

THE RED BOOK

A Guide to Youth Resources
in Walton County
2014 Edition

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I. Drugs, Alcohol and Tobacco Use and Abuse

Education and Information

- Prime For Life Program
The Partnership for Families, Children & Youth
P.O. Box 670 Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-882-6800 (Amy Hunnewell - Coordinator)
Prime for Life classes are intended for youth who have experimented or have started to use drugs or alcohol on a regular basis. The goal of this program is education and prevention of alcohol use and abuse. The classes are held at the Walton Co. Sheriff's Office. Call The Partnership for class schedule. Referral Method: Mandated by School, Court, DJJ or parent referral.
Cost: \$60
- Drug and Alcohol Education Class
The Partnership for Families, Children & Youth
P.O. Box 670 Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-882-6800 (Amy Hunnewell- Youth Development Director)
Interactive, classroom-based curriculum delivered to middle school and high school students in 1-2 classroom visits by a trained expert. Topics covered include addiction, tobacco, alcohol, designer drugs and other illegal drugs.
- Adolescent Center for Education and Services (ACES)
1404 S. Madison Ave. Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-207-4151
Educational library open to the public that includes Pamphlets, Brochures, Videos, and Curriculum for lending on topics ranging from effects and consequences of specific drugs to avoiding peer pressure.
Cost: Free
- Youth Investigations / DARE Division (School Resource officers)
Walton County Sheriff's Office
1425 South Madison Avenue Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-266-1514 Capt. Darren Vinson

CHAMPS Program (Choosing Healthy Activities & Methods Promoting Safety)

This is designed to educate 5th grade students with the guidance, skills and knowledge to be safe, healthy, and happy in preparation for a successful life. The CHAMPS program includes 20 topics instructors choose from which include alcohol, bullying, marijuana, gangs, peer pressure, internet safety as well as choices and consequences.

ADAP Program (Alcohol and Drug Awareness Program)

This program is taught by certified Peace Officers at the Walton County Sheriffs Office once a month. The ADAP program is the state of Georgia's Official program that all teens must pass in order to receive a driver's license. Call in order to enroll and get class schedule.

Education and Information continued

- Walton County Public Libraries
Drug education kits: pamphlets, brochures, videos, and curriculum
Topics: psychological concerns, tobacco, drugs, alcohol and drugs.
Available for check-out by general public with a library card.

Cost: Free

Locations:

O'Kelly Memorial Library
363 Conyers Road, Loganville, GA 30052
Circle, GA 30025
Phone: 770-466-2895
Mon-Thurs 10-7, Fri 10-6, Sat 10-5, Sun 2-6
10-4, Sun 2-6

W.H. Stanton Memorial Library
1045 West Hightower Trail, Social
Phone: 770-464-2444
M/W/F 10-6, Tues/Thurs 10-8, Sat

Monroe-Walton County
217 W Spring St. Monroe, GA 30655
Loganville, GA 30052
Phone: 770-267-4630
Mon-Thurs 10-8, Fri 10-6, Sat 10-4, Sun 2-6

Library Walnut Grove Library
1000 Walnut Grove Parkway,
Phone: 678-342-9758
Mon closed, Tues/Wed 10-6, Thurs 10-8,
Fri 10-6, Sat 10-4, Sun 2-6

- Georgia Access and Crisis Line
Phone: 1-800-715-4225
Internet: www.mygcal.com
Statewide toll free for any individual in Georgia seeking mental health, addiction, and crisis services.

Drug Testing

- Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ)
226 Alcovy St. Building G, Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-207-4192
Drug tests are administered by juvenile probation officers to juveniles who are currently on probation or on commitment status. The drug tests are administered on a random basis or upon the request of the legal parent(s)/custodian(s)/guardian(s).
- Clean Play Inc.
P.O. Box 726 Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-906-3303 Website: www.cleanplay.org
Private Company dedicated to assisting parents in their efforts to keep students safe from drug abuse and successful in academic and athletic pursuits through randomized drug testing and testing on demand. Student Accountability Program is designed to help students who test positive get back on the right track through education and motivational coaching. Crisis Consulting and Intervention are also provided to clients.
Cost: Based on Monthly Program Selection

Substance Abuse Programs:

- NA (Narcotics Anonymous)
Monroe New Miracles located at First Christian Church of Monroe, 206 S Hammond Dr., Monroe, GA 30605
This program is for youth and adults who have an addiction problem. No appointment necessary. Meetings are on Tuesdays and Fridays starting at 8:00 pm.
Cost: Free
- Celebrate Recovery
Faith Baptist Church
1789 Hwy 11 NW, Monroe, GA 30656
Phone: 770-267-6603
Meetings Wednesday nights at 7:00pm information.
First Baptist Loganville
680 Tom Brewer Road, Loganville, GA
Phone: 770-466-2450
Meetings Tuesday evenings. Call for
- Reformers Unanimous International Addiction Program
Corinth Baptist Church
3156 Langley Rd., Loganville, GA
Phone: 770-554-3482
Contact: Dan Mosley
Victory Baptist Church
88 Brand Road, Loganville, GA 30052
Phone: 678-294-4769
Contact: Wayne Sosebee
This program is an addiction recovery program that uses a spiritual approach to develop lifelong sobriety. Meetings are from 7-9 PM every Friday at the locations listed above.

***The following programs are available outside of Walton County**

- GRN Community Service Board, Newton Mental Health Center
8201 Hazelbrand Rd Covington, GA 30014
Phone and Hot Line: 770-962-5544
Website: www.grncsb.com
Outpatient substance abuse treatment for adolescents
Cost: Self pay, Medicaid, Medicare, Insurance, Sliding fee scale is available based on income.
- Atlanta Family Counseling Center
190 Cameden Hill Rd., Suite A., Lawrenceville, GA 30045
Phone: 770-513-8988 Website: www.atlantafamilycounselingcenter.com
Drug screening, clinical evaluations, outpatient group counseling on adolescent drug and alcohol use and adolescent violence, intensive outpatient program.
Cost: \$60 initial evaluation \$25 per group session.
Payment type accepted: Self pay, Private Insurance and sliding fee scale

Residential Treatment facilities

*These facilities provide care for adolescents and are within a 50 mile radius of Monroe. For a more complete list you can also look online at www.findtreatment.samhsa.gov

- Summit Ridge Center for Psychiatry and Addiction Medicine
250 Scenic Hwy. Lawrenceville, GA 30045
Phone: 678-442-5858 (24 hour info line)
Substance Abuse Treatment and Detoxification. Hospital inpatient, outpatient, partial hospitalization and day treatment for adolescents; parent and teen support; and family and group therapy.
Cost: Self-pay, Medicare and Insurance accepted
- Peachford Behavioral Health Systems
2151 Peachford Rd. Atlanta, GA 30338
Phone: 770-455-3200 Website: www.peachfordhospital.com
Substance Abuse Treatment and Detoxification for adolescents. Hospitalization, Outpatient, Partial Hospitalization and day treatment
Cost: Self-payment, Medicare, private health insurance
- Recovery Outfitters, Inc.
1300 Peachtree Parkway, Cumming, GA 30041
Phone: 678-947-6550 (Option 3) Toll Free Admissions and Help Line: 866-947-6550
Website: <http://www.recoveryoutfitters.org/>
Licensed residential treatment center offering treatment for young men ages 15-28. Work through primary residential treatment, long term goal realization, development of goal achievement plan, and through a learning and healing process to a point where they can realistically expect to live sober and fulfilling lives.
Cost: Private insurance accepted.
- Laurelwood Chemical Dependency Treatment
200 Wisteria Dr, Gainesville, GA 30501
Phone: 770-219-3800 Website: www.nghs.com
Substance Abuse Treatment and Detoxification for adolescents ages 12 and up.
Hospitalization, Outpatient, Partial Hospitalization and Day Treatment
Cost: Free assessment; Self-pay, Medicaid, Medicare, Private insurance accepted.
- Ridgeview Institute Adult and Adolescent Addiction Medicine Services
3995 South Cobb Dr. Smyrna, GA 30080
Phone: 770-434-4567 Website: www.ridgeviewinstitute.com
Substance Abuse Treatment, Detoxification and Half-way house for adolescents.
Outpatient, Partial Hospitalization, Day Treatment, Residential Short-term 30 days or more.
Cost: Self-pay, Medicare, Private insurance; Free Alateen support groups
- Hartmann Adolescent Center
119 Powers Ferry Rd. Marietta, GA 30060
Phone: 770-422-0202 Website: www.cobbcsb.com
Substance Abuse Treatment Services. Residential Long Term Treatment (more than 30 days)
Cost: Self-pay sliding pay scale, Medicaid, Peachcare, Private insurance.

Reporting Illegal Drug Activity

- Walton County Sheriff's Office
1425 S. Madison Ave. Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-267-6557 Website: www.waltonsheriff.com
To report illegal drug activity you can call the sheriff's office and ask to speak with Criminal Investigations Unit or visit their website and click on reporting drug activity and fill out the confidential reporting form. To report drug activity in the schools a student or parent may contact the School Resource Officer for their students school.
- Monroe Police Department
116 S. Broad St. Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-267-7576 FAX: 770-267-8386
- Loganville Police Department
West Walton Government Center
605 Tom Brewer Rd Loganville, GA 30052
Emergency: 911, 770-466-6679 Non-Emergency: 770-466-8087
- Social Circle Department of Public Safety
138 E. Hightower Trail, Social Circle, GA 30025
Phone: 770-464-2366 8:00am – 5:00pm, after hours call 911
Anonymous tip line: 770-464-6936
- Narcotics and Gang Awareness and Suppression Team
Anonymous Tip Line: 770-266-1687

Alcohol Laws

§ 3-3-23. Furnishing to, purchase of, or possession by persons under 21 years of age of alcoholic beverages; use of false identification; proper identification; dispensing, serving, selling, or handling by persons under 21 years of age in the course of employment; seller's actions upon receiving false identification; immunity for seeking medical assistance for alcohol related overdose

(a) Except as otherwise authorized by law:

(1) No person knowingly, directly or through another person, shall furnish, cause to be furnished, or permit any person in such person's employ to furnish any alcoholic beverage to any person under 21 years of age;

(2) No person under 21 years of age shall purchase, attempt to purchase, or knowingly possess any alcoholic beverage;

(3) No person under 21 years of age shall misrepresent such person's age in any manner whatever for the purpose of obtaining illegally any alcoholic beverage;

(4) No person knowingly or intentionally shall act as an agent to purchase or acquire any alcoholic beverage for or on behalf of a person under 21 years of age; or

Alcohol Laws continued

(5) No person under 21 years of age shall misrepresent his or her identity or use any false identification for the purpose of purchasing or obtaining any alcoholic beverage.

(b) The prohibitions contained in paragraphs (1), (2), and (4) of subsection (a) of this Code section shall not apply with respect to the sale, purchase, or possession of alcoholic beverages for consumption:

(1) For medical purposes pursuant to a prescription of a physician duly authorized to practice medicine in this state; or

(2) At a religious ceremony.

(c) The prohibitions contained in paragraphs (1), (2), and (4) of subsection (a) of this Code section shall not apply with respect to the possession of alcoholic beverages for consumption by a person under 21 years of age when the parent or guardian of the person under 21 years of age gives the alcoholic beverage to the person and when possession is in the home of the parent or guardian and such parent or guardian is present.

(d) The prohibition contained in paragraph (1) of subsection (a) of this Code section shall not apply with respect to sale of alcoholic beverages by a person when such person has been furnished with proper identification showing that the person to whom the alcoholic beverage is sold is 21 years of age or older. For purposes of this subsection, the term "proper identification" means any document issued by a governmental agency containing a description of the person, such person's photograph, or both, and giving such person's date of birth and includes, without being limited to, a passport, military identification card, driver's license, or an identification card authorized under Code Sections 40-5-100 through 40-5-104. "Proper identification" shall not include a birth certificate and shall not include any traffic citation and complaint form.

(e) If such conduct is not otherwise prohibited pursuant to Code Section 3-3-24, nothing contained in this Code section shall be construed to prohibit any person under 21 years of age from:

(1) Dispensing, serving, selling, or handling alcoholic beverages as a part of employment in any licensed establishment;

(2) Being employed in any establishment in which alcoholic beverages are distilled or manufactured; or

(3) Taking orders for and having possession of alcoholic beverages as a part of employment in a licensed establishment.

(f) Testimony by any person under 21 years of age, when given in an administrative or judicial proceeding against another person for violation of any provision of this Code section, shall not be used in any administrative or judicial proceedings brought against such testifying person under 21 years of age.

(g) Nothing in this Code section shall be construed to modify, amend, or supersede Chapter 11 of Title 15.

(h) In any case where a reasonable or prudent person could reasonably be in doubt as to whether

or not the person to whom an alcoholic beverage is to be sold or otherwise furnished is actually 21 years of age or older, it shall be the duty of the person selling or otherwise furnishing such alcoholic beverage to request to see and to be furnished with proper identification as provided for in subsection (d) of this Code section in order to verify the age of such person; and the failure to make such request and verification in any case where the person to whom the alcoholic beverage is sold or otherwise furnished is less than 21 years of age may be considered by the trier of fact in determining whether the person selling or otherwise furnishing such alcoholic beverage did so knowingly.

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(i) Any retailer or retail consumption dealer, or any person acting on behalf of such retailer or retail consumption dealer, who upon requesting proper identification from a person attempting to purchase alcoholic beverages from such retailer or retail consumption dealer pursuant to subsection (h) of this Code section is tendered a driver's license which indicates that such driver's license is falsified, is not the driver's license of the person presenting it, or that such person is under the age of 21 years, the person to whom said license is tendered shall be authorized to either write down the name, address, and license number or to seize and retain such driver's license and in either event shall immediately thereafter summon a law enforcement officer who shall be authorized to seize the license either at the scene or at such time as the license can be located. The procedures and rules connected with the retention of such license by the officer shall be the same as those provided for the acceptance of a driver's license as bail on arrest for traffic offenses pursuant to Code Section 17-6-11.

(j) (1) As used in this subsection, the term:

(A) "Alcohol related overdose" means an acute condition, including, but not limited to, extreme physical illness, decreased level of consciousness, respiratory depression, coma, mania, or death, resulting from the consumption or use of alcohol or that a layperson would reasonably believe to be resulting from the consumption or use of alcohol for which medical assistance is required.

(B) "Medical assistance" means aid provided to a person believed to be experiencing an alcohol related overdose by a health care professional licensed, registered, or certified under the laws of this state who, acting within his or her lawful scope of practice, may provide diagnosis, treatment, or emergency services relative to such overdose.

(C) "Seeks medical assistance" means accesses or assists in accessing the 9-1-1 system or otherwise contacts or assists in contacting law enforcement or a poison control center or provides care to a person experiencing or believed to be experiencing an alcohol related overdose while awaiting the arrival of medical assistance to aid such person.

(2) Any person who in good faith seeks medical assistance for someone who is experiencing an alcohol related overdose shall not be arrested, charged, or prosecuted for a violation of paragraphs (2) through (5) of subsection (a) of this Code section if the evidence for the arrest, charge, or prosecution of such violation resulted from seeking such medical assistance. Any person who is experiencing an alcohol related overdose and, in good faith, seeks medical assistance for himself or herself or is the subject of such a request shall not be arrested, charged, or prosecuted for a violation of paragraphs (2) through (5) of subsection (a) of this Code section if the evidence for the arrest, charge, or prosecution of such violation resulted from seeking such medical assistance. Any such person shall also not be subject to:

(A) Penalties for a violation of a permanent or temporary protective order or restraining order;
or

(B) Sanctions for a violation of a condition of pretrial release, condition of probation, or condition of parole based on a violation of paragraphs (2) through (5) of subsection (a) of this Code section.

(3) Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to limit the admissibility of any evidence in connection with the investigation or prosecution of a crime with regard to a defendant who does not qualify for the protections of paragraph (2) of this subsection or with regard to other crimes committed by a person who otherwise qualifies for protection pursuant to paragraph (2) of this subsection. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to limit any seizure of evidence or contraband otherwise permitted by law. Nothing herein shall be construed to limit or abridge the authority of a law enforcement officer to detain or take into custody a person in the course of an investigation or to effectuate an arrest for any offense except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection.

Tobacco Laws

§ 16-12-171. Prohibited acts

(a) (1) It shall be unlawful for any person knowingly to:

(A) Sell or barter, directly or indirectly, any cigarettes, tobacco products, tobacco related objects, **alternative nicotine products, or vapor products to a minor;**

(B) Purchase any cigarettes, tobacco products, tobacco related objects, alternative nicotine products, or vapor products for any minor unless the minor for whom the purchase is made is the **child of the purchaser; or**

(C) Advise, counsel, or compel any minor to smoke, inhale, chew, or use cigarettes, tobacco products, tobacco related objects, **alternative nicotine products, or vapor products.**

(2) (A) The prohibition contained in paragraph (1) of this subsection shall not apply with respect to sale of cigarettes, tobacco products, tobacco related objects, alternative nicotine products, or vapor products by a person when such person has been furnished with proper identification showing that the person to whom the cigarettes, tobacco products, tobacco related objects, alternative nicotine products, or vapor products are sold is 18 years of age or older.

(B) In any case where a reasonable or prudent person could reasonably be in doubt as to whether or not the person to whom cigarettes, tobacco products, tobacco related objects, alternative nicotine products, or vapor products are to be sold or otherwise furnished is actually 18 years of age or older, it shall be the duty of the person selling or otherwise furnishing such cigarettes, tobacco products, tobacco related objects, alternative nicotine products, or vapor products to request to see and to be furnished with proper identification as provided for in subsection (b) of this Code section in order to verify the age of such person. The failure to make such request and verification in any case where the person to whom the cigarettes, tobacco products, tobacco related objects, alternative nicotine products, or vapor products are sold or otherwise furnished is less than 18 years of age may be considered by the trier of fact in determining whether the person selling or otherwise furnishing such cigarettes, tobacco products, tobacco related objects, alternative nicotine products, or vapor products did so knowingly.

(3) Any person who violates this subsection shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

(b) (1) It shall be unlawful for any minor to:

(A) Purchase, attempt to purchase, or possess for personal use any cigarettes, tobacco products, tobacco related objects, alternative nicotine products, or vapor products. This subparagraph shall not apply to possession of cigarettes, tobacco products, tobacco related objects, alternative nicotine products, or vapor products by a minor when a parent or guardian of such minor gives the cigarettes, tobacco products, tobacco related objects, alternative nicotine products, or vapor products to the minor and possession is in the home of the parent or guardian and such parent or guardian is present; or

(B) Misrepresent such minor's identity or age or use any false identification for the purpose of purchasing or procuring any cigarettes, tobacco products, tobacco related objects, alternative nicotine products, or vapor products.

(2) A minor who commits an offense provided for in paragraph (1) of this subsection may be punished as follows:

(A) By requiring the performance of community service not exceeding 20 hours;

(B) By requiring attendance at a publicly or privately sponsored lecture or discussion on the health hazards of smoking or tobacco use, provided such lecture or discussion is offered without charge to the minor; or

(C) By a combination of the punishments described in subparagraphs (A) and (B) of this paragraph.

II. Healthy Sexual Decision Making

Education and Information

- Adolescent Center for Education and Services (ACES)
1404 S. Madison Ave. Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-207-4151
Free and confidential text line for teen health questions: 470-214-8823
- Sex Education Curriculum
The Partnership for Families, Children & Youth
P.O. Box 670 Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-882-6800 (Amy Hunnewell- Youth Development Director)
Abstinence-based sex education curriculum delivered to middle and high school students.
Trained facilitators walk students through concepts of peer, media and parental influence, dispel myths about sex and provide students with factual information about sex.
- Pregnancy Resource Centers of Walton
Loganville Clinic
3060 Highway 81 South, Loganville, GA 30052
Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-466-3900
Website: www.waltonpregnancy.com
Trained peer counselors take questions and concerns about STIs/STDs and related issues. All services are free and confidential.
Cost: Free
Monroe Clinic
700B Breedlove Drive,
Phone: 678-635-8564
- Impact Walton
The Pregnancy Resource Centers of Walton
Email: impactwalton@monroeaccess.net
Phone: 678-635-8565
A community services focused on the sexual and reproductive health of Walton County teens by using medically cited, informative presentations to prompt healthy discussions about sexually transmitted disease and fetal development. Impact Walton desires to empower teens to make positive, informed decisions and promote healthier communities through education and outreach.
- AIDS Athens
424 Spring Street, Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 706-549-3730, Fax: 706-549-2730
Serves to address the needs of individuals infected and affected by HIV/AIDS through support services and through preventing the spread of the disease through education and outreach. Enhances and enriches the quality of life for those living with HIV/AIDS as well as their friends, families and partners.
- Teen Sexual Health Board
A collaborative community effort aimed at promoting healthy teen sexual behaviors by empowering individuals through education, awareness and communication in Walton County. Meets monthly at The Partnership for Families, Children and Youth and participates in community outreach. For information, contact Lauren Welty (welty.lauren@gmail.com).

Sexually Transmitted Infection (STI) Testing and Treatment

- Adolescent Center for Education and Services (ACES)
1404 S. Madison Ave. Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-207-4151 Helpline: 1-800-4PD-HELP
ACES has an R.N. on staff that performs STI testing and treatment.
Cost: Fee for service
- Walton County Health Department
1404 S. Madison Ave. Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-207-4125 Helpline: 1-800-473-HELP
The Health Department has a certified nursing staff that are able to perform STI testing and treatment.
- West Walton Health Center
605 Tom Brewer Rd., Suite 200, Loganville, GA 30052
Phone: 770-466-1789 Helpline: 1-800-473-HELP
The Health Department has a certified nursing staff that are able to perform STI testing and treatment

Family Planning Resources

- Adolescent Center for Education and Services (ACES)
1404 S. Madison Ave. Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-207-4151 Helpline: 1-800-4PD-HELP
Free and confidential text line for teen health questions: 470-214-8823
Provides family planning resources to youth 11-19 years of age and under including oral contraceptives (combined pill and mini pill), Depo-Provera, IUD (Mirena and Paraguard), Nexplanon, condoms, and other barrier methods
Cost: All family planning for youth are sliding scale fee.
- **Walton County Health Department**
1404 S. Madison Ave. Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-207-4125 Helpline: 1-800-4PD-HELP
Provides family planning resources including: Oral contraceptives, Depo-Provera Injections, IUD, condoms and other barrier methods.
Cost: Sliding scale based on income
- West Walton Clinic
605 Tom Brewer Rd Loganville, GA 30052
Phone: 770-466-1789 Helpline: 1-800-473-HELP
West Walton Clinic provides family planning resources to adults and youth including: Oral contraceptives, Depo-Provera Injections, IUD, condoms and other barrier methods.
Cost: Sliding scale based on income

Reporting Statutory Rape or Sexual abuse

*Statutory Rape is defined in O.C.G.A 16-6-3 of the laws of the State of Georgia as an act of engaging in sexual intercourse with any person under the age of 16 years who is not his/her spouse. It does not matter if both parties are willing and the sex is consensual. Both Male and female can be charged with Statutory Rape. Depending upon age difference the charge can range from a Misdemeanor to a Felony charge

- Walton County Department of Family and Children Services (DFCS)
300 Georgia Avenue, Suite 100, Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-207-4176
Reporting Child Abuse 24/7: 1-855-GACHILD / 1-855-422-4453

- Walton County Sheriff's Office
1425 S. Madison Ave. Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-267-6557
Ask to speak with the Criminal Investigations Division (CID).
You may also speak with any of the School Resource Officers at your student's school.

- Monroe Police Department
116 S. Broad St. Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-267-7576 FAX: 770-267-8386

- Loganville Police Department
West Walton Government Center
605 Tom Brewer Rd Loganville, GA 30052
Emergency: 911, 770-466-6679 Non-Emergency: 770-466-8087

- Social Circle Department of Public Safety
138 E. Hightower Trail, Social Circle, GA 30025
Phone: 770-464-2366 8:00am – 5:00pm, after hours call 911

- Dial 911

Teens, Sex, and the Law

For more information, visit www.children.ga.gov

- **Hooking Up**
 - In Georgia, the age of consent is 16. That means that both partners must be at least 16 to do anything physically intimate or sexually arousing - from “messaging around,” to having oral sex or intercourse.
 - Believing that your partner is 16 doesn’t count - no matter how old they act or look.
 - In some cases, the penalties for having oral sex with someone under 16 can be more severe than the penalties for having intercourse.
 - **Sexting**
 - Taking nude or inappropriate pictures or movies of yourself or others and showing or sending them to friends on their cell phones or posting them online can be a serious crime.
 - Sending explicit emails, text messages, or voicemails to a person under 18 is illegal and you **may be prosecuted. OCGA§§ 16-12-100,100.1.**
 - If you’re texting a boyfriend or girlfriend living in another state or chatting on a social networking site, other states may have even stricter laws.
 - Consider this...
 - When the teen is under 16 or if the photos are extremely explicit and are distributed, the District Attorney can charge offenders with a felony carrying a significant prison sentence of up to 20 years. OCGA§§ 16-12-100,100.2.
- **What Is The Legal Charge?**
 - **Child molestation:** Doing any “immoral or indecent act” to or in the presence of (or with) any child under the age of 16 years with the intent to arouse or satisfy the sexual desires of either partner. Fondling, petting, rubbing, fooling around, etc. could all technically fall into this category. A first offense carries a sentence of at least five years in prison and publication of your picture on the Internet and years of restrictions as a sex offender.
 - **Sodomy** is any act involving the sex organs of one person and the mouth or anus of another. OCGA§ 16-12-2. **Oral sex is sodomy.**
 - **Aggravated child molestation** is child molestation that results in physical injury to the victim or that involves an act of sodomy. Any act of oral sex with a person under the age of 16 could be charged as aggravated child molestation. A person 13 years or older charged with aggravated child molestation will be charged as an adult in superior court and will face a prison sentence of 25 years minimum without parole.
 - **Aggravated sodomy** is sodomy that involves force or coercion or involves a victim less than 10 years old. Is the victim too drunk or drugged to really know what is going on? If so, a prosecutor could charge someone who takes advantage of that person with aggravated sodomy. A person 13 years or older charged with aggravated sodomy will be charged as an adult in superior court and will face a prison sentence of 25 years minimum without parole.
 - **Statutory rape** : Having intercourse with any person under the age of 16 years (unless you’re married) is a **felony that carries prison time. OCGA§ 16-12-3. A person who is 21 and commits this crime will be sentenced to at least 10 years in prison.**
 - **Felony:** a crime punishable by death, by imprisonment for life, or by imprisonment for more than 12 months. O.C.G.A. § 16-1-3
 - **Misdemeanor:** any crime other than a felony. O.C.G.A. § 16-1-3
- **Romeo and Juliet Provision**
 - The Romeo and Juliet Provision does not make underage sexual activity “legal” but rather lowers the charge from a felony to a misdemeanor. A misdemeanor can still carry jail time, probation, or a fine. For example, if one of the partners is at least 14 but less than 16, and the other person is 18 or younger, then the Romeo and Juliette provision may apply.

- In the “real world”, a person under 18 is not likely to be charged with a crime for kissing or fooling around with his or her 15-year-old girlfriend or boyfriend. However, the younger one of the participants is and the greater the age difference between the younger and the older person, the more likely it is that someone may consider the contact to deserve criminal prosecution.

III.

Teen Pregnancy

Education and Information

- Adolescent Center for Education and Services (ACES)
1404 S. Madison Ave. Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-207-4151 Helpline: 1-800-473-HELP
Free and confidential text line for teen health questions: 470-214-8823
Educational library open to the public that includes Pamphlets, Brochures, Videos, and Curriculum for lending on topics ranging from Pregnancy to Breastfeeding.
Cost: Free
- TeenAge MomS (TAMS)
Walton County Extension Office
100 N Broad Street Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-267-1324 (Contact: Molly Kimler)
EFNEP provides an in-home nutritional counseling program with eligible expectant mothers and a school based nutritional program for expectant teen moms or TAMS. The in-home program focuses on appropriate nutritional habits for an expectant mom and her developing fetus. The program also covers appropriate feeding for the baby once it is born. The TAMS program for Teenage Moms focuses on correct nutritional habits for the expectant mom and her developing baby. The TAMS program also incorporates other topics related to being a teen mom. For information on the in-home program contact Molly Kimler for qualifications. To enroll in the TAMS program contact the school counseling office at your school or Molly Kimler.
Cost: Free
- Teen Sexual Health Board
A collaborative community effort aimed at promoting healthy teen sexual behaviors by empowering individuals through education, awareness and communication in Walton County. Meets monthly at The Partnership for Families, Children and Youth and participates in community outreach. For information, contact Lauren Welty (welty.lauren@gmail.com).

Pregnancy Testing

- Adolescent Center for Education and Services (ACES)
1404 S. Madison Ave. Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-207-4151
Cost: Sliding Scale Fee
- West Walton Clinic
605 Tom Brewer Rd Loganville, GA 30052
Phone: 770-466-1789
Testing by appointment or walk-ins Limited. For all ages.
Cost: Sliding Scale Fee
- Walton County Health Department
1404 S. Madison Ave. Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-207-4125

Cost: Sliding Scale Fee

Pregnancy Testing continued

- Pregnancy Resource Center of Walton
3060 Highway 81 South, Loganville, GA 30052
Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-466-3900
Website: www.waltonpregnancy.com
700B Breedlove Drive,
Phone: 678-635-8564
Christian based center located in Loganville. Services include: Pregnancy testing, counseling and alternatives to abortion, educational ultrasounds for qualified clients (Monroe location online) counseling with family members and or partner, medical referral, help with life skills needed for supporting you and your baby, shelter or maternity home referrals, men's program, and information provided for help with finances and legal aid.
Cost: Free

Help

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Cost: Free
- Childbirth Preparation Class
Clearview Regional Medical Center
2151 West Spring Street, Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-267-8461
The two-session course covers preparation for labor and birth, baby care, and breastfeeding your newborn. Topics covered include stages and phases of labor, relaxation and breathing techniques, and comfort measures. Induction and cesarean delivery is also covered. Newborn care including bathing, diapering, dressing and swaddling are demonstrated. Care of the umbilical cord and circumcision are discussed, as well as how to soothe a fussy baby. Breastfeeding benefits, how to hold and latch the baby are covered, as well as how to tell if your baby is getting enough to eat. To register, call 877-933-2762 or visit ClearviewRegionalMedicalCenter.com
Cost: Free
- Infant CPR and Child Safety Class
Clearview Regional Medical Center
2151 West Spring Street, Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-267-8461

Class offers information on how to child proof your home, proper use of a car seat, and sleep positions for your newborn. Also teaches infant CPR and how to care for a choking infant. For parents, grandparents, babysitters, and other caregivers. To register, call 877-933-2762 or visit ClearviewRegionalMedicalCenter.com

Cost: Free

Help Continued

- The Partnership for Families, Children, and Youth
P.O. Box 670, Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-207-6060
Website: www.walton.gafcp.org
Rick Baker, LPC
In-home visits and counseling for teen moms and their families
Cost: Free
- Covenant Care Services
357 South Milledge Avenue, The Butler Building, Suite 113, Athens, GA 30615
Phone: 706-546-7267 Toll-Free Crisis Line: 1800-226-5683
Walton County Caseworker: Callie Helwig, 706-296-2233
Website: www.covenantcareadoptions.com
Christian based organization. Services include: Pregnancy Counseling, Foster Care, Adoption Services, and Post-Abortion Counseling.
Cost: Free
- Faith in Serving Humanity (FISH)
700 S. Madison Avenue Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-207-4357
Christian based organization supported by Walton County Churches. Services include: Clinic, financial, food, medications, resource linking, clothes and thrift store.
- Pregnancy Resource Center of Gwinnett
337 West Pike St., Lawrenceville, GA 30655
Phone: 770-338-1680 Appointments required. 24-hour help line: 1-800-712-4357
Services: Pregnancy test, Parenting Education Program, baby store for participants, abortion alternatives counseling, and Post-abortion counseling, Educates adolescent males with medically accurate data on abortion, pregnancy, adoption, STDs and HIV.
Cost: Free
- Department of Family and Children Services (DFCS)
300 Georgia Ave., Suite 100, Monroe, GA 30655
Confidential Helpline: 1-888-423-4746
Phone: 770-207-4176
Childcare Assistance Program provides free childcare to those teen moms who are still enrolled in and actively attending school.
Cost: Free

Prenatal Care

Prenatal Care is the care a pregnant mother receives from a health professional, a doctor or midwife, before her baby is born. Prenatal Care is vital to the health and safety of the mother and her baby. During a mother's prenatal care a doctor is able to monitor her pregnancy and diagnose and treat any problems if and when they arise.

The first trimester (1st 3 months) is the most critical time in the life of a developing baby. It is also the time when women are usually unaware of their pregnancy. It is very important that if you suspect you are pregnant you take a pregnancy test as soon as possible to make sure you are or are not pregnant. If it is an unplanned pregnancy, it is important not to be in denial or try to hide your pregnancy, as prenatal care is vital to the life of an unborn child and to the mother. You can receive prenatal care from any OB/GYN Doctor. There are several in Walton County; refer to the yellow pages and Clearview Regional Medical Center

(<http://www.clearviewregionalmedicalcenter.com/physician-directory>)

IV.

Misbehavior and Misconduct

Helpful Definitions

- **Delinquent Offense**

An offense committed by a child under the age of 17 years designated a crime by the laws of this state, or by the laws of another state if the act occurred in that state, under federal laws, or by local ordinance, and the act is not an offense applicable only to a child or a juvenile traffic offense

- **Traffic Offense**

A violation by a child under 18 years of age of:

(1) A law or local ordinance governing the operation of a moving motor vehicle upon the streets or highways of this state or upon the waterways within or adjoining this state; or

(2) Any other motor vehicle traffic law or local ordinance if a child is taken into custody and detained for its violation or is transferred to the juvenile court by the court hearing the charge

- **Child In Need Of Services (CHINS)**

A child under the age of 18 years adjudicated to be in need of care, guidance, counseling, structure, supervision, treatment, or rehabilitation and who is adjudicated to be:

(1) Subject to compulsory school attendance and who is habitually and without good and sufficient cause truant, as such term is defined in Code Section 15-11-381, from school. "Truant" means having ten or more days of unexcused absences from school in the current academic year;

(2) Habitually disobedient of the reasonable and lawful commands of his or her parent, guardian, or legal custodian and is ungovernable or places himself or herself or others in unsafe circumstances;

(3) A runaway, as such term is defined in Code Section 15-11-381. "Runaway" means a child who without just cause and without the consent of his or her parent, guardian, or legal custodian is absent from his or her home or place of abode for at least 24 hours;

(4) A child who has committed an offense applicable only to a child;

(5) A child who wanders or loiters about the streets of any city or in or about any highway or any public place between the hours of 12:00 Midnight and 5:00 A.M.;

(6) A child who disobeys the terms of supervision contained in a court order which has been directed to such child who has been adjudicated a child in need of services;

(7) A child who patronizes any bar where alcoholic beverages are being sold, unaccompanied by his or her parent, guardian, or legal custodian, or who possesses alcoholic beverages;

(8) A child who has committed a delinquent act and is adjudicated to be in need of supervision but not in need of treatment or rehabilitation.

Reporting Misbehavior and Misconduct

For Delinquent Offenses, Traffic Offenses, and A Child In Need of Services (CHINS)

Call “911” and request to meet with a law enforcement officer.

Go to the law enforcement agency office where the alleged offense occurred or is occurring

- **Walton County Sheriff ’s Office**
1425 S. Madison Ave. Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-267-6557
- **Monroe Police Department**
116 S. Broad St. Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-267-7576
- **Loganville Police Department**
West Walton Government Center
605 Tom Brewer Rd Loganville, GA
30052
Phone: 770-466-8087
- **Social Circle Police Department**
138 E. Hightower Trail Social Circle
30025
Phone: 770-464-2366

CHINS/ Truancy & Compulsory School Attendance

- **Georgia State Law - O.C.G.A. 20-2-690.1**

- (1) Mandatory attendance in a public school, private school, or home school program shall be required for children between their sixth and sixteenth birthdays. Such mandatory attendance shall not be required where the child has successfully completed all requirements for a high school diploma.
- (2) Every parent, guardian, or other person residing within this state having control or charge of any child or children during the ages of mandatory attendance as required in subsection (a) of this Code section shall enroll and send such child or children to a public school, a private school, or a home study program that meets the requirements for a public school, a private school, or a home study program; and such child shall be responsible for enrolling in and attending a public school, a private school, or a home study program that meets the requirements for a public school, a private school, or a home study program under such penalty for noncompliance with this subsection as is provided in Chapter 11 of Title 15, unless the child's failure to enroll and attend is caused by the child's parent, guardian, or other person, in which case the parent, guardian, or other person alone shall be responsible; provided, however, that tests and physical exams for military service and the National Guard and such other approved absences shall be excused absences. The requirements of this subsection shall apply to a child during the ages of mandatory attendance as required in subsection (a) of this Code section who has been assigned by a local board of education or its delegate to attend an alternative public school program established by that local board of education, including an alternative public school program provided for in Code Section 20-2-154.1, regardless of whether such child has been suspended or expelled from another public school program by that local board of education or its delegate, and to the parent, guardian, or other person residing in this state who has control or charge of such child. Nothing in this Code section shall be construed to require a local board of education or its delegate to assign a child to attend an alternative public school program rather than suspending or expelling the child.

(3) Any parent, guardian, or other person residing in this state who has control or charge of a child or children and who violates this Code section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction thereof, shall be subject to a fine of not less than \$25.00 and not greater than \$100.00, imprisonment not to exceed 30 days, community service, or any combination of such penalties, at the discretion of the court having jurisdiction. Each day's absence from school in violation of this part after the child's school system notifies the parent, guardian, or other person who has control or charge of a child of five unexcused days of absence for a child shall constitute a separate offense. After two reasonable attempts to notify the parent, guardian, or other person who has control or charge of a child of five unexcused days of absence without response, the school system shall send a notice to such parent, guardian, or other person by certified mail, return receipt requested, or first-class mail. Prior to any action to commence judicial proceedings to impose a penalty for violating this subsection on a parent, guardian, or other person residing in this state who has control or charge of a child or children, a school system shall send a notice to such parent, guardian, or other person by certified mail, return receipt requested. Public schools shall provide to the parent, guardian, or other person having control or charge of each child enrolled in public school a written summary of possible consequences and penalties for failing to comply with compulsory attendance under this Code section for children and their parents, guardians, or other persons having control or charge of children. The parent, guardian, or other person who has control or charge of a child or children shall sign a statement indicating receipt of such written statement of possible consequences and penalties; children who are age ten years or older by September 1 shall sign a statement indicating receipt of such written statement of possible consequences and penalties. After two reasonable attempts by the school to secure such signature or signatures, the school shall be considered to be in compliance with this subsection if it sends a copy of the statement, via certified mail, return receipt requested, or first-class mail, to such parent, guardian, or other person who has control or charge of a child or children. Public schools shall retain signed copies of statements through the end of the school year.

- **Enforcement of CHINS/Tuancy & Compulsory School Attendance**

- **Walton County Juvenile Court**

- Walton County Government Building

- 303 South Hammond Drive Suite 223, Monroe, GA 30655

- Phone: 770-267-1797 Fax: 770-267 8313

- Truancy Coordinator: Officer Mike Baldwin

- Services: Investigate reported incidents of truancy. The Truancy Coordinator accepts referrals from schools, parents, and citizens. The Truancy Coordinator works under the jurisdiction of the Juvenile Court.

Running Away From Home

- **Reporting A CHINS/Runaway**

- To report a child who is considered to be a “runaway” call 911

OR

Call your local city police (Loganville, Monroe, Social Circle) or the Walton County Sheriff's Office

Ungovernable/Unruly Behavior

- **Reporting A CHINS/Ungovernable**

Filing a juvenile complaint on your child will initiate Court intervention and action. After a complaint is filed the child and legal parent(s)/custodians(s)/guardian(s) will be assigned a court date. To file a Juvenile complaint on your child/ward for being CHINS/Ungovernable you may:

1. **Call "911"** and request to meet with a law enforcement officer
2. **Go to the Law enforcement agency** that serves the location where the alleged act occurred

Walton County Sheriff 's Office

1425 South Madison Avenue
Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-267-6557

Loganville Police Department

West Walton Government Center
605 Tom Brewer Road Loganville, GA
30052
Phone: 770-466-8087

Monroe Police Department

116 South Broad Street
Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-267-7575

Social Circle Police Department

138 East Hightower Trail
Social Circle, GA 30025
Phone: 770-464-2366

3. **Go to the Walton County Juvenile Court** and meet with an Intake Officer.
Walton County Government Building
303 South Hammond Drive Suite 223, Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-267-1346

V. Mental Health Concerns

Counseling Services

- Advantage Behavioral Health Systems
834 Hwy. 11 S Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-267-8302
New intake/ Crisis line: 1-800-715-4225
Walk-in intake MWF 8:30-2:30
Services: Adolescent and adult mental health and substance abuse--individual and family counseling, group therapy, psychiatric medication maintenance.
Cost: Sliding scale fee and insurance accepted
- Monroe Counseling Center
Counselor: Browning Fergus
First Baptist Church 202 McDaniel St, Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-267-6161
Services: Individual counseling and marital counseling.
Cost: Sliding Scale (Office Hours Tuesday only)
- Loganville Community Ministry Village
Hope House Counseling Center
678 Tom Brewer Road, Loganville, GA 30052
Phone: 770-554-3599 Website: www.ministryvillagega.org
Services: Individual, family, children, and marriage counseling. Life coaches for kids mentoring program and groups. Foster care support center and supervised visitation center.
Cost: Insurance accepted and direct pay based on Sliding Scale
- Tim Schnabel, LMFT
744 Chimney Trace, Monroe, GA 30656
Phone: 770-207-4888
Services: Individual, Marriage and Family counseling
Cost: Sliding Scale; Insurance also accepted
- **Aurora Counseling for Healing and Change, LLC**
Angie Eells, LCSW
137 N Midland Ave, Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-224-3396 Fax: 678-635-7152 Email: angiemeells@yahoo.com
Services: Therapy offered for children, adolescents, adults and their families. Specialties include: Child and Adolescent Behaviors, Adult and Child Abuse Survivors. Find on Facebook at [facebook.com/AuroraCounseling](https://www.facebook.com/AuroraCounseling) or psychologytoday.com.
Cost: Accepts Wellcare, Peachstate, Amerigroup, Medicare, Tricare, and all major insurances.
- **Family Foundations Counseling**
Rick Baker, LPC
1857 Hwy 78 W, Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-316-5793
Family, pre-marital, individual and adolescent counseling services.
Cost: Sliding scale

Counseling Services continued

- **Mosaic Counseling Group**

Ann Shannon, LCSW, RPT-S
Rhonda McGinnis, LAPC, CAMS-II
Mandy Schultze, LAPC, CAMS-II
Zach Johnston, LMSW
299-A Cooper Road, Loganville, GA 30052
Phone: 770-597-1647

Website: www.mosaiccounselinggroup.com

Services: Traditional Talk Therapy, Play Therapy, Anger Management, Trauma Therapy, Expressive Therapy, and other Evidence Based Therapies for Individuals, Couples, **Families, Children, and Adolescents.**

Rates vary depending on service. Most major insurance and Medicaid accepted. Sliding fee options are also available.

***The following are resources located outside of Walton County**

- The Devereux Georgia Treatment Network

1291 Stanley Rd NW, Kennesaw, GA 30152

Phone: 770-427-0147 or 800-342-3357 Website: www.devereux.org

A behavioral Health treatment network for children to young adults who are suffering from severe emotional and physiological challenges. They provide a multidisciplinary approach to treatment from secure intensive unit to open residential treatment. Clients Served are suffering from: Emotional disturbances, behavioral disorders, depression, personality disturbances, neuro-psychological impairment and substance abuse.

- Ridgeview Institute

3995 South Cobb Drive, Smyrna, GA 30080

Phone: 770-434-4567 Website: www.ridgeviewinstitute.com

Services include: Inpatient and Outpatient care for men, women, adolescents and elderly suffering from addictions, eating disorders, depression, anxiety, PTSD and other psychiatric disorders

Cost: Self pay and Insurance Accepted

- Pathways Transition Program

120 East Trinity Place, Decatur, GA 30030

Phone: 404-378-2300 Website: pathwaystp.com

Pathways is a private mental health center that offers outpatient mental health services, including individual, group and family counseling, and psychological evaluations.

Cost: Insurance accepted, Medicaid, Private Pay and sliding scale fee for clients.

- Laurel Heights Psychiatric Residential Hospital

934 Briarcliff Rd NE, Atlanta, GA 30306

Phone: 404) 888-7860 Website: <http://www.laurelheightshospital.com/about-us/>

Private child and adolescent behavioral health facility specializing in the treatment of children and adolescents with complex psychiatric and behavioral problems. Offers several residential treatment units separated by age and gender, a separate residential program

for children with autism and a specialty acute inpatient unit for children with co-occurring neurodevelopmental disabilities.

Cost: Insurance accepted, Medicaid, Private Pay

Counseling Services continued

- **Winning Strides**
Susan Jung, LPC
285 S. Perry Street, Lawrenceville, GA 30046
Phone: 770-776-8446 Website: www.winningstrides.net
Traditional counseling and equine assisted counseling provided for children, adults and families. Individual and group counseling, staff development, continuing education and licensure supervision provided. Equine assisted activities occur in north Rockdale County.
- **Bethel Haven**
1030 Village Dr., Suite B, Watkinsville, GA 30677
Phone: 706-310-9046
Website: www.bethelhaven.net
Services: Provides help and healing to distressed children, teenagers, adults and families through professional, therapeutic services. Help for: anxiety, depression, uncontrollable anger, self-harm, self-esteem concerns, relationship difficulties, ADHD concerns, school or college difficulties, eating disorders, questions of faith, and adoption issues.
Cost: Sliding fee scale
- **Eagle Ranch**
5500 Union Church Road, Flowery Branch, GA 30542
Contact: Tundi Massey, Referral Marketing Coordinator, 770-967-8500, tmassey@eagleranch.org
Chelsea Novak, Intake Counselor, 770-967-8500, cnovak@eagleranch.org
Website: www.eagleranch.org
Services: A residential counseling program for children/teenagers and their families. Works with children from 3rd-12th grade whose families have conflict or issues that have not been resolved through counseling in the community, including family conflict, rebellious behavior, anxiety, depression, problems at school or with authority figures, involvement of juvenile court, etc. Program length varies depending on needs of the family and child.
Please contact for more information.

Domestic Violence

- **Project Renewal**
Phone: 770-860-9770
24-hour shelter and crisis line: 770-860-1666
Services: Domestic Violence Shelter, Counseling Services, Material Aid, and Legal Aid for victims of Domestic Violence.
Cost: Free
- **Victims Assistance Program**
Walton County Sheriff's Office
1425 S. Madison Ave. Monroe, GA 30655
Contact: Rachel Sulkowski Phone: 770-266-1527 or 770-267-6557
Services: First responders to victims of any type of crime or accident. Advocacy to help the victim locate available resources, apply for Temporary Protective Orders (TPO), Find legal help, and navigate the legal system.

Domestic Violence continued

- Family Recovery
215 East Church Street Suite A Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-535-1073
Services: Domestic violence program for offender, sex offender program for offender, marriage counseling, family counseling, individual counseling, alcohol/drug evaluations, anger management evaluations, multiple DUI evaluations and individual parenting instruction for people 18 years and older.
Cost: Fee based, can apply for a hardship discount
- Georgia Access and Crisis Line
Phone: 1-800-715-4225
Internet: www.mygcal.com
Statewide toll free for any individual in Georgia seeking mental health, addiction, and crisis services.
- **The Walton County Domestic Violence Task Force**
P. O. Box 670, Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-207-3176
Services: The Walton County Domestic Violence Task Force is a collaboration of organizations, businesses, individuals and other interested parties who come together to increase awareness of domestic violence in Walton County. We accomplish this through public events, fund-raisers and a speaking bureau. The task force supports Project ReNeWal, the domestic violence shelter and family violence intervention program that serves Walton County. Any interested persons, organizations or businesses are welcomed. Meetings occur every second Tuesday and noon at the Walton County Administrative Building located at 303 Hammond Drive Monroe, 30655
- Additional resources can be located at <http://www.aardvarc.org/dv/states/gadv.shtml>

VI.

Health Concerns

Obesity

Obesity is not just being over weight; it is a condition of having a body fat of 30% or greater. Childhood obesity is quickly becoming the number one health problem for children in the United States. Obesity is a very serious condition for children and adults, and in some cases, can be fatal if left untreated. Obesity leads to numerous other health conditions and diseases. The best treatment for obesity is proper nutrition and exercise.

- Walton County Health Department
1404 S. Madison Ave. Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-207-4125 Helpline: 1-800-4PD-HELP
Services: The Health Dept. has access to a registered dietitian or nutritionist. Their job is to show the patient a proper and healthy way to lose weight.
- TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly)
Phone: 770-248-0521
Loganville Chapter located at O’Kelly Memorial Library, 363 Conyers Rd., Loganville, GA 30052
Meets Friday at 8am (weigh-in), 9am (meeting).
- Weight Watchers
Old City Hall
227 S. Broad St., Monroe, GA 30655
Loganville, GA 30052
Thursdays, 5:30pm
Sat, 9am
Gallman Office Park
4495 Atlanta Hwy, Bldg 400,
Mon, 6pm; Tues, 6:30pm; Wed, 10:30am;

Sport Physicals

- Gwinnet Clinic
1390 Spring St. Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-266-6191 Fax: 770-266-6707
Services: Full service Clinic. Walk-ins welcome
Cost: Medicare, Medicaid, Insurance and Direct Pay depending on the service
- Loganville Family Medicine
4599 Lawrenceville Road, Loganville, GA 30052
Phone: 770-466-8672
Services: full service family practice offering preventative care, wellness management.
Walk-ins welcome.
Cost: Insurance, Medicaid, Medicare
- Med Fast Clinic
902 Hwy. 78 Loganville, GA 30052
Phone: 770-554-5533
Services: Full Service Clinic. Walk-Ins welcome, office hours 9-7.
Cost: Insurance, Medicaid, Flat Fee
- Reddy Urgent Care
500 Great Oaks Drive, Suite 9, Monroe, GA 30655

Phone: 706-363-9228

Hours: Monday-Saturday, 8am-8pm; Sunday 10am-6pm

Services: minor illness and injury, sports and school physicals, vaccinations.

Cost: Insurance, Self-pay, Medicaid, Medicare

Immunizations

- Adolescent Center for Education and Services (ACES)

1404 S. Madison Ave. Monroe, GA 30655

Phone: 770-207-4151

- Walton County Health Department

1404 S. Madison Ave. Monroe, GA 30655

Phone: 770-207-4125

For all ages.

- West Walton Clinic

605 Tom Brewer Rd Loganville, GA 30052

Phone: 770-466-1789

By appointment. For all ages.

- Reddy Urgent Care

500 Great Oaks Drive, Suite 9, Monroe, GA 30655

Phone: 706-363-9228

Hours: Monday-Saturday, 8am-8pm; Sunday 10am-6pm

Services: minor illness and injury, sports and school physicals, vaccinations.

Cost: Insurance, Self-pay, Medicaid, Medicare

Acute Care

- Gwinnett Clinic

1390 Spring St. Monroe, GA 30655

Phone: 770-266-6191 Fax: 770-266-6707

Services: Full service Clinic. Walk-ins welcome

Cost: Insurance and Direct Pay depending on the service

- Med Fast Clinic

902 Hwy. 78 Loganville, GA 30052

Phone: 770-554-5533

Services: Full Service Clinic. Walk-Ins welcome, office hours 9-7.

Cost: Insurance, Medicaid, Flat Fee

- Reddy Urgent Care

500 Great Oaks Drive, Suite 9, Monroe, GA 30655

Phone: 706-363-9228

Hours: Monday-Saturday, 8am-8pm; Sunday 10am-6pm

Services: minor illness and injury, sports and school physicals, vaccinations.

Cost: Insurance, Self-pay, Medicaid, Medicare

Acute Care continued

- FISH M.D.
226 Alcovy St., Bldg D., Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 678-635-8378
Services: Medical care for uninsured residents of Walton County. Treats chronic conditions such as hypertension, diabetes as well as minor illness and other medical needs. Service by appointment only.
Cost: No cost.

Other Medical Care

- Children's Medical Services
645 Meigs Street, Athens, GA 30601
Phone: 706-389-6923
Services: Financial assistance and case management for clients 0-21 years old who qualify. CMS has specialty medical clinics where clients can be seen by specialists, including asthma, seizures, hearing loss, genetic conditions, and orthopedic issues. Also serve other diagnoses such as diabetes, cardiac, and GI/GU. Can pay for medicines and other services based on the condition and need/eligibility.
Cost: Based on financial eligibility to qualify for services. No cost.

Dentist

- Dental Hygiene Clinic
Athens Technical College
Bldg. A 800 U.S. Hwy. 29 Athens, GA 30601
Phone: 706-583-2810
Services: Teeth cleaning, x-rays, sealants and whitening
Cost: Minimal Pricing
- FISH M.D.
226 Alcovy St., Bldg. F, Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 678-635-7335
Services: X-rays, Cleaning, and Extraction. Appointment required. Emergencies prioritized. Patients must be Walton County residents, not have insurance and must meet financial guidelines
Cost: No cost.
- **Help a Child Smile Mobile Dental Program**
Phone: 770-760-7900
Dental care for children at school (Social Circle only).
Website: www.hcsga.com
Cost: Medicaid, Peachcare, Insurance

Nutrition

- Walton County Cooperative Extension Office
100 N. Broad Street Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-267-1388
Contact: Molly Kimler, Walton County Nutrition Program Assistant
Services: Nutrition information and education, Walk Georgia Program
Cost: Free

Disabilities

- The Bridge of Georgia
Center for Ability Development
109 Blaine Street at old Blaine Street School
Contact: Tamila Burt (770) 406-6111, Email: tami@thebridgeofgeorgia.org
Website: www.thebridgeofgeorgia.org
Services: 2 year old preschool-9th grade Academy, applied behavioral therapy, speech therapy, music therapy, community workshops, summer camp, parent support groups.
Library open 8:00am-2:00pm. Coffee mornings at the Bridge second Wednesday of the month at 8:30am.
- Stone Soup
Meets at Faith Baptist Church Monroe, GA
Contact: Tamila Burt (678) 227-0970, Email: tami@thebridgeofgeorgia.org
Services: Monthly night of respite and weekly parenting classes for families of children with special needs (each Wednesday). Also provides support for ministries for Faith Baptist Church for families to attend services. Stone Soup also offers 2 full weeks of camp for ages 4-34.
- Unlimited Services
226 Leroy Anderson Road Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-267-8391 FAX: 770-207-4070 GCAL Crisis & Access Phone: 1-800-715-4225
Website: www.advantagebhs.org
Contact: Paula Andrew at pandrew@advantagebhs.org
Services: For adults (18+) with Developmental Disabilities including Autism.
Cost: Free with Regional Board approval. Call for assistance with referral.
 - **The Walton County Navigator Team**
Contact: Sue Rowe, Team Leader, 770-300-7988
Lisa Fogie, Team Leader, 912-322-1768
Email: Walton@p2pga.org
Services: A project of Parent to Parent of Georgia, The Walton County Navigator team strives to support local families that have children or young adults with disabilities. They provide families with local resources, increased access to education and advocacy, which meet their specialized needs. Meetings are held monthly on the second Tuesday at 9:00am. Location changes, so please call for information.

Disabilities continued

***The following are resources located outside of Walton County**

- Extra Special People (ESP)

189 VFW Drive, Watkinsville, GA 30677

Phone: 706-769-9333

Contact: Gina at gina@extraspecialpeople.com

Website: extraspecialpeople.com

Services: ESP empowers children & young adults with developmental disabilities to cultivate skills, self-confidence, and relationships through recreational therapy, community involvement, and the arts. With the support of volunteers and donors, the ESP team gives participants and their families the gifts of acceptance & hope, and the opportunity to not just survive, but also thrive. Programming runs year-round through after-school enrichment and 8 weeks of summer camp. ESP also offers weekend outings, family support, and special events including our Fall Festival and Big Hearts Pageant.

Cost: Varies by program, scholarships available

- **Parent to Parent of Georgia**

3070 Presidential Parkway, Suite 130, Atlanta, GA 30340

Phone: 770-451-5484, Toll free: 800-229-2038

Website: www.p2pga.org

Services: support for Georgia families and individuals from birth to 26 affected by disabilities or special health care needs. Call or visit the website for more information.

- Marcus Autism Center

1920 Briarcliff Road Atlanta, GA 30329

Phone: 404-785-9400 Website: www.marcus.org

A comprehensive resource for children and adolescents with autism and related disorders. Explore services from school programs and in-home treatment to family support groups, and meet some inspiring patients.

VII.

Teen Driving

Education

- Youth Investigations
Walton County Sheriff's Office
Phone: 770-266-1514 Contact: Capt. Darren Vinson
ADAP Program (Alcohol and Drug Awareness Program)
This program is taught by certified Police Officers at the Walton County Sheriffs Office once a month. The ADAP program is the state of Georgia's Official program that all teens must pass in order to receive a driver's license. Call in order to enroll and get class schedule.
- Traffic Enforcement/HEAT Unit
Walton County Sheriff's Office
Phone: 770-266-1699
Mission: Dedicated to the reduction in the loss of life and property through active enforcement of traffic laws and educating the public on traffic safety.

Services

- Driver Education – Drive For Life Program at Athens Tech
Contact: Athens Tech Continuing Education Program
Phone: (770) 207-4080
This 4 Week program is designed for students who have already attained their learner's permit and are looking to get 30 hours of instruction before getting their driver's license. The class, offered Monday-Thursdays from 4:00-6:30pm, is a simulated driving class where students are in the classroom using simulators to safely learn how to navigate the roadways. Completion can lower insurance premiums.
Cost: \$299.00
- New London School of Driving
4392 Lawrenceville Rd., Loganville, GA 30052
Phone: 770-466-0410
Website: newlondondriving.com
Cost: varies depending on program
 - **Let Me Know**
Contact: 1-877-LMK-3130
A pro-active proven method of saving lives, the 1-800 How's My Driving decals are recognized throughout the United States to track fleet vehicles and their driving habits. Now teen drivers can be tracked with the same efficiency for only about \$3.50 a week.

Driving LAWS

Earning Your License: The Teenage and Adult Driver Responsibility Act established graduated driver licensing for Georgians between the ages of 15 to 18, with three separate classifications.

Step 1: Instruction Permit (Class CP) This is granted to 15-year-olds upon passage of a written examination. While driving, the permit holder must be accompanied by a licensed (Class C) adult 21 years of age or older in the front seat that is capable of exercising control of the vehicle.

Step 2: Intermediate License (Class D) This license is granted to drivers 16 years or older, who have held an Instructional Permit for 12 months and have passed a comprehensive on road driving test. The Intermediate License has the following restrictions: A Class D License Holder may not drive between the hours of 12:00 a.m. and 5:00 a.m. NO EXCEPTIONS. During the first six (6) months following issuance, only immediate family members may ride in the vehicle. During the second six (6) months following issuance, only one (1) passenger under 21 years of age who is not a member of the driver's immediate family may ride in the vehicle. After the first and second six-month period, only three (3) passengers under 21 years of age who are not members of the driver's immediate family may ride in the vehicle. A total of at least 40 hours of other supervised driving, including 6 at night, is also required. Individuals who do not complete an approved driver education course must wait until age 17 to become licensed. Driver training is not mandated for 17-year-olds, although it is highly recommended Driver education requirements must be met prior to initial issuance.

Special Notes: The supervised driving requirement also applies to an initial Class C license applicant who has not previously been issued a Class D license. Visit the GOHS website (www.gahighwaysafety.org) for a copy of a Teen Driver/Parent Agreement and also click on the "Links" to Department of Driver Services for a Supervised Driving Log.

Step 3: Full License (Class C) For drivers 18 years of age or older who hold a Class D license, this license is granted if there have been no major traffic convictions for the previous 12 months. License must be upgraded to Class C or you will be held to Class D restrictions regardless of your age.

School Attendance Required

No individual under the age of 18 can obtain a driver's license or instruction unless he or she is attending a public school, a private school or is enrolled in a home school authorized by law; or has graduated from high school, received a certificate of high school completion; or has completed his or her secondary education and is enrolled in a postsecondary school.

If a student under the age of 18 drops out of school and has remained out of school for 10 days, or has 10 or more unexcused absences in any current school year or previous school year, notice will be given by the school to the Department of Driver Services. The student's driver's license will be suspended for one year or until his or her 18th birthday. School/Suspension A student's driver's license will be suspended for one year or until his or her 18th birthday if the student has been found in violation by hearing officer, panel, or tribunal of one of the following offenses, has received a change in placement for

committing one of the following offenses, or has waived his or her right to a hearing and pleaded guilty to one of the following offenses:

- o Threatening, striking or causing bodily harm to a teacher or other school personnel
- o Possession or sale of drugs or alcohol on school grounds or at a school sponsored event
- o Possession or use of a weapon on school grounds or at a school sponsored event
- o Any sexual offense prohibited under Chapter 6 of Title 16

- o Causing substantial physical or visible bodily harm to or seriously disfiguring another person, including another student

For more details on teen driving laws and restrictions please contact Governor's Office of Highway Safety 404-656-6996 or on the web at www.gahighwaysafety.org

Where to get a permit and license

- Between
1010 Heritage Parkway, Monroe, GA 30655
Open Tuesday-Friday 8am-6pm, Saturday 8am-12pm
- Covington
8134 Geiger St. Covington, GA 30014
Open Tuesday – Friday 8 am–6pm, Saturday 8am-12pm
- Conyers
2206 Eastview Parkway NE, Conyers, GA 30013
Open Tuesday – Friday 8am-6pm, Saturday 8am-12pm
- Athens
1505 US Hwy. 29 North Athens, GA 30601
Open Tuesday – Friday 8am-6pm, Saturday 8am-12pm
- Lawrenceville
310 Hurricane Shoals Lawrenceville, GA 30046
Open Tuesday – Friday 7:30 am - 6:30 pm, Saturday 7:30am-12pm

Cost is \$10 per permit.

Cost for Driver's License is \$20 for 5 year, \$32 for 8 year.

VIII.

After School Programs

Mentoring Programs

- **Team Up Mentoring**
P.O. Box 523, Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-356-4820 Coordinator: Anna Blount Website: www.teamupmentoring.org
Program designed for Pre-K – 12th grades. This program creates one-on-one relationships with caring adults for at-risk children. Focus on providing relationship building, life skills, and reading skills. Referrals required for children Pre-k through 2nd grade. Provides wrap around services for families.
Cost: Free
- **Lifeline 4 Kids**
Loganville Community Ministry Village
Phone: 770-478-3198 Contact: Debi Moore, email dmoore@lcmv4families.org
Website: www.ministryvillagega.org
Faith based program that allows adults the opportunity to mentor children who come from single parent families. The program involves work with social skill development, spirituality, school and self esteem for the child, while helping him/her through a difficult time in their life.
Cost: Free
- **Parent Mentor**
Walton County Public Schools
Tonya McCullohs
Pone: 770-266-4532 Email: tonya.mccullohs@walton.k12.ga.us
The Parent Mentor helps families of special needs children navigate the Special Education process, provides resources, and serves as a liaison between the school and parents.
- **Mentoring Coalition**
The Partnership for Families, Children, and Youth
Phone: 770-882-6800 Website: www.waltonyouthcan.org
Mentoring Coalition Coordinator: Amy Hunnewell
Contact the Mentoring Coalition for more information on Mentoring Programs offered throughout Walton County, how to sign your child up to be in a mentoring program, or how to sign up to be a mentor.
- **S.T.E.P.S Society**
Director: Sabrina Sanford-Flint
Phone: 770-316-9694
Email: dst7southernbell@aol.com
The S. T. E. P. S. Society is designed to prepare students in the 8th through 12th grade and their parents for college. The society focuses on three main areas: Finding Money for College, Choosing the Right College & Career and Taking the Right classes in High School & College. The purpose of the S. T. E. P. S. Society is to empower students with skills and information that will enable them to be successful with their post-high school education and careers. The program includes monthly workshops (SAT/ACT, financial, student life, etc.), guest speakers, career & educational field trips and college preparation.
Cost: Free

Mentoring Programs continued

- **Rivers of Mercy Church**
714 Davis Street, Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 678-635-8511 Website: flowingriver.org, www.facebook.com/romchurch
Offers comprehensive community development program, including weekly dinners, Karate courses, Chorus, and life-skill development classes
Cost: Free
- **Walton County Sheriff 's Office Youth Mentoring Program**
1425 South Madison Ave., Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-266-1514 or 770-266-1515
Mentoring program serving boys aged 9-16. For more information, contact Capt. Darren Vinson.

Tutoring

- **21st Century Grant Program**
21st Community Learning Centers are located at: Monroe Elementary School, Harmony Elementary, Walnut Grove Elementary, Walker Park Elementary, Loganville Elementary School, Atha Road Elementary, Carver Middle School, Youth Middle School, Loganville Middle School, Monroe Area High School, Walnut Grove High School, Loganville High School.

The purpose of the 21st Century Community Learning Centers Program is to provide community learning centers that operate during out-of-school hours and that have three specific purposes:

- To provide opportunities for academic enrichment services such as credit recovery, cultural and recreational activities, homework or tutoring help;
- To offer students a broad array of additional services, programs, and activities to reinforce and complement the regular academic program; and
- To offer families of 21st CCLC students opportunities for literacy and related educational development.

For more information contact Dr. Rita Dickinson at 770-266-4484 or Anne Mitchell at 770-207-3173.

- **KidZone After School Program**
Monroe Church of God
1204 East Church Street, Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-267-4581 Websites: www.monroecog.net or www.journeyforkids.org
Academic and life skills development in a safe Christian environment. Academic mentors available everyday for tutoring and homework assistance. Opportunities for recreation, group activities, Bible study, and community involvement included Ages 4-12.
Cost: Call for monthly registration rate. Financial Assistance is available.

Youth Clubs and Organizations

- Girl Scouts of Northeast Georgia
185 Newton Bridge Road
Athens, GA 30607
Phone: 706-548-7297
- Boy Scouts of America, Northeast Georgia Council
203 Swanson Drive Lawrenceville, GA 30043
Phone: 770-962-2105 Website: www.nega-bsa.org
Contact: Jeffrey C. Brown
- Walton County Boys and Girls Club
405 Community Court, GA 30655
Phone: 770-207-6279 Website: www.bgca.org and www.bgcncg.org
Email: Walton@bgcncg.org
Cost for membership: \$40 one time fee for after school program
A safe and positive place for kids and teens (ages 6-18) after school and during the summer months. Provides a safe place to learn and grow, ongoing relationships with caring, adult professionals, life-enhancing programs and character development experiences, and hope and opportunity.
- Walton County 4-H
Cooperative Extension
100 N Broad Street, Monroe, GA 30655
Contact: Jenna Daniel, jbrown10@uga.edu
Phone: 770-267-1324
- The Rock Student Center
Physical Address: 405 Community Court, Monroe, GA 30655 (Boys and Girls Club)
Mailing: PO Box 405 Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: (770) 601-4082 Contact: Michael Cameron
Website: www.RockStudentCenter.com
Services Provided: After school and weekend Christian based programming for Walton County Teens centered on a safe place, adults who care, positive entertainment and environment with video games, pool tables, and concerts.
Cost: Free on Thursday Nights
- Walton County Youth Advocacy Board (YAB)
The Partnership For Families Children and Youth
Phone: 770-882-6800 website: www.waltonyouthcan.org
Contact: Amy Hunnewell, Youth Development Director
The YAB is a group of students from Loganville, Monroe, Walnut Grove and Social Circle who have a common goal of being positive peer role models for youth in Walton County. Each student must apply to become a member of the board and undergo an interview process. They are then chosen by adult sponsors and current YAB members to be accepted on to the board. The YAB is responsible for planning and implementing fun, positive, youth activities, serving as a voice for their peers among community leaders, and community service projects. The YAB is a unique opportunity for youth to get hands-on leadership training.

Cost: Free

Youth Clubs and Organizations continued

- Walton County Sheriff's Explorers
Walton County Sheriff's Office
1425 S. Madison Ave. Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-266-1517 Contact: Matt Garrett
A group of youth 8th – 10th grade who are interested in learning about a career in law enforcement.
- Walton County Parks and Recreation
Phone: 770-267-1483 Fax: 770-267-1369
Director: Jody Johnson Email: jejohnson@co.walton.ga.us
Provides a variety of Team Sports for youth throughout Walton County
- **S.T.E.P.S Society**
Director: Sabrina Sanford-Flint
Phone: 770-316-9694
Email: dst7southernbell@aol.com
The S. T. E. P. S. Society is designed to prepare students in the 8th through 12th grade and their parents for college. The society focuses on three main areas: Finding Money for College, Choosing the Right College & Career and Taking the Right classes in High School & College. The purpose of the S. T. E. P. S. Society is to empower students with skills and information that will enable them to be successful with their post-high school education and careers. The program includes monthly workshops (SAT/ACT, financial, student life, etc.), guest speakers, career & educational field trips and college preparation.
Cost: Free

IX.

Parenting and Family Help

Education and Information

- The Partnership for Families Children and Youth
P.O. Box 670 Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-207-6060 Fax: 770-818-5687 Website: <http://walton.gafcp.org/>
Coordinator: Dena Huff E-mail: dena.huff@walton.k12.ga.us
The Partnership is a large network made up of Partners from the community that consists of: Parents, government agencies, non-profit organizations, civic organizations, concerned citizens, and local officials that work together to realize the vision that all children will grow to realize their full potential in Walton County. The Partnership is a one-stop shop for families and service providers to gather information on resources and opportunities. They also provide direct services through Family Services Coordinator and Youth Development Coordinator. Partnership meetings are held the third Tuesday of every month at 8:00AM at Felker Community Center in Monroe.
Cost: Free
- Setting The Tone: A Community Approach To End Bullying
The Partnership for Families, Children & Youth
P.O. Box 670 Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-882-6800
Twenty-three minute long video that covers how each community member has a role in stopping the bullying epidemic. Created by the Walton County Youth Advocacy Board, this video talks to everyone, from middle school students and teachers, to parents and neighbors about the dangers of physical, verbal and bullying in the digital age.
Cost: \$50
- **Walton County Head Start/Pre-K**
Easter Seals Child Development Center
832 Highway 11 South, Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-267-7107, Fax: 770-207-8838
Head Start serves children ages 3 to 5 and is a federally funded free childcare program. Children who attend Head Start participate in a variety of education activities. Comprehensive services include education and care, individualized teaching, well-equipped classrooms, nutritional snacks and meals, disability services, health and dental services, speech, vision and hearing screenings, parent training, and social services.
Cost: No cost.
- Family Services Coordinator – Rick Baker, LPC
The Partnership for Families Children and Youth
PO Box 670 Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770- 207-3176 E-mail: rick.baker@walton.k12.ga.us
The Parenting education program is tailored to the needs of the individual. The educational sessions are conducted in home and are free of charge. Family counseling is offered and is also provided in the participant's home. Both the parenting education and family counseling are solution oriented and are relatively short-term in nature. Referrals are screened using a risk assessment scale to provide needed assistance on a priority basis.
Cost: Free

Education and Information continued

- Family Recovery
166 B West Spring Street Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-535-1073 Contact: Gary Holstad
Services: Individual parenting instruction. Topics include: Anger management and family violence intervention.
Cost: Fee based, can apply for the half-off hardship discount
- **Parent Mentor**
Walton County Public Schools
Tonya McCullohs
Phone: 770-266-4532 Email: tonya.mccullohs@walton.k12.ga.us
The Parent Mentor helps families of special needs children navigate the Special Education process, provides resources, and serves as a liaison between the school and parents.
- Title I Parent Involvement Coordinator
Parent Involvement Coordinators
Donna Hawk (ARES, WPS, MES, CMS, HES)
Phone: 770-226-4530 Email: donna.hawk@walton.k12.ga.us
Kathy Ellington (WGES, WGHS, YMS, MAHS)
Phone: 770-207-3107 Email: katherine.ellington@walton.k12.ga.us
Tonya McCullohs (LMS, LES)
Phone: 770-266-4532 Email: tonya.mccullohs@walton.k12.ga.us
Services include school and community resource information to the parents whose children attend Title I schools. Parent consultations are available that encourage practices that can be implemented to forge a stronger bond between that of home and school. Services also include informing parents and caregivers of opportunities and resources that are available to promote better parenting, stronger families, support towards greater student achievement and a commitment towards their community schools.
Cost: Free
- Active Parenting of Teens: Families in Action
Advantage Behavioral Health Systems
824 Highway 11, Monroe, GA 30655
Contact: Leslie Jones, 770-267-8302 x 18, ljones2@advantagebhs.org
Program targeted to parents and their teens designed to break down barriers of communication, promote cooperation, and address challenges head-on. Upcoming classes to be announced at a future date. Will take place 5:30pm-8:00pm for 6 sessions.
Cost: No cost
- Pregnancy Resource Center of Walton
3060 Highway 81 South, Loganville, GA 30052
Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-466-3900
Website: www.waltonpregnancy.com
700B Breedlove Drive,
Phone: 678-635-8564
Christian based center located in Loganville. Services include: Pregnancy testing, counseling and alternatives to abortion, educational ultrasounds for qualified clients (Monroe location online) counseling with family members and or partner, medical referral,

help with life skills needed for supporting you and your baby, shelter or maternity home referrals, men's program, and information provided for help with finances and legal aid.

Cost: Free

Education and Information continued

- Infant CPR and Child Safety Class
Clearview Regional Medical Center
2151 West Spring Street, Monroe, GA 30655
Phone: 770-267-8461

Class offers information on how to child proof your home, proper use of a car seat, and sleep positions for your newborn. Also teaches infant CPR and how to care for a choking infant. For parents, grandparents, babysitters, and other caregivers. To register, call 8779332762 or visit ClearviewRegionalMedicalCenter.com

Cost: Free

Programs

- Merging Generations
Loganville Community Ministry Village
First Baptist Church of Loganville
678 Tom Brewer Rd, Loganville, GA 30052
Phone: 770-554-3599

Encouragement and support for grandparents or other relative caregivers who are raising children. Hosted by professional counselors the third Monday of each month from 6:30-8:00pm. A meal is provided for the entire family, and children are offered age-specific activities while being cared for by volunteers. Call to pre-register.

Cost: Free

- Grandparents Raising Grandchildren
Coordinator: Paige Powell; Program Specialist: Sarah Kruse
Athens Community Council on Aging
135 Hoyt St., Athens, GA 30601
Phone: 706-549-4850 Email: ppowell@accaging.org, skruse@accaging.org

This program is for relative caregivers who are raising one or more grandchildren, nieces, or nephews, 17 years of age or younger without either biological parent present in the home. Program participants are eligible for the following services: case management/social work services, health screenings, health counseling, grandparent support groups, parenting education, family activities, emergency assistance, and transportation assistance.

Cost: Free

- **Rivers of Mercy Church**

714 Davis Street, Monroe, GA 30655

Phone: 678-635-8511 Website: flowingriver.org, www.facebook.com/romchurch

Offers comprehensive community development program, including weekly dinners, Karate courses, Chorus, and life-skill development classes

Cost: Free

- **Foundations for Living**, Sande Bailey
409 Spartlin Drive, Jefferson GA 30549

Phone: 706-424-8298 Email: foundationsforliving@ymail.com

Services: Staff Development, individualized work with children associated with the Juvenile Justice System or who need extra assistance for personal success, community panels focused on healthy youth and family behaviors.

Cost: Contact Sande for information

Programs continued

- Georgia Legal Services

1856 W. Broad St., Suite B, Athens, GA 30603; P.O. Box 1788, Athens, GA 30603

Phone: 770-227-5362

Represents clients for family violence protective orders, stalking protective orders, food stamps, Medicaid (including programs like Georgia Pediatrics Program), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), school discipline (suspensions and expulsions), school enrollment, and name changes/birth certificate amendments. Intake is done Monday through Thursday from 9am-4pm by telephone at 1-800-745-5717.

Cost: No cost for services

- Progressive Counseling Solutions

Chip Morris, LCSW

P.O. Box 874, Monroe, Georgia 30655

Phone: 855-264-3725 (Toll Free)

Website: www.offenderEG.com

Services: Offers one-day anger management and shoplifting prevention courses for adults and juveniles.

- GED Program

Athens Technical College, Walton County Center

212 Bryant Rd. Monroe, GA 30655

Contact: Darlene Alley, Adult Education Instructor

Phone: 770-207-4091

Serving underage youth ages 16 to adult. Classes that prepare the student to pass the GED test.

Cost: Free classes, \$160 for official GED exam, some scholarships available

- Vocational Rehabilitation Services

Georgia Department of Labor

212 Bryant Rd., Monroe, GA 30655, Room 509 (inside Athens Tech)

Serves high school students who are juniors or seniors and who have a permanent physical or cognitive disability. Assistance with transitioning into the workforce or secondary education.

- Office of Child Support Services

300 Georgia Ave., Monroe, GA 30655

Phone: 1-877-423-4746 Fax: 770-207-4184.

Locating non-custodial parents, establishment of paternity and monetary support obligation, the enforcement of monetary support obligations and medical insurance coverage for children, the review and modification of support obligations, and the prompt and accurate distribution of child support payments.

- **A.P. Henderson Scholarship Foundation**

President: Sabrina Sanford- Flint

Phone: 770-316-9694

Email: dst7southernbell@aol.com

The foundation was established in 1992 by a group of citizens to address the increase in high school drop outs and the decrease in students attending college. At that time their focus was providing scholarships to high school seniors at Social Circle High School.

Today, our focus has increased to include partnering with the local school on attendance incentives, Back to School events, tutoring, summer camp, boot camps, etc. The goal is to help our community anyway needed.

Cost: Free

Programs continued

- Abbey Hospice Foundation's Camp Journey

P.O. Box 68 Social Circle, GA 30025

Phone: 770-464-5858

www.abbeyhospicefoundation.org or www.mycampjourney.org

Two-day, overnight camping experience designed to help children understand and accept grief at Camp Twin Lakes in Rutledge, Georgia.

Cost: Free for children ages 7-1

- Eagle Ranch

5500 Union Church Road, Flowery Branch, GA 30542

Contact: Tundi Massey, Referral Marketing Coordinator, 770-967-8500, tmassey@eagleranch.org

Chelsea Novak, Intake Counselor, 770-967-8500, cnovak@eagleranch.org

Website: www.eagleranch.org

Services: A residential counseling program for children/teenagers and their families. Works with children from 3rd-12th grade whose families have conflict or issues that have not been resolved through counseling in the community, including family conflict, rebellious behavior, anxiety, depression, problems at school or with authority figures, involvement of juvenile court, etc. Program length varies depending on needs of the family and child.

Please contact for more information.

X. Abuse

Could YOU be a victim of abuse?

Ask yourself these questions.....

Physical Abuse: Has an adult hit you and there was a mark left on your body the next day?

Emotional Abuse: Has an adult harmed your sense of self-worth by calling you names, isolating you, humiliating you or rejecting you?

Sexual Abuse: Has ANYONE forced you to do something sexual with them you didn't want to do?

Sexual Harassment: Has someone made you feel uncomfortable by saying or acting out rude sexual actions or comments?

(it really doesn't matter what their intentions were, it depends on how it made YOU feel)

Does someone try to control you with abusive threats- telling you what to do and how to act? They may also try to control you through physical or mental abuse.

If you answered YES to any of these questions, you might be a victim of abuse. It won't stop unless YOU do something.

Here are some options to help you out.....

- Tell a trusted teacher or school counselor. They can help.
- Call the Child Abuse Hotline open 24/7 1-855-422-4453
- Report suspected child abuse: 1-855-GACHILD/ 1-855-422-4453
- You can also call the Walton County DFCS office 770-207-4176
- If you feel you are in immediate danger, call 911

Help for Victims of Abuse

A Child's Voice Child Advocacy Center
216 Brookstone Place, Social Circle, GA 30025
Phone: 770-464-0082

Website: <http://achildsvoicecac.org/>

Services: A Child's Voice Child Advocacy Center, serving Newton, Walton, and surrounding counties, is a center designed to meet the needs of children who are victims of sexual or severe physical abuse or neglect. It is a child friendly facility supplied with state-of-the-art equipment that enables specially trained professionals to conduct effective, consistent, non-threatening forensic interviews and medical examinations of children who have made these allegations. We coordinate the utilization of a multi-disciplinary prevention of child sexual abuse and physical abuse. Staff are also available to facilitate a prevention response program for adult's regarding child sexual abuse issues- Darkness to Light's Stewards of Children

Referral source: Law Enforcement or DFCS

Education

Darkness to Light -Stewards of Children

A Child's Voice Child Advocacy Center
Phone: 770-464-0082

A 2-hour, evidence-informed training program that teaches adults how to prevent, recognize, and react responsibly to child sexual abuse. This program is designed for parents, youth serving

organizations and other concerned individuals. Offered by trained facilitators through A Child's Voice Child Advocacy Center. Can train individuals or groups. Call to set up a class. Cost: \$10 per person. Scholarships may be available.



www.WaltonYouthCan.org