical equipment loan program.
- Youth Transition Services.
- ITAC amplified phone selection center.