

Community Resources – Kent County

Food:

Michigan Food Pantries

[Michigan Food Pantries | Food Banks, Food Pantries, Food Assistance in Michigan](#)

A city-specific directory of food pantries, soup kitchens, and grocery options

Feeding America, West Michigan Division

[Where to Find Food When You Need It – Feeding America West Michigan \(feedwm.org\)](#)

A list of food pantries, meal programs, mobile food pantries, and Gather 2 Grow sites around West Michigan

Families:

Michigan Alliance for Families

[Home - Michigan Alliance for Families](#)

800-552-4821

Connects families of children with disabilities to resources to help improve their children's education

Vibrant Futures

[Vibrant Futures - Partnering with communities in 26 counties in Michigan \(vibrantfuturesmi.org\)](#)

616-451-8281

Vibrant Futures creates cradle-to-career opportunities and experiences that hold sacred the vibrant promise and potential in every child, family, and caregiver, to ensure more vibrant futures for all

North Kent Connect

<https://nkconnect.org/>

616-866-3478

North Kent Connect is a Christian organization committed to improving the lives of all people in northern Kent County by providing access to basic needs such as food, housing assistance, job services, and much more to promote economic independence.

Housing:

Fair Housing Center West MI

[Home | Fair Housing Center of West Michigan \(fhcwm.org\)](#)

616-451-2980

An organization ensuring that everybody has equal opportunity to choose the housing that is right for them by removing the barriers of discrimination

Home Repair Services

[Home - Home Repair Services](#)

616-241-2601

Nonprofit organization offering income-based home repair services, housing counseling and education, and homeowner self-help services to assist in building a strong community

Habitat for Humanity

[Home Repair | Habitat for Humanity of Michigan \(habitatmichigan.org\)](#)

517-485-1006

A celebrated organization that offers housing resources and critical repair services to qualifying families

MDHHS Emergency Relief

[Emergency Relief: Home, Utilities & Burial \(michigan.gov\)](#)

A page dedicated to centralizing relief centered around housing and utility costs

Healthy Homes Coalition West Michigan

[Healthy Homes Coalition of West Michigan |](#)

616-241-3327

Prioritizing children's health and wellbeing by eliminating harmful housing conditions, offering community resources, and screening for health hazards like lead

Safety:

Children's Healing Center

<https://childrenshealing.org>

616-426-8366

Recreational facility that offers social and emotional support for children with weakened immune systems and their families in a safe, clean environment

Sexual Assault Hotline

call: 1-855-864-2374

chat: mcedsv.org/hotline/hotline-chat

text: 1-866-238-1454

A 24/7/365 confidential resource for survivors of sexual assault to connect with a trained advocate and receive resources and information regarding care

Domestic Violence Hotline

call: 1-866-864-2338

chat: [Chat with an Advocate](#)

text: 877-861-0222

A 24/7/365 confidential resource for survivors of domestic abuse (physical, emotional, mental, or financial) to connect with a trained advocate and receive resources and information regarding care

SAFE Response

(517) 335-7233

Receive access to a free forensic medical exam and possible compensation for injuries sustained during a domestic or sexual crime.

Suicide Hotline Call or Text 988

https://988lifeline.org/?utm_source=google&utm_medium=web&utm_campaign=one_box

The 988 Lifeline provides 24/7, free and confidential support for people in distress, prevention and crisis resources for you or your loved ones, and best practices for professionals in the United States.

Substance Support:

The Red Project

[Grand Rapids Red Project](#)

616-456-9063

The GR Red Project is a non-profit dedicated to improving health, reducing harm, and preventing HIV. Offers include a free needle exchange program, NARCAN distribution and training, as well as other necessary health items.

Wedgwood

[Comprehensive Substance Use Treatment | Recovery Support \(wedgwood.org\)](#)

616-942-2110

Comprehensive substance abuse support services including individual and group settings. Available for teens and adults.

MDHHS: Get Help Now

https://www.michigan.gov/mdhhs/keep-mihealthy/mentalhealth/drugcontrol/welcome/get-helpnow-behavioral-health_1#Kent

1-800-749-7720

Database of publicly funded substance use disorder treatment, problem gambling counseling, and mental health counseling services by county

Pine Rest

866-852-4001

[Addiction Recovery - Pine Rest](#)

Pine Rest offers a continuum of addiction support services including residential treatment to outpatient care

CDC Quit Now

1-800-quit-now

[1-800-QUIT-NOW: 15 Years of Helping People Quit | Smoking & Tobacco Use | CDC](#)

The national portal to a vast network of local and state-specific smoking cessation programs

*Transportation***Go!Bus**

[GO!Bus \(ridetherapid.org\)](http://ridetherapid.org)

(616) 456-6141

Supportive and inclusive transportation through The Rapid for those with disabilities

The Rapid

<https://www.ridetherapid.org/>

(616) 776-1100

Public bus transportation for those in the greater Grand Rapids area. Also provides information on fixed routes, inclusive transportation, and carpooling options for those outside the Grand Rapids area

Drivers Ed Resources

[Free Michigan \(MI\) DOS Practice Tests – Updated for 2024 \(driving-tests.org\)](http://driving-tests.org)

Michigan driver's handbook and practice tests

Lakeshore Ride Link

[Why do you need a ride? - lakeshoreridelink.org](http://lakeshoreridelink.org)

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Transportation resource guide servicing multiple counties in West Michigan

Health Net of West Michigan

<https://healthnetwm.org/health-net-services/transportation-services/>

(616) 632-1015

Transportation services for eligible individuals in Kent County

Spin Community Pass

[Participants - West Michigan Works\) \(accesskent.com\)](http://accesskent.com)

Grand Rapids residents can receive five 30-minute scooter rides per day for free for three months