

Children's Services in Indiana County

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Armstrong Indiana Crisis- PH: 877-333-2470

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DRUG AND ALCOHOL SERVICES

- **ARIN Intermediate Unit 28** -- www.iu28.org PH: 724-463-5300, ext. 1211
Underage Users Group
- **Armstrong/Indiana Crisis Intervention Services at The Open Door of Indiana, PA-** PH: 877-333-2470 or
Text 877-565-7744

Help is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Mobile crisis response is available, and walk-in crisis services are open daily from 8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. on the IRMC campus.

- **The Open Door of Indiana, PA – Addiction, Gambling & Family Recovery Services-** www.theopendoor.org
PH: 724-465-2605

Services are available on-site, in schools, or through telehealth, with school-based addiction services offered in every local school district. To begin services, walk in Monday–Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. or call 724-465-2605.

CHILD CARE

- **Early Learning Resource Center (ELRC)** – www.ELRC3.com PH: (724) 285-9431 Toll Free: (888) 864-1654
Region 3, based out of Butler County, serves 5 counties including Indiana County. The ELRC combines two programs: Child Care Works-formerly known as "CCIS" and Keystone STARS-PA's Quality Rating and Improvement System for certified child care providers on a regional level. THE ELRC helps parent(s) locate child care, provides free resources and referrals, and operates the child care subsidy program which helps families pay child care costs. The ELRC provides families, early learning service providers, and communities with information and access to services that support high-quality child care and early learning programs.
- **Compass Online Portal** - <https://www.compass.state.pa.us/compass.web/ProviderSearch/Home#BasicSearch>
Find Child Care and other Early Learning Programs near you. You have options when it comes to the care for your child. Whether you need child care or another early learning program, you can find it here.

CLOTHING

- **First Methodist Church of Marion Center Clothing Closet** PH: 724-397-5517
Marion Center, PA; Open Tuesdays from 9:00 am to 12 noon; children and adult clothing; Free
- **Indiana County Community Action Program, Inc.** PH: 724-463-7440 pr 724-465-2657
Diapers and wipes available on a monthly basis for income eligible households with children.

● **Jacksonville United Presbyterian Church Clothing Closet** (call to confirm hours) **PH: 724-479-8941**
Kent, PA; Last Friday of the month, 3 pm to 6 pm; Last Saturday of the month, 9:00 am – 11:00 am; March thru Oct; Closed Nov, Dec, Jan and Feb; (weather permitting Mar); Free clothing & miscellaneous items for children and adults.

● **Life-Way Family and Pregnancy Support-** **PH: 724-349-5307 or call/text 412-554-1600**
<https://www.lifewayfamilies.org>; Free; clothing/nursery items for children birth to age 5 (as available) for program clients; intake and enrollment required

● **My Best Friend's Closet**, sponsored by Saltsburg United Methodist Church, is open various days/dates. They provide free, gently used clothing. Check out their Facebook page to confirm days/dates. Call (724) 639-9454.

● **Summit Church Family Closet**, at Summit Church, 40 E. Market Street Blairsville, (from Alley behind the church where the Blessing Box is located, parking available in the parking lot), is open every Monday 3:30 pm to 5:30 pm; and the 2nd Saturday of each Month, 11:00 am to 1:00 pm; The Family closet offers gently used clothing and baby items to families in need. They are open weekly and accept donations by appointment only. All items Free; Baby to Adult Sizes;

● **The Salvation Army** – <https://www.salvationarmywpa.org/Indiana> **PH: 724-465-2530**
Diapers and Hygiene products when available, Clothing Vouchers for The Salvation Army Thrift Store available case by case basis, Project Bundle-Up/Coats for Kids and The Salvation Army Angel Tree (Aug-Dec)

● **The United Presbyterian Church of Blairsville's Kid's Closet-** **PH: 724-459-7991**
They have a large array of gently used clothing for children and teens! The church is located at 137 N. Walnut Street in Blairsville. Held 5 pm to 7 pm; Two times per month on Mondays; Call the church for specific days.

COUNSELING / SUPPORT

● **Alice Paul House** – www.alicepaulhouse.org **PH: 724-349-4444 or 1-800-435-7249** (for outside local calling area)
Trauma-informed counseling advocacy for children and their significant others. Age-appropriate evidence based and research supported counseling programs. Trauma Informed Visitation and Supervised Visitation. CANS, FAST and ANSA assessments. Age-appropriate prevention education and education programs. Medical and legal advocacy for child survivors.

● **The Arc of Indiana County** – www.arcindianapa.org ; **PH: 724-349-8230**
The Arc offers resources, support and Advocacy for people with intellectual disabilities and their families. The Educational Advocacy Program (EAP) guides parents and their students through the special education process. This includes how to prepare for Individualized Education Program (IEP) meetings, and school mediation. Local Task Force (LTF) workgroup's purpose is to provide parents with advocacy, secondary transition, and special education support, training, and resources.

● **CARE Center of Indiana County** – www.carecenterofindianaco.org **PH: 724-463-8595**
Nurturing Parent Program- 12-week evidence-based parenting program offered at no cost to the community. Topics include: brain development, child development, empathy, feelings, stress and discipline. Other services: Supervised Visitation, Monitored Visitations, and Parenting Assessments. Cooperative Coparenting is offered to help separated or divorced couples communicate and make coparenting decisions in the interest of Child(ren) and avoid the destructive effects that separation and divorce can have on a family.

● **Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Greensburg-** www.ccharitiesgreensburg.org **PH: 724-837-1840 or 1-866-409-6455**

Counseling and support for children whose parents are separated or divorced, children of adoption, and those in need of bereavement support; Variable fee scale; accepts a variety of insurance plans

● **Children & Youth Services** – www.countyofindiana.org **PH: 724-465-3895 or 1-888-559-6355;**
after 4:00 p.m. – call **911** for emergency/crisis; Childline: **1-800-932-0313**
Free services to prevent and resolve problems of neglect, abuse, and exploitation of children

● **Community Guidance Center** – www.thecgc.com **PH: 724-465-5576 or 1-888-686-1991 ♦**

♦ Mental and Behavioral Health Services for children: psychiatry, child and adolescent partial hospitalization, individual and group outpatient therapy, family-based therapy, case management, and intellectual and disability supports coordination. Services are provided on-site and via telehealth, as applicable. Most insurance is accepted. Financial assistance may be available to those who qualify.

♦ Early Intervention Service Coordination: Services for children ages birth to 3 with developmental delays or at risk for developmental delays; coordination of services that may include physical, occupational, speech, hearing, and/or vision therapists and a developmental specialist. Services are provided at no cost to families.

● **The Salvation Army-** <https://www.salvationarmywpa.org/Indiana> **PH: 724-465-2530**
Ark of Learning Summer Day Camp, Monday – Friday, June – July; Cost \$60/Week, The Salvation Amry Camp Allegheny, 5 day away camp experience, variety of themed weeks, apply online at <https://www.salvationarmywpa.org/camp/> Cost \$25 Application Fee.

● **Variety The Children's Charity-** <https://www.varietypittsburgh.org> **PH: 724-933-0460**
Provides social inclusion experiences and life-changing mobility and communication equipment to ensure our vulnerable kids are no longer left out, behind, or excluded.

● **YMCA of Indiana County** – www.icymca.org **PH: 724-463-9622**
The YMCA of Indiana County provides safe, welcoming opportunities for children and teens to build friendships, confidence and a sense of belonging. Programs include youth sports, swim lessons, summer day camp, fitness, adaptive recreation, family activities, and special events that promote teamwork, leadership, character, and positive relationships. Financial assistance helps make these opportunities accessible to children and families throughout Indiana County.

● For a listing of **Coalition/Councils** that work on issues affecting children in Indiana County, visit www.humanservices-countyofindiana.org and click on Information About Human Services in Indiana County and then on Where to Turn for Help. They welcome community members to join their cause.

● For Information on human services **Dial 2-1-1** or go to www.pa211sw.org.

- **Lifesteps** - www.lifesteps.net

Child Check: FREE Developmental screening for children from birth to age 5, including cognitive, personal-social, language, motor, speech and hearing. May include Autism screening by request for children 18 months – 5years of age; Calendar of screenings available online.

- **Medical Assistance Transportation Program** (Rabbit Transit) www.rabbittransit.org/Indiana
- **Muscular Dystrophy Association** - www.mda.org
- **My Choice Medical Clinic-** www.mychoicemedicalclinic.com

Pregnancy Testing, Options Counseling, Abortion Education, ultrasounds to determine viable pregnancy, STI testing; FREE. 24-hour helpline at 1-800-712-4357

- **National Kidney Foundation serving the Alleghenies.** - www.kidney.org

Visit <https://www.kidney.org/kidney-topics/all-about-kidneys-basics-kids> and learn about kidney health and habits to keep your kidneys and the rest of your body healthy!

●**Primary Health Network (PHN)-**

Indiana Dental Center-

(PH: 724- 465-6100)

and **Jacksonville Family Medicine Center (PH: 724-726-0300)**

Community Health Center that offers Family Medicine, Dental Hygiene, and Dentistry services. PHN accepts Medicare, Medicaid/CHIP, and most insurances. Sliding fee discount is available to those who qualify.

● **National Multiple Sclerosis Society** - www.nationalmssociety.org

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Community Health Center that offers Family Medicine, Dental Hygiene, and Dentistry services. PHN accepts Medicare, Medicaid/CHIP, and most insurances. Sliding fee discount is available to those who qualify.

● **Spina Bifida Association of Western PA** - www.sbawp.org

PH: 724-934-9600

PROTECTIVE SERVICES

- **Children and Youth Services** (see Counseling/Support)- www.indianacountypa.gov;

Childline – PH: 1-800-932-0313 to report abuse

- The CARE Center of Indiana County** – www.carecenterofindianaco.org

Provides Forensic Interviews and evaluations for children when there are allegations of sexual and physical abuse; professionals work with the family to help navigate the legal system and to obtain necessary treatment services; focus is justice and healing for victimized children; free

RECREATION / SOCIALIZATION

- **Scouting America/Laurel Highlands Council-** www.lhc-bsa.org

♦Group activities for boys and girls, ages 5 to 10; and for girls/boys, ages 11 to 18; Venturing and Explorer groups for boys and girls ages 14-20; Trail Blazer Program for youth with disabilities and special needs; Camping opportunities; registration fee for 12 months; pro-rated when joining.

- **Girl Scouts Western Pennsylvania** - www.gswpa.org
- Indiana County Libraries:**

-**Blairsville Public Library-** www.blairsvillepubliclibrary.org

-**Burrell Township Library-** <https://burrelltownshiplibrary.org/>

-**Homer Center Public Library-** FaceBook at [https://www.facebook.com/HomerCenter Publiclibrarary/CPIib/](https://www.facebook.com/HomerCenterPubliclibrarary/CPIib/)

PH: 724-541-3381

-**Indiana Free Library-** <https://www.IndianaFreeLibrary.org> (Children’s Dept.)

-**Saltsburg Free Library** - <https://www.saltsburglibrary.com/>

- **National Multiple Sclerosis Society** – www.nationalmssociety.org/camp

Offer MS Adventures Camps.

●**Spina Bifida Association of Western PA** - www.sbawp.org

PH: 727-934-9600

- **YMCA of Indiana County** - www.icymca.org

The YMCA provides evidence-based youth mentoring, violence-prevention and family-support services that strengthen social-emotional and academic development (also known as Big Hearts Little Hands). Caring adult mentors help youth build resilience, self-regulation, confidence and positive relationships while collaborating with families, teachers and school counselors.

EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION

- Adelphoi Education in Indiana** – www.adelphoieducation.org

Treatment and education for dependent and delinquent youth

- **Alice Paul House** - www.alicepaulhouse.org PH: 724-349-4444 or 1-800-435-7249 (for outside local calling area)

Trauma-informed counseling advocacy for children and their significant others. Age-appropriate evidence based and research supported counseling programs. Trauma Informed Visitation and Supervised Visitation. CANS, FAST and ANSA assessments. Age-appropriate prevention education and education programs. Medical and legal advocacy for child survivors.

● **ARIN Intermediate Unit 28** - www.iu28.org

♦ Early Intervention for children ages 3-5

♦ Little Apples Preschool: For children ages 3-5 for students with special needs as well as typically developing students

♦ ELECT Program: Support services for pregnant and parenting teens

♦ Family Focus Program: Pre-natal – 5 Parenting and Early Childhood Education; home based program

♦ Toddler Time:

PH: 724-463-5300, ext 1207

Educational program for parents and children, ages 1-4, throughout Indiana County.

♦ Transition: Links school-age special needs students with community services to help the transition from school to adult life

♦ARIN Evergreen After School Club:

PH: 724-463-5300; www.iu28.org;

or 724-910-1323;

<https://www.evergreenasc.org>

After-school and summer programs for youth in Indiana and Armstrong Counties; scholarships and mini camps; serving K-8th grades.

●**Care Center of Indiana County-** www.carecenterindianaco.org

PH: 724-463-8595

Nurturing Parent Program- 12- week evidenced based parenting program offered at no cost to the community. Topics include: brain development, child development, empathy, feelings, stress and discipline. Other services: Supervised Visitation, Monitored Visitations, and Parenting Assessments. See Care Center under “Counseling” to learn about their Cooperative Coparenting Program.

● **Community Guidance Center** - www.thecgc.com

PH: 724-465-5576 or 1-888-686-1991

- ♦ **Early Intervention Service Coordination:** Services to children, ages birth to 3 with developmental delays, or at risk for developmental delays; Coordination of services which may include physical, occupational, speech, hearing, and/or vision therapists and a developmental specialist. Services provided at no cost to families.
- ♦ **The ALPHA Program** is a year-round partial hospitalization program for children and adolescents with mental health disorders. Services include: Psychiatric Evaluations, Medication Management, Individual Therapy, Group Therapy, and Blended Classroom Education (during the school year). Students receive 3 hours of psychotherapy and 3 hours of academics during the school year, and in the summer months, consumers receive 6 hours of psychotherapy. Breakfast and lunch options are provided year-round.

● **Early Learning Connections-** www.earlylearningconnections.org

PH: 724-287-2761

Free early learning programs for families who qualify!

- ♦ Early Head Start Home Based- pregnant moms to children age 3
- ♦ Early Head Start Center Based- 6 weeks- children age 3
- ♦ Head Start Center Based- children ages 3-5, before kindergarten cut-off date

●**Indiana University of Pennsylvania (IUP)** -

♦**Child Study Center-** <https://www.coe.iup.edu/edsp/csc.html>

PH: 724-357-2445

Psychoeducational evaluation and recommendations for treatment for children and adolescents with academic, social-emotional, and behavioral problems; services for families of exceptional children.

♦**The Bill and Judy Scheeren Literacy Center** – <https://www.iup.edu/pse/literacy/index.html> PH: 724-357-2400
Offers literacy tutoring for children and adolescents in grades 1 to 8 who need additional help with reading and writing. Tutoring is provided by undergraduate teacher educator candidates, under the guidance of the Literacy Center Supervisor. Nominal fee for tutoring; see website for details.

●**Lifesteps Family Care Mobile Resource Center** - www.lifesteps.net PH: 724-283-1010 or 1-800-225-2010

Mobile resource center sharing and lending resources within a 20-mile radius of Indiana Borough. Topics and materials range and are helpful for children, adults and seniors. Complete schedule of visits posted online; free

●**Life Way Family and Pregnancy Support-** <https://www.lifewayfamilies.org>

Free evidence-based parenting lessons for ages newborn through school age children. Offered as in-person sessions and digital remote learning

● **March of Dimes Western PA** - www.modimes.org PH: 1-888-663-4637

● **The Salvation Army** – <https://www.salvationarmywp.org/Indiana> PH: 724-465-2530

Ark of Learning Summer Day Camp – summer educational program, Monday – Friday, June – July; Cost \$60/Week

● **YMCA of Indiana County** - www.icymca.org PH: 724-463-9622

The YMCA provides educational and enrichment opportunities supporting children's academic, social, and developmental growth. Programs include preschool and early learning, academic support, STEM/STEAM activities, summer learning, outdoor education, leadership, character development, and educational field trips. Financial assistance helps make these opportunities accessible to children and families throughout Indiana County.

EMPLOYMENT

● **ICW Vocational Services, Inc.** PH: 724-349-1211 (Workshop) PH: 724-349-4143 (Employment Services)

PH: 724-471-2485 (Steps to Success)

Work experience, pre-vocational training, independent living training, on-the-job training and placement in the community for persons with a disability. Workshop/Steps to Success: 18 years of age or older; Employment Services: 16 years or older; have a disability; be referred by OVR

●**Indiana County Career Track, Inc.** - www.careertrack.org PH: 724-471-7220 or 1-888-573-5733

Hires youth ages 16-21 for temporary summer work, GED assistance; Cost: None; income guidelines & Indiana County resident

FINANCES

● **Assistance Office, Indiana County (PA Dept. of Human Services)** - PH: 724-357-2900 or 1-800-742-0679

Cash Assistance, Emergency Housing Assistance, Energy Assistance, Food Stamps, Medical Assistance for dependent children; www.compass.state.pa.us

● **Catholic Charities Helpline** - PH: 1-866-409-6455

Operates 24/7; for basic life necessities/emergency utility/fuel/rent and security deposits

● **Indiana County Domestic Relations** - www.childsupport.state.pa.us PH: 724-465-3940

Conducts Child/Spousal Support Hearing and Enforce Child/Spousal Support Orders.

●**Social Security Administration** - www.socialsecurity.gov PH: 1-800-772-1213

Application for Social Security number; Supplemental Security Income; Social Security for retirement, disability or survivor’s benefits (include: dependent children); Many applications can be filed online.

FOOD

●**Adagio Health WIC** – www.adagiohealth.org PH: 1-866-942-2778

Supplemental food and nutrition education program for pregnant, breastfeeding and postpartum women, infants and children up to 5 years of age. Clients must meet income and nutritional need requirements.

● **Indiana County Community Action Program, Inc.** PH: 724-463-7440 or 724-465-2657

Food pantries; emergency food packages; Power Pack- food for children over the weekends, distributed in schools; free

● **Grace Church Food Bank-** PH: 724-463-7530

Supplies fresh meat, produce, dairy and pantry items. Volunteers pick up messages from their homes, and calls are returned

within 24 hours. When you call, leave a message.

● **Life Way Family and Pregnancy Support** PH: 724-349-5307 or call/text 412-554-1600Baby food, baby cereals and baby formula offered free of charge to community residents.

●**The Indiana Catholic Community Food Pantry with their partnership with ICCAP and the Pittsburgh Food Bank-** PH: 724-463-2277

They provide monthly food boxes with fresh produce, dairy and meat for Indiana County households in need.

● **The Salvation Army** – <https://www.salvationarmywp.org/Indiana> PH: 724-465-2530

Sally’s Choice Pantry: Tuesday & Thursdays, 10am – 2pm by Appointment; Emergency Food Boxes: Monday – Thursday, 9am-2pm; Sally’s Little Pantry: 24/7 Outdoor Food Box & The Blessing Table: Mondays, 10am-12pm; food gleaning distribution program & Made-to-Share, courtesy of Sheetz, Inc., Monday-Thursdays, 9am-2pm while supplies last, call ahead for availability. Seasonal Food Assistance: FREE Community Thanksgiving Dinner, Thanksgiving Day – call for details.

● **YMCA of Indiana County** - www.icymca.org PH: 724-463-9622

The YMCA works to reduce childhood hunger and increase access to nutritious food throughout Indiana County. Programs include summer and year-round meals, rural meal access, food distribution, nutrition education and community food initiatives.

HEALTH / MEDICAL CARE.

● **American Cancer Society** - www.cancer.org PH: 1-800-227-2345

24/7 Helpline

● **American Diabetes Association** - www.diabetes.org PH: 1-800-342-2383

● **American Heart Association** - www.americanheart.org PH: 1-800-242-8721

● **American Lung Association of Pennsylvania** - www.lung.org PH: 1-800-586-4872

● **Behavioral and Developmental Health Program, Armstrong-Indiana (previously MH/MR)-** www.aibdhp.org PH: 724-548-3451 or 724-349-3350

♦ Early intervention Referrals: serving children from birth to 3 years of age who have or are at risk for developmental delays

♦ Children/Adolescent Behavioral Health Services Referrals: Intensive Behavioral Health Services (IBHS) such as mobile therapy, behavioral health technician, behavior consultation, therapeutic staff support, behavior specialist, residential treatment, community residential rehabilitation, family based, and targeted mobile therapy

♦ CASSP (Child & Adolescent Service System Program): a comprehensive system of care that assists children with behavioral health needs and their families gain access to needed services.

●**Breathe Pennsylvania** - www.breathepa.org PH: 1-800-586-4872

● **PA Elks Home Service Program**, - www.paelkshomeservice.org Contact Heidi Bouch at 724-545-915

Provides in-home medical care coordination services, advocacy, and referrals to services. Services are provided via in-person home visits or telephonically to persons of any age with developmental disabilities. Fee: No charge.

●**Epilepsy Association of Western and Central PA (EAWCP)** - www.eawcp.org PH: 1-800-361-5885

Information & Referral, Summer Camp Program, Emergency Prescription Assistance, Movement/Sleep Monitors, Education Programs, High School Scholarships, Presentations for Schools and Communities; Cost: None, except camp program and some other educational programs. Fees can be waived upon request. Camp scholarships available. Programs on-line, virtually and in person when possible; Facebook at EAWCP.

● **Health Insurance for Children/PA Program (CHIP)** PH: 1-800-986-5437

Free or low-cost health insurance to uninsured children through CHIP; Children (birth to 19) not enrolled in any other insurance and not eligible for public health insurance are eligible; must meet age, family size and income guidelines

Cost: None for free programs; Premiums required for low-cost program.

****Managed Care-Southwest Counties, including Indiana County HealthChoices Program Provider Enrollment:**

PH: 1-800-440-3989 (TTY users call **1-800-618-4225**).

♦**AmeriHealth Caritas PA-** <https://amerihealthcaritasp.com>

♦ **Geisinger Health Plan, Inc.-** <https://geisinger.org/health-plan/plans/ghp-family-medicaid>

♦ **Highmark Wholecare-** <https://highmark.com/wholecare>

♦ **Jefferson Health Plans EverWell** (formerly Health Partners Plans)- <https://jeffersonhealthplans.com>

♦ **UPMC for You, Inc-** <https://medicaid.upmchealthplan.com>