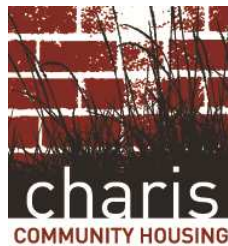


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# A

## **Adopt-A-Grandparent**

750 Glenwood Avenue, SE  
Atlanta, Georgia 30315

Adopt-A-Grandparent brings into relationship seniors, who need and desire a supportive relationship with caring volunteers.

## **Atlanta City Integrity Line Number**

1.800.884.0911

Calls are answered by an independent hotline provider, which increases confidentiality and neutrality. Callers are issued a case number and, within 24 hours, a written report is sent to the City where the case is assigned to an ethics, audit, or compliance investigator. Appropriate hotline complaints include theft and fraud; accounting and audit irregularities; misuse of city property; inappropriate gifts and gratuities; improper dealings with customers and vendors; illegal harassment and discrimination; and threats or violence.

## **Atlanta Enterprise Center**

75 Peachtree Place, NW  
Atlanta, Georgia 30309  
404.874.8001

[mail@atlantaenterprisecenter.org](mailto:mail@atlantaenterprisecenter.org)

Hours of Operation:

8AM to 12PM – Walk-In Services

2 PM to 4 PM – By Appointment Only

AEC continues to take direct action in breaking the cycle of homelessness and poverty by addressing these three major community concerns: humanitarian, public safety, and economic development.

Programs and Services include: integrated case management; employment readiness training; alcohol and drug screening; transitional housing; job placement assistance; direct access to Atlanta's children's shelter; transportation assistance; basic computer training and typing; client resource center; ex-offender initiative; as well as weekly support groups.

## **Atlanta Habitat ReStore**

519 Memorial Drive, SE  
404.525.2114

[www.atlanta-habitat.org/restore.asp](http://www.atlanta-habitat.org/restore.asp)

The ReStore sells quality new building materials, tools, hardware, fixtures, and various other home renovation supplies. The merchandise is marked down at least 50-75% off retail prices. It is open to the general public.

## **Atlanta Harm Reduction Coalition**

472 Paines Avenue, NW  
Atlanta, Georgia 30318  
404.817.9994

[janice@atlantaharmreduction.org](mailto:janice@atlantaharmreduction.org)

The Atlanta Harm Reduction Coalition, Inc. is a Prevention and Wellness organization. Our mission is to empower adults currently engaged in high-risk lifestyles. This includes those who are active or chronic relapse substance users, alcoholics, sex workers and/or homeless. They provide them with choices to make safer life decisions.

### **Atlanta-Fulton Public Library System – Instructional Learning Center**

One Margaret Mitchell Square  
Atlanta, Georgia 30303  
404.730.1700

#### **Instructional Learning Center**

Location: 4<sup>th</sup> Floor of Central Library  
404.730.1940

The Atlanta-Fulton Central Public Library provides study materials, free registration booklets, language, literacy & ESL services, computer classes, and GED classes in its Instructional Learning Center. Adults, who need help learning how to read, are matched with volunteer tutors.

### **Atlanta Job Corps Center**

239 W. Lake Avenue NW  
Atlanta, Georgia 30314  
<http://atlantaregion.jobcorps.gov>  
404.794.9512  
1.800.869.8603

A FREE education and career training program for people between the ages of 16-24 to learn career skills, earn their high school diploma or GED, and gain the confidence necessary to begin a successful career. Individuals can apply online to participate with Job Corps. Ninety percent of students enrolled in Job Corps are residential students. Each of the 19 centers in the Atlanta Region provides dorms on campus, and students live with roommates.

### **Atlanta Legal Aid Society**

151 Spring Street, NW  
404.524.5811  
[www.atlantalegalaid.org](http://www.atlantalegalaid.org)

The Atlanta Legal Aid Society works to help their clients deal with some of life's most basic needs – a safe home, enough food to eat, a decent education, protection against fraud, and personal safety. They provide representation in civil (non-criminal) matters.

### **Atlanta Micro Fund**

Lang-Carson Community Center  
100 Flat Shoals Avenue  
678.539.6900  
[mbryant@ahand.org](mailto:mbryant@ahand.org)

The Atlanta Micro Fund (AMF) provides funding and business management assistance to micro businesses located in metropolitan Atlanta. The organization operates a micro loan, Individual Development Account (IDA), and business management assistance program.

### **Atlanta Public Schools**

**Atlanta Public Schools Board of Education**  
404.802.2200

**Atlanta Public Schools System Directory Information**  
404.802.3500

**Atlanta Public Schools –Family Involvement Center**

130 Trinity Avenue, SW  
404.802.2230

The Atlanta Public Schools Family Involvement Center (FIC) helps parents to enhance parenting skills and encourages active involvement in their child's education through the following services:

- Counseling
- Social Work
- Psychological Services
- Health Services

The FIC assists parents with challenges in the following areas:

- Health
- Alcohol and Drug Abuse
- Teenage Pregnancy
- Family Crisis Intervention
- Underachieving Students

The Family Involvement Center offers "Wonderful Wednesday Workshops" each month at the Howard Building. The one-hour workshops are conducted by FIC staff or leading consultants in the field, and begin at 11 a.m. Topics of particular interest to parents are presented over a light lunch. The FIC also holds parent workshops in the schools. Announcements will be sent out about seminars to be held in your area. If you need help, call the Family Involvement Center.

**Atlanta Public Schools - Homework Hotline**

404.827.8620

Homework Hotline is available Monday through Thursday, 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., except during holiday and semester breaks. The Homework Hotline service is FREE.

Before you call...

Before calling, you should have the following items:

- Textbook (if available)
- Homework assignment
- Paper
- Pen or pencil
- Calculator (if needed)

Information you'll need...

You will be asked to give your first name, grade level and name of school. Also give the textbook title, and description of homework problem or assignment.

**Atlanta Urban League - Office of Workforce Development**

100 Edgewood Ave. NE, Suite 600  
404.659.1150

The office of Employment and Training provides the strategies, tools, and training to meet the challenges of emerging workforce faced by high technology and multinational corporations, federal agencies, and institutions of higher education. The Atlanta Urban League is the driving force for providing workforce development services recognized for their thorough and innovative programs in the areas of recruitment, retention, advancement and training.

### **Atlanta Urban Ministry**

458 Ponce de Leon Avenue, NE  
Atlanta, Georgia 30308  
404.881.3356

The ministry provides emergency assistance to people who need help with rent, utilities, food, counseling and referrals. Eligible families can call for direct assistance or be referred by our partner agencies. Documentation must be provided to verify address, source of income, income amount and number in family.

### **Atlanta Urban Mission**

404.588.4000  
[www.atlantaunionmission.org](http://www.atlantaunionmission.org)  
[info@myaum.org](mailto:info@myaum.org)

Atlanta Union Mission runs substance abuse recovery programs, offering residential care to hundreds of men, women, and women with children – free to those in need. Programs are faith-based. The average stay is 18 months.

### **The Shepherd's Inn**

404.367.2493

The Shepherd's Inn provides emergency shelter for men. Guests of the shelter are provided hot showers, clean clothes, nutritious food and a safe place to sleep. Guest also have access to social workers who make referrals to community resources for those seeking health care, addiction recovery or job health.

### **The Potter's House (Northeast Georgia Campus)**

Joshua Harrelson: 404.367.2257  
Joshua.Harrelson@myaum.org

The Potter's House is a Christ-centered, Bible-based residential recovery program for chemically addicted men who express a sincere willingness to change. Contact Joshua Harrison for more information.

### **The Carpenter's House**

2355 Bolton Road, NW  
Atlanta, Georgia 30318  
404.350.1300

The Carpenter's House offers residential recovery and transitional housing programs for men. The 18-month transitional program completes the Mission's continuum of care, which helps formerly homeless men become independent and self-sufficient. The majority of clients work full-time while completing this program.

### **My Sister's House**

921 Howell Mill Road NW  
Atlanta, Georgia 30318  
404.532.5987

My Sister's House is a Christian crisis emergency shelter and long-term residential recovery program for women suffering with addiction issues, alcohol & drugs, codependency, as well as for women fleeing abusive relationships. It also serves as a therapeutic child development center for the children of women residing at My Sister's House.

### **Village Atlanta**

404.532.5987

Village Atlanta is a two-year transitional housing program for women and their children that have completed a shelter or recovery program.

### **Atlanta Volunteer Lawyers Foundation (AVLF)**

Suite 1750 North Tower  
235 Peachtree Street, NE  
Atlanta, Georgia 30303  
404.521.0790

ALVF represents residents of Fulton County or those who have cases that can be resolved in a Fulton County Court. Eligibility is determined in a number of ways, including case type – consumer issues, domestic violence, divorce arising from a violent relationship, wills & advance directives, Chapter 7 Bankruptcy, and special education - and household income.

ALVF is a leading legal advocate for victims of domestic violence in the metropolitan Atlanta area. ALVF coordinates the provision of FREE legal services for low-income Fulton County residents by private lawyers.

### **Atlanta Workforce Development Agency, The (AWDA)**

818 Pollard Boulevard, SW  
Atlanta, Georgia 30315  
[www.atlantaworkforce.org](http://www.atlantaworkforce.org)  
404.658.9675

Hours of Operation: Monday – Friday, 8 AM – 5 PM

Client Orientation of Services: Monday – Thursday, 8:30 AM

The AWADA is a bureau of the City of Atlanta. Its primary purpose is to administer employment and training programs to the citizens of Atlanta. It offers: Job Seeking Services, Training Services, Literacy Services, a Resource Library, Computer Labs, Career Counseling, Job Fairs, Labor Market Information, and Agency Referrals.

Every Tuesday from 8 AM – 11 AM, the Atlanta Workforce Development Agency (AWDA) hosts a job fair at its headquarters located at 818 Pollard Boulevard, Atlanta, Georgia 30315. The sign-in desk for the job fair closes **promptly at 11 AM**, so arrive early; some companies will interview applicants until noon. All job candidates are asked to dress in business attire and bring multiple resume copies. For more information, visit [www.atlantaworkforce.org](http://www.atlantaworkforce.org).

## **B**

### **Boys & Girls Club (Joseph B. Whitehead)**

1900 Lakewood Avenue, SW  
Atlanta, GA 30315  
404.627.4617

From games and athletics to drug prevention workshops, Boys & Girls Clubs of Metro Atlanta offers young people a range of fun and productive activities. Clubs are open each day after school from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. - when research has shown children to be most vulnerable to gangs, violence and other risky behaviors. In the summer, Clubs and special summer-only sites open their doors all day to young people with nowhere else to go.

A trained, caring staff implements proven youth development strategies and creates a stable, supportive environment for children and teens ages six to 18. Specially designed programs concentrate on developing job readiness, study skills, leadership, self-esteem, good health and social responsibility among Boys & Girls Club members.

### **Brinks: Home Security**

1.866.821.5888

# C

## **Catholic Charities**

Catholic Center, The  
680 W. Peachtree Street, NW  
Atlanta, Georgia 30308  
404.885.7487

Hours of Operation: Tuesday & Thursday from 10 AM – 5 PM.

The last week of every month is dedicated to administrative work. They will not be providing employment services during that week.

The staff works directly with individuals, who currently are looking for employment. A full assessment of the individual's interests and employment skills is completed and matches are made using available job vacancy information. Individuals also may be assisted in participating in computer classes, mock interviews, resume building and training programs. The staff assists individuals with finding and securing suitable employment at a livable wage, and also follows up and provides support to insure that individuals are able to maintain their employment.

### **Parenting Services**

404.885.7274

Provides: Parent-Talk, parent education and support; Home visitation and modeling; Mentor relationships through the Catholic Services Atlanta WINGS Program; and **FREE** baby supplies/layettes.

### **Pregnancy Services**

404.885.7275

For pregnant women, who are in crisis about their pregnancy, homeless or in an unstable living situation, or are undecided about their future plans, Catholic Charities Atlanta provides **FREE**, professional counseling to assist the women and their families with decision making, problem solving, and goal setting.

### **Village of St. Joseph Counseling Services, The**

600 W. Peachtree Street, NW, Suite 600  
Atlanta, Georgia 30308  
404.885.7425

The Village of St. Joseph Counseling Services offers individual, couples, family, children, adolescent and group counseling provided by highly qualified, professional counselors. Problems that are routinely addressed and resolved include marital and family conflict, adolescent issues, depression, anxiety and stress as well as the difficulties that are encountered in different life stages.

Programs offered include: parent education, couples communication, substance abuse groups.

A standard fee is charged. However, adjustments may be made on the basis of personal financial need. Health insurance may also apply. **Nobody will be turned away for financial reasons.**

## **Center for Black Women's Wellness**

477 Windsor Street, Suite 309  
Atlanta, Georgia 30312  
404.880.9435  
[mail@cbww.org](mailto:mail@cbww.org)  
[www.cbww.org](http://www.cbww.org)

The Center for Black Women’s Wellness (CBWW) is a non-profit organization that provides free and low-cost services to empower black women and their families toward physical, mental and economic wellness. CWWW offers preventative health services, maternal & child health services, mental health screening & referrals, as well as self-employment training.

### **City Council Representative**

District 1 (South Atlanta Neighborhood)  
Carla Smith  
55 Trinity Avenue, SW  
[csmith@ci.atlanta.ga.us](mailto:csmith@ci.atlanta.ga.us)  
404.330.6039

Your councilmember is a part-time legislator. As the Legislative Branch of City Government, Council’s responsibilities are limited by the City Charter to establishing policy and enacting Laws.

### **City of Atlanta Fire Department**

**Station 2** (South Atlanta Neighborhood)  
1568 Jonesboro Road, SE

The City of Atlanta Fire Department provides and installs FREE smoke detectors for any home in Atlanta.

### **City of Atlanta Police Department**

Zone 3 Precinct – Headquarters  
880 Cherokee Avenue  
404.624.0674

### **Code Enforcement**

404.330.6190

Call to report the following violations of the Housing Codes:

- open & vacant buildings
- fire damaged buildings
- dilapidated buildings (roof caving in, walls leaning, etc.)
- general housing problems (structural electrical, etc.)
- yard violations (overgrown, old furniture, appliances, junk, trash, and debris)
- junk cars

### **Common Grounds Coffee Shop**

1297 Jonesboro Road  
Atlanta, GA 30315  
404.627.0200  
<http://communitygrounds.org>

A neighborhood coffee shop and gathering place. Community grounds exists to provide an amazing cup of coffee in an atmosphere that stimulates conversations, inspires creativity, encourages unlikely connections, and builds lasting community in the neighborhoods of South Atlanta and Lakewood Heights. We are a part of FCS Urban Ministries, Community Economic Development program.

### **Community Clean-Up**

**Keep Atlanta Beautiful**  
404.355.8482

One of the greatest means to fight crime is to create a sense of community and to connect with your neighbors. Community clean-ups are one means of doing this. The City of Atlanta's Keep Atlanta Beautiful Program will deliver and remove for FREE a 20 or 40 yard roll-off container, which are scheduled on a first-come, first-served basis, and will supply other materials. The roll-off containers are available from 7:30 AM to 11 AM. Anything accumulated after the removal of the container will be collected during the week.

You will need to give the following information when you call for supplies:

- The names of the streets to be impacted by the clean-up
- Types of materials to be picked up/cleaned up
- Date of the event
- A contact person.

### **Trash Troopers**

404.330.6333

This is an elite strike force team comprised of heavy equipment operators and laborers. They are responsible for cleaning vacant lots throughout the City of Atlanta, right-of-way cutting, cleaning illegal dump sites, and other special projects.

## **Community Garden**

### **America the Beautiful Fund**

Department N  
219 Shoreham Building  
Washington, DC 20005

Send a self-addressed and stamped envelop to the "America the Beautiful Fund, Department N, 219 Shoreham Building, Washington, DC 20005" to receive a grant for free seeds to start a community garden.

### **Atlanta Community Food Bank**

732 Joseph E. Lowery Blvd. NW  
Atlanta, GA 30318  
404.892.9822

[Fred.conrad@acfb.org](mailto:Fred.conrad@acfb.org)

The ACFB Community Garden Initiative assists predominately low-income neighborhoods with planning and organizing community gardens.

## **Community Housing Resource Center**

659 Auburn Avenue, NE, Studio 153  
Atlanta, Georgia 30312  
404.658.1322  
[www.chrcatlanta.org](http://www.chrcatlanta.org)

The Community Housing Resource Center is perhaps the best place to inquire about low or no-cost home maintenance and repair services in the City of Atlanta. It's not the place to find a contractor, but the place to find a volunteer project or non-profit organization specializing in home repair. CHRC exists in large part to provide information. Use it!

Home Repair Program: Owner-occupied home repair service for seniors. To contact the repair team call 404.658.1322 ext. 223.

Accessibility Inspections: Home inspection service focusing on long-term accessibility.

Safe Homes for Seniors: A service combining minor home repair providers with in-house healthcare providers.

## **Community Study Hall**

124 Thirkield Avenue, SE

Atlanta, GA 30315  
404.688.6540  
[cobb41@maxxconnect.net](mailto:cobb41@maxxconnect.net)

A volunteer-led after-school tutoring program for the children of the South Atlanta Neighborhood staffed by residents of South Atlanta. The program is run on Tuesdays and Thursdays in the basement of Henry M. White United Methodist Church. For more information contact Pastor Harold Cobb at [cobb41@maxxconnect.net](mailto:cobb41@maxxconnect.net).

### **Consumer Credit Counseling Service of Greater Atlanta**

100 Edgewood Avenue, Suite 1800  
Atlanta, Georgia 30303  
1.800.251.CCCS(2227)

**FREE Budget Counseling.** CCCS professional counselors offer individual, confidential advice for developing budgets, managing money, using credit wisely and building a savings plan. Our advisors will review your current situation and collaborate with you to determine the best possible financial strategies, offering solutions to your current financial problems as well as personalized plans for preventing financial pitfalls in the years to come. The counseling service also is offered online.

**Debt Management & Repayment Plans.** This program is a systematic way to pay down outstanding debt through monthly deposits to CCCS, which in turn distributes these funds to creditors. CCCS works with clients and creditors alike to design a debt repayment program that will minimize monthly payments, interest and related fees, providing a manageable, tailored plan for each client. The counseling service also is offered online.

### **Crossroads Community Ministries**

420 Courtland Street NE  
Atlanta, Georgia 30308  
404.873.7650  
<http://crossroadsatlanta.org>

The mission of Crossroads is to empower people who are homeless to move to economic and personal self-sufficiency. Crossroads has 3 programs. The point of entry through which most of their homeless guests enter is Clyde's Kitchen which provides them with a hot, nourishing meal. From there their guests participate with either the Renewal Project or Angels over Atlanta. The Renewal Project is a 90-day stabilization program. Angels over Atlanta provides support for those with mental and/or physical disabilities.

## **D**

### **Domestic Violence Hotline**

800.799.SAFE  
800.787.3224

Help is available to callers 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. Hotline advocates are available for victims and anyone calling on their behalf to provide crisis intervention, safety planning, information and referrals to agencies in all 50 states, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands. Assistance is available in English and Spanish with access to more than 170 languages through interpreter services.

## **F**

### **Families First**

1105 West Peachtree Street, NE

P.O. Box 7948, Station C  
Atlanta, Georgia 30357-0948  
404.853.2800

**Families First Counseling Services**

404.853.2844

Families First counseling programs help people cope with life's unexpected and sometimes tragic twists and turns. Staff members provide individual, group and family counseling services to assist them with problems like divorce, domestic violence, serious illness, drug and alcohol abuse, parent-child conflicts, HIV/AIDS, and the death of a loved one.

**Food Stamp Information**

**Atlanta Food Stamps**

47 Trinity Avenue, SW  
Atlanta, Georgia 30334  
404.657.9358

**Fulton County Food Stamps**

515 Fairburn Road, SW  
Atlanta, GA 30331  
404.699.4337

**Fulton County Food Stamps**

1658 Willingham Drive  
College Park, Georgia 30337  
770.909.2752

**Fulton County Animal Services**

404.794.0358

Fulton County Animal Services provides animal and rabies control services to unincorporated Fulton County and the incorporated limits of the city of Atlanta.

Regular field operation service is Monday – Friday from 7 AM to 10:30 PM and Saturday 8 AM – 5 PM. Limited and emergency animal control also is provided after hours, on Sundays and on holidays.

Common referrals:

- Problems with barking dogs are a violation of the noise ordinance that is enforced by the local police department; however, we can provide information on how pet owners can address this problem.
- Please contact your local Sanitation Department for dead animal removal from roadway or home.

**Fulton County Commissioner**

District 6 (South Atlanta Neighborhood)  
Commissioner Nancy Boxill  
[District6@co.fulton.ga.us](mailto:District6@co.fulton.ga.us)

**While each county elected official performs the duties of their individual elective office, the board of county commissioners performs administrative and fiscal duties that coordinate total county operations.**

**If you have any concerns, such as the Fulton County budget and the development of the Beltline, you can host a "Meet and Greet" at your home. Call up Commissioner Boxill's office to set a date and invite 3 or 4 of your neighbors to come and share their concerns with and ask questions to Nancy Boxill. The commissioner's office will gladly supply the refreshments.**

## **Fulton County Tell Line**

404.730.TELL (8355)

The Fulton County Tell Line responds to citizen complaints that pertain to code enforcement, erosion control, water bans, water quality, scrap tire and other environmental issues of unincorporated Fulton County.

# G

## **Gateway: 24/7 Homeless Services Center**

275 Pryor Street SW  
Atlanta, Georgia 30303-3638  
404.215.6600

[www.gatewayctr.org](http://www.gatewayctr.org)

The Gateway Center is the centerpiece of the Regional Commission on Homelessness' effort to impact chronic homelessness. The Gateway Center is the point of entry – the gateway – to the community's continuum of care created to help homeless individuals move out of dependency. The Gateway Center offers homeless individuals an opportunity to disconnect from the issues that contributed to their homelessness by connecting them with the specific services they need to move toward self-sufficiency.

## **GED (FREE) Practice Websites**

[www.GEDpractice.com](http://www.GEDpractice.com)

[www.testpreppreview.com](http://www.testpreppreview.com)

[www.gedwriting.com](http://www.gedwriting.com)

[www.gedsocialstudies.com](http://www.gedsocialstudies.com)

[www.gedreading.com](http://www.gedreading.com)

[www.gedmath.com](http://www.gedmath.com)

## **Georgia Department of Labor**

[www.Dol.state.ga.us](http://www.Dol.state.ga.us)

Helps Georgia citizens find a job, find resources for job seekers with disabilities, and learn about education and training.

### **South Metro Atlanta Career Center**

Georgia Department of Labor  
2636-14 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive  
Atlanta, Georgia 30311-1635

Local Career Centers offer a wide range of services to both job seekers and employers. The Centers provide individuals seeking employment all the latest tools to find and keep that special job. They all provide individuals with information on programs providing learning and education opportunities.

### **One-Stop Center**

Atlanta Workforce Development Agency (AWDA)  
818 Pollard Blvd, SW  
Atlanta, Georgia 30315  
404.858.9675  
[www.atlantaworkforce.org](http://www.atlantaworkforce.org)

Job Seekers, Training, and Other Services. Online Pre-Application required.

### **Georgia Natural Gas**

Customer Care Center:  
770.850.6200 (inside metro Atlanta)  
1.877.850.6200 (toll-free outside metro Atlanta)

### **Georgia Power**

Georgia Power Company  
241 Ralph McGill Boulevard, NE  
Atlanta, Georgia 30308  
[www.southernco.com/gapower](http://www.southernco.com/gapower)  
404.506.6526  
1.888.660.5890 - 24 hrs/7 days Residential Customer Service  
1.888.891.0938 - Power Outage Reporting

### **Good Samaritan Health Center Atlanta**

1015 Donald Lee Hollowell Pkwy.  
Atlanta, GA 30318  
[www.goodsamatlanta.org](http://www.goodsamatlanta.org)

Hours of Operation:  
Monday-Thursday, 7:30am to 4:00pm  
Friday, 7:30am to 12:00pm  
*Limited Saturdays*

The Center provides a comprehensive range of services for patients without the means to afford care. *Atlanta's homeless make up about 20% of patient visits, the working poor 70%, and those who are Medicaid/Medicare eligible compose 10% of our visits.* Patients pay on a much reduced sliding fee scale based on income. The Center's vision is to create a dependable, full-time, comprehensive healthcare system for Atlanta's working poor and homeless. We offer an ongoing relationship with a network of dedicated healthcare specialists who address each need. Most importantly, The Center provides a comfortable environment for our patients, where all people are treated with dignity and respect.

### **Grant Park Clinic**

1340 Boulevard SE, 30313  
404.627.4259

The Clinic works on a sliding scale with Atlantans, who do not have health insurance. Their services include: adult sick visits and routine checkups, health education, laboratory services, women's health, as well as a prenatal program.

## **H**

### **Home Depot Clinics**

[www.homedepotclinics.com](http://www.homedepotclinics.com)

The Home Depot offers both FREE in-store and online clinics, so you can learn how to do all those home improvement projects yourself.

### **Hotlines**

Crisis Counseling – 404.730.1600  
Domestic Violence-800.799.SAFE  
Drug Hotline – 1.800.378.4435  
Hunger Hotline – 404.622.7778  
Poison Control – 404.616.9000  
Suicide Hotline – 404.522.9222

## L

### **Lowes How-To Clinics**

[www.lowes.com](http://www.lowes.com)

Lowes trained experts offer a variety of How-To clinics that will guide you through every step of your home improvement project. Visit their website or local store to find a list of upcoming FREE classes.

## M

### **Metro Merge**

1297 Jonesboro Road  
Atlanta, Georgia 30315  
404.678.3195  
<http://metromerge.org>

Metro Merge is an affordable, shared urban office space located in the historic South Atlanta Neighborhood.

### **Midtown Assistance Center**

30 Porter Place  
404.681.0470

Midtown Assistance Center is a non-profit, inter-faith organization whose mission is to provide emergency assistance to the working poor of Midtown and Downtown Atlanta to prevent homelessness and hunger during periods of crisis. They assist those who are employed but facing temporary crisis, working but have not yet received a paycheck, or completing job training and are not receiving public assistance.

### **Mount Pleasant Baptist Church: Social Services Ministry**

17 Meldon Avenue SE  
Atlanta, Georgia 30315  
404.688.6680  
[programs@mpbaptist-church.org](mailto:programs@mpbaptist-church.org)

Programs/Services include: Summer camp; needy families; food program; nursery; as well as bus transportation. For more information contact Mount Pleasant Baptist Church.

### **Moving in the Spirit**

750 Glenwood Avenue, SE  
Atlanta, Georgia 30315  
404.627.4304

Moving in the Spirit utilizes the arts, and in particular dance, as fun and creative tools to develop workplace values and life skills; reinforce school curriculum; give voice to issues, which are pertinent to youth today; and address issues of self-esteem. They offer a variety of dance programs for age 3 to adult.

## N

### **Nearly New Shop**

1715 Howell Mill Road  
404.355.3547

Sells professional clothing, furniture, computer equipment, and electronics to the general public for far below retail.

### **Neighborhood Associations**

Neighborhood associations are the foundation of Atlanta's neighborhood planning upon neighborhood Organizations for comments and suggestions concerning the City's growth and development. For more information on Neighborhood Associations and their meeting locations and times, please contact the Bureau of Planning at **(404) 330-6145**.

#### **South Atlanta Civic League**

South Atlanta Civic League meetings are on the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of every month at 6:30 PM at the Bethlehem Center located at 87 Thayer Avenue on the corner of Thayer Avenue and Lansing Street.

### **Neighborhood Deputies (NDs)**

Neighborhood Deputies are City of Atlanta volunteer residents, who are trained to patrol their neighborhoods, identify housing, commercial and zoning code violations, and issue warning notices to violators.

**Neighborhood Deputies Training classes are held bi-monthly a City Hall South. For more information about training email [ndp@atlantaga.gov](mailto:ndp@atlantaga.gov) or call Tanya C. Mitchell at 404.330.6197.**

### **Neighborhood Planning Units**

The City of Atlanta is divided into 24 Neighborhood Planning Units (NPU), which are citizen advisory councils that make recommendations to the Mayor and City Council on zoning, land use, and other planning issues. Each NPU meets on a monthly basis to consider community concerns. Membership is open to anyone 18 years or older whose primary residence is within the NPU as well as to any corporation, organization, institution, or agency which owns property or has a place of business within the NPU. A list of meetings a times can be found on the City of Atlanta's website at [www.atlantaga.gov](http://www.atlantaga.gov).

**NPU-Y - South Atlanta, Lakewood, Choosewood Park, High Point, Joyland, Villages of Carver, Belmar Villa, Amal Heights**

NPU-Y meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of every month at 7 PM at the John Birdine Center at 215 Lakewood Way SW.

## P

### **Partnership Against Domestic Violence**

Fulton County 24 Hour Crisis Line: 404.873.1766

#### **24-Hour Crisis Line**

The crisis line is often times the only link to safety available for battered women and their children. The crisis line provides safety planning, information, and support to callers in immediate danger, and to those with questions

about people who may be battered. Additionally, the crisis line offers referrals to community resources available throughout Georgia

### **Emergency Shelters**

Two emergency shelters provide a safe haven for women and their children during crisis. During their stay, the shelters are home to battered women and children providing them with legal advocacy, support groups, clothing, food and referrals for housing, childcare, and job opportunities.

### **PeachCare for Kids**

1.877.GAPEACH

PeachCare for Kids is a comprehensive health care program for uninsured children living in Georgia. The health benefits include primary, preventive, specialist, dental care and vision care. PeachCare for Kids also covers hospitalization, emergency room services, prescription medications and mental health care. Each child in the program has a Georgia Healthy Families Care Management Organization (CMO) who is responsible for coordinating the child's care.

You can now apply for PeachCare for Kids online at [www.peachcare.org](http://www.peachcare.org).

### **Pothole Posse**

404.768.4653

### **Project Healthy Grandparents(PHG)**

Georgia State University, One University Plaza

404.651.0340

PHG is a community service research project of the College of Health and Human Sciences at GSU. Their mission is to improve the quality of life for families in which grandparents are raising grandchildren in parent-absent homes. The overarching goal is to strengthen grandparent-headed families by providing social work and health services, support groups and parenting education classes, legal assistance referrals, improved access to community resources, and early intervention services for children age 0-5 years.

## **R**

### **Recover Consultants of Atlanta, Inc. (RCA, Inc.)**

424 Decatur Street, SE

404.880.3600

[www.recoveryconsultants.org](http://www.recoveryconsultants.org)

RCA, Inc. is a non-profit, 501(c)3, faith-based recovery community organization. The RCA's primary goal is to collaborate with faith (primarily churches) and community based organizations and develop peer-to-peer support services and programs that help sustain long-term abstinence among members of metro-Atlanta's recovery community. An additional task includes building a network of recovering individuals responsible for disseminating the message that addiction is a physical/psychological disorder, and that science-based, affordable treatment along with peer-led support services, is the method most effective at addressing this ailment.

## **S**

### **SafeHouse Outreach**

424 Decatur Street, SE

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404.880.3600

**SafeHouse Problem Solvers:** solves big and small problems for those living on the streets of Atlanta. From the simple, providing a street address for someone seeking employment, to the complex, putting together the details to reunite someone with family in another state, Problem Solvers helps each person with his/her individual situation.

**SafeHouse Health Clinic:** offers drug and health screenings, as well as chiropractic services to the poor. Doctors, nurses and Georgia State nursing students volunteer their time and experience to help those who can't afford health care.

**SafeHouse Family Resource Center:** assists with unexpected pregnancies, job skills training, GED classes, parenting classes, as well as transitional housing placement for women-in-crisis. The Mentoring Moms program pairs a volunteer woman with a young pregnant mother-to-be throughout her pregnancy to offer support and friendship.

**SafeHouse Youth Outreach:** connects with inner-city youth through character development programs, leadership skills training, literacy classes, as well as college and career counseling.

**SafeHouse Soul Session:** is a Christian coffee house for the Hip Hop culture. Meetings occur once a month during the school year and provides a safe environment where individuals express themselves through open-mic.

### **Saint Joseph's Mercy Care Services**

424 Decatur Street, SE  
404.880.3600

Sponsored by the Sisters of Mercy and Saint Joseph's Health System, Mercy Care Services was created in 1985 by volunteer nurses and physicians and grew from modest beginnings into a 'medical home' that provides an efficient, integrated system of primary health care, education and social services reaching thousands of persons in need throughout Atlanta each year.

The downtown clinic services include general medicine, pediatrics, and immunizations. Appointments are encouraged, but walk-ins are accepted.

### **Samaritan House of Atlanta, Inc.**

**Café 458 (Life Stabilization Program) – 404.523.1239**

**The EDGE (Employment Readiness Program)/Clean Street Team – 404.572.9000**

[info@samhouse.org](mailto:info@samhouse.org)

[www.samhouse.org](http://www.samhouse.org)

Samaritan House of Atlanta transforms lives by helping homeless men and women gain self-sufficiency through personalized employment readiness and life-stabilization programs. Programs and Services include: Café 458, a life stabilization program; the EDGE – an employment readiness program; Community Voicemail, as well as the Clean Street Team.

### **Save money for college in Georgia**

Georgians now have ways of setting aside money for their children's futures: *The Georgia Higher Education Savings Plan*. The plan, regulated under Section 529 of the Internal Revenue Code, enables Georgians of all income levels to open a savings account for their children's college funds. There are five different types of investment options available for each savings account. The options differ on whether the investments are stored and allocated in the form of equities, bonds, or money market funds. As time passes, earnings from the funds are free from federal and state taxes. No taxes will be owed for withdrawals made for college expenses. The money from these funds is not

limited to colleges or universities in Georgia. The money can be used to send your child to any school in the country. It can be used for undergraduate, graduate, medical, law and other types of education. For details about the investment options and more information regarding the savings plan, visit the website at [www.gacollegesavings.com](http://www.gacollegesavings.com).

### **Senior Citizen Services**

1705 Commerce Drive, NW  
Atlanta, GA 30318  
404.351.3889

The Senior Citizens Services (SCS)'s mission is to enable seniors to enjoy a high quality life, maintaining their independence and dignity. SCS offers metro Atlantans a variety of services in an effort to meet the needs of the aging community. The SCS's programs include: **Meals on Wheels**, which delivers nutritious meals to homebound seniors; **HOMES**, which helps seniors repair and maintain their homes when they can't do it themselves; **Neighborhood Senior Centers** that are operated in 8 local communities; **Adult Day Care Centers**, which offers an oasis for nurturing and support for seniors with memory challenges; as well as **CareShare**, which matches volunteers with seniors to help them lead their everyday lives.

### **Senior Connections**

5238 Peachtree Road  
Chamblee, GA 30341-2718  
770.455.7602

Senior Connections provides essential services for seniors, all designed to help older adults live independently in their own homes for as long as possible. They provide nutritious hot and frozen Meals on Wheels, Home Repair, In-Home Care, and a variety of health and recreation activities at five Neighborhood Senior Centers.

### **South Atlanta Marketplace**

1297 Jonesboro Road  
Atlanta, GA 3-315  
<http://saltmarketplace.org>

The South Atlanta Marketplace is a non-profit organization affiliated with FCS Community Economic Development. The Marketplace exists to be a resource to the South Atlanta community by offering:

- Quality and affordable goods and services
- Community gathering space offering free WI-FI and cable TV
- A place for local artists to display their work
- Snacks and Drinks
- Job-training for young adults

### **South Atlanta Neighborhood Schools**

#### **Five Schools Carver, The (high school)**

55 McDonough Blvd., SW  
Atlanta, GA 30315  
404.802.4415

#### **Luther Judson Price Middle School**

1670 B.W. Bickers Drive, S.E.  
Atlanta, GA 30315  
404-624-5128

#### **Ron Clark Academy**

220 Margaret Street  
Atlanta, GA 30315  
[www.ronclarkacademy.com](http://www.ronclarkacademy.com)  
404.805.7080

The Ron Clark Academy is a private 5<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade academy. Students must begin the application process August of their 4<sup>th</sup> grade year. By the end of their 8<sup>th</sup> grade year students will have been on all but one of the 7 continents. Tuition is based on a sliding scale.

### **Thomas Heathe Slater Elementary School**

1320 Pryor Road  
Atlanta, GA 30315  
404-624-2097

### **Southside Legal Center**

250 Georgia Avenue, SE  
Suite 211  
Atlanta, Georgia 30312  
404.688.5512  
[southside@hunton.com](mailto:southside@hunton.com)

**Hours of Operation:** Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3 PM to 6 PM.

Southside Legal Center is a satellite office of the law firm Hunton and Williams. Southside provides pro bono services for those who qualify based on income.

### **Southeast Energy Assistance**

214 14<sup>th</sup> Street, NW  
Atlanta, Georgia 30318-5304  
404.885.1877  
<http://southeastenergy.org>

The mission of Southeast Energy Assistance (SEA) is to provide direct assistance to improve the living and housing conditions of low-income families through conservation programs. SEA's programs are intended for people living at or below the poverty level. Priority is given to the elderly and handicapped. SEA's programs include: Care & Conserve Program, which promotes water conservation by performing water audits, conservation counseling, and plumbing repairs; as well as the Weatherization Program, which typically includes adding insulation to floors and attics, replacing or repairing damaged exterior doors, installing weather stripping and caulking, etc.

### **Sullivan Center, The**

643 Dill Avenue, SW  
404.753.0531  
[www.thesullivancenter.org](http://www.thesullivancenter.org)

The Sullivan Center is a non-profit whose mission is to provide help with dignity to families and individuals in crisis. Their primary goal is to prevent individuals from becoming homeless by providing help with rent, mortgage, or a utility bill. Services provided are financial assistance, life skills classes, employment workshops, MARTA assistance, and a Christmas program.

**T**

## **Trash Collection & Recycling Information**

When is the scheduled collection for my yard trimmings? Currently, yard trimming collection is based on the day of your household garbage collection. For example, if your household garbage is collected on Monday or Tuesday, your yard trimmings will be collected on the 1st and 3rd week of each month. If it is collected on Wednesday or Thursday, your yard trimming will be collected on the 2nd and 4th week of each month.

Customer Call Center  
404.330.6333

Schedules the collection of bulk rubbish and trash in your neighborhood.

Recycling Hotline  
404.792.1212

To order a recycling bin, call the Recycling Hotline.

## **Trash Troopers**

404.330.6333

This is an elite strike force team comprised of heavy equipment operators and laborers. They are responsible for cleaning vacant lots throughout the City of Atlanta, right-of-way cutting, cleaning illegal dump sites, and other special projects.

## **Travelers Aid of Metro Atlanta**

75 Marietta Street, Suite 400  
Atlanta, Georgia 30303  
404.817.7070  
404.817.9922 (fax)  
[postman@travelersaidatlanta.org](mailto:postman@travelersaidatlanta.org)  
[www.travelersaidatlanta.org](http://www.travelersaidatlanta.org)

HOPE Atlanta the programs of Travelers Aid of Metro Atlanta is dedicated to the prevention of homelessness in our community and combating it whenever it arises. Traveler's Aid provides housing, outreach, prevention, and emergency services.

Programs and Services Include: emergency shelter/lodging program; transitional housing program; reunification; regional outreach program; first month's rent program; homelessness prevention program; domestic violence program; HIV/AIDS program; eviction prevention; the stepping ahead! Program; permanent supportive housing for persons with disabilities; housing for chronically homeless; as well as airport meet and greet services.

## **U**

### **United Way of Atlanta, The**

100 Edgewood Avenue  
404.614.1000  
[www.unitedwayatl.org](http://www.unitedwayatl.org)

The United Way's 211 hotline and online service is Atlanta's most comprehensive listing of community programs and resources. For information about resources not listed in this guide and outside the realm of housing, call 211 or visit the Metro Atlanta United Way's website listed above.

## **V**

### **Villages at Carver Family YMCA, the**

201 Moury Avenue  
Atlanta, Georgia 30315  
404.659.8173  
<http://www.ymcaatlanta.org>

Financial assistance is available, and it's easy to apply! Stop by the YMCA to receive a scholarship application. A sliding fee scale based on your household income and the number of people living in your household is available.

Current Programs include: health & wellness; aquatic swim lessons; sports; gymnastics & dance; kids care; teen programs; as well as family & senior programs.

## W

### **Watershed Management, Department of**

404.330.6081

The Department of Watershed Management is dedicated to providing the highest quality drinking water and wastewater services to residential, businesses and wholesale customers at the lowest possible cost, while protecting urban waterways, conserving natural resources, and providing clean, safe water for downstream customers.

#### **Bureau of Drinking Water**

Chris Heberd – Deputy Commissioner, [Chris.Heberd@atlwater.com](mailto:Chris.Heberd@atlwater.com)

The Bureau of Drinking Water oversees all aspects of the water system-raw water supply, treatment, distribution, meter reading and billing.

#### **Bureau of Wastewater Treatment and Collection**

Alan Stillwell – Acting Deputy Commissioner, [astillwell@atlanta.gov](mailto:astillwell@atlanta.gov)

The Bureau of Wastewater Treatment and Collection is responsible for the management, operation and maintenance of the City's four wastewater treatment plants, four combined sewer overflow treatment facilities, 15 pump stations and the City's more than 1,900 miles of sanitary and combined sewers.

#### **Bureau of Engineering Services**

George Barnes – Deputy Commissioner, [gbarnes@atlantaga.gov](mailto:gbarnes@atlantaga.gov)

The Bureau of Engineering is responsible for overall management of the Department's capital improvement program, including construction requirements of the City's Consent Decrees and Administrative Orders, as well as ongoing maintenance projects.

### **Women's Resource Center to End Domestic Violence**

404.688.9436 – 24 hour hotline  
[www.wrcdv.org](http://www.wrcdv.org)

The mission of the Women's Resource Center to End Domestic Violence is to create a society in which domestic violence no longer exists. They strive to meet the immediate needs of a diverse community of battered women and their children by providing emergency shelter and services, while working toward changing the systems that enable violence through education and advocacy.

## Z

## **Zoning Enforcement**

404.330.6175

If you have any concerns regarding signs (one per residence), auto repair shops (illegal in residential districts), rooming houses (must be licensed by the Police Department), or parking of large commercial vehicles (illegal in residential neighborhoods).