



Community Resources

As a resource for our patients and others in the community, we have compiled a list of frequently-requested resources that are available in Gainesville/Alachua County.

Mental Health, Behavioral and Substance Abuse

Alachua County Crisis Center: 24/7 counseling via phone, face-to-face crisis intervention, support groups, community education, victims' services and rape crisis counseling.

- 352-264-6789 | 218 SE 24th Street, Gainesville 32641 | [Website](#)

Meridian Behavioral Healthcare: outpatient individual and family counseling, outpatient psychiatric services, inpatient/outpatient substance abuse counseling services.

- 352-374-5600 | 4300 SW 13th St, Gainesville 32608 | [Website](#)

Psychiatry Night at The Equal Access Clinic: psychiatric medication management.

- 352-273-9425
- **Eastside Clinic:** fourth Tuesday of every month | 410 NE Waldo Road, Gainesville 32601
- **Main Street Clinic:** select Mondays | 1707 N Main Street, Gainesville 32609 | [Website](#)

National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI): free mental health support, and resources.

- 850-671-4445 (*this is not a crisis line*) | PO Box 302, Ocala 34478 | [Website](#)

Food/Basic Needs

Department of Children and Families, Economic Self Sufficiency Program: food assistance, food stamps, temporary cash assistance, Medicaid and refugee assistance.

- 866-762-2237 | [Website](#)

Bread of the Mighty – Emergency Food Programs: information for free groceries or a hot meal at a food pantry, soup kitchen, or shelter.

- 352-336-0839 | 325 NW 10th Ave, Gainesville 32601 | [Website](#)

Assurance Wireless and Safelink: free cell phones to individuals receiving assistance through government programs.

- Assurance Wireless phone: 888-321-5880 | [Website](#)
- Safelink phone: 1-800-Safelink | [Website](#)

Goodwill Industries: clothing, furniture, and assistance with finding jobs.

- 3520 SW 34th St., Gainesville 32608 Phone: 352-376-9041
- 2624 NW 13th St., Gainesville 32609 Phone: 352-378-4449
- [Website](#)

Haven Hospice Attic: free clothing with a referral letter.

- 300 NW 8th Avenue, Gainesville 32608 | 352-378-7484 | [Website](#)

Alachua County Community Support Services (ACOSS): utilities, rent/mortgage, animal services fee waivers, indigent burials or cremations, and RTS day bus passes.

- 218 SE 24th Street, Gainesville, FL 32641 | 352-264-6750 | [Website](#)

Community Action Agency: emergency financial assistance (utilities/rent) and financial programs.

- 411 N Main Street, Gainesville 32601 | 352-373-7667 | [Website](#)

Library Partnership Resource Center: resources/referrals for families, clothing, tutoring, food, and assistance with applications to government programs, computer/internet access and a diaper bank.

- 912 NE 16th Avenue, Gainesville 32601 | 352-334-0160
- 2801 East University Avenue, Gainesville 32641 | 352-334-0456

Salvation Army: food, utility, clothing, household assistance and an Angel Tree program.

- 639 E. University Avenue, Gainesville 32601 | 352-376-1743 | [Website](#)

St. Francis House: emergency shelter for families, meals, and provides assistance from a case manager.

- 413 S. Main Street, Gainesville 32601 | 352-378-9079 | [Website](#)

SWAG Family Resource Center: food pantry, after school tutoring, summer programs for kids, health and exercise programs, free notary services, counseling services, parenting support, clothing closet and social services.

- 807 SW 64th Terrace, Gainesville 32607 | 352-505-6823 | [Website](#)

United Way of Central Florida: resources for education, health and financial stability.

- 6031 NW 1st Place, Gainesville 32607-2025 | 352-331-2800 | [Website](#)

United Way 211: human and social services 24/7 with information and referrals to available community resources, crisis intervention and care coordination for Veterans.

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Child Welfare Services

Child Protection Team: medical diagnosis and evaluations, child and family assessments.

- 1699 SW 16th Ave, Gainesville 32608 | 352-627-5077 | [Website](#)

Department of Children and Families: abuse hotline, adult protective services, background screening, child care/welfare, community-based care, human trafficking, independent living services, mental health, refugee services, and substance abuse.

- Local office: 352-415-6169 | [Website](#)
- **The Florida Abuse Hotline** (to refer concerns of abuse/neglect): 800-962-2873

Partnership for Strong Families: child welfare services to protect children from abuse, neglect, and abandonment, establishing safe and permanent homes with their own families, partner families or adoptive parents.

- 5950 NW 1st Place, Suite 300, Gainesville 32607 | 352-244-1500 | [Website](#)

Child Advocacy Center: free counseling for victims of child abuse.

- 500 East University Avenue, Gainesville 32601 | 352-376-9161 | [Website](#)
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Medical Resources

Access Florida: apply for Medicaid.

- 800-300-4323 | [Website](#)

Alachua County Health Department: family planning, medical and dental care.

- 224 SE 24th Street, Gainesville 32641 | 352-334-7900 | [Website](#)

Equal Access Clinic: primary medical care, social work/psychology consultations and occupational therapy.

- 352-273-9425 | [Website](#)

Florida KidCare: health insurance for children from birth through age 18.

- 888-540-5437 | [Website](#)

Helping Hands Medical Clinic: medical services to the poor and the homeless.

- 352-519-5542 | 509 NE 1st Street, Gainesville 32601 | [Website](#)

Mobile Outreach Clinic: free health care in low income neighborhoods and rural areas.

- Clinic: 352-262-0162 | Office: 352-273-5329 | [Website](#)

UF Center for Autism and Related Disabilities: support and assistance with autism and related disabilities.

- 352-273-0581 | 2046 NE Waldo Road Suite 3200, Gainesville 32609 | [Website](#)
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Employment and Adult Education

Alachua County Adult Education Program: GED classes, adult high school, adult basic education, literacy training, and English for speakers of other languages.

- 352-955-7300 | 620 E University Ave, Gainesville 32601 | [Website](#)

Gainesville Opportunity Center: help adults with a chronic mental health condition rejoin the community and find jobs.

- 352-224-5523 | 1210 NW 14th Ave, Gainesville 32601 | [Website](#)

Florida/Works/One-Stop Career Center: career counseling and workshops.

- 352-955-2245 or 877-872-5627 | [Website](#)
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Senior Care

Elder Options: assistance in finding appropriate care options for elderly and disabled persons.

800-330-4125 | [Website](#)

Senior Recreation Center: programs, activities, and events for seniors.

352-265-9040 | 5701 NW 34th Blvd, Gainesville 32653 | [Website](#)

ElderCare of Alachua County: home delivered meals, transportation, homemaking services, support for severe low vision or blindness, and community based services.

352-265-9040 | [Website](#)

Domestic Violence

Peaceful Paths: emergency shelter, transitional housing, crisis hotline, victim advocacy, children's programming, education and training, counseling and support groups.

- 201 E University, Gainesville | 352-377-8255 (Helpline) & 352-377-5690 (Outreach Center) | [Website](#)
- **Statewide Domestic Violence Helpline:** 800-500-1119

Child Advocacy Center: free counseling for victims of child abuse.

- 352-376-9161 | 500 East University Avenue, Gainesville 32601 | [Website](#)