

Community Resources & Social Services

[Government Benefits](#)

GovBenefits.gov is the official benefits website of the U.S. government with information on over 1,000 benefit and assistance programs in the following areas:

- Career Development
- Child Support
- Counseling
- Disability Assistance
- Disaster Relief
- Education/Training
- Energy Assistance
- Food/Nutrition
- Grants/Scholarships/Fellowships
- Healthcare
- Housing
- Insurance
- Living Assistance
- Loan/Loan Repayment
- Medicaid/Medicare
- Social Security
- Tax Assistance
- Veterans / Active Duty
- Volunteer Opportunities

[Recovery Act Opportunities](#)

Do you want to find out about jobs, grants and opportunities that may be available via the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009? If so, visit [Recovery.gov](#) for more information.

[United Way](#)

For the millions of Americans needing help every day – from locating financial assistance during a family crisis, to finding adequate care for an aging parent, to searching for the highest-quality child care – 2-1-1 is an easy-to-remember number connecting them quickly to essential community resources.

To find out if 211 is available in your area, visit <http://www.211us.org/status.htm> .

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[Feeding America](#)

Formerly known as America's Second Harvest, Feeding America is the nation's leading domestic hunger-relief charity. Their mission is to feed America's hungry through a nationwide network of member food banks and engage our country in the fight to end hunger. Visit the Feeding America website to learn more about local member food banks.

[American Red Cross](#)

The American Red Cross is the nation's premier emergency response organization. As part of a worldwide movement that offers neutral humanitarian care to the victims of war, the American Red Cross distinguishes itself by also aiding victims of devastating natural disasters. Over the years, the organization has expanded its services, always with the aim of preventing and relieving suffering.

Today, in addition to domestic disaster relief, the American Red Cross offers compassionate services in five other areas: community services that help the needy; support and comfort for military members and their families; the collection, processing and distribution of lifesaving blood and blood products; educational programs that promote health and safety; and international relief and development programs. To learn more about services available in your area, visit www.redcross.org.

[DisasterAssistance.gov](#)

DisasterAssistance.gov provides information on how you might be able to get help from the U.S. Government before, during and after a disaster.

If the President of the United States makes help available to individuals in your community after a disaster, you can visit this site to apply online.

This site helps you...

- Learn what help you might be able to apply for from 17 government agencies in Spanish and English
- Reduce the number of forms you have to fill out
- Shorten the time it takes to apply for aid

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- Check the progress of your applications online
- Continue to receive benefits from government programs even if you have to leave your home
- Apply for help from FEMA online
- Learn about Small Business Administration loans using an online application
- Have your Social Security benefits sent to a new address
- Find federal disaster recovery centers near your current address
- Search a list of housing available for rent
- Get information about your federal student loan
- Get help from the Department of State if you are affected by a disaster while living or traveling outside the U.S.

Disasterassistance.gov also provides information to help you prepare for, respond to and recover from disasters. You can...

- Get the latest news on declared disasters
- Find information about...
 - Evacuating
 - Finding shelter
 - Getting food and water
 - Getting medical services
 - Locating loved ones
 - Recovering and rebuilding the areas of your life that were affected by the disaster
- Locate resources in your community that can help you move forward.

Visit www.disasterassistance.gov to learn more.

Salvation Army

The Salvation Army is an integral part of the Christian Church, although distinctive in government and practice. The Army's doctrine follows the mainstream of Christian belief and its articles of faith emphasize God's saving purposes. Its objects are 'the advancement of the Christian religion... of education, the relief of poverty, and other charitable objects beneficial to society or the community of mankind as a whole.'

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From social work to family tracing to disaster response, The Salvation Army offers a wide variety of services Worldwide. If you would like to find out more about any of the services offered, please get in contact with the Salvation Army in your community.