



Richland County School District One

FOREIGN LANGUAGE & INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS Frequently Asked Questions and Where to Find the Answers

1. School and Enrollment

QUESTION: Where do I go to get proof of residence if my family lives with another family?

ANSWER: Contact Student Registrar

Address: Lyon Street Student Services Center: 1310 Lyon Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29204

Phone: (803) 231-6944

Coordinator: Sonia Sheehan

Website: http://www.richlandone.org/group_profile_view.aspx?id=a1a65f4a-7a5c-4b59-b3d8-7430e1ddcf9f

QUESTION: What do I do if I do not have two bills to prove that I reside in the Richland County School District One school zone?

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QUESTION: Where do I go for custody or guardianship issues?

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QUESTION: What are my options if I'd like to enroll my child in a school outside of his or her school zone?

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QUESTION: Where do I go to get a certificate of immunization?

ANSWER: Contact Richland County Health Department

Address: 2000 Hampton Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29204

Phone: (803) 576-2900

QUESTION: How do I apply for free or reduced lunch for my child?

ANSWER: Call Assigned School

Coordinator: Cafeteria Manager

QUESTION: How will my child get to school?

ANSWER: Contact Assigned School

Contact Person: Database Specialist or assigned person at school

Address: School Address

Phone: School Phone

2. Food and Nutrition

QUESTION: How do I apply for food stamps and what are the guidelines?

ANSWER: Contact South Carolina Department of Social Services – Food Stamps

Address: 1535 Confederate Avenue, Columbia, South Carolina 29202

Phone: (803) 898-7601 (general information) **OR** (800) 616-1309 (TANF/SNAP)

QUESTION: How do I apply for the Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Nutrition Program and what are the guidelines?

ANSWER: Contact Richland County Health Department

Address: 2000 Hampton Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29204

Phone: (803) 576-2900

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Coordinator: Sandra Palmer

Website: www.scdhec.net/health/mch/wic/region3.htm

Description: WIC is a Special Supplemental Food Program established to assist states in safeguarding the health and nutritional well-being of low income women, infants and children during critical growth periods.

QUESTION: Whom do I contact if I need temporary help in providing food for my family?

ANSWER: See the list of organizations below:

Harvest Hope Food Bank

Address: 2220 Shop Road, Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Phone: (803) 254-4432

Director: Denise Holland

Website: www.harvesthope.org

Description: Provide for the needs of hungry people by gathering and sharing quality food with dignity, compassion and education.

Christ Central Ministries

Address: 2401 Main Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Phone: (803) 765-1998

Columbia Metro Baptist Food Pantry

Address: 1929 Gadsden Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Phone: (803) 252-0116

Oliver Gospel Mission

Address: 1100 Taylor Street (Corner of Taylor and Assembly Streets), Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Phone: (803) 254-6470

Description: This emergency shelter for men offers breakfast and dinner daily. Chapel is held daily at 7:00 p.m. The Oliver Gospel Mission also has a discipleship program for men in recovery from substance abuse. These services are provided free of charge.

There is Hope Mission

Address: 905 Southbound Highway 321, Gaston, South Carolina

Phone: (803) 794-0237

Description: There is Hope Mission is an emergency housing shelter for families. Services include meals, shelter, and housing and employment referrals. Chapel services are available. An application is required.

Transitions Shelter (The Salvation Army)

Address: 2025 Main Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Phone: (803) 765-0260

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Description: The Shelter has emergency and transitional housing, primarily for single men and women. Breakfast and dinner are served daily. Crisis assistance is available for individuals and families at risk of becoming homeless.

Trinity Episcopal Cathedral

Address: 1100 Sumter Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Phone: (803) 771-7300

Washington Street United Methodist Church

Address: 1401 Washington Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Phone: (803) 256-2417

3. Clothing

QUESTION: Whom do I contact if I need temporary help in providing clothes for my family?

ANSWER: See the list of organizations below:

Cooperative Ministry, Monday - Friday, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Address: 3821 West Beltline Boulevard, Columbia, South Carolina 29204

Phone: (803) 799-3853

Description: The Cooperative Ministry provides assistance in locating affordable housing, apartments, housing lists and maps.

Transitions Shelter (The Salvation Army)

Address: 2025 Main Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Phone: (803) 765-0260

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God's Storehouse (Referral required)

Address: 1731 Risley Road, Columbia, South Carolina 29223

Phone: (803) 691-1622

Sharing God's Love

Address: 147 Friarsgate Boulevard, Irmo, South Carolina 29063

Phone: (803) 732-3188

4. Housing

QUESTION: Where do I go if I need emergency housing for my children, my spouse and/or myself?

ANSWER: See the list of organizations below:

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Children's Garden

Address: 4801 Colonial Drive, Columbia, South Carolina 29203

Phone: (803) 333-0608

Description: Children's Garden provides quality childcare for young children ages 6 weeks to 5 years old. Clients include children and their families who are homeless, needy, in crisis, in transition and lacking a support system.

Columbia Family Shelter

Address: 2411 Two Notch Road, Columbia, South Carolina 29204

Phone: (803) 771-7040

Website: www.columbiafamilyshelter.org

Description: Columbia Family Shelter provides temporary emergency housing and supportive services to homeless families in order to enable them to transition to permanent housing and a stable family life. Family Shelter is the only shelter in the Midlands area exclusively for families.

Hannah House

Address: 1726 Sumter Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Phone: (803) 771-4357

Website: www.hannahhousesc.org

Description: Hannah House is a faith-based transitional housing facility for women and their children serving Columbia and the surrounding communities.

Sistercare, Inc.

Address: P.O. Box 1029, Columbia, South Carolina 29202

Phone: (803) 926-0505

Contact Person: Kathleen Shaw

Crisis Line (803)765-9428

Website: www.sistercare.com

Description: Sistercare is a program of services for battered women and their children residing in Fairfield, Kershaw, Lexington, Newberry and Richland counties in South Carolina.

Columbia Housing Authority (CHA)

Address: 1917 Harden Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29204

Phone: (803) 254-3886

Description: The CHA does not provide emergency or transitional housing. The agency does provide housing assistance on a waiting lists basis. One application is required for all housing programs. Call for more application information.

Cooperative Ministry

Address: 3821 W. Beltline Boulevard, Columbia, South Carolina 29204

Phone: (803) 799-3853

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His House

Address: 764 Meeting Street, West Columbia, South Carolina 29169

Phone: (803) 791-0557

Description: His House is an emergency night shelter located in West Columbia. This shelter also provides rehabilitation services to those individuals battling alcohol addiction. Clothing services are also available. Please contact the shelter for additional information.

Oliver Gospel Mission

Address: 1100 Taylor Street (Corner of Taylor and Assembly Streets), Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Phone: (803) 254-6470

Description: This emergency shelter for men offers breakfast and dinner daily. Chapel is held daily at 7:00 p.m. The Oliver Gospel Mission also has a discipleship program for men in recovery from substance abuse. These services are provided free of charge.

Providence Home

Address: 3421 North Main Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29203

Phone: (803) 779-2927

Description: Providence Home offers transitional housing in a recovery environment for men who are homeless due to substance abuse, economic problems, family breakdown or mental/emotional impairment. Residents must be willing to receive Bible instruction and attend chapel services. Meals and laundry services are provided. Employment and participation is mandatory.

Transitions Shelter (The Salvation Army)

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Phone: (803) 765-0260

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St. Lawrence Place

Address: 2400 Waites Road, Columbia, South Carolina 29204

Phone: (803) 256-3999

Description: Families that are homeless can apply to participate in the St. Lawrence Place program. Applicants must meet minimum income guidelines and submit to random drug screenings. Call the agency for more application information.

There is Hope Mission

Address: 905 Southbound Highway 321, Gaston, South Carolina

Phone: (803) 794-0237

Description: There is Hope Mission is an emergency housing shelter for families. Services include meals, shelter, and housing and employment referrals. Chapel services are available. An application is required.

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Women's Shelter

Address: 3425 North Main Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29203

Phone: (803) 779-4706

Description: The Women's Shelter is a transitional housing program that offers women in crisis up to two years to address long-term issues like secure employment, legal issues and educational goals. Various counseling services are also available.

5. Transportation

QUESTION: Where do I go to apply for a driver's license?

ANSWER: Contact South Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles

Address: 1630 Shop Road, Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Phone: (803) 737-8350

Website: www.scdmvonline.com/DMVNew/default.aspx

6. Health

QUESTION: What hospitals are available in the Columbia area?

ANSWER: See the list of hospitals below:

Palmetto Health Richland

Address: 5 Richland Medical Park Drive, Columbia, South Carolina 29203

Phone: (803) 434-7000

Website: www.palmettohealth.com

Providence Hospital Heart Institute

Address: 2435 Forest Drive, Columbia, South Carolina 29204

Phone: (803) 256-5300

Website: www.providencehospitals.com

Providence Hospital Northeast

Address: 120 Gateway Corporate Boulevard, Columbia, South Carolina 29203

Phone: (803) 865-4500

Website: www.providencehospitals.com

Lexington Medical Center

Address: 2720 Sunset Boulevard, West Columbia, South Carolina 29169

Phone: (803) 791-2000

Website: www.lexmed.com

Richland County Public Health Department

Address: 2000 Hampton St.

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Columbia, SC 29204
Phone: (803) 576-2980

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7. Financial Assistance

QUESTION: Whom do I contact if I need temporary financial assistance (rent, electricity, water)?

ANSWER: See the list of organizations below:

Wateree Community Actions

Address: 3220 Two Notch Road, Columbia, South Carolina 29204

Phone: (803) 786-4250

Transitions Shelter (The Salvation Army)

Address: 2025 Main Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Phone: (803) 765-0260

Description: The Shelter has emergency and transitional housing, primarily for single men and women. Breakfast and dinner are served daily. Crisis assistance is available for individuals and families at risk of becoming homeless.

Cooperative Ministry

Address: 3821 West Beltline Boulevard, Columbia, South Carolina 29204

Phone: (803) 799-3853

Description: The Cooperative Ministry provides assistance in locating affordable housing, apartments, housing lists and maps.

Bibleway Social Action Ministries

Address: 2440 Atlas Road, Columbia, South Carolina 29209 – Tues., Wed., Thurs. – 10:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Phone: (803) 776-1238

8. Special Needs

QUESTION: How do I get help for my child with special needs?

ANSWER: Contact Special Education

Address: Waverley Administrative Annex: 1225 Oak St., Columbia, South Carolina 29204

Phone: (803) 231-6773

Coordinator: Debbie Alexander

ANSWER: Contact South Carolina Department of Disabilities and Special Needs

Address: 3440 Harden Street Extension, Columbia, South Carolina 29203

Phone: (803) 898-9600

Website: www.state.sc.us/ddsn

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9. Language

QUESTION: What programs are available for adults seeking to learn English?

ANSWER: See the list of organizations below:

Turning Pages

Phone: 1-803-765-2555

Granby Education Center

Address: 1407 Dunbar Road, Cayce, South Carolina 29033

Phone: (803) 739-4048

Cost: \$20.00/course

Richland One Adult Education

Address: 2612 Covenant Road. Columbia, South Carolina 29204

Phone: (803) 343-2935

English Programs for Internationals, University of South Carolina

Address: 901 Sumter Street #207 Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Phone: (803) 777-3867

Cost: Approximately \$2,200 every term

Midlands Technical College/Continuing Education Division

Address: P.O. Box 2408 Columbia, South Carolina 29202

Phone: (803) 732-0432

10. Additional Community Resources

QUESTION: How can I get a library card?

ANSWER: Contact Richland County Public Library

Address: 1431 Assembly Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Phone: (803) 799-9084

Website: www.richlandlibrary.com

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