

“Programs that provide cash, vouchers or other forms of monetary aid for people in need of assistance and evaluate the individual's or family's need for the money on a case-by-case basis. Also included are programs that help people identify and secure paid employment opportunities that match their aptitude, qualifications, experience and interests.” (Reference - Michigan 2-1-1)

Michigan Department of Health & Human Services

4809 Clio Road, Flint, MI 48504; (810) 787-7101

125 E Union St, Flint, MI 48502; (810) 760-7300

<http://www.michigan.gov/dhs>

- Eligibility based on household number, income and countable cash assets
- Can use MIBridges online to apply for assistance, check your eligibility status and manage account at <https://www.mibridges.michigan.gov/access>
- Assistance also available via walk-in service; Mon-Fri 8am-5pm

State Emergency Relief (SER)

- Immediate help may be available if facing extreme hardship or emergencies
 - Utilities, Home Repairs, Relocation, Home Ownership Services, Burial
- Not intended for repeated or long-term use
- For energy related emergencies, the SER crisis season runs Nov 1st-May 31st

Home Ownership Services

- If at risk of losing your home, this service may be able to help with services such as:
 - Home mortgage or land contract payments, including principal, interest, legal fees and escrow for taxes and insurance
 - Property taxes and fees
 - Mobile home lot rent for owners or purchasers of mobile homes
 - Insurance coverage required by a mortgage or land contract
- Lifetime services maximum is \$2,000
- Cannot be client-caused

Family Independence Program (FIP)

- Provides temporary financial assistance to families with children
- Eligibility requirements:
 - Households must have children 0-18 or 18 who are in high school fulltime
 - Pregnant women and families whose children are in foster care but expected to return within 1 year

- Meet income limits
- Be under-employed, unemployed or about to become unemployed
- Be a MI resident

Cash Assistance

- Temporary cash assistance is available for eligible pregnant women & low-income families with minor children
- Applicants for will take part in a results-oriented work participation program (PATH)
 - Program features a 21-day assessment period during which barriers to employment are identified and caseworkers work to connect participants with resources to address barriers

Catholic Charities of Shiawassee & Genesee Counties

(810) 234-4693; <http://www.ccsge.org>

- May provide rent, mortgage or utility assistance to eligible clients in need
- Call to find out required documentation and eligibility as they may change over time

Visa Center

249 Peer Avenue, Flint, MI 48503; (810) 259-2958

<http://thevistacenter.org>

- Provides a literacy program that includes help with job searches, resumes, basic skill building, tutoring, reading for enjoyment, and has links to GED and Adult Educational Programs
- Eligibility: Persons who are developmentally disabled, mentally ill and/or homeless with a case manager
- Referral required from a caseworker
- Walk-ins accepted; Hours vary, please call for details
- Picture ID required

Job Finding Assistance

Pure Michigan Talent Connect

<https://www.mitalent.org>

- Provides a centralized location for Job seekers and employers to connect

There may be additional resources for you to consider through various community agencies. Michigan 2-1-1 is a free confidential service that connects you with local community-based organizations offering support services for people seeking answers to help in addressing their needs and questions. You can connect with Michigan 2-1-1 by either:

- Visiting the website at <http://www.mi211.org>
- Dialing 2-1-1 or either one of these Toll Free phone lines at (844) 875-9211 or (800) 649-3777 (Michigan Relay) for personal assistance 24 hours a day, 7 days a week

Phone: (810) 767-8383 | Email: bbonarde@med.umich.edu
Website: <http://umhs-rahs.org/rahs-health-centers>

The Community Employment Disability Network

3600 S. Dort Hwy, Suite 54, Flint, MI 48507
(810) 742-1800; <http://www.disnetwork.org>

- Provides assistance to persons seeking employment
- No eligibility, application, documentation requirements
- No fees for most services
- Mon-Fri 9am-5pm

Hispanic Technology and Community Center

2101 Lewis St, Flint, MI 48506; (810) 424-3760
http://www.mcc.edu/hispanic_ctc/index.shtml

- Non-profit organization through a partnership with Mott Community College
- Multiple free services: Access to computers and Internet, Computer classes and training, Tutoring, Translation services, after school art sessions, Educational Services, Assistance searching for employment, Resume Building, DHS, Copies/Fax/Printing, Weekly Food Giveaway
- Open to all; Mon-Fri 9am-6pm

Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Programs

Genesee Shiawassee Thumb Michigan Works!

711 N. Saginaw St, Lower Level, Flint, MI 48503; (810) 233-5627
4119 N. Saginaw St, Flint, MI 48505; (810) 233-5627 ext. 702
<http://gstmiworks.org>

- Some programs require specific eligibility or a referral, however, ANY job seeker can use Employment Services
- Generally, walk-ins accepted: Mon-Fri 8am-5pm

Adult and Dislocated Worker Programs

- Provides classroom training, on-the-job training, remedial education, job search assistance and supportive services for eligible individuals
- Some programs have eligibility and documentation requirements; call for details

Youth Program

- Programs that provide work-readiness training for youth age 14-24 from low-income households or are at risk of dropping out of school; and adults age 18 and older who are low-income and/or receiving public assistance and are unemployed
- Goal is to prepare youth for high school graduation, post-secondary education and, ultimately, a career

Comprehensive Job Assistance Centers/Employee Assistance Programs

- Provides services to all employers and all job seekers
- Possible activities include resume writing, interview coaching, work experience, career assessment and counseling, on the job training, job search, employment postings/listing, computer access with

internet connections, career fairs, bilingual support and reference materials/labor market information

- Some programs do have eligibility requirements. Referral from DHS is required for some programs, call for more details

Job Seekers Programs

- Provides computer or related technology classes, GED test instruction classes as well as other classes that will aid in employment, and literacy programs
- No eligibility requirements for service
- Call for current class schedule: Mon-Fri 8am-5pm

Financial Counseling

Legal Services of Eastern Michigan (LSEM)

436 S. Saginaw St, Suite 100, Flint, MI 48502
(800) 322-4512 or (810) 234-2621
<http://www.lsem-mi.org>

- A non-profit law firm that provides free civil legal assistance and advice to low and moderate income people in the eastern part of the state, including Flint, Saginaw, Midland, and Port Huron
- In addition to legal assistance, they offer help on Credit Repair, Bankruptcy, various Legal Empowerment & Advice Programs
- Legal advice related to:
 - Family law, consumer problems, housing issues, evictions, government benefits, bankruptcy, education, fair housing individual rights, wills, services for seniors
- Call to schedule an appointment: Mon-Fri 9am-5pm

Housing Problems

- Provides information and possible assistance regarding mortgage foreclosure and delinquency and landlord tenant disputes
- May accept cases for representation for issues within their priorities
- May also be able to provide counsel and advice, or do-it-yourself materials.
- Services are free for clients that meet income eligibility, clients may be responsible for court costs

Bankruptcy Assistance

- Provides assistance for people who are unable to pay their creditors and need to declare bankruptcy. Included may be help in evaluating a personal or business bankruptcy as an option, assistance in completing and filing bankruptcy forms and/or representation in bankruptcy hearings

The RAHS community resource directory information is up-to-date to the best of our knowledge. Please call the agency/service to confirm this information, availability, and eligibility. **Please feel free to provide us feedback** on your personal experiences with any agency or service. Call RAHS at (810) 767-8383 or contact the Health Promotions Manager at jgardonr@med.umich.edu.