

# NEED HELP?

## CONTACT 2-1-1

*Your link to community resources*

### CALL

Dial 2-1-1 or 888-421-1266

### TEXT

Text your zip code to 898-211

### CHAT

Visit [211connectsalabama.org](http://211connectsalabama.org)

Child & Family Services • Food Assistance  
• Utilities & Housing Services • Education &  
Training Services • Health & Mental Health  
Services • Disaster Relief & Recovery



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United Ways of Alabama

Where can I volunteer?

Where do I go during a disaster?

What senior services are available in my area?

Are there child care programs in my area?

Where can I get help with food for my family?

How do I get connected to services for veterans?

Where can I find affordable housing?

How do I receive help with health care and prescriptions?

## FIND HELP LOCALLY

2-1-1 links the caller to:

- **Basic Human Needs:** food, clothing, shelter, and other basic needs
- **Physical & Mental Health:** health insurance programs, Medicaid and Medicare, intervention services, support groups, counseling, drug and alcohol intervention, victim services, and rehabilitation
- **Employment Support:** Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC), financial assistance, job training, transportation assistance, education programs, and foreclosure prevention services
- **Support for Senior Citizens:** adult day care, respite care, home health care, transportation, specialized services for individuals of all ages with disabilities, employment assistance
- **Support for Children, Youth, & Families:** child care, after-school programs, family resource centers, mentoring, tutoring, and protective services
- **Disaster Relief and Recovery:** emergency shelters, food distribution, clean up crews/debris removal, tarping, long term recovery, potable water, ice, grief counseling, State and Federal assistance

## CHILDREN OR UNACCOMPANIED YOUTHS THAT LIVE IN ANY OF THE FOLLOWING SITUATIONS:

- In a shelter
- In a car, park, abandoned building, or bus or train station
- In a motel or campground due to the lack of an alternative adequate accommodation
- Doubled up with other people due to loss of housing or economic hardship

may qualify for certain rights and protections under the federal McKinney-Vento Act.

## Eligible children and youth have the right to:

- Receive a free, appropriate public education.
- Enroll in school immediately, even if lacking documents normally required for enrollment.
- Enroll in school and attend classes while the school gathers needed documents.
- Enroll in the local school; or continue attending their school of origin (the school they attended when permanently housed or the school in which they were last enrolled), if that is your preference and is feasible.
- Transportation to and from the school of origin, if you request this.
- Receive educational services comparable to those provided to other students, according to the needs of the child or youth.

If you believe a child or youth may be eligible, contact the ALSDE Homeless Education Coordinator at 334-694-4529 or your district's Homeless Liaison to find out what services and supports may be available.

