

# Community Resources















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# Counselors, School Psychologists & Social Worker

**Ralston High School** 

Counselors:

402-331-7373

Michael Burling
Tara Vaughn

Melissa Sedlack

<u>Katie Rupe</u>

School Psych:

402-331-4701

**Ralston Middle School** 

Counselor: School Psych: <u>Justin Farr</u> <u>Megan Norton</u>

## **Ralston Elementary Schools**

**Blumfield** 

Counselor:

School Psych:

**Karen Western** 

Counselor/School Psych:

**Meadows** 

Counselor:

School Psych:

Mockingbird

Counselor:

School Psych:

**Seymour** 

Counselor/School Psych:

Wildewood

Counselor:

School Psych:

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**Bri Jensen** 

402-331-6655

Karly Johnson

Bri Jensen

402-331-6954

Trevor O'Reilly

Megan Norton

402-331-0540

<u>Iessica O'Garro</u>

402-331-6475

**Kat Turco** 

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**Ralston School District** 

Social Worker:

402-331-4700

**Steve Snodgrass** 

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## Clothing, Food, and Utility Assistance

### Trinity Ralston-Lost and Found Clothing:

- 8009 Q Street
- 0 402-331-4054
- o Sundays 1-4
- Free books and clothes.

#### Brookside Care Center

- o 11607 M Circle Omaha, NE 68127
- Saturdays 10am-12pm (No Appointment Needed)
- School Counselor referral needed

#### • **OPPD Energy Assistance**

- (402) 343-7755 English
- o (402) 343-7711 Espanol

## • DHHS Energy Assistance (LIHEAP)

- Heating and Cooling assistance
- Emergency furnace repair/replacement
- Contact ACCESSNebraska 800-383-4278
- i Serve Nebraska application
- <u>ACCESS Nebraska:</u> The quick/easy way to find and apply for Nebraska public assistance benefits.
  - Information Line:
  - o 8:00 a.m. 8:00 p.m., Call (402) 552-6645,
  - Economic Assistance :
  - Toll Free: (800) 383-4278, Omaha: (402) 595-1258
  - Medicaid:
  - o Toll Free: (855) 632-7633,
  - o Omaha (402) 595-1178

Contacts

## Clothing, Food, and Utility Assistance

## **Food Pantries**

## <u>Tri-City Food Pantry</u>

- Referral needed from School Social Worker
- Contact School Counselor to assist

## • **SNAP Outreach**

- 0 1-855-444-5556
- M-F 8:00am-6:30pm
- Click here to apply

## • Food Bank of The Heartland Mobile Pantries

## Heartland Hope Mission

- 402-733-1904 ext. 10
- South O- 2021 U Street
   Tuesdays | 6:30 PM 7:30 PM
   Thursdays | 1:30 PM 4:00 PM
   Saturdays | 9:30 AM 12:00 PM
- Millard 15555 Industrial Rd.
   Drive-Thru Pantry (until further notice)
   Every Saturday | 10:30 AM 11:30 AM

## Omaha Food Pantries

## General Assistance

#### United Way and 2-1-1 NEBRASKA:

(Available 24/7, 180 languages, completely confidential)

- o Call either 211 or (402) 444-6666
- Provides assistance in finding resources for food, housing, utilities, healthcare, and various employment and education opportunities.
- o **App available:** 211 Nebraska/SW Iowa
- ACCESS Nebraska iServe Nebraska: The quick/easy way to find and apply for Nebraska public assistance benefits.
  - o Information Line: 8:00 a.m. 8:00 p.m.,
  - o Call (402) 552-6645,
  - Economic Assistance :
  - Toll Free: (800) 383-4278, Omaha: (402) 595-1258
  - Medicaid:
  - Toll Free: (855) 632-7633, Omaha (402) 595-1178

## • The Salvation Army Burrows Center

- 6101 NW Radial Hwy, Omaha, NE 68104, (402) 898-7700
- Prescription drug assistance, clothing, fire victim, utility assistance for MUD.

## Omaha Bridges Out of Poverty

- 4343 N 52nd St. Herd Building,
- Omaha Home for Boys Campus
- o (402) 884-9665
- Empowering under-resourced families to change their lives by discovering and overcoming barriers to success.
- Douglas County General Assistance
- Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services

# Financial Help

## HeartlandFamilyService.org

The Heartland Family Service Homeless Services programs provide housing assistance and support services to individuals and families experiencing homelessness. Our Homeless Services programs use a Housing First and Trauma Informed Care approach. Our programs focus on helping participants to quickly obtain permanent housing and provide support services to maintain housing.

## MACCH

 Omaha metro area's only Collective Impact homeless services organization.

## • OPPD Energy Assistance

- o (402) 343-7755 English
- o (402) 343-7711 Espanol

## • <u>Douglas County Utility Assistance</u>

- 0 1-888-650-9132
- Up to \$500 per household to be applied directly to the M.U.D. bill and up to \$500 per household to be applied directly to the OPPD bill.
- Apply Online

#### Home

 Financial assistance provided through this program may include rent, mortgage payments, board and room, utilities, clothing and non-food items. Assistance is limited to those persons in Douglas County between the ages of nineteen and sixty-four who are not eligible for other public assistance and/or do not have sufficient income or resources to meet all or part of their shelter needs.

# Income/Work

- Women's Center For Advancement
  - 402-345-6555
  - Career coaching, including resume critiquing, mock interviews, work clothing, and seminars.

- Goodwill Employment Solutions
  - o (402) 341-4609
  - A team of Employment Solutions specialists connects with companies across the Omaha metro to learn about their business and hiring needs.
  - Look Under Programs and Services

- Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services
  - o 402-471-3121
  - Services include assisting the elderly, low income and those with disabilities; providing safety to abused and/or neglected children and vulnerable adults.

# **Support Groups**

## **Hotlines**

- Boys Town National Hotline
  - 0 800-448-3000
  - Text VOICE to 20121
- Child/Adult Abuse Reporting
  - 1-800-652-1999
- Nebraska Family Helpline
  - 888-866-8660
- <u>Department of Health and Human Services</u>
   <u>Hotlines</u>
- Safe2Help

## **Therapy Support**

- Arbor Family Counseling
  - 0 402-330-0960
  - Schedule an appointment here
- Boys Town
- The Collective for Hope
  - Ted E. Bear Hollow (Children & Family programs)
  - Grief's Journey (Pre-teen, Teen, Adult programs)
  - Healing Embrace (pregnancy & infant loss)
  - One World Teen and Young Adult Clinics