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# **Quick Reference Guide**

**Need help? Mississippi 2-1-1**

2-1-1 connects people with local community resources like emergency food, clothing, housing, job services, and counseling.

**To report child abuse:**

Call MS Centralized Intake - Child Abuse Hotline

1-800-222-8000

https://reportabuse.mdcps.ms.gov/

**Fire Department:**

Dial 9 -1-1 for emergencies.

601-705-0908

102 Fairchild Drive

Petal, MS 39465

**Forrest General Engagement Center**

601-288-4445

**Petal School Clinic (SEMRHI)**

601–450-2144

36 Panther Stadium Drive

**Poison Control**

1-800-222-1222

**Police Department**

Dial 9 -1 - 1 for emergencies.

601-544-5331

128 W. 8th Avenue

Petal, MS 39465

# Abuse/Neglect

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MS Centralized Intake/Child Abuse Hotline

1-800-222-8000

https://reportabuse.mdcps.ms.gov/

**Domestic Abuse Family Shelter**

601-582-2102

Provides a 24-hour crisis line and 24-hour shelter (at no charge) for women and their children who are victims of domestic violence. Nonresidential counseling services are provided for victims and domestic violence intervention classes are available for abusers.

**Kids Hub Child Advocacy Center**

601-909-6294

Provides forensic interviews, family and victim advocacy, child abuse prevention education within the community and multidisciplinary team case review.

**Shafer Center for Crisis Intervention**

601-264-7777

507 N. 37th Avenue

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

www.theshafercenter.info

Serves all survivors of sexual violence and co-victims of violent death, including homicide and suicide, at any point following their experience through direct services, advocacy, education, training and activism.

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# Alcohol/Drug Abuse - Support

**Al-Anon** (for family members and friends of alcoholics)

601-270-9872

**Alcoholics Anonymous**

http://aa-mississippi.org/meetings

**Narcotics Anonymous**

<http://www.i59area.org/meeting-schedule>

**Nicotine Anonymous**

601-658-8699

2001 Hardy Street

Hattiesburg, MS

Saturdays at 11:15am at St. John’s Lutheran Church

**Pine Grove Behavioral Health and Addiction Services**

1-888-574-HOPE (4673)

2255 Broadway Drive

Hattiesburg, MS

www.pinegrovetreatment.com

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# Child Care - Licensed Centers

***Part Time Programs***

**Asbury Playschool**

601-582-4686

1331 Highway 42

Petal, MS 39465

**Carterville Christian School**

601-545-1010

1115 Carterville Rd

Petal, MS 39465

***Full Time Programs***

**C.H. Johnson Head Start & Early Head Start**

769-223-6473

201 West Central Ave

Petal, MS 39465

**LC Learning Academy**

601-270-6352

529 E Central Ave

Petal, MS 39465

**Mimi’s Playhouse**

601-584-6107

439 Old Corinth Rd

Petal, MS 39465

**Oasis Training Center**

601-583-4045

153 Sheeplo Loop

Petal, MS 39465

**Petal Primary School**

601-554-7244

60 Herrington Rd

Petal, MS 39465

**Play School Childcare Center**

601-544-4018

108 Valley Drive

Petal, MS 39465

***Child Care Assistance***

**Child Care Payment Program – MDHS**

1-800-877-7882

(9am-5pm)

www.secac.ms.gov

Provides assistance with child care tuition.

***After School/Summer Care***

**After School Academics & Arts**

601-602-4553

800 S. Main

Petal, MS 39465

**Petal Family YMCA**

601-583-9399

547 Hillcrest Loop

Petal, MS 39465

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# City of Petal - Departments

**Building Department/Code Enforcement**

601-544-6048

**City Hall**

**www.cityofpetal.com**

601-545-1776

119 West 8th Ave

**Civic Center**

601-545-1776

714 South Main Street

**Fire Department**

601-705-0908

102 Fairchild Drive

**Judicial Department**

601-582-5351

127 West 8th Ave

**Petal Chamber of Commerce**

601-583-3306

www.petalchamber.com

**Police Department**

601-544-5331

127 West 8th Ave

**Recreation Department**

601-554-5440

605 Hillcrest Loop

**Water Department**

601-544-6981

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# Counseling/Mental Health

**Canopy Children’s Solutions**

601-264-7079

120 Plaza Drive

Hattiesburg, MS 39402

www.mycanopy.org

Home & community based program (MYPAC) that provides treatment for youth with Serious Emotional Disturbance (SED) with same level of care as residential treatment.

**Community Counseling and Assessment Clinic**

601-266-4601

USM

www.usm.edu/counseling-psychology-clinic

Student-run clinic offers psychology assessment services and counseling on a sliding fee scale.

**NOOL Counseling**

601-606-0561

604 Adeline St., Ste. B

Hattiesburg, MS

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

Counseling center that

accepts Medicaid.

**Personal Growth Center**

601-584-9540

1003 W Pine Street

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

Counseling center that accepts Medicaid.

**Pine Belt Child and Adolescent Services**

601-582-1111

110 Patton Ave

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

Community mental health agency. This number is available as a crisis line 24/7.

**Pine Belt Mental Health**

**Adult Services**

601-544-4641

103 South 19th Ave

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

**Pine Grove Behavioral Health**

1-888-574-HOPE (4673)

2255 Broadway Drive

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

www.pinegrovetreatment.com

Behavioral health and addiction services. Inpatient, outpatient, and residential treatment.

**Shafer Center for Crisis Intervention**

601-264-7777

507 N. 37th Ave

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

www.theshafercenter.info

Serves all survivors of sexual violence and co-victims of violent death, including homicide and suicide.

**Sycamore Tree Counseling Services**

601-545-2442

207 3rd Ave

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

Accepts Medicaid

**USM Clinic for Family Therapy**

601-266-5475

3502 Morningside Drive

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

Provides counseling for individuals, couples, family problems, and parenting issues. Fees based on a sliding scale.

**Will’s Way**

601-255-5264

32 Millbranch Rd #40

Hattiesburg, MS 39402

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

A pediatric psychology practice offering behavioral consultation and treatment for children and their families.

**Your Family Clinic**

601-544-8935

514 Old Richton Rd

Petal, MS 39465

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

Psychologist accepting Medicaid and private insurance.

**Youth Villages**

601-271-7600

116 N 40th Ave

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

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

Provides residential treatment, intensive in-home treatment, foster care and

adoption, and crisis services.

# Education

**GED Prep Classes & Testing Info**

PRCC: 601-554-5551

http://www.prcc.edu/community/ged

JCJC: 601-477-4164

http://www.jcjc.edu/workforcecollege/abe.php

**Youth Challenge Academy @ Camp Shelby**

601-558-2300

www.msyouthchallenge.org

5 month residential military program for ages 16-18.

***Education – College***

**Jones County Junior College**

601-477-4000

900 South Court St

Ellisville, MS 39437

www.jcjc.edu

**Pearl River Community College**

601-403-1000

101 Highway 11 North

Poplarville, MS 39470

www.prcc.edu

**PRCC Forrest County Campus**

601-554-5555

5448 Highway 49

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

www.prcc.edu

**University of Southern MS**

601-266-1000

118 College Drive

Hattiesburg, MS 39406

www.usm.edu

**William Carey University**

601-318-6051

710 William Carey Parkway

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

www.wmcarey.edu

***Education – Head Start/Pre-K Class***

**Head Start & Early Head Start- CH Johnson, Petal**

769-223-6473

201 West Central Ave

Petal, MS 39465

*Early Head Start*: Ages infant - 3

*Head Start*: Ages 3-5

**Petal Pre-K Class**

601-554-7244

Petal Primary School

60 Herrington Rd

Petal, MS 39465

**Petal Primary Blended Pre-K Class**

601-554-7244

Petal Primary School

60 Herrington Rd.

Petal, MS 39465

***Education – Petal School District***

**Alternative School**

601-584-4717

106 Central Ave

**Central Office**

601-545-3002

115 Highway 42

**Petal Primary School**

601-554-7244

60 Herrington Rd

Grades Pre-K, K, 1, 2

**Petal Elementary School**

601-582-7454

1179 Highway 42

Grades 3, 4

**Petal Upper Elementary School**

601-584-7660

400 Hillcrest Loop

Grades 5, 6

**Petal Middle School**

601-584-6301

203 Hwy 42

Grades 7, 8

**Petal High School**

601-583-3538

1145 Highway 42

Grades 9, 10, 11, 12

**Special Services Office**

601-582-4247

617 South Main Street

**Transportation**

601-583-4320

***Education – Special Needs***

**The 3-D School and Evaluation Center**

601-450-3333

120 S. George Street

Petal, MS 39465

www.The3DSchool.org

Specializes in the identification and education of students with Dyslexia.

**The Children’s Center for Communication and**

**Development**

601-266-5222

J.B. George Building 109

118 College Drive, #5092

Hattiesburg, MS 39406

www.usm.edu/early-intervention-childrens

Provides early intervention services in all developmental areas.

**DuBard School of Language Disorders**

601-266-5223

118 College Drive #10035

Hattiesburg, MS 39406

www.usm.edu/dubard

Serves children with severe speech-language disorders and/or hearing impairments.

**Petal School District –**

**Preschool class for the Developmentally Delayed**

601-582-4247

617 Main Street

Petal, MS 39465

Provides pre-k class for children ages 3-5 with developmental delays and a special education ruling.

# Employment Assistance

**Mississippi Department of Employment Security**

www.mdes.ms.gov

State website to help Mississippians get jobs. File for unemployment at this site.

**RISE**

601-544-4855

411 North 38th Ave

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

Provides job and life skills classes.

**PrideStaff Hattiesburg**

601-582-8881

5910 US Hwy 49, Suite 5

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

A staffing service and employment agency.

**MS Department of Vocational Rehabilitation**

601-545-5619

17 JM Tatum Drive, Suite 130

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

Assists people with disabilities return to gainful employment. evaluations, medical services, training, counseling, guidance, and job placement are provided. Career and job counseling provided for special education students in junior and senior years.

**WIN Job Center**

601-584-1202

1911 Arcadia Street

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

Provides job training and placement.

# Family Services

**Camp Shelby Family Assistance Center**

601-558-2405

Camp Shelby Training Center, Building 1302

Jackson Ave and 14th Street

Camp Shelby, MS

Provides community services to men and women of the Armed Forces and their families.

**The Coleman Center for Families and Children**

601-584-4704

201 West Central Ave

Petal, MS 39465

Parents as teachers program, resource library, community agency referral, Playshop, Backyard Bus,

community workroom, laminating machine, preschool S.T.E.A.M. Lab, Preschool Computer Lab, BEAM Virtual Learning System, parenting information.

**Families First for MS**

601-255-7510

108 Sheffield Loop

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

Provides youth development and parent education programs.

**Social Security Office**

1-866-331-2186

1911 Broadway Drive

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

Supplemental Security Income (SSI) for adults and children with disabilities. Survivor’s benefits for children who have lost a parent.

# Food

**Breadbasket**

601-584-7574

Emergency food assistance.

**Christian Services, Inc.**

601-582-5683

301 East Second Street

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

www.christianserve.org

Lunch M-F at 12pm.

**Food truck at PUMC**

418 South Main Street

Mon-Fri 11:30am

**Edwards Street Food Pantry**

601-544-6149

1919 Edwards Street

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

**Petal Children’s Task Force**

601-255-5578

314 S. George Street

Petal, MS 39465

Hours: 9 - 3 pm Mon - Fri. Offers emergency food boxes to residents of Petal.

**Petal Senior Center**

601-402-7040

120 S. George Ave

Petal, MS 39465

Lunch M-F 11:30

**SNAP (food stamps)**

601-554-4350

1604 W. Pine Street

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

**WIC Food Program**

601-583-0291

5008 Highway 42

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

Food for children up to age 5 and pregnant moms.

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Health Services

***Health - General***

**First Steps**

601-584-4704

201 W. Central Ave

Petal, MS 39465

Provides free identification, evaluation, and services for infants and toddlers with developmental delays.

**If you suspect that your child may have a disability, call:**

MS Dept. of Health-

First Steps: 601-584-4704

(birth-36 mo)

Petal Schools Special Services: 601-582-4247

(ages 3-5 years)

**Forrest County Health Dept.**

601-583-0291

5008 Highway 42

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

Immunizations, WIC, pregnancy testing, etc

**Poison Control**

1-800-222-1222

***Health—Breastfeeding***

**Forrest County Health Dept.**

601-583-0291

5008 Highway 42

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

Breastfeeding support from WIC program.

**La Leche League**

1-800-LA-LECHE

(525-3243)

Group meetings in Hattiesburg for breastfeeding mothers

***Health – Dental***

**Hattiesburg Community Dental Center (SEMRHI)**

601-583-4800

68 Old Airport Rd

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

8-6 Mon-Thu, 8-12 Fri

Sliding scale fees

**Leaf River Dental**

601-475-5600

1115 Evelyn Gandy

Petal, MS 39465

Accepts Medicaid.

**Pearl River Community College Dental Hygiene Clinic**

601-554-5509

5448 Hwy 49 S

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

Exams, x-rays, cleaning, sealants, fluoride treatments, oral cancer screenings. $25 for adults, $20 for children.

***Health – Hospitals/Clinics***

(See also Local Clinics page)

**Fellowship Health Clinic**

601-255-5077

1919 Edwards Street

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

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

Provides free medical care for uninsured or underinsured residents of Forrest and Lamar counties.

**Forrest General Hospital**

Info: 601-288-7000

ER:601-288-2100

6051 U.S. Highway 49

Hattiesburg, MS 39404

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

**Merit Health – Wesley**

Info: 601-268-8000

ER: 601-288-7000

5001 Hardy Street

Hattiesburg, MS 39402

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

**Minor Care Clinic** **(SEMRHI)**

601-450-3030

123 S 27th Ave

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

9 am-9 pm daily

Insurance not required

**Southwest Mississippi Rural Health Initiative (SEMRHI)**

601-544-7500

66 Old Airport Rd

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

www.semrhi.com

Mon-Fri 8:00-5:30

Sliding scale fees.

**Women’s Health Center (SEMRHI)**

601-544-4550

62 Old Airport Rd

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

OB/GYN clinic. Accepts all insurance including Medicaid. Insurance not required. Sliding scale fees.

***Health—Insurance***

**Health Help Mississippi**

601-264-8686

1-877-314-3843

Provides free health advice and coverage options.

**Medicaid/CHIPS (Children’s Health Insurance Program)**

**Hattiesburg Regional Medicaid Office**

601-264-5386

6971 Lincoln Rd Extension

Hattiesburg, MS 39402

Health insurance for low income families.

Mon-Fri 7:30-5:30

***Health – Pharmacy***

**Southeast Mississippi Rural Health Initiative (SEMRHI) Pharmacy Assistance**

601-544-4163

62 Old Airport Rd

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

Only prescriptions written by doctors and nurse practitioners of any of the SEMRHI clinics may be filled.

***Health – Vision***

**Lion’s Club of Mississippi**

601-447-8835, 601-467-9486

Provides assistance with the purchase of eyeglasses.

**Salvation Army**

601-544-3684

5670 Hwy 49

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

Eyeglasses program offered.

# Health - Petal Clinics

***Dentists***

**Barbara Mauldin, DMD**

601-583-8726

108 N. Main Street

Petal, MS 39465

**Braces by Nicholson**

601-268-1111

209 Old Richton Rd

Petal, MS 39465

**C.L. Jones, DDS**

601-583-3380

223 N. Main Street

Petal, MS 39465

**Henderson-Granberry Orthodontics**

601-583-5500

10 Professional Pkwy

Petal, MS 39465

**Petal Family Dentistry**

601-584-9481

139 S. Main Street

Petal, MS 39465

**Reynolds Family Dental Clinic**

601-450-3371

1336 Hwy 42

Petal, MS 39465

**Terrace Hill Dental Center**

601-336-5018

1126 Evelyn Gandy Pkwy

Petal, MS 39465

***Dermatology***

**Pine Belt Dermatology & Skin Cancer Clinic**

601-336-5626

201 S. Main Street, Petal, MS 39465

***Optometry***

**Moreno Eye Care**

601-450-3937

598 East Central Ave Petal, MS 39465

***Pediatrics***

**Children’s Clinic- Petal**

601-705-0260

206 Old Corinth Rd

Petal, MS 39465

***Physicians***

**Petal Family Practice Clinic- Hattiesburg Clinic**

601-544-7404

50 Parkway Ln

Petal, MS 39465

**Petal School Clinic (SEMRHI)**

601-450-2144

36 Panther Stadium Drive

Petal, MS 39465

Free health services for all Petal School District students.

**Wesley Primary Care**

601-584-4309

1146 Evelyn Gandy Pkwy

Petal, MS 39465

***After Hours Clinic/Urgent Care***

**Petal Family Practice Clinic**

601-544-7404

50 Pkwy Ln

Petal, MS 39465

**Petal Urgent Care**

601-336-5393

1272 Evelyn Gandy Pkwy, Suite 60

Petal, MS 39465

# Housing Assistance/Repair

**227 Place**

601-296-6472

Provides housing for women with mental illness, substance abuse issue, or PLWHA and their children.

**Domestic Abuse Family Shelter**

601-428-1707

Provides a 24-hour crisis line and free 24-hour shelter for women and their children who are victims of domestic violence. Nonresidential counseling services are provided for victims and domestic violence intervention classes are available for abusers.

**The Fieldhouse for the Homeless**

601-336-4055

5712 Hwy 49 South

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

Provides services for homeless individuals and families.

**Hattiesburg Area Habitat for Humanity**

601-582-4663

5191 Old Hwy 42

Hattiesburg, MS 39402

www.hattiesburghabitat.org

Helps families build affordable, decent housing through a partnership between families in need and individuals, businesses, churches, and others with necessary resources.

**Homes of Hope for Children**

769-456-7021

344 Harold Tucker Rd

Purvis, MS 39475

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

Houses children in a residential setting. Counseling is provided.

**Home of Your Own**

601-266-5163

Provides assistance with obtaining home ownership to families/individuals with disabilities.

**Housing Authority of the City of Hattiesburg**

601-583-1881

515 E 4th St

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

Offers public housing programs in Hattiesburg based upon income.

**Lighthouse Rescue Mission**

601-544-2169

204 Eupora Street

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

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

Provides housing for homeless women and children.

(Boys allowed if under 14 years.)

**MUTEH**

601-960-0557

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

Provides housing opportunities for the homeless.

**Project Recovery Rapid Re-Housing Program**

601-266-5163

Assists homeless individuals with disabilities to locate transitional or permanent housing and achieve self sufficiency.

**Recover, Rebuild, Restore South MS (R3SM)**

601-544-5115

301 Buschman Street

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

[www.r3sm.org](http://www.r3sm.org)

Coordinates recovery services for people who have unmet needs due to the occurrence of a disaster.

**Salvation Army**

601-544-3684

5670 US Hwy 49

Hattiesburg, MS 39403

Assists with rent and utilities. Provides temporary shelter.

**Shelter 8**

601-582-7664

Provides federal housing assistance for low income, elderly, and the disabled.

# Legal Assistance

**Forrest County Chancery Court**

601-545-6040

641 Main Street

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

Provides assistance with filing guardianship

**Mississippi Center for Legal Services Corp.**

601-545-2950

111 East Front Street

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

www.mscenterforlegalservices.org

Legal assistance for low income individuals.

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# Libraries

**The Coleman Center for Families and Children and Early Childhood Academy**

601-584-4704

201 West Central Ave

Petal, MS 39465

Resource library with books, resources, and developmentally appropriate toys for families residing in 10 counties in Southeast Mississippi.

**The Library of Hattiesburg, Petal, and Forrest County**

www.hpfc.lib.ms.us

Hattiesburg:

601-582-4461

329 Hardy Street Hattiesburg, MS 39401

Petal Branch:

601-584-7610

714 South Main Street

Petal, MS 3946

Parks and Recreation

**Barrontown Community Center**

601-545-1044

610 Herrington Rd

Petal, MS 39465

**Emma D. Hill Park**

402McInnis Street

Petal, MS 39465

**Friendly Park**

607 Hillcrest Loop

Petal, MS 39465

**Hattiesburg Zoo at Kamper Park**

601-545-4576

107 S. 17th Ave

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

www.hattiesburgzoo.com

**Hinton Park (Relay)**

601-545-1776

718 S Main Street

Petal, MS 39465

**Leeville Community Center**

601-544-3641 to rent.

516 Lynn Ray Rd

Petal, MS 39465

**Paul B. Johnson State Park**

601-582-7721

319 Geiger Lake Rd

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

**Petal Optimist Park**

124 Radke Drive

Petal, MS 39465

Operates Dixie Youth Baseball.

**Petal Recreation Department**

601-554-5440

119 W 8th Ave

Petal, MS 39465

Oversees parks and recreational activities for the city.

**Petal River Park**

601-583-3306

786 US Hwy 11

Petal, MS 39465

**Robert E. Russell Sports Complex**

601-544-6060

605 Hillcrest Loop

Petal, MS 39465

Offers ball fields with concession stands and restroom facilities, a walking track, two tennis courts, a playground and a skate park.

**Sunrise Community Center**

601-544-3641 to rent.

338 Sunrise Rd

Petal, MS 39465

**YMCA**

601-583-9399

547 Hillcrest Loop

Petal, MS 39465

# 

# Pregnancy/Childbirth

**Forrest County Health Department**

601-583-0291

5008 Old Hwy 42

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

Provides pregnancy testing, lactation assistance, and WIC.

**Hope Clinic**

601-264-2181

Text: 669-500-8378

216 S. 27th Ave

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

www.hopeclinicms.com

Offers pregnancy tests and medical services and education for pregnant women.

**Women’s Health Center**

(601) 544-4550

66 Old Airport Rd

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

www.semrhi.com

OB/GYN services. Sliding scale fee.

# Senior Services

**Osher Lifelong Learning Institute**

601-246-2780

3601 Pearl Street

Hattiesburg, MS 39406

Offers classes, seminars, and field trips to older adults.

**Petal Bus for the Elderly/Disabled**

601-325-4813

Provides transportation for senior citizens/disabled persons.

**Petal Senior Center**

601-402-7040

120 S George Ave

Petal, MS 39465

Mon. - Fri. 8am - 4pm

**YMCA**

601-583-9399

547 Hillcrest Loop

Petal, MS 39465

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# Social Services

**American Red Cross**

601-582-8151

2020 Hardy Street

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

Offers disaster relief.

**Christian Services, Inc.**

601-582-5683

301 East Second Street

Hattiesburg, MS 39402

www.christianserve.org

Offers lunch M-F at 12-12:30pm, thrift store, help with utilities, medicines, men's drug and alcohol rehab program. Call to make appt Fridays at 11:00 am.

**Department of Human Services – Family and Children’s Services**

**Forrest County**

601-554-4354; 601-544-3564

1604 West Pine Street

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

www.mdhs.state.ms.us

**Pearl River Valley Opportunity (PRVO)**

601-545-8110

100 Front Street

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

www.prvohs.org

Offers utility/rental assistance, weatherization, energy assistance programs. Complete pre-application online virtualroma.mdhs.ms.gov

**Petal Children’s Task Force**

601-255-5578

314 S. George Street

Petal, MS 39465

Hours: 9 - 4 pm Mon- Fri

Offers holiday assistance, food, help with utilities, eyeglasses/exams.

**Pine Belt Association for Families – Relative as Parents Program**

601-582-0909

804 South Main Street, Suite 1

Petal, MS 39465

www.paffpetal.com

Provides services to grandparents raising grandchildren. Services include support groups, in home services, respite, tutoring, summer camp, and more.

**Salvation Army**

601-544-3684

5670 U.S. Highway 49

Hattiesburg, MS 39403

Provides help with utilities, shelter, and crisis needs.

**St. Vincent de Paul**

114 Broadway Drive

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

Request in-person Tuesdays at 9am. Offers clothing, household items, medical assistance, transportation, and utility assistance. No rental assistance available. Clothing closet open Wednesdays from 9:30am - 11:30am.

**Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF)/ SNAP**

**Department of Human Services —Economic Assistance**

601-554-4350

1604 West Pine Street

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

Provides assistance to needy families with children up to age 18.

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# Special Needs

**Association for Rights of Citizens with Developmental Challenges (ARC)**

601-583-4251

65 Bonhomie Rd

Hattiesburg, MS 39402

www.hattiesburgarc.com

Childcare, respite, and other activities for individuals with intellectual disabilities.

**Life of Mississippi**

601-583-2108

710 Katie Av

Hattiesburg, MS

www.lifeofms.com

Assists individuals with disabilities to live independently.

**Mother’s Day Out for Special Needs Preschoolers @ Trinity Episcopal Church**

601-544-5257; 601-544-5551

509 W Pine Street

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

**MS Early Childhood Inclusion Center**

601-266-4745

Assists young children with disabilities and their families with support to ensure access to appropriate early learning environments.

**Vocational Rehabilitation**

601-545-5619

17 J.M. Tatum Industrial

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

Assists people with disabilities return to gainful employment. Evaluations, medical services, training, counseling, guidance, and job placement are provided. Career and job counseling provided for special education students in junior and senior years.

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Transportation

**Grove Transit**

601-544-5403

1721 Hardy Street

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

**Hattiesburg City Transit**

601-545-4670

www.hattiesburgms.com/government/departments/federal-programs/

hub-city-transit

Buses run 6:00am- 6:30pm Monday through Friday.

**Medicaid Transportation**

1-866-331-6004

Rides to non-emergency medical appointments for people who are on Medicaid. 3 day notice is required.

**Petal Bus for the Elderly/Disabled**

601-325-4813

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# Utilities

**Electricity**

**Dixie Electric**

601-583-1131

**Mississippi Power Company**

1-877-656-1836

1-800-532-1502

**Natural Gas**

**CenterPoint Energy**

601-583-3661

**Waste and Garbage**

**City Hall**

601-545-1776

119 West 8th Avenue

www.cityofpetal.com

**Water**

**Barrontown Utility Association**

601-544-3553

**Eastabuchie Utility Association**

601-582-8959

**Petal Water & Sewer Department**

601-544-6981

**Sunrise Utility Association**

601-582-9354

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Youth Services

**Boy Scouts - Pine Burr Area Council**

601-582-2326

1318 Hardy Street

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

**City of Petal - Recreation Department**

601-554-5440

**Girl Scouts**

601-582-1455

210 W Front Street

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

**YMCA**

601-583-9399

547 Hillcrest Loop

Petal, MS 39465

**Concerned About Your Child’s Development?**

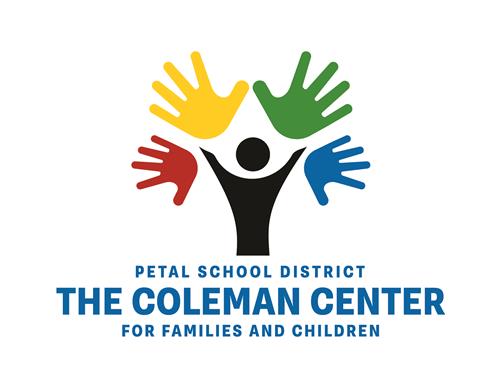
Your child’s healthy growth and development is more than just physical...it’s also about how he or she learns, speaks, moves and behaves. A delay in any of these areas could be a sign of a developmental concern. The good news is, the earlier it’s recognized, the more you can do to help your child.

For children ages birth to 66 months, Petal residents can receive a **FREE** screening to determine their child’s developmental progress.

Contact the Coleman Center for Families and Children

201 West Central Ave **601-584-4704**

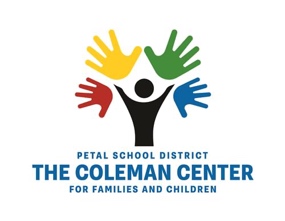
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Excel By 5 is a community-based certification designed to improve a child's overall well-being by age five. Petal’s Excel By 5 coalition is committed to provide support so that all Petal children enter school happy, healthy and ready to learn. For more information, visit www.excelby5.com .









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