

Vernon County Resource Guide



Produced by the W-2 Children's Services Network

The purpose of this directory is to provide a variety of community resource agencies to better serve the people of Vernon County.



W-2 Agency
220 S Main Street
Viroqua, WI 54665
Phone 608-433-2768
Fax 608-637-2950

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CLOTHING

Bethel Butikk Thrift Store
341 Black River Avenue, Westby
608-634-3473

The Good Samaritan Thrift Store
128 Mill Street, Hillsboro
608-489-3627

Second Time Around
Monday through Saturday 9:30 am – 5:00 pm
110 South Main Street, Viroqua
608-637-7027

Salvation Army Thrift Store
Monday through Friday 10:00 am – 6:00 pm
Saturday 10:00 am – 4:00 pm
728 Copeland Avenue, La Crosse
608-784-1421

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Clothes Closet
504 S Main St, Viroqua
608-637-3976
Tuesday and Thursday 1:00pm – 3:00pm

Catholic Charities
Monday through Thursday 8:30 am – 4:00 pm
3710 East Avenue South, La Crosse
608-782-0710

Goodwill
2334 Rose Street, La Crosse - 608-783-2710
2496 US 14, Richland Center - 608-649-2110
200 Theater Rd., Onalaska - 608-783-2710

Second Season
128 North Water Street, Sparta
608-269-1049

Family Thrift Shop
120 South Main Street, Richland Center
608-647-6180

Women's Clothes Closet
612 Division St, La Crosse

608-784-5745
Monday 10:00 am – 3:00 pm
Tuesday 2:00 pm – 7:00 pm
Saturday 11:00 am – 4:00 pm

COUNSELING

Catholic Charities
3710 East Ave. S. La Crosse
608-782-0710
<http://www.catholiccharitieslax.org>

Consumer Credit Counseling Service of La Crosse
505 King Street, Suite 212 La Crosse
608-784-8380
www.cccsonline.org

Center Point Counseling
310 Main St Viroqua
800-426-6181

Mental Health:

Family & Children's Center – Viroqua – 608-637-7052
Psychiatric Associates Counseling Center, LLC-Viroqua - 608-637-2511
Vernon County Department of Human Services-Viroqua - 608-637-5210
Ocooch Counseling – Viroqua - 608-638-0005

Domestic Abuse:

Family & Children's Center – Viroqua – 608-637-7052

Vernon County Domestic Abuse Program - 608-637-7052

Provides counseling for: Individual counseling, women's support group, children's advocate services, legal and medical counseling and advocacy, and assistance with emergency shelter

CRISIS SERVICES AND PROGRAMS

In an Emergency Dial 911

Vernon County Sheriff	608-637-2123
Vernon County Emergency Management	608-637-5266
Vernon County Health Department	608-637-5251
Vernon County Human Services	608-637-5210
Vernon County Crime-Stoppers	608-637-8477
Vernon Communications	608-634-3136

Vernon Memorial Hospital	608-637-2101
St. Joseph's Hospital	608-489-2211
Wisconsin Road Condition Information	800-762-3947
National Runaway Switchboard	800-786-2929
National Child Abuse Hotline	800-422-4453
National Domestic Violence Hotline	800-799-7233
Center for Missing & Exploited Children	800-843-5678
National Poison Control Center	800-222-1222
National Drug Abuse Hotline	866-874-4553

New Horizons Domestic Abuse Shelter
<http://www.newhorizons.lacrosse.com>
1-888-231-0066

Coulecap, Inc.
608-634-3104
110 N. Main St. Westby

Catholic Charities
<http://www.catholiccharitieslax.org>
3710 East Avenue South, La Crosse – 608-782-0710
115 East Perry Street, Prairie du Chien – 608-326-1616

Salvation Army
<http://www.salvationarmyusa.org>
223 8th Street North, La Crosse - 608-782-6126

Passages
24-Hour Crisis Line for victims of domestic violence and/or sexual assault – 800-236-4985
Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Hotline – 800-326-4958

Great Rivers 2-1-1
800-362-8255

***Information & referral for food, housing, employment, health care, and other assistances

EDUCATION

HIGH SCHOOLS:

De Soto Area Schools
<http://www.desoto.k12.wi.us>

Hillsboro Schools (K-12)
Hillsboro - 608-489-2221
<http://www.hillsboro.k12.wi.us>

Kickapoo (K-12)
<http://www.kickapoo.k12.wi.us>

La Farge Schools (K-12)
La Farge - 608-625-2400
<http://www.lafarge.k12.wi.us>

North Crawford Schools (K-12)
Soldiers Grove
Elementary School - 608-624-5201
High School - 608-735-4311
<http://www.northcrawford.com>

Norwalk Ontario Area Schools
<http://www.now.k12.wi.us>

Viroqua Area Schools (K-12)
<http://www.viroqua.k12.wi.us> 115 N

Westby Area Schools
<http://www.westby.k12.wi.us>

Youth Initiative High School
500 E Jefferson Street Viroqua – 608-637-6445

COLLEGES:

University of Wisconsin-La Crosse
La Crosse - 608-785-8000
<http://www.uwlax.edu>

Viterbo University
La Crosse - 608-796-3000

Western Technical College Locations
Viroqua - 608-637-2612
La Crosse - 608-785-9200
Black River Falls - 715-284-2253
Mauston - 608-847-7364
<http://www.westerntc.edu>

Globe University
Onalaska - 608-779-2600
Tomah - 608-374-7700
www.globeuniversity.edu

LIBRARIES:

Bekkum Memorial Library
Westby - 608-634-4419

De Soto Public Library
De Soto - 608-648-3593

Hillsboro Public Library
Hillsboro - 608-489-2192

Knutson Memorial Library
Coon Valley - 608-452-3757

Lawton Memorial Library
La Farge - 608-625-2015

McIntosh Memorial Library
Viroqua - 608-637-7151

Ontario Public Library
Ontario - 608-337-4651

Readstown Public Library
Readstown - 608-629-5465

EMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE

Employment Partnership
Viroqua - 608-606-1910
<http://www.employmentpartnerships.com>

Vernon Area Rehabilitation Center (VARC)
Viroqua - 608-637-3934
<http://www.varcinc.com>

Wisconsin Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR)
Viroqua - 608-637-6872 or 1-800-523-2139
<http://www.dwd.wisconsin.gov/dvr>

Workforce Connections, Inc.
Viroqua - 608-433-2768 or 1-800-742-5627

Experience Works, Inc.
LaCrosse - 608-789-5623
<http://www.experienceworks.org>

Independent Living Resources (ILR)
La Crosse - 608-787-1111 or 1-888-474-5745
<http://www.ilresources.org>

Riverfront, Inc.
La Crosse - 608-784-9450 or 1-800-949-7380
<http://www.riverfrontinc.org>

Couleecap
Westby - 608-634-3104
www.couleecap.org

Workforce Development - 608-266-3131
<http://www.dwd.state.wi.us>

Worker's Compensation-Wisconsin - 608-266-1340
<http://www.dwd.state.wi.us/wc>

TEMP AGENCIES:

ABR Employment Services
La Crosse - 608-782-9700
<http://www.abrjobs.com>

Kelly Services
La Crosse - 608-785-2477
<http://www.kellyservices.com>

Manpower
Onalaska - 608-781-8899
<http://www.manpower.com>

Olsten Staffing Services
La Crosse - 608-782-1100
<http://www.olsten.com>

Labor Ready
La Crosse - 608-779-4780
<http://www.laborready.com>

Express Employment
La Crosse - 608-779-4252
<http://www.expresspros.com>

FOOD PANTRIES & NUTRITIONAL PROGRAMS

WIC Program
Viroqua - 608-637-5260

Food Share Program
Western Region for Economic Assistance (WREA)
<https://access.wisconsin.gov>
1-888-627-0430

OR AT

Vernon County Human Services Department- Economic Support
318 Fairlane Drive, Suite 100, Viroqua – 608-637-5210
<http://www.vernoncounty.org>

FOOD PANTIRES:

Bethel Butikk Food Pantry
341 Black River Avenue, Westby - 608-634-3473
Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 10:00 am-4:00pm
Tuesday 10:00am-6:00pm; First Saturday of the Month 9:00am-12:00pm
<http://www.westbybethelbutikk.com>

The Good Samaritan Food Pantry
128 Mill Street, Hillsboro – 608-489-3627
Tuesday-Friday 1:00pm-5:00pm; Saturday 9:00am-12:00pm

Living Faith Church
209 Sands Road, Viroqua
608-637-7410 or 608-606-1310
Mondays 1:00pm – 3:00pm
Wednesdays 10:00am-6:00pm

New Hope Food Pantry (New Hope United Methodist Church)
E2290 State Hwy 82, De Soto – 60- 648-2644
Thursdays 9:00am-10:00am; Fourth Thursday of Month 9:00am-12:00pm

Stoddard Community Food Pantry
300 North Main Street, Stoddard -608-457-2700
First and Third Tuesday of every Month 2:30pm-5:00pm

Viola United Methodist Church
225 North Washington Street, Viola - 608-627-1910
Fourth Saturday of the Month 10:00am-12:00pm

Community Baptist Church
100 Monroe Street, Ontario - 608-337-4656

Greater Vernon Area SHARE (Self-Help and Resource Exchange)
800-548-2124 ext. 219
<http://www.sharewi.org>

Vernon County Human Services Department- Economic Support: Food Share Program
318 Fairlane Drive, Suite 100, Viroqua – 608-637-5210
<http://www.vernoncounty.org>

GOVERNMENT OFFICES

Vernon County Health Department
Viroqua - 608-637-5251

Vernon County Department of Human Services
Viroqua - 608-637-5210

Department of Transportation, Division of Motor Vehicles, Driver Licensing & Testing
<http://www.dot.state.wi.us/drivers.index.htm>

Unemployment Compensation
1-800-822-5246
<http://www.dwd.state.wi.us/ui/>
***ALL unemployment claims taken over the phone or online, NO LOCAL OFFICE

Social Security Administration
La Crosse - 608-784-5605 or 1-800-772-1213
<http://www.ssa.gov>

HEALTHCARE SERVICES

FREE HEALTHCARE:

St. Clare Health Mission
<http://www.stclarehealthmission.org>
916 Ferry Street, La Crosse - 608-791-9546

HOSPITALS:

Vernon Memorial Healthcare
507 S Main Street, Viroqua - 608-637-2101
<http://www.vmh.org>

St. Joseph's Memorial Hospital
400 Water Avenue, Hillsboro - 608-489-8000
<http://www.stjhealthcare.org>

Mayo Clinic Health System
700 West Avenue South, La Crosse - 608-785-0940 or TTY 608-785-1161
<http://mayoclinichealthsystem.org/>

Gundersen Health System
1900 South Avenue, La Crosse - 608-782-7300 or TTY 608-782-3784
<http://www.gundersenhealth.org/>

Prairie du Chien Memorial Hospital
705 East Taylor, Prairie du Chien - 608-357-2000
<http://www.pdcmemorialhospital.org>

Richland Hospital, Inc.
333 East 2nd Street, Richland Center - 608-647-6321
<http://www.richlandhospital.com>

St. Claire Hospital
707 14th Street, Baraboo - 608-355-1805
<http://www.stjhealthcare.org>

UW Hospitals and Clinics
600 Highland Avenue, Madison - 608-263-6400 or 1-800-323-8942
<http://www.uwhealth.org>

Tomah Memorial Hospital
321 Butts Avenue, Tomah - 608-372-2181
<http://www.tomahhospital.org/index.html>

CLINICS:

Scenic Bluffs Community Health Center
<http://www.scenicbluffs.org>
Cashton – 608-654-5100
Norwalk – 608-823-7853

Viola Health Services and Osteoporosis Center
338 North Commercial Avenue, Viola – 608-627-1407

Mayo Clinic Health System
<http://mayoclinichealthsystem.org/>
La Crosse – 608-782-9760
Holmen - 608-526-3351

Onalaska - 608-392-5000
Prairie du Chien – 608-326-0808
Sparta – 608-269-2132
Tomah - 608-372-5951

Gundersen Health System
<http://www.gundersenhealth.org/>
Viroqua – 608-637-3195
Hillsboro - 608-489-2253
La Crosse - 608-782-7300 or 800-362-9567
Onalaska - 608-775-8100
Prairie du Chien - 608-326-6466 or 800-714-5362
Sparta - 608-269-6731 or 800-554-0380
Tomah - 608-372-4111 or 888-600-3240

St. Joseph's Family Clinics
<http://www.stjhealthcare.org>
Hillsboro – 608-489-8280

Vernon Memorial Hospital Clinics
<http://www.vmh.org>
Westby - 608-634-3126
Viroqua - 608-637-3174
Soldiers Grove - 608-624-5203
La Farge - 608-625-2494

HOUSING ASSISTANCE

Coulecap
110 N. Main St., Westby – 608-634-3104

Workforce Connections, Inc.
220 South Main Street, Viroqua - 608-637-2768
***Emergency Assistance - Impending homelessness, homelessness, natural disasters, energy crisis

Bethel Butikk
341 Black River Avenue, Westby - 608-634-3473 or 608-634-4871

Viroqua Housing Authority
200 Park View CT, Viroqua - 608-637-2626

Bethel Home and Services, Inc.
<http://www.bethelhome.org>
Birchwood Independent Living Duplexes; Viroqua - 608-637-6340
Bethel Village Apartments; Cashton - 608-637-6340
Coulee View Apartments; Coon Valley - 608-452-3170 or 608-637-6323

Linton Village Apartments
700 Linton Street, Viroqua – 608-637-8445

Terra View Apartments
305/311 Chase Street, Viroqua - 608-987-2900

Broadway Court Apartments
505 Chicago Avenue, Viroqua - 608-784-2935

Halvorsen Apartments
211 Milwaukee Street, Westby – 608-634-3868

Westby Housing Authority
503 South Main Street, Westby – 608-634-4810

Nordic Villiage Homes
100 Valhalla Street, Westby – 608-269-1002

Hillcrest Apartments
406 Park Street, Ontario – 800-944-4866

City Square Apartments
824 Pine Street, Hillsboro – 608-489-3258

Hills Manor Apartments
Hillsboro - 608-489-2516

Parkview Apartments
739 Hill Avenue, Hillsboro - 608-489-2516

Hometown Village Apartments
315 North Gold Street, La Farge - 1-800-836-1152

Village of La Farge Housing
105 West Main Street, La Farge – 608-625-4422

Pine lawn Apartments
415 North Gold Street, La Farge – 920-478-2220

Ridgeview Commons
114 Exchange Street, Viola – 608-647-2525

Valley Apartments
350 Elm Street, Stoddard – 877-847-8924

Valley View Apartments

520 North 4th Street, Readstown – 608-629-5099

Richland Housing Authority
210 S Orange Street, Richland Center – 608-647-3214

Richland Center Housing Authority
701 West Seminary Street, Richland Center – 608-647-4877

Monroe Housing Authority
1108 West Wisconsin Street, Sparta – 608-269-5017

La Crosse County Housing Authority
615 Plainview Road, La Crosse – 608-781-5365

La Crosse Housing Authority
1307 Badger Street, La Crosse – 608-782-2264

Boscobel Housing Authority
213 Wisconsin Avenue, Boscobel – 608-375-4228

Ho-Chunk Housing Authority
1116 East Monowau Street, Tomah – 608-374-1245

HCN Housing Authority
320 Epoch Road, Tomah – 608-374-2104

Camp Douglas Housing
789 Nelson Valley Road, Camp Douglas – 608-427-3701

Mauston Housing Authority
208 West Monroe Street, Mauston – 608-847-4379

Juneau County Housing Authority
717 East State Street, Mauston - 608-47-7309

TELEPHONE ASSISTANCE

Lifeline/Link-up Program

Lifeline: Provides discounts on basic monthly telephone service, up to \$10.00 per month.

Link-up: Assists with the initial installation fee or activation fee for telephone service.

**Contact your local telephone company or cell phone provider for additional eligibility information.

<http://lifelinesupport.org>

Safelink Wireless Cell Phone Program

Issues a free cell phone with free minutes each month to low income households. People who qualify either already participate in a government assistance program or meet the income guidelines for eligibility. 1-800-977-3768 www.safelinkwireless.com

Telecommunications Equipment Purchase and Assistance Plans

TEPP- assists individuals that are hard of hearing, deaf/severely hard of hearing, speech impaired, mobility/motion impaired, deaf with low vision or deaf and blind to obtain equipment for basic phone service

TAP- a program for those who are deaf or severely hard of hearing in a low income household to pay the TEPP co-payment if you qualify. Voice 608-231-3305 - TTY 1-800-251-8345

TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE

Couleecap, Inc.

110 N. Main St., Westby – 608-634-3104

www.couleecap.org

Bethel Butikk

341 Black River Avenue, Westby

608-634-3473 or 608-634-4871

Caring Hearts Homecare and Transportation

608-782-2464 or 608-317-3657

Running Inc. Transit Services

520 East Decker Street, Viroqua – 608-637-8080

<http://www.runninginc.net>

(Available 7 days a week for taxi ride)

Vernon County Unit on Aging

318 Fairlane Drive, Suite 219, Viroqua – 608-637-5201

<http://www.vernoncounty.org/aging>

Mini-Bus Program

318 Fairlane Drive, Suite 219, Viroqua – 608-637-5201

(Transportation on a scheduled basis, Monday thru Friday 8:30am-4:30pm)

Priority given to those age 55 and older or adults with a disability)

Vernon County Volunteer Driver Escort Service Program

318 Fairlane Drive, Suite 219, Viroqua – 608-637-5201

Viroqua Cab Company

832 North Main Street, Viroqua - 608-637-8080

S.M.R.T (Scenic Mississippi Regional Transit) - 877-444-6543

MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION:

***The following services are available to people with an active Medical Assistance card going to medical services.

Abby Vans – 800-236-8438

Access Medical Transit/Top Hat, Inc.
226 Hood Street, La Crosse – 608-782-4200 or 800-658-9054

Gundersen Lutheran Coulee Trails
126 ½ West Jefferson Street, Viroqua - 800-771-8884

D & D Medical Transportation
S1331A Clinton Ridge Road, Westby – 608-634-4694

At one time or another everyone needs help or an answer to what seems like a simple question. The Resource Guide is designed to link peoples' questions or problems to the agency or organization best able to provide the needed assistance.

The listings in this brochure are by no means inclusive of all of the services in the Vernon County area.

We believe that consumers are in the best position to evaluate and choose resources appropriate to their needs.