

What's Out There?

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Lake-Geauga Recovery Services, Inc.



Mental Health Association in Geauga County



Ravenwood Mental Health Center



United Way Services of Geauga County



WomenSafe.

Children, and Family Resources in Geauga County

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Geauga County Services

Important Numbers

Emergency 911

Copline - 1-888-285-5665 or 440-285-5665



Geauga County Board of Mental Health and Recovery Services - 440-285-2282



University Hospitals - 440-285-6000



United Way First Call for Help - 211



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Children and Family Resources in Geauga County Part I

Big Brothers Big Sisters is the oldest and largest youth mentoring organization in the country, and our mission is to foster the development of children in reaching their highest potential as responsible and caring adults. We achieve this mission using volunteers to mentor youth in school based and community based programs.

Tim Kehres

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CASA for KIDS - program of the Juvenile Court. Court Appointed Special Advocates are carefully selected, trained and supervised volunteers, who represent the “best interest” of abused and neglected children in the court system. These advocates fill the role of the guardian ad litem that is required by law.

Chris Steigerwald

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Catholic Charities Services Geauga County

Counseling

Assessment, counseling and support services are provided for children, teens, adults, couples and families experiencing individual, interpersonal, and drug and/or alcohol concerns. The program serves persons coping with interpersonal and mental health concerns as well as substance abuse.

Youth Employment Program

The Geauga Youth L.E.A.D. (Leadership, Education and Development) Program is designed to help 14 to 22-year-old youth develop life and employability skills. Staff work with the youth to support academic and job related performance.

Referrals to this program are made through **Geauga County Job and Family Services at**

440-285-9141

Early Childhood Mental Health Consultation

Consultation and support services to children ages 3-8, their parents and teachers, to teach social and emotional skill development and improve family interactions. This program uses the Incredible Years curriculum, an evidenced based program.

**Referral Process: Vikki Chinchar 440-285-3537 or 800-242-9755 ext 14
vlchinchar@clevelandcatholiccharities.org**

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440-247-6030

DDC Clinic for Special Needs Children is a non-profit primary care and research facility for people with special needs caused by rare genetic disorders. DDC Clinic's services concentrate on three critical areas: comprehensive patient care, patient-oriented research and multifaceted education.

Darla Klein
darla@ddclinic.org

440 632-1668

Family Pride is a non-profit agency providing community based services to children, youth, and families in Geauga and Lake counties. Family Pride's signature service is in-home clinical therapy to address mental health issues, such as depression or ADHD, as well as family related concerns. We also provide an anger management group for teens and the Parent Project for parents to learn beneficial skills and gain necessary supports.

Lauri Pierce
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216-319-8356

The Family Planning Association provides reproductive healthcare and education to men and women in Lake, Ashtabula and Geauga Counties. Within Geauga County, the FPA provides confidential reproductive healthcare services for teens and adults, as well as school-based education programs on a variety of topics including pregnancy prevention, sexually transmitted infections and HIV.

Christine Margalis
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440-352-0608

Adult Partial Hospitalization - New Beginnings

This intense group therapy program for adults with mental illnesses meets Monday through Friday from 9:45-1:45 and is designed to increase functioning in the community and decrease psychiatric hospitalizations. Dual diagnosis groups are offered for those participants addressing addiction in addition to mental health issues.

Heather Denning LSW ATR-BC 440-286-1631

Residential Services for Adults with Severe Mental Illness

The Housing Services program provides a continuum of housing opportunities to best meet the need in the least restrictive setting for Geauga County Residents with severe mental illness. Programs include Community Residence, Shelter Plus Care, Housing Assistance program (HAP) and Homeless Assistance.

Reba Dykes LSW 440-632-5355

Transitional Living Center (TLC)

This is a six bed facility for individuals with severe mental illness. The intent is to provide a supervised living situation for individuals while they stabilized and develop skills that will enable them to live more independently.

Deanna Brant LPCC-S 440-285-3568

UH Geauga Medical Center is a full-service, non-profit, acute care hospital providing comprehensive health care services including a recently upgraded and expanded Orthopaedic & spine center, Women's health, Diagnostic imaging, Ireland Cancer Center, UH Harrington-McLaughlin Heart & Vascular Institute, Neurological Institute, Emergency Medicine & Rainbow Kids' Care, an adult Behavioral Health Care Unit, and minimally invasive surgical capabilities.

Steve Pelton 440-285-6000
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United Way Services of Geauga County unites people and resources to improve lives. United Way offers financial assistance, 2-1-1 First Call for Help and the Community Fund.

440-285-2261

WomenSafe provides emergency shelter and support services for victims of domestic violence throughout Northeast Ohio. WomenSafe is a non-profit organization that offers information, counseling, education, referrals and support to adults and children fleeing violence in their home.

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Brittain Paul LISW-S

440-285-3568

Drug and Alcohol Counseling

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Leila Vidmar LPCC-S

440-286-1631

Forensic Therapist

Assessment and counseling are provided to individuals involved in the court system, most typically due to drug and alcohol issue. The forensic liaison works closely with the courts, probation officers and other community professionals with the goal of decreasing illegal behaviors and encouraging a sober life style.

Jeniffer Marut LPCC

440-286-1631

Community Psychiatric Supportive Treatment (CPST)- Adult

Community Psychiatric Supportive Treatment Workers monitor, coordinate, intervene, link and support those clients with severe mental illness. Services are available for children and adults.

Phil Flauto LPCC-S

440- 285-3568

ACT – Assertive Community Treatment

This team consists of a therapist, community support worker and psychiatrist. They go into the home and community of those clients who are at imminent risk of psychiatric hospitalization and work intensively with them to prevent the placement.

Brian Ayer LPCC-S

440- 285-3568

Through a special partnership with horses, **Fieldstone Farm Therapeutic Riding Center** offers mounted and un-mounted programs designed by professionals to foster personal growth and individual achievement for people with disabilities. Our mounted programs consist of Academic Enrichment, Private Lessons, Hippotherapy, Carriage Driving and Summer Camp. Our un-mounted programs consist of EquiClub and Equine Partnerships.

Winni Spisak

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Gaitway High School is located at Fieldstone Farm Therapeutic Riding Center and developed to focus on the strengths of the non-traditional learner. The program incorporates hands on, experiential learning opportunities into the curriculum, a therapeutic component to support emotional support, and a vocational component to develop essential employability skills.

Valerie Parker - GCESC ED Program Director 440-279-1707

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Geauga County Health District

Bureau for Children with Medical Handicaps (BCMh)

Ages 0-21.

Assuring that children w/special health care needs receive comprehensive coordinated care. Home visits

Children's Immunization Clinics

2 mos. – 18 yrs.

Free to Geauga residents.

Per clinic schedule.

Lead Program

1 – 6 yrs.

\$10.00

Fri AM clinic.

Maternal/Newborn Home Visiting

Infants

Free visit to assess, evaluate early growth & development

Home visits

SIDS Home Visits

Family members

Provide free support, information, referral - Home visits

Vision Program

School age children to 19 yrs.
Income based qualifying families.

All of the above programs call 440-279-1950
info@geaugacountyhealth.org

Below programs Peggy Herman 440-279-1936
info@geaugacountyhealth.org

WIC Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants & Children

Pregnant & breastfeeding women & women who recently had a baby, infants & children up to 5 that meet income eligibility. Supplemental nutritious food, breastfeeding support & nutrition education, counseling, community referrals. Year round at clinics in Middlefield, Chardon & Bainbridge.

WIC Car Seat Education

Prenatal or moms of children up to 5 & currently on WIC program (parents). Provide low cost car seat/booster, class education/video/instruction on proper car seat installation. 4th Wednesday each month in Chardon clinic.

WIC Breastfeeding Class

Prenatal/breastfeeding moms (parents)
Breastfeeding education & support.

Geauga Family First Council

Family Stability/Wraparound Services

Individualized support and flexible services geared to strengthening families and keeping children in their own homes. Family Stability services increase the involvement of parents and maintain children in the least restrictive and safest environment possible. (Provided through an interagency partnership).

Placement Services:

Multi-Disciplinary Team - Cases are presented to the M-D Team for treatment recommendations, for residential placement, or for therapeutic foster care. Any case can be presented, including those difficult ones for which one is looking for direction or suggestions.

Ohio State University Extension brings the knowledge and research of the University to the residents of Geauga County. We provide programming and educational materials in agriculture, horticulture and family life including parenting classes, health and nutrition, food preservation and financial literacy.
Terri Worthington 440-834-4656
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Parent Project of Geauga County is a 10-week parenting guidance and support program designed to meet the specific needs of parents raising strong-willed teens. The curriculum teaches concrete identification, prevention, and intervention strategies for the most destructive adolescent behaviors.
Tracy Jordan 440-279-2009
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Ravenwood Mental Health Center

Copeline

This hotline service provides 24-hour linkage for mental health, child/elder abuse and neglect, domestic violence, or substance abuse related emergencies in Geauga County. Staff is also able to provide information on other social services concerns such as counseling resources, food banks, and national hotline numbers.

Deanna Brant LPCC-S 440- 285-5665
Toll Free 1-888-285-5665

Crisis Intervention

This program offers quality mental health intervention 24 hours a day to individuals who are experiencing a mental health crisis. This service also offers face-to face assessments 24 hours per day for individuals who are experiencing a mental health crisis severe enough to potentially require psychiatric hospitalization.

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Brittain Paul LISW-S 440-285-3568

Driver Intervention Program

The Mike Link Driver Intervention Program is a 72 hour state certified driver intervention program conducted by licensed professionals.

Education and discussion topics include: Impairment and the Law, Patterns of Consumption, Medical Aspects, Social Aspects, The Family, and Recovery and Resources

Saturday Education Program

An eight hour education program offered the third Saturday of each month focusing on substance use and abuse.

Prevention Services

Education, events, and alternative activities for youth in collaboration with other groups including the Chardon Community Action Team, Teen Institute, Law Enforcement through clerk/server training and compliance checks, as well as schools and faith-based organizations programs.

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jmclaughlin@lgrc.us

Jennifer Roberts: 440-285-9119 x226

jroberts@lgrc.us

The Mental Health Association in Geauga County

The Mental Health Association publishes the Facilitator mental health newsletter and assists the Geauga County Board of Mental Health and Recovery Services in publishing their Panorama newsletter. To receive either of these free publications that cover local mental health news and services, state and national trends, and articles on specific mental health diagnoses, by mail or as an e-newsletter, call or email us with your address or email address.

Michelle Doehring 440-285-3945

mdoehring@mhageauga.org

NAMI Geauga County

NAMI Geauga County offers peer and family member support groups, monthly Speaker/Education meetings, a Crafters group and educational courses for family members and parents of those with mental illness. All programs through NAMI Geauga are free.

Michelle Doehring or Linda Reed 440-285-3945

mdoehring@mhageauga.org

Screening Committee -The Screening Committee is the entry point for Council-funded programs for kids 6 and over, including BRIDGES (a partial hospitalization program) and the Therapeutic Youth Center. Cases are presented to a Team to ensure that the children presented receive services appropriate to their needs.

Both the Multi-Disciplinary Team and Screening Committee are composed of people from different agencies and disciplines in Geauga County. Parents and agency staff are encouraged to present cases to either team.

**To access Council's wraparound or placement services contact Brad Welch, Case Services Coordinator 440-285-1203
welchb@odjfs.state.oh.us**

Help Me Grow

A program for pregnant women and families with infants and toddlers between the ages of birth to 3 years old to assure that newborns, infants and toddlers have the best possible start in life. Services include pre-natal visits, developmental screenings, family support, and links to community resources all of which promote children's growth and development.

Liz St. James 866-975-1100

lstjames@geaugadd.org

For general information about the following Council-funded services and programs

Nancy Seelbach, Council Coordinator 440-285-1201

seelbn@odjfs.state.oh.us

Bridges

A youth partial hospitalization program that offers intensive group-based therapeutic services aimed at the child who is at risk of being removed from his/her home due to emotional and/or behavioral issues (provided through Ravenwood Mental Health Center).

Family Strengths

Family support and early intervention services for children, birth to 4 years of age, and their families who are facing complicated social, medical or financial challenges (provided through Metzenbaum Center).

Geauga Therapeutic Youth Center

A residential therapeutic program for youth 12 - 17, who, because of mental health or substance dependency issues, are unable to remain in a family setting (provided through a partnership between the Board of Mental Health & Recovery Services, the County Commissioners and Ravenwood Mental Health Center).

Partnerships For Success

A strategic approach to building the community's capacity to prevent and respond effectively to child/adolescent problem behaviors based on the collection of community-wide data re: service gaps and resources relating to youth issues. (an interagency partnership).

All-Stars

A research-based prevention program provided in Geauga middle schools and designed to promote children's resiliency in order to reduce risky behaviors such as alcohol and drug use.

Geauga County Department of Job and Family Services

Human Services Division

Child Protective Services - Accepts calls for concerns from parents and the community in relation to children at risk of abuse, neglect or dependency. Also provides services for families in need of services. Can provide information and referral to supportive services available in the community.

Adult Protective Services - Accepts calls for concerns for adults over the age of 60 that may be at risk or in need of services. Provides ongoing services as needed.

Foster, Adopt, and Kinship Services - Provides homestudies, training, and placement services for families interested in adding to their home by fostering, adoption, or thru kinship relationships.

Independent Living Services- Provides support for children 16-21 that are either in the custody of the agency or have emancipated from the agency's custody.

Public Speaking - Can provide speakers to the community in regards to Child or Adult Protective Services.

Information

440 285-9141 or 800-209-7590

www.geaugajfs.org

Day care subsidy

Eligibility for Ohio subsidy for child care services is determined at our agency.

Ohio Works First

This program provides time-limited cash assistance to eligible families and emphasizes building self sufficiency through work.

Call for more information at 440 285-9141 or 800-209-7590
info@geaugajfs.org

Geauga County Suicide Prevention Coalition

Formed to reduce the stigma surrounding suicide by raising public awareness through education and a public awareness campaign. Offers suicide prevention trainings to professionals, schools, social service organizations, community groups and civic organizations.

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mdoehring@mhageauga.org

The Geauga Metro Housing Authority manages services available for moderate income housing, section 8, and rental assistance with low-income eligibility. Applications must be received in person at the office located at 385 Center Street, Chardon.

Dawn, Public Housing Supervisor 440-286-7413, ext. 104
gmhadawn@aol.com

Jeri Ray, Public Housing FSS Coordinator 440-286-7413 ext. 101
gmhajeri@hotmail.com

Lake-Geauga Recovery Centers, Inc.

Outpatient Services - Mentor and Chardon Offices

Individuals learn the signs and symptoms of addiction, how the illness progresses, how to get help in staying sober, resolving family problems, maintaining sobriety through: Assessments, Drug Testing, Individual Counseling, Dual Diagnosis Program, Group Counseling, and Family Group

Residential Services

Lake House-Men Oak House-Women

Long-term, non-medical residential treatment. Focus on individual needs, addiction, sobriety, support systems, acceptance of addiction, sobriety skills, and access to churches, YMCA, 12 step meetings, stores and social service agencies.

Geauga County Health District – Adult Programs

Friday AM Clinic

Adult Immunizations, see schedule

Blood Pressure Checks, no charge

TB Control

Testing at Fri AM clinic

Info@geaugacountyhealth.org

440-279-1950

Geauga County Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) is a multidisciplinary collaborative dedicated to promoting societal intolerance of sexual assault in our community. The collaborative supports the rights and choices of those who have been sexually assaulted throughout their involvement with health, social and justice systems while working to effectively prosecute and hold offenders accountable for their actions.

Mark Clark

440-285-9141

CLARKMO2@odjfs.state.oh.us

Geauga County Department of Job and Family Services Human Services Division

Food Assistance Program

This program, formerly known as “Food Stamps,” is designed to raise nutritional levels, to expand buying power and safeguard the health and well-being of individuals in low-income households in Ohio. Food assistance benefits can be used to buy most food or food products intended for human consumption.

Healthy Start and Healthy Families Medicaid

These Medicaid programs provide eligible Ohio children, pregnant women and families comprehensive health coverage for services like doctor visits, prescriptions, hospital care, immunizations, vision and dental care, substance abuse, mental health services and more.

Medicaid for Older Adults and People with Disabilities

This Medicaid category is available to certain Ohioans to assist with medical expenses. Persons who are aged, blind or have a disability (as determined by the Social Security Administration) must meet established financial guidelines. Covered services include prescription drugs, home care, doctor visits, hospital care, long term care in Nursing Facilities.

Emergency services

The agency determines eligibility for non-recurrent short term benefits that are designed to deal with a specific crisis situation or episode of need. Examples include emergency heating assistance, late rent assistance, assistance with car repair to help maintain employment, employment and training preparation for eligible individuals.

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Help Early with Additional Resources and Talents (H.E.A.R.T.) engages the community and supports families to promote the well being of every Geauga County child ages birth-10 years old.

Betsy Griffin

440-285-9121

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The Mental Health Association in Geauga County

The Very Important Kids Program

The Very Important Kid (VIK) program is a pre-school curriculum designed to enhance self-esteem in children ages three to six, and is offered free of charge to all day care and preschool facilities in Geauga County through funding from the Geauga County Board of Mental Health and Recovery Services. **To find out if your day care or preschool has the VIK Program:**

Linda Reed, VIK Coordinator

440-285-3945

lreed@mhageauga.org.

ParentTalk Newsletter

The ParentTalk® newsletter is mailed free of charge to first-time parents in Geauga County. Parents receive 20 regularly scheduled newsletters that correspond to the age and general developmental needs and issues of the age of their child.

To receive ParentTalk:

440-285-3945

email mdoehring@mhageauga.org.

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IOP - Intensive Outpatient Program for Adolescents. This program is for youth that have been diagnosed with a Drug or Alcohol Dependency. The program meets three nights per week for three to four hours, and AA attendance and parental participation is mandatory

Contact – Leila Vidmar LPCC-S 440-286-1631

Geauga County Department on Aging

Adult Day Service: a supervised daily program at the Multi-purpose Senior center for seniors with dementia or Alzheimer disease.

Adult Day Service Visitation: ADS Coordinator stays in contact with the client and family to insure everyone is informed of the progress of the senior in the ADS program

Chore and Home Maintenance: skilled and unskilled assistance to help seniors live safely in their own homes, includes things related to safety, security, adaption for ADA and fire prevention.

Friendly Visitation and Telephone Reassurance: Weekly contacts by agency volunteers made to homebound/ at risk seniors, to maintain community involvement.

Health Programs: Including Respite, Blood Pressure checks, Exercise programs, coordinated programs with the Cleveland Sight Center, Alzheimers' Association, UH Extended care/Senior Assessment

HEAP (Home Energy Assistance Program), helps seniors complete forms to qualify for program

Socialization and Home Visits: a daily program at the Senior centers for seniors including educational and social activities. Home Visits allow center staff to stay in contact with the client when they have a temporary reason to miss coming to the centers

Information and Referral: Provides seniors and their families access to current data concerning available services in our community

Legal Services: provides seniors with legal services including living wills, health care power of attorney and wills. Geauga seniors may access the service on a first come first service basis and qualify for 3 hours of service.

Mass Outreach: includes our Geauga Senior News, trainings provided in the community, newspaper articles and participation in community events

Supportive Services: Linking seniors with other programs in the county

Transportation: Transportation to and from the senior centers, the ADS program, out of county medical appointments and special events

Volunteer Programs; recruit, place and supervise volunteers in all five senior centers, and in all program areas.

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440-247-6030

Crisis Intervention Training

CIT is a community based law enforcement crisis intervention program that trains officers in areas such as psychiatric disorders, substance abuse issues and de-escalation techniques. The program is designed to improve communication between law enforcement and mental health providers, to divert the seriously mentally ill from the criminal justice system when appropriate, and to track the disposition of calls involving CIT trained officers in the community to ensure increased officer and public safety and more appropriate outcomes.

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440.279.2009

Deanna Brant
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440-285-3568

The Family Planning Association

The Family Planning Association of Northeast Ohio, Inc. provides reproductive healthcare and education to women and men in Lake, Ashtabula and Geauga Counties.

Education

School- and agency-based education programs on a variety of topics including pregnancy prevention, sexually transmitted infections and HIV.

Health Care

All clinic-based services (offered in Painesville and Ashtabula) are provided on a sliding fee scale based on income, with no one denied service because of an inability to pay.

Mary Wynne-Peaspanen
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440-352-0608

Drug and Alcohol Prevention

The majority of prevention services are provided to the county schools. Prevention workers participate in such school based programs as Red Ribbon, and Teen Institute. Choices is a group provided in the school setting to youth that are identified as at risk.

Contact – Mary Alice Bell

440- 2853568

Early Warnings

This is an early intervention and education program provided to adolescents and their parents or guardians, designed to educate about dangers of drug and alcohol abuse.

Contact – Mary Alice Bell

440-285-3568

Chagrin Falls Park Program

Outreach is provided at no cost to the participant, to residents of the Chagrin Falls Park Community at the Chagrin Fall Park Community Center and in Kenston School.

Contact - Mary Alice Bell

440-285-3568

Community Psychiatric Supportive Treatment - Child

Community Psychiatric Supportive Treatment Workers work closely with children, youth and their families monitor, link advocate and remove barriers to recovery.

Contact – Natalie Smith LISW

440- 285-3568

Youth Partial Hospitalization - Bridges

Senior Bridges is a program is for youth 11 -17 who are at risk for psychiatric hospitalization or residential treatment placement, featuring a variety of treatment groups to decrease out of home placements. The program is held Monday Wednesday and Friday from 3:00pm - 7:00pm.

Junior Bridges is a program is for children 8 to 11 who are at risk of psychiatric hospitalization or residential treatment placement. The program is held Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:00pm to 7:00pm. Some parental involvement is required.

Contact Elise Aitken PC

440-729-2757

Therapeutic Group Home

This is a residential program for youth who can no longer remain in their family home or other less restrictive environment because of their mental health and/or drug and alcohol diagnosis. The program provides group, individual and family counseling, with the goal of working intensively with the youth and family to enable their successful return home.

Contact – Desiree Morrison LPCC-S **440-279-2090**

In Home Based Family Services

This service is provided to those children and their families who are experiencing significant mental health problems. Intensive therapeutic services are provided in the home and natural environment of the child and family.

Contact – Natalie Smith LISW **440- 285-3568**

Starting Point for child care and early education is Northeast Ohio's child care and early education resource and referral agency, serving families, early childhood professionals and the community.

Betsy Griffin **440-285-9121**

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Andrea R. Gutka **440-286-7154**

agutka@womensafe.org

Youth Led Peer Prevention

Youth led peer prevention in Geauga County is funded by the Geauga Mental Health and Recovery Services Board, and the mission is to help kids build and maintain healthy relationships and engage in productive activities, which serve as the foundation for them to make continued healthy choices. All Geauga county schools are encouraged to have youth led peer prevention groups in their junior and senior highs (these include groups such as Teen Institute, and S.A.D.D.), and the Geauga County Educational Service Center provides free consultation and training in this area.

Lynn Kempf **440-279-1706**

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Adult Resources in Geauga County

Part II

Catholic Charities Services Geauga County

Outpatient Mental Health Counseling and Substance Abuse Counseling for Adults.

The Early Childhood Mental Health Program provides parent support services in the home and parent enrichment groups to increase positive relationships with children and effective discipline.

Employment and Training for Adults

The Geauga Enhanced Employment & Training program provides job skills and support services for adults referred through Geauga County Job and Family Services. Participants receive help in preparing for employment opportunities and maintaining a job.

Older Adult Services

Support groups and care management services provided for older adults in collaboration with the Geauga County Department on Aging and other older adult service providers.

Volunteer Guardian

Volunteers serve as guardians for persons who are wards of the Geauga County Probate Court.

Family Violence Intervention Program

The Family Violence Intervention Program is a 26-week psycho-educational group for adult male perpetrators of domestic violence. During the course of the program men learn to take responsibility for their actions, identify how their behavior interferes with healthy relationships and learn to manage stress and appropriately express themselves.

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