

Community Resources

Child Care

Bay County Preschool Partnership – 1201 Fourth Street Bay City, MI 48706; (989) 893-8131 (800) 795-8131 (Toll-Free). Provides information about and referrals to local Head Start and Michigan School Readiness Programs.

Department of Human Services – 1399 W. Center Road Essexville, MI 48732; (989) 895-2100. Provides Financial assistance with child daycare expenses to qualifying families when the parent, legal guardian, or other caretaker is unable to provide childcare due to employment, education, and/or because of a health/social condition for which treatment is being received.

Saginaw Valley Regional 4C – www.svr4c.org 5560 Gratiot Rd. Suite B Saginaw, MI 48603; (989) 667-0500. Maintains a database of over 900 regulated/licensed childcare providers in Arenac, Bay and Saginaw counties. Provides lists of childcare providers tailored to meet each parent's need. Also located in the Bay City MI Works! Building

Head Start – 893-9380

Clothing & Diapers

American Red Cross – 228 Washington Avenue Bay City, MI 48708; (989) 892-1541. Provides car seats, baby layettes of clothing, diapers, and supplies to parents. Call for appointment.

Salvation Army – 401 Tenth Street Bay City, MI 48708; (989) 893-3041. Provides clothing for individuals in need. Appointment required.

Society of Saint Vincent DePaul – 523 Michigan Avenue Bay City, MI 48708; (989) 893-5772. Provides clothing, bedding/linens and other household items for families or individuals. Call for information.

Crisis Services / Emergency Shelter

Bay Area Women's Center – 3411 E. Midland Road Bay City, MI 48706; (989) 686-4551. Provides individual and group counseling, advocacy, education, some financial assistance and other services as needed. Call or walk-in.

Bay Arenac Behavioral Health – 201 Mulholland Bay City, MI 48708; (989) 895-2300 or toll free 1-800-327-4693 for emergency services. Provides emergency crisis intervention and pre-admission screening for in-patient psychiatric services. Access Alliance of Michigan 1-800-448-5498 to request referral for out-patient Mental Health or Substance Abuse services.

Cory Place, Inc. Youth Crises Services – 581 N. Scheurmann Road Essexville MI 48708; (989) 895-5563; 1-800-292-4517 Toll free 24-hr. Runaway Assistance Program. Provides emergency shelter for runaways and youth in crisis. Offers youth a timeout period and an alternative to running away. Long term program also available.

Good Samaritan Rescue Mission – 713 9th Street Bay City MI 48708; (989) 893-5973. Provides emergency shelter for single homeless men, women and mothers with children.

Food

American Red Cross – 228 Washington Avenue Bay City MI 48708; (989) 892-1541. Offers baby needs (food, etc) for expectant mothers.

Bay County Health Department – 1200 Washington Avenue Bay City, MI 48708; (989) 895-4002. Provides baby food, formula and vouchers (WIC) and nutrition education.

Health

American Red Cross – 228 Washington Avenue Bay City MI 48708; (989) 892-1541. Provides financial assistance for emergency dental, medical and prescription expenses

Bay City Dental Clinic – 1411 Center Avenue Bay City MI 48708; (989) 892-7062. Provides general dentistry and hygiene to individuals in need of care.

Bay County Health Department – 1200 Washington Avenue Bay City MI 48708; (989) 895-4004 (Maternal & Infant Health Program); (989) 895-4008 Bay Health Plan; (989) 895-4009 Immunization Clinic; (989) 895-4235 Children’s Special Health Care Services; (989) 895-4015 (Family Planning); (989) 895-4003 (STD Clinic)
Expectant/New Parent Assistance / Maternal & Infant Health Program (MIHP) – Provides pregnant women and families with infants with support throughout pregnancy and until the child is three years old. Provides childbirth, parenting, breastfeeding and health education; home visits by public nurses, registered dietitian, and social worker; prenatal, postpartum, and newborn health care information; psychosocial and nutritional assessment; assistance with transportation and housing; and coordination with medical care providers and community resources.

Family Planning/Birth Control & STD Clinic – Provides family planning services to Bay County residents including screenings for sexually transmitted diseases, HIV/AIDS infection, breast and cervical cancer. Offers pregnancy testing, contraceptive services, educational services, a teen clinic, follow-up services and community referrals.

Lead, Vision & Hearing Testing; Immunizations; Children’s Special Health Care Services.

Bayside Health Center – 3884 Monitor Road Bay City MI 48706; (989) 671-2000. Provides Dental and medical care.

Department of Human Services 1399 W. Center Road Essexville MI 48732; (989) 895-2100. Provides medical assistance to individuals or families who meet the financial and non-financial eligibility factors. Health insurance-Medicaid, healthy kids, MI-CHILD.

Helen M. Nickless Volunteer Clinic (Community Health Clinic)– 1480 W. Center Road, Suite 5 Essexville MI 48732; (989) 895-4831. Provides free primary medical care, including limited lab and X-ray to patients of all ages. Assists patients in obtaining medication prescribed through the clinic. Call for information regarding services offered.

Mid Michigan Community Action Agency – 111 Washington Avenue Bay City MI 48708; (989) 894-9060. Provides financial assistance with emergency dental needs. Appointment preferred, no referral necessary.

Housing Assistance/Home Repairs

American Red Cross – 228 Washington Avenue Bay City MI 48708; (989) 892-1541. Provides financial assistance for dental, medical, prescription, electric, gas, heating fuel, mortgage, rent and water emergencies. Call or walk in.

Bay County Housing Department – 515 Center Avenue, Suite 501 Bay City MI 48708; (989) 895-4138. Restores single family, homeowner occupied, residential property to meet state and local building code standards. Application required. Call for appointment.

Department of Human Services – 1399 W. Center Road Essexville, MI 48732; (989) 895-2100. Assists with emergency needs including shut-off notices, evictions, emergency repairs, and other essential needs when an emergency arises.

Mid Michigan Community Action Agency-Bay County – 111 Washington Avenue Bay City MI 48708; (989) 894-9060. Provides necessary furnace repairs and replacements to eligible households. Also provides repairs to ensure a safe well and septic system. Rent/Mortgage payment assistance; weatherization. Appointment preferred.

Money/Financial Assistance

Department of Human Services – 1399 W. Center Road Essexville, MI 48732; (989) 895-2100.

Cash Assistance-Family Independence Program/TANF. Provides financial assistance to families with minor children. Application required.

State Disability Insurance-Provides financial assistance to disabled persons age 18 and older who are not eligible for Family Independence Program (FIP). Application required.

Social Security Administration – 700 Fourth Street Bay City MI 48708; (989) 892-1578. Provides retirement, survivors, and disability benefits to workers and their qualified dependents. Provides social security numbers and social security earnings history. Provides Medicare health insurance program to adults over age 65 years of age, and certain disabled people. Runs the Supplemental Security Income (SSI) program to provide financial assistance to indigent, elderly, blind, and disabled persons. Provides lump sum death benefits to widows and qualified dependent children. Application required. Call for information.

Transportation

American Cancer Society – 1480 West Center Road, Suite 1 Essexville MI 48732; (989) 892-1541. Provides volunteer drivers who give free rides to cancer patients to and from treatments and doctor's appointments. 24-hour notice is required. Small fee.

Bay Metropolitan Transportation Authority – 1510 N. Johnson Street Bay City MI 48708; (989) 894-2999 Route Information, (989) 894-0631 Dial-a-ride.

Bus Routes - Provides regular, scheduled and fixed bus routes.

Dial-a-ride – Provides countywide dial-a-ride services for senior citizens and the disabled with at least 24 hour and up to 7 -day prior notice. Fee of \$ 1.00 per trip.

Mid Michigan Community Action Agency –111 Washington Avenue Bay City MI 48708; (989) 894-9060. *Car Repairs/Insurance/Registration* - Assists employed individuals by providing insurance, registration and licenses, sales tax, title transfer, auto repair estimates, minor repairs, or other associated costs to make sure their vehicle can provide reliable transportation to and from their place of employment.

Utility (Electric, Gas, Water) Assistance

American Red Cross – 228 Washington Avenue Bay City MI 48708; (989) 892-1541. Provides financial assistance for dental, medical, prescription, electric, gas, heating fuel, mortgage, rent and water emergencies.

Department of Human Services –1399 W. Center Road Essexville, MI 48732; (989) 895-2100. *Electric/Gas/Water Bill Assistance* – Assists with emergency needs including shut-off notices, evictions, emergency repairs, and other essential needs when an emergency arises.

Michigan Veterans Trust Fund – 515 Center Avenue Suite 201, Bay City MI 48708; (989) 895-4189. *Electric/Gas/Water Bill Assistance* – Provides temporary financial assistance for emergencies or hardships for eligible veterans and their families, residing in Bay County. Walk in only. Referrals from other organizations accepted. Must have discharge of DD-214 before application will be taken.

Mid Michigan Community Action Agency – 111 Washington Avenue Bay City MI 48708; (989) 894-9060. *Electric/Gas/Water Bill Assistance* – Assists with first month's rent or past due rent when in eviction status or leaving homeless or domestic violence shelter. Assists with mortgage payments when at risk of losing home due to foreclosure. Assists with home heating, deliverables including: LP gas, fuel oil, firewood, coal, etc. Also assists with electric, natural gas, and water shut-off notices. Appointment preferred no referral necessary.