

# FORSYTH COUNTY COMMUNITY RESOURCE HANDBOOK

## 2015-2016

Welcome to our Early Head Start, Head Start, and GA Pre-K program!  
We look forward to serving your child and your family this year.

This community handbook has been compiled to aid you in gaining access to community services in order to meet your family needs.

In order to be accurate, this handbook will need constant updating. Feel free to update your copy and call us so that we may update ours.

### **Forsyth County Head Start/Early Head Start**

133 Samaritan Drive  
Cumming, GA 30040  
Phone: (678) 513-8611  
Fax: (678) 513-8752

### **Forsyth County Head Start/GA Pre-K**

Chestatee Elementary School  
6945 Keith Bridge Road  
Gainesville, GA 30028  
Phone: (770) 887-2431

### **Forsyth County Head Start/GA Pre-K**

Cumming Elementary School  
540 Dahlonega Street  
Cumming GA 30041  
Phone: (770) 888-1233

### **Forsyth County GA Pre-K**

Coal Mountain Elementary School  
3455 Coal Mountain Drive  
Cumming, GA 30040  
Phone: (770) 887-7705

### **Forsyth County GA Pre-K**

Brookwood Elementary School  
2980 Vaughan Drive  
Cumming, GA 30041  
Phone: (678) 965-5061

### **Forsyth County GA Pre-K**

Matt Elementary School  
7455 Wallace Tatun Road  
Cumming GA 30028  
Phone: (678) 455-4500

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# **AGENCY CROSS-REFERENCE**

## **Abuse**

Alpha Recovery Counseling Services  
Atlanta Area Psychological Associates  
Avita Community Services  
Community Counseling Center  
Family Recovery, Inc.  
Forsyth County DFACS  
Forsyth County Family Haven, Inc.  
Forsyth County Multipurpose Senior Citizen Center  
Forsyth County Sheriff's Office Community Oriented Police Services Unit  
Gateway House, Inc.  
Medline Treatment Center  
Narcotics Anonymous  
Ridgeview Institute

## **Alcohol/Drugs**

Alcoholic's Counseling/Al-Anon of Forsyth  
Alpha Hope Counseling Services  
Alpha Recovery Center  
Avita Community Services  
Break-thru House, Inc.  
Counseling and Development Center  
Episcopal Church of the Holy Spirit  
Forsyth County DFACS  
Forsyth County Sheriff's Office Community Oriented Police Services Unit  
Lanier Counseling and Assessments  
Narcotics Anonymous  
No Longer Bound, Inc.  
Ridgeview Institute

## **At Risk**

American Red Cross-NE Ga. Chapter  
Atlanta Area Psychological Associates  
Avita Community Services  
CASA of Blue Ridge  
Chestatee Counseling Center  
Challenged Child and Friends  
Children with Special Needs District 2 Public Health  
Crossroads Foundation  
Eagle Ranch  
Eckerd Youth Alternative Camp  
Episcopal Church of the Holy Spirit

Forsyth County DFACS  
Forsyth County Juvenile Court  
Forsyth County Health Department  
Forsyth County Multipurpose Senior Citizen Center  
Forsyth County Sheriff's Office Community Oriented Police Services Unit  
Girl Scouts of NE Georgia  
Jesse's House  
Joy House  
Medline Treatment Center  
Morningstar Family Resource Center  
Ninth District Opportunity, Inc.  
NE GA Council, Boy Scouts of America  
Outpatient Juvenile Forensic Team  
Ridgeview Institute  
Right from the Start Medicaid Project

**Church/Faith Organizations**

Catholic Church of the Good Shepherd  
Cumming First United Methodist  
Episcopal Church of the Holy Spirit  
First Baptist Church of Cumming  
First Christian Church  
Forsyth County Family YMCA  
Grace Chapel Church of Christ  
St. Brendan Catholic Community Church  
Episcopal Church of the Holy Spirit  
First Baptist Church of Cumming  
First Christian Church

**Civic Organizations**

Cumming Civitan Club  
Cumming Forsyth County Newcomers Club  
Forsyth County Community Connection  
Forsyth County Dial-A-Ride  
Forsyth County Family YMCA  
Forsyth County Lions Club, Inc.  
Forsyth County Sheriff's Office Community Oriented Police Services Unit  
Girl Scouts of NE GA  
Habitat for Humanity of Forsyth County, Inc.  
Ridgeview Institute  
Rotary Club of Forsyth County  
Rotary Club Lanier Forsyth  
Sawnee Women's Club

**Clothing**

Family Haven  
The Place  
The Salvation Army

**Community**

American Red Cross-NE Ga. Chapter  
Boy Scouts of America  
Cumming First United Methodist Church  
Cumming Forsyth County Chamber of Commerce  
Forsyth County Department of Family and Children Services  
Forsyth County Dial-A-Ride  
Forsyth County Extension Service  
Forsyth County YMCA  
Forsyth County Health Department  
Forsyth County Multipurpose Senior Citizen Center  
Forsyth County Sheriff's Office Community Oriented Police Services Unit  
Forsyth County Sheriff's Office P.R.I.D.E.  
Girl Scouts of NE Georgia  
Habitat for Humanity of North Central GA, Inc.  
Out-Patient Juvenile Forensics Team  
Sawnee Women's Club  
United Way of Forsyth

**Counseling**

American Red Cross-NE Georgia Chapter  
Alpha Hope Counseling Services  
Atlanta Area Psychological Associates  
Avita Community Services  
Community Counseling Center  
Cooperative Parenting Institute  
Episcopal Church of the Holy Spirit  
Family Recovery  
Forsyth County DFACS  
Forsyth County Health Department  
Forsyth County Multipurpose Senior Citizen Center  
Forsyth County Sheriff's Office Community Oriented Police Services Unit  
Genesis Center for Christian Counseling

Mel T. Grady, MA, LPC  
Hospice of NE GA Medical Center  
Lanier Counseling Services  
Morningstar Family Resource Center  
New Day Counseling and Assessments  
Narcotic Anonymous  
Ridgeview Institute  
Simply Grace

### **Educational Resources**

Adult Learning Center  
Alpine Psycho-educational Program  
American Red Cross-NE GA Chapter  
Boy Scouts of America  
Bright From the Start  
Challenged Child  
Community Counseling Center  
Counseling and Development Center  
Cumming First United Methodist Church  
Episcopal Church of the Holy Spirit  
Forsyth County Health Department  
Forsyth County Head Start/Early Head Start/Pre-K  
Forsyth County Multipurpose Senior Citizen Center  
Forsyth County Public Library  
Forsyth County School System  
Forsyth County Sheriff's Office Community Oriented Police Services Unit  
Mel T. Grady, MA, LPC  
National Hispanic Family Health Helpline  
Lanier Technical Institute  
Next Generation Focus  
Ninth District Opportunity, Inc.  
Ridgeview Institute

### **Emergency Assistance**

American Red Cross-NE GA. Chapter  
Cumming First United Methodist Church  
Family Haven  
Forsyth County Community Connection  
Forsyth County DFACS  
Forsyth County Multipurpose Senior Citizen Center  
Ninth District Opportunity, Inc.  
Ridgeview Institute  
The Place

### **Employment Services**

Cumming First United Methodist Church  
Forsyth County DFACS  
Forsyth County Dial-A-Ride  
Forsyth County Multipurpose Senior Citizen Center  
Ninth District Opportunity, Inc.

### **Food/Nutrition**

Cumming First United Methodist Church  
Forsyth County DFACS  
Forsyth County Extension Services  
Forsyth County Health Department  
Forsyth County Multipurpose Senior Citizen Center



Ninth District Opportunity, Inc.  
The Place

**Health/Medical**

American Cancer Society  
American Red Cross NE GA. Chapter  
Avita Community Services  
Challenged Child, Inc.  
Forsyth County DFACS  
Forsyth County Dial-A-Ride  
Forsyth County YMCA  
Forsyth County Health Department  
Forsyth County Lions Club, Inc.  
Forsyth County Multipurpose Senior Citizen Center  
Forsyth County Sheriff's Office Community Oriented Police Services Unit  
Georgia Highlands Medical Services, Inc.  
Hospice of NE GA Medical Center  
NE GA Speech Center, Inc.  
Ninth District Opportunity, Inc.  
Right from the Start Medicaid  
The Place  
Family Haven

**Housing**

American Red Cross NE GA Chapter  
At Risk  
Forsyth Co. Dial-A-Ride  
Forsyth County Family Haven  
Forsyth County Health Department  
Forsyth County Housing Authority  
Forsyth County Multipurpose Senior Citizen Center  
Gateway House  
Habitat for Humanity of Forsyth County, Inc.  
Jesse's House  
Joy House  
Ninth District Opportunity, Inc.  
St. Vincent DePaul Society Sojourners House  
Twin Cedars Youth Services, Inc.

**Infant/Pre-Natal Care**

American Red Cross-NE GA Chapter  
Avita Community Services  
Forsyth County Dial-A-Ride  
Forsyth County Early Head Start  
Forsyth County Health Department  
NE GA Speech Center, Inc.  
Right from the Start Medicaid Project  
Whispering Hope

**Jobs/Training**

American Red Cross NE Georgia Chapter  
Avita Community Service  
Cumming First United Methodist Church  
Forsyth County DFACS  
Forsyth County Dial-A-Ride  
Forsyth County Multipurpose Senior Citizen Center  
Gainesville Jaycees Vocational/ Rehabilitation Center  
Ninth District Opportunity, Inc.

**Legal Assistance**

Forsyth County Department of Juvenile Justice  
Forsyth County Multipurpose Senior Citizen Center  
Georgia Legal Services  
Office of Child Support Enforcement

**Literacy**

Forsyth County Public Library  
Forsyth County Head Start  
Lanier Technical College

**Parenting**

Atlanta Area Psychological Associates  
Avita Community Services-Forsyth County Mental Health Center  
Challenged Child, Inc.  
Community Counseling Center  
Counseling and Development Center  
Forsyth County Community Connection  
Forsyth County DFACS  
Forsyth County Extension Services  
Forsyth County Head Start/Early Head Start/Pre-K  
Forsyth County Sheriff's Office Community Oriented Police Services  
Forsyth County Sheriff's P.R.I.D.E.  
Morningstar Family Resource Center  
Office of Child Support Enforcement  
Ridgeview Institute  
Whispering Hope

**Pregnancy Services**

Birthright, Inc.  
Forsyth County Health Department  
Forsyth County Early Head Start Program  
Whispering Hope

**Pre-School Resources**

Babies Can't Wait

Bright From the Start  
Challenged Child, Inc.  
Cumming First United Methodist Church  
Ninth District Opportunity, Inc.  
Episcopal Church of the Holy Spirit  
Forsyth County Head Start / Early Head Start/Pre-K  
Forsyth County Health Department  
Forsyth County School System  
Forsyth County Sheriff's Office Community Oriented Police Services Unit  
North East Georgia Speech Center, Inc.

**Recreation**

Boy Scouts of America  
Cumming Recreation and Parks Department  
Forsyth County Dial-A-Ride  
Forsyth County Family YMCA  
Forsyth County Multipurpose Senior Citizen Center  
Forsyth County Parks and Recreation  
Forsyth County Sheriff's Office Community Oriented Police Services Unit  
Girl Scouts of NE Georgia

**Referral Service**

American Red Cross N.E. GA Chapter  
Avita Community Services  
Babies Can't Wait  
Forsyth County Child Advocacy Center, Inc.  
Forsyth County Community Connection  
Forsyth County Health Department  
Forsyth County Head Start /Early Head Start/Pre-K  
Forsyth County Multipurpose Senior Citizen Center  
Ridgeview Institute  
The Place  
United Way of Forsyth County, Inc.

**Safety**

American Red Cross North East Georgia Chapter  
Forsyth County Health Department  
Forsyth County Parks and Recreation  
Forsyth County Sheriff's Office Community Oriented Police Unit  
Forsyth County Sheriff's P.R.I.D.E.

**Senior Citizens**

Counseling and Development Center  
Forsyth County Dial-A-Ride  
Forsyth County Health Department  
Forsyth County Multipurpose Senior Citizen Center  
Forsyth County Parks and Recreation

Forsyth County Sheriff's Office Community Oriented Police Services Unit  
Georgia Legal Services  
Community Services-Forsyth County Mental Health Center  
Hospice of North East Georgia Medical Center  
Ninth District Opportunity, Inc.  
Ridgeview Institute  
The Place

**Teen Resources**

American Red Cross NE GA Chapter  
Atlanta Area Psychological Associates  
Avita Community Services  
Boy Scouts of America  
Catholic Church of the Good Shepherd  
Community Counseling Center  
Counseling and Development Center  
Crossroads Foundation  
Cumming First United Methodist Church  
Forsyth County Family YMCA  
Forsyth County Health Department  
Forsyth County Sheriff's Office Community Oriented Police Services Unit  
Forsyth County Sheriff's P.R.I.D.E.  
Forsyth Cumming- Optimist Club  
Girl Scouts of NE Georgia  
Narcotics Anonymous  
Ridgeview Institute  
Right from the Start Medicaid  
Twin Cedars Youth Services, Inc.

# FORSYTH COUNTY SCHOOLS

## Elementary Schools

### Big Creek Elementary

1994 Peachtree Parkway  
Cumming, GA 30041  
Phone: (770) 887-4584  
Fax: (770) 781-2247

### Brookwood Elementary

2980 Vaughan Drive  
Cumming, GA 30041  
Phone: (678) 965-5061  
Fax: (678) 965-5060

### Chattahoochee Elementary

2800 Holtzclaw Road  
Cumming, GA 30041  
Phone: (770) 781-2240  
Fax: (770) 781-2244

### Chestatee Elementary

6945 Keith Bridge Road  
Gainesville, GA 30506  
Phone: (770) 887-2431  
Fax: (770) 781-2286

### Coal Mountain Elementary

3455 Coal Mountain Drive  
Cumming, GA 30028  
Phone: (770) 887-7705  
Fax: (770) 781-2286

### Cumming Elementary

540 Dahlonga Street  
Cumming, GA 30041  
Phone: (770) 887-7749  
Fax: (770) 888-1233

### Daves Creek Elementary

3740 Melody Mizer Lane  
Cumming, GA 30041  
Phone: (770) 888-1222  
Fax: (770) 888-1223

### Mashburn Elementary

3777 Samples Road  
Cumming, GA 30041  
Phone: (770) 889-1630  
Fax: (770) 888-1202

### Matt Elementary

7455 Wallace Tatum Road  
Cumming, GA 30028  
Phone: (678) 455-4500  
Fax: (678) 455-4514

### Midway Elementary

4805 Atlanta Highway  
Alpharetta, GA 30004  
Phone: (770) 475-6670  
Fax: (770) 521-1866

### Sawnee Elementary

1616 Canton Highway  
Cumming, GA 30040  
Phone: (770) 887-6161  
Fax: (770) 781-2254

### Settles Bridge Elementary

600 James Burgess Road  
Suwanee, GA 30024  
Phone: (770) 887-1883  
Fax: (770) 887-7383

### Sharon Elementary

3595 Old Atlanta Road  
Suwanee, GA 30024  
Phone: (770) 888-7511  
Fax: (770) 888-7510

### Shiloh Point Elementary

8145 Majors Road  
Cumming, GA 30040  
Phone: (678) 341-6481  
Fax: 678-341-6491

**Haw Creek Elementary**

2555 Echols Road  
Cumming, GA 30041  
Phone: (678) 965-5070  
Fax: (678) 965-5071

**Johns Creek Elementary**

6205 Old Atlanta Road  
Suwanee, GA 30024  
Phone: (678) 965-5041  
Fax: (678) 965-5091

**Whitlow Elementary**

3655 Castleberry Road  
Cumming, GA 30040  
Phone: (678) 956-5090  
Fax: (678) 475-1725

**Middle and High Schools**

**Otwell Middle**

605 Tribble Gap Road  
Cumming, GA 30040  
Phone: (770) 887-5248  
Fax: (770) 888-1214

**Lakeside Middle**

2565 Echols Road  
Cumming, GA 30041  
Phone: (678) 965-5080  
Fax: (678) 965-5081

**Liberty Middle**

7465 Wallace Tatum Road  
Cumming, GA 30028  
Phone: (770) 781-4889  
Fax: (678) 965-5001

**Little Mill Middle**

6800 Little Mill Road  
Cumming, GA 30041  
Phone: (678) 965-5000  
Fax: (678) 965-5001

**Silver City Elementary**

6200 Dahlonega Highway  
Cumming, GA 30028  
Phone: (678) 965-5020  
Fax: (678) 965-5021

**Vickery Creek Elementary**

6280 Post Road  
Cumming, GA 30040  
Phone: (770) 346-0040  
Fax: (678) 965-5021

**Kelly Mill Elementary**

1180 Chamblee Gap Road  
Cumming, GA 30040  
Phone: (678) 965-4953  
Fax: (678) 965-4958

**Riverwatch Middle**

610 James Burgess Road  
Suwanee, GA 30024  
Phone: (678) 455-7311  
Fax: (678) 455-7316

**Vickery Creek Middle**

6240 Post Road  
Cumming, GA 30041  
Phone: (770) 667-2580  
Fax: (770) 667-2589

**North Forsyth High**

3635 Coal Mountain Drive  
Cumming, GA 30028  
Phone: (770) 781-6637  
Fax: (770) 888-0934

**North Forsyth Middle**

3645 Coal Mountain Drive  
Cumming, GA 30040  
Phone (770) 889-0743  
Fax: (770) 888-1210

**Piney Grove Middle**

8135 Majors Road  
Cumming, GA 30041  
Phone (678) 965-5010  
Fax: (678) 965-5011

**South Forsyth Middle**

4670 Windermere Pkwy  
Cumming, GA 30041  
Phone: (770) 888-3170  
Fax: (770) 888-3175

**Forsyth Academy**

1130 Dahlonega High Way  
Cumming, GA 30040  
Phone: (770) 781-3141  
Fax: (770) 888-1193

**Forsyth Central High**

520 Tribble Gap Road  
Cumming, GA 30040  
Phone: (770) 887-8151  
Fax: (770) 781-2289

**West Forsyth High**

4155 Drew Road  
Cumming, GA 30040  
Phone: (770) 888-3470  
Fax: (770) 888-3471

**South Forsyth High**

585 Peachtree Parkway  
Cumming, GA 30041  
Phone: (770) 781-2264  
Fax: (770) 888-1224

**Lambert High School**

805 Nichols Road  
Suwanee, GA 30024  
Phone: (678) 965-5050  
Fax: (678) 965-5051

**EMERGENCY NUMBERS**  
**FOR FORSYTH COUNTY**  
**IN AN EMERGENCY DIAL: 911**

**Non-Emergency Numbers**

Ambulance	(770) 844-4444
American Red Cross (Military and Disaster)	1-866-724-3577
Department of Family and Children Service	(404) 463-2049
Forsyth County Sheriff's Department	(770) 781-2222
Fire Department (Fire Chief)	(770) 781-2180
Georgia State Patrol	(404) 624-7000
Poison Control Center	1-800-282-5846
United Way of Forsyth County	(770) 781-4110

**Utilities**

Amicalola Electric Membership Corporation	(706) 864-7979
Atlanta Gas Light	(800)-427-5463
Cumming Utilities	(770) 781-2020
Forsyth County Water and Sewer	(770) 781-2160
Georgia Power Company	1-888-660-5890
Sawnee Electric Membership Corporation	(770) 887-2363
Telephone	
AT&T	1-888-757-6500
TDS	1-866-571-6662
Windstream	1-866-445-5880

**Crisis Lines**

Battered Woman/Domestic Violence	(800) 33-HAVEN
First Call for Help	(770) 781-HELP
Forsyth Mental Health	(678) 341-3840
Georgia Crisis and Access Line	(800) 715-4225
Need to Talk	(800) CHILDREN
Sexual Assault Hotline	(800) 656-HOPE
Suicide Prevention Lifeline	(800) 273-TALK
24-Hour Addictions Referral Network	(800) 577-4714

**Hospitals**

Emory Johns Creek Hospital	(678) 474-7000 <a href="http://www.emoryjohnscreek.com">www.emoryjohnscreek.com</a>
North Fulton Regional Hospital	(770) 751-2500 <a href="http://www.northfultonregional.com">www.northfultonregional.com</a>
Northside Hospital-Forsyth	(770)844-3200 <a href="http://www.northside.com">www.northside.com</a>



## DISABILITIES RESOURCE GUIDE

### **Autism Society of America**

Website: [ASAGA.com](http://ASAGA.com)

Phone: (404) 994-3866

### **Babies Can't Wait**

Website: [www.bcw-bibs.com](http://www.bcw-bibs.com)

Phone: (404) 657-2726

### **Brain Injury Association of GA**

Phone: (404) 817-7517

### **Cystic Fibrosis Foundation of GA**

Phone: (404) 325-6973

### **Epilepsy Foundation of GA**

Website: [www.epilepsyga.org](http://www.epilepsyga.org)

Phone: (404) 527-7155

### **Mental Disabilities**

The Arc of Georgia

Phone: (678) 904-1967

### **Muscular Dystrophy Association**

Website: [www.mda.org](http://www.mda.org)

Phone: (770) 621-9800

Fax: (770) 934-6183

### **National Attention Deficit Disorder Association**

(404) 713-0488

### **Speech and Hearing**

Website: [www.gsha.org](http://www.gsha.org)

Phone: (678) 513-1416

### **United Cerebral Palsy Association**

Website: [www.ucpga.org](http://www.ucpga.org)

Phone: (770) 676-2000

Phone: 1-800-872-5827

Fax: (770) 455-8040

### **Visual Impairments**

Website: [www.afb.org](http://www.afb.org)

[www.literacy.net](http://www.literacy.net) (Atlanta)

Phone: (404) 525-2303

Fax: (404) 659-6957

## **ALPHABETICAL AGENCY LISTING**

### **Adult Learning Center**

*Contact:* Elaine Glenn

*Phone:* (678) 341-6616

*Location:* 3410 Ronald Reagan Blvd  
Cumming GA 30041

*Services:* Teaching basic skills through levels of academic study sufficient to earn a GED, remedial studies enabling students to pass entry tests for technical schools and English as a second language from entry to adult level for Adult Literacy classes.

*Eligibility:* Adults 16 years and older. Those 16-19 years old must have withdrawn from public school and have permission of guardian. 9AM – 8PM M-W, 9AM-5PM Thurs

*Fee:* No fee (the cost for taking the GED is \$95.00 (money order only)

### **Alcoholic Anonymous**

*Contact:* voice mail

*Phone:* (770) 886-0696

*Website:* [www.aacummingga.org](http://www.aacummingga.org)

*Location:* 432 Canton Highway (At Ingles Shopping Center) meeting place  
Mondays-Fridays and Saturdays and Sundays

*Services:* 24 hour answering service to help the alcoholics who have a desire to stop drinking, through fellowship members are assisted to achieve and sustain sobriety.

*Eligibility:* Any individual with a sincere desire to stop drinking.

*Fee:* Free

### **Alpha Hope Counseling Services**

*Contact:* Charles L. Britt, Jr., M.S., L.P.C., N.C.C.

*Phone:* (678) 571-7505 or (770) 886-7148

*Location:* 327 Dahlonaga St. Suite 302-B  
Cumming, GA 30040  
Dawsonville office

*Phone:* (706) 216-4735

*Services:* Adult substance abuse assessment and therapy, men's and women's anger/violence therapy, parenting classes, anger/violence/impulse control, drug screening. Provides individual, couples, family counseling and victim impact panel.

*Eligibility:* Anyone who needs help

*Fee:* Private pay fee for service, insurance accepted. Fees range from \$25.00 to \$100 per session.

**Alpha Recovery Center**

*Contact:* Available Staff

*Phone:* (404) 329-9991

*Website:* [www.Alpha-recovery.com](http://www.Alpha-recovery.com)

*Location:* PO Box 501608

Atlanta, GA 31150

*Services:* A long term (12—18 mos.) residential program of quality, effective substance abuse treatment for clients at an affordable cost.

*Eligibility:* Adults with substance abuse

**Alpine Program**

*Contact:* Mark Camp, Coordinator

*Phone:* (770) 532-9981

*Location:* 715 Woods Mill Road

Gainesville, GA 30503

*Mailing:* PO Box 2459

Gainesville, GA 30501

*Services:* Part of a 14-school system in NE GA that provides academic services for severely emotionally disturbed and behaviorally disordered students. Referrals of students are made through the school systems.

*Eligibility:* Children and young adults up to 21 years of age; must meet EBD eligibility criteria

*Fee:* No fee; state-funded

**American Cancer Society**

*Contact:* Joni Smith (local contact for Forsyth)

*Phone:* (770) 532-8453

*Location:* 311 Jesse Jewell Pkwy SE

Roswell, GA 30076

*Website:* [www.cancer.org](http://www.cancer.org)

*Services:* Offers services such as prevention, early detection, support meetings, trainings, and advocacy. All information is available through brochures, fliers and internet, etc.

*Eligibility:* Cancer patients

*Fee:* No fee    *Hours:* M-F 8AM-5PM

**American Red Cross/NE GA. Chapter**

*Contact:* Andy Thompson

*Phone:* (678) 327-7900

*Location:* 133 Samaritan Drive, Suite 111

Cumming, GA 30040

*Services:* A non-profit organization and United Way agency. Addresses any disaster service needed, military, fire, tornado, drowning, etc. Provides health and safety services (CPR and First Aid training classes), water safety classes, lifeguard training, First Aid stations for events, attending health fairs, etc. HIV/AIDS information available. Will go into business and industry to train employees and schools to train teachers PK-12th grade.

*Eligibility:* All ages

*Fee:* No fee for disaster services, class fees vary.

**Atlanta Area Psychological Associates**

*Contact:* Intake Department

*Phone:* (770) 953-6401 ext 1

*Location:* 327 Dahlonega Street, Suite 1801-B

Cumming, GA 30040

Open 9:00AM – 5PM

*Services:* Provide counseling for adults, children, families, couples, individuals, psychological testing, ADHD, addictions, teen problems, and school problems.

*Eligibility:* Anyone Website: [www.atlantapsch.com/cumming](http://www.atlantapsch.com/cumming)

*Fee:* Reduced fee, PeachCare, Medicaid, Medicare, Private Insurance

**Avita Community Services Mental Health Center**

*Contact:* Martha- Program Associates

*Phone:* (678) 341-3840

*Email:* [www.Avitapartners.org](http://www.Avitapartners.org)

*Location:* 125 N. Corners Pkwy.

Cumming, GA 30040

*Services:* Adult mental health, adult substance abuse, and adult substance abuse intensive out-patient program. Child and adolescent mental health/substance abuse out-patient program, psychiatric rehabilitation, in-home intervention and crisis service, employment specialist, residential services, and crisis management.

*Eligibility:* Children, adolescents, and adults who meet a mental health or substance abuse diagnosis.

*Fee:* Sliding scale, Medicaid, Medicare, PeachCare, private insurance

**Avita Community Service and Mental Health**

*Contact:* Program Associate

*Phone:* (678) 207-1190

*Location:* 3509 Mabry Road

Gainesville, GA 30504

*Adult Services:* Out-patient detox; Substance Abuse Out-patient; Detox Substance Abuse; Behavior Health Day Treatment Mental Health, Mental Retardation Services,

*Eligibility:* Anyone meeting criteria and requiring service

*Fee:* Sliding scale based on income Medicaid and Medicare

**Avita Community Services-Intensive Family Intervention**

*Contact:* Program Associate

*Phone:* (770) 535-5403

*Location:* 915 Interstate Bridge Drive

Gainesville, GA 30501

*Services:* Intensive Family Intervention is a crisis oriented short-term, intensive counseling or youth with mental illness and families conducted in the home and community. The focus is to help prevent psychiatric hospitalization and to work with children as they re-enter the home from hospitalization or a residential facility.

*Eligibility:* Severe emotionally disturbed children and adolescents

*Fee:* Sliding scale fee, Medicaid, PeachCare, private insurance

**Babies Can't Wait**

*Contact:* Dru Thomas, Coordinator

*Phone:* (770) 535-5963

*Email:* [www.phdistrict2.org](http://www.phdistrict2.org)

*Location:* 1856 Thompson Bridge Rd.  
Suite 103  
Gainesville, GA 30501

*Services:* Provides therapeutic services to infants and toddlers with developmental delays. Uses the services of physical therapists, occupational and speech therapists, nursing, special medical services, counseling, home visits and family training.

*Eligibility:* Children birth –3 years of age who have a physical or mental condition that could cause a delay in normal development.

*Fee:* Evaluations, assessments, and therapies vary.

**Birthright, Inc.**

*Contact:* Terry Weaver

*Phone:* (770) 451-6336 or 1-800-550-4900

*Email:* [www.Terry.birthrightusa.gmail](http://www.Terry.birthrightusa.gmail)

*Location:* 3424 Hardee Avenue  
Atlanta GA 30341

*Services:* Offers free, confidential, non-judgmental crisis pregnancy assistance to help women through their pregnancies.

*Eligibility:* any pregnant woman statewide

*Fee:* Free

**Boy Scouts of America**

*Contact:* Daniel Victorio

*Phone:* (706) 693-2446

*Location:* 148 Boy Scout Trail  
Pendergrass, GA 30567

*Services:* Youth development program for boys ages 6-21.

*Fee:* Straight fee for service (scholarships available-we never turn a child away)

**Break-Thru House, Inc.**

*Contact:* Intake.

*Phone:* (404) 284-4658

*Email:* [www.breakthru.actionministries.net](http://www.breakthru.actionministries.net)

*Location:* 1866 Eastfield Street  
Decatur, GA 30032

*Services:* Women's treatment for addiction to alcohol or drugs

*Eligibility:* Adult females able to work and motivated for recovery, detoxed (5-10 days)

*Fee:* Straight fee for service (\$675.00 per month and \$1330.00 to stay)

**Bright from the Start**

*Phone:* 1 (888) 4GA-PREK (toll free) or (404) 651-7422

*Email:* [decal.ga.gov](mailto:decal.ga.gov)

*Location:* 2 Martin Luther King Drive, S.E. Suite 754 Twin Towers East  
Atlanta, GA 30334

*Services:* The following services are administrated by this office: The GA Pre-kindergarten Program which provides free preschool services to four-year-olds; Child Care Services which includes the licensing of private child care learning centers participating in the Pre-K Program; CACFP food program and the Georgia Head Start Collaboration Project.

**CASA of Blue Ridge**

*Contact:* Janet Walden

*Phone:* (770) 886-4082 Ext. 3126

*Email:* [www.forsythcountycasa.org](http://www.forsythcountycasa.org)

*Location:* 875 Lanier 400 Parkway Box 7  
Cumming, GA 30040

*Services:* CASA volunteers are court appointed special advocates for children-trained; appointed by a judge to speak up for abused and neglected children in court.

*Eligibility:* Any child under age 18 who is ordered by the court to be assigned a guardian

*Fee:* None

**Catholic Church of the Good Shepherd**

*Contact:* Terry Duffey

*Phone:* (770) 887-9861 Ext. 10

*Website:* [www.gsrcc.net](http://www.gsrcc.net)

*Location:* 3740 Holtzclaw Road  
Cumming, GA 30041

*Services:* Mass, Sunday youth ministry

*Eligibility:* Teenagers and older (Teen Mass on Sunday 5:30)

*Fee:* None

**Challenged Child and Friends, Inc.**

*Contact:* Monique Jackson, LCSW

*Phone:* (770)535-8372

*Website:* [www.challengedchild.org](http://www.challengedchild.org)

*Location:* 2360 Murphy Blvd.  
Gainesville, GA 30504

*Services:* A therapeutic center for children with special needs which include speech, occupational and physical therapy. Licensed early intervention 6 weeks to 6 years of age

*Eligibility:* Children ages 6 weeks through 6 years of age with developmental delay or disabilities and their typical peers attend daily. Pre-school class for 6 weeks – 6 years during the school year program.

*Fee:* Sliding scale, scholarships for special needs kids, collaborative agreements, Medicaid or insurance.

**Chestatee Counseling Center**

*Contact:* Stacy Wolff, Director

*Phone:* (706) 344-8462

*Location:* 487 Morrison Moore  
Dahlonega, GA 30533

*Services:* Provides services to families involved with DFACS and the juvenile court system. Offers alcohol and drug evaluations, anger management, and parenting classes.

*Eligibility:* All ages

*Fee:* Straight fee for service and accepts WellCare of GA, Amerigroup

*Website:* [www.chestateecounseling.com](http://www.chestateecounseling.com)

**Child Care Resource and Referral Agency for All GA Kids**

*Contact:* V.P. Teresa Prestwood

*Phone:* (877)255-4254 or (404) 479-4202 for referrals call (404) 479-4200

*Email:* [www.info@qualityforchildren.org](mailto:www.info@qualityforchildren.org)

*Location:* 1290 Athens Street  
Gainesville, Ga 30507

*Services:* Telephone referral service for parents looking for child care. Offers training and technical assistance for all programs and individuals offering child care. Assist individuals in becoming registered with the state to start day care centers, moms day out, after school care, summer camps, and respite care, non-traditional work hours, special needs care and low income care. Hours 8:30 AM – 5:30 PM M-F

*Fee:* None

**Children's Center for Hope and Healing**

*Contact:* Receptionist – Crisis Line available.

*Phone:* (770) 532-6530

*Location:* 226 Main Street S.W.  
Gainesville, GA 30501

*Services:* Provides family, group and individual counseling and education to children and woman who have been sexually abused.

*Eligibility:* Children ages 3-17

*Fee:* No fees for victim services. Project Pathfinder therapy services on a sliding scale.

**Children with Special Needs District 2 Public Health**

*Contact:* Receptionist

*Phone:* (770) 535-6907

*Location:* 440 Prior Street SE  
Gainesville, GA 30501

*Services:* Children with special needs is the umbrella program for Children 1st, Babies Can't Wait, and Children's Medical Services, all of which provide services for children in Banks, Dawson, Forsyth, Franklin, Habersham, Hall, Hart, Lumpkin, Rabun, Stephens, Towns, Union and White Counties.

*Eligibility:* Ages 0-21

*Fee:* Some programs have financial eligibility and some do not. Income based.

**Community Counseling Center**

*Contact:* Alaine Glover or Dawn

*Phone:* (770) 889-7789

*Fax:* (678) 827-0428

*Location:* 885 Greenwood Acre Drive  
Cumming, GA 30040

*Services:* Mental health counseling for children, teens, families and adults. Also, presently a parenting class on Tuesday nights at 7 p.m. 8-week session.

*Eligibility:* Individuals, families, and children

*Fee:* Straight fee for service, take private insurance.

**Cooperative Parenting Institute**

*Contact:* Susan Boyanm

*Phone:* (404) 273-3370

*Email:* [www.cooperativeparentinginstitute.com](http://www.cooperativeparentinginstitute.com)

*Location:* 1936 No. Druit Hills Road-Suite A  
Atlanta, GA 30329

*Services:* A psycho-educational approach that focuses on the child's functioning within the family. There is an individual therapeutic component or group format depending on the level of parental conflict.

*Fee:* \$350.00 per Parents (The Next class start in September 2015)

**The Counseling and Development Center, L.L.C.**

*Contact:* Dr. Mary H. Danielak or Jennifer, Nicolanne

*Phone:* (770) 442-9447 Ext. #111

*Location:* 314 Maxwell Road Suite 400  
Alpharetta, GA 30009

*Services:* Private practice of psychologists, licensed professional counselor, and speech and licensed pathologist.. Dr. Danielak treats children and adolescents for depression, anxiety, eating disorders, family problems, etc. She also provides testing for the diagnosis of ADHD and LD.

*Eligibility:* Men, women, children age 6-96

*Fee:* Varies by Psychologist, Medicaid, Medicare, private insurance

**Crossroads Foundation, Inc.**

*Contact:* Rebecca Sowers

*Phone:* (770) 843-8001

*Website:* [www.crossroadsfoundation.net](http://www.crossroadsfoundation.net)

*Location:* 1410 Edwards Mill Rd.  
Ball Ground, GA 30107

*Services:* Equine assisted psychotherapy and weekend detention program. Through Winds of Change, Juvenile Court refers teens to complete a minimum 16-hour detention program for misconduct. The court also refers teens for the equine assisted psychotherapy program, where teens are accompanied by counselors who utilize horses as a tool in the analytical process.

*Eligibility:* At-risk teens and their families, foster children, teens in group homes and shelters

*Fee:* Sliding scale fee depends on ability to pay



**Cumming Civitan Club**

*Contact:* Dianne Hansard

*Phone:* 770-540-0447

*Email:* [www.dianne@hansardinsurance.com](mailto:www.dianne@hansardinsurance.com)

*Location:* 305 Atlanta Road

Cumming, GA 30040

*Services:* Civic organization dedicated to promoting good citizenship through community projects. Focus on people with mental and physical disabilities.

*Eligibility:* Groups only

*Fee:* None

**Cumming First United Methodist Church**

*Contact:* Christy Thompson or (Carol Johnson)

*Phone:* (770) 887-2900 x211

*Website:* [www.cfumcga.com](http://www.cfumcga.com)

*Location:* 770 Canton Highway

Cumming GA 30040

*Services:* Food pantry on Wednesdays from 9:00 am – 11:00 am and emergency. English Classes

*Eligibility:* All ages and persons and families in need, must first go to The Place. Need written Referral when arrive at the appointment.

*Fee:* Free

**Cumming/Forsyth County Chamber of Commerce**

*Contact:* James McCoy

*Phone:* (770) 887-6461

*Web:* [www.cummingforsythchamber.org](http://www.cummingforsythchamber.org)

*Location:* 212 Kelly Mill Road

Cumming, GA 30040

*Services:* The “Partners in Education” program focuses on skill development and the presentation of career opportunities.

*Eligibility:* Students

*Fee:* None

**Cumming/Forsyth Newcomers Club**

*Contact:* Mary Beth Magallanes

*Phone:* (770) 888-3758

*Email:* [forsythcountynewcomersclubofforsyth@gmail.com](mailto:forsythcountynewcomersclubofforsyth@gmail.com).

*Web:* [www.newcomersclubofforsyth.org](http://www.newcomersclubofforsyth.org)

*Services:* A social club for newcomers to Forsyth County. Monthly meetings include a luncheon, program, and brief business meeting.

*Eligibility:* Any woman in Forsyth County

*Fee:* \$15 membership per year

**Cumming Recreation and Parks Department**

*Contact:* Reba Castleberry/Chelepi Hokbrook

*Phone:* (770) 781-2030

*Website:* [www.crpdonline.org](http://www.crpdonline.org)

*Location:* 410 Pilgrim Mill Road  
Cumming, GA 30040

*Services:* Provides a variety of recreational programming for the public, including youth basketball, sport camps and clinics and leagues, gymnastics, self-defense, dance and many more.

*Eligibility:* Any resident

*Fee:* Straight fee for services. Fees differ for different programs

### **Eagle Ranch**

*Contact:* Tundi Massey, Referral Marketing Coordinator

*Phone:* (770)967-8500

*Fax:* (770) 967-3757

*Location:* P.O. Box 7200  
Chestnut Mountain, GA 30502

*Services:* Christian residential program for troubled boys and girls with a strong counseling program emphasizing reunification with family.

*Eligibility:* Boys 8-16 and girls 8-17 years of age

*Fee:* Sliding Scale Fee

### **Episcopal Church of the Holy Spirit**

*Contact:* Keith W. Oglesby

*Phone:* (770) 887-8190

*Location:* 724 Pilgrim Mill Rd.  
Cumming, GA 30040

*Services:* Outreach ministry and non-food items unable to purchase on food stamp program. Pantry last Saturday of each month. Elder care pharmacy supplements by referral.

*Eligibility:* Walk up

*Fee:* None

### **Family Recovery, Inc.**

*Contact:* Ashley Potts, Office Manager

*Phone:* (770) 535-1073

*Email:* [www.familyrecovery@bellsouth.net](mailto:www.familyrecovery@bellsouth.net)

*Location:* 703 Grove Street  
Gainesville, GA 30501

*Services:* Anger/violence counseling and education aimed at ending abuse. Substance abuse counseling aimed at having a chemically free lifestyle. Each of our programs can be customized to particular needs.

*Eligibility:* 18 and over

*Fee:* Straight fees; hardship adjustments available

### **First Baptist Church of Cumming**

*Contact:* Dr. Robert Jolly / Betsy

*Phone:* (770) 887-2428

*Website:* [www.firstbaptistcumming.org](http://www.firstbaptistcumming.org)

*Location:* 1597 Sawnee Drive

Cumming, GA 30040

*Services:* Divorce care, youth and children classes, bible study and worship.

*Eligibility:* Anyone

*Fee:* None

**First Christian Church**

*Contact:* Bonnie Ford

*Phone:* (770) 887-5542

*Email:* [www.fccga.org](http://www.fccga.org)

*Location:* 1270 Sawnee Drive

Cumming, GA 30040

*Services:* Counseling, youth activities, Bible studies, care ministry and support groups.

*Eligibility:* Anyone

*Fee:* None

**Forsyth County Child Advocacy Center, Inc.**

*Contact:* Tennile Chapman

*Phone:* (678) 208-1908

*Email:* [forsythcountyhac.org](http://forsythcountyhac.org)

*Location:* 1480 Bettie Tribble Gap Road

Cumming, GA 30040

*Services:* Child victim services for sexual and physical abuse.

*Eligibility:* Child victims and non-offending family members

*Fee:* None

**Forsyth County Community Connection**

*Contact:* Nicole Morgan

*Phone:* (770) 205-1701

*Email:* [www.connectforsyth.org](http://www.connectforsyth.org)

*Location:* 133 Samaritan Drive, Suite 109

Cumming, GA 30040

*Services:* A source for data and information about resources and services in the community. We are a centralized agency for all volunteers.

*Eligibility:* Agencies and residents of all ages

*Fee:* None

**Forsyth County Department of Family and Children Services**

*Contact:* Jason Tench

*Phone:* 1-877-423-4746

*Location:* 426 Canton Road

Cumming GA 30040

*Services:* We provide Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF), social services, food stamps, Medicaid and protective services for children. Foster care/Adoption services.

*Eligibility:* Income eligible

*Fee:* Free to income eligible persons

### **Forsyth County Department of Juvenile Justice**

*Contact:* Denise Haney

*Phone:* (770) 781-6804

*Location:* 104 Pilgrim Village Dr  
Cumming, GA 30040

*Services:* DJJ works with child after a juvenile complaint has been filed.

*Eligibility:* Juveniles through age 18

*Fee:* This goes through the Juvenile Court

### **Forsyth County Dial-A-Ride**

*Contact:* Melanie Borun

*Phone:* (770) 781-2195

*Fax:* (678) 455-8527

*Location:* 110 East Main Street, Suite 120  
Cumming, GA 30040

*Services:* Transportation services for Forsyth County; house bound persons can keep their independence; groups can schedule a Charter to go on activities together; appointments can be made without the reliance of family and/or friends for transportation. Call for appointment.

*Eligibility:* All Forsyth County residents, if under age 18 must be accompanied by an adult.

*Fee:* Straight fee for service

### **Forsyth County Extension Service**

*Contact:* Emily Addis

*Phone:* (770) 887-2418

*Fax:* (770) 887-2403

*Email:* [ugell17@uga.edu](mailto:ugell17@uga.edu)

*Location:* 875 Lanier 400 Parkway, Suite 158  
Cumming, GA 30040

*Services:* Provides unbiased, research-based information about issues such as water quality, profitability in agribusiness, growing and marketing crops and livestock, family wellness, and preparing young people for life. Provides soil and water testing, 4-H, health, parenting and nutrition information. Agricultural and Horticulture consultation.

*Eligibility:* General public and 4-H for children ages 9-19 years old

*Fee:* No fee for most services

### **Forsyth County Family Haven**

*Contact:* Millie Irizarry, Executive Director

*Phone:* (770) 889-6384 24-hour crisis hotline: (770) 887-1121

*Email:* [www.family-haven.org](http://www.family-haven.org) or [Director@forsythcountyfamilyhaven.org](mailto:Director@forsythcountyfamilyhaven.org)

*Location:* PO Box 1160  
Cumming, GA 30028

*Services:* Offer support emergency shelter service and Legal Advocacy.

*Eligibility:* Victims of domestic violence and sexual assault

*Fee:* None

**Forsyth County YMCA**

*Contact:* Kerry Carithers

*Phone:* (770) 888-2788

*Website:* [www.ymcaatlanta.org](http://www.ymcaatlanta.org)

*Location:* 6050 Y-Street

Cumming, GA 30040

*Services:* Youth soccer and baseball, summer day camp, youth sports, after school child care. Health and Well care

*Eligibility:* Anyone

*Fee:* Depends on program

**Forsyth County Head Start/Early Head Start/GA Pre-K**

*Contact:* Rufina Garcia, Center Director

*Phone:* (678) 513-8611 Fax: (678) 513-8752

*Email:* [www.rufina.garcia@ndohs.org](mailto:www.rufina.garcia@ndohs.org)

*Locations:* 133 Samaritan Drive

Cumming, GA 30040

Pre-K is offered in some of the Forsyth County Schools. Call for locations

*Services:* Prepares preschoolers socially, emotionally and intellectually to enter the public school system. Provides services to children with special needs through coordination with area agencies. Provides support, referrals and training for families. Provides assistance to families in accessing medical insurance, medical and dental care and securing a medical home. Provides services to pregnant women.

*Eligibility:* Children ages infant through 4 years old. Please call for guidelines for each program.

*Fee:* None

**Forsyth County Health Department**

*Contact:* Tracy Runnels

*Phone:* (770) 781-6900

*Email:* [www.phdistrict2.org](http://www.phdistrict2.org)

*Location:* 428 Canton Road

Cumming, GA 30040

*Services:* Health Checks, WIC, immunizations, family planning, prenatal case management, cancer screening, adult immunizations, STDs, HIV/AIDS, TB, investigation of infectious diseases, environmental health services.

*Eligibility:* Anyone

*Fee:* Sliding scale, straight fee for service, Medicaid, Medicare, PeachCare

**Forsyth County Housing Authority**

*Contact:* Janice Smith

*Phone:* (770) 887-5331

*Location:* 102 Social Circle

Cumming, GA 30040

*Services:* Provides low rent housing to income-eligible families

*Eligibility:* Income-eligible persons (Based on income for application)

*Fee:* None

### **Forsyth County Juvenile Court, Bell-Forsyth Judicial Court**

*Contact: Rebecca Rusk (Becky) Administrator*

*Phone: (770) 781-3099*

*Email: [www.forsythco.com/juvinal](http://www.forsythco.com/juvinal)*

*Location: 875 Lanier 400 Parkway, Suite 100  
Cumming, GA 30040*

*Services: The Juvenile Court is committed to the care, safety and guidance of children; to respectful and just treatment of all involved; to the personal development and accountability of children and their families; to public safety, and to restoration of victims and communities.*

*Eligibility: Minor children under the age of 18*

*Fee: Open*

### **Forsyth County Lions Club**

*Contact: Diane B. O'Shields*

*Phone: (770) 887-1609*

*Website: [www.forsythcountylionsclub.org](http://www.forsythcountylionsclub.org)*

*Location: P.O. Box 130  
Cumming, GA 30028*

*Services: Provides visual services for needy individuals in the community. Provides eye exams and eyeglasses at no cost and can assist people in need of other visual services; i.e. recordings for the blind, leader dogs, corneal transplants, etc.*

*Camp for blind and the services of Georgia Lions Lighthouse Foundation*

*Eligibility: Forsyth County Citizens*

*Fee: None*

### **Forsyth County Multipurpose Senior Citizen Center**

*Contact: Judy Theilman, Director*

*Phone: (770) 781-2178*

*Location: 595 Dahlonega Hwy.  
Cumming, GA 30040*

*Services: Referral point for all senior services. Alzheimer's respite for caregivers; Alzheimer's activities; Homebound meal delivery; congregate lunches; transportation for grocery shopping/medical purposes; Medicare assistance; advocacy services; referrals for legal/housing/sitting, etc.; monthly day trips; exercise and training programs, aquatic program. Legacy Link, Inc. provides employment program for those over 55. Need to very information for transportation only.*

*Eligibility: Forsyth County residents 50 and over.*

*Fee: donations accepted and public funding*

### **Forsyth County Parks and Recreation**

*Contact: Jim Prior, Director*

*Phone: (770) 781-2215*

*Email: [www.forsythco.com](http://www.forsythco.com)*

*Services: Various programs and classes for young adult all are coordinated and implemented year-round on a seasonal basis. Adult athletic, environmental and outdoor programs.*

*Eligibility:* Ages 1½ through adult

*Fee:* Straight fee. Individuals with proof of low income may apply for scholarship.

**Forsyth County Public Library**

*Contact:* Denise Leeson, Manager

*Phone:* (770) 781-9840

*Web:* [www.forsythpl.org](http://www.forsythpl.org)

*Location:* 585 Dahlonega Road  
Cumming, GA 30040

*Services:* Information resources in print, media, and electronic formats for all ages. Programs for toddlers and preschoolers offered throughout the year. Vacation Reading Club and programs for school-age children offered during the summer. All programs are available at 4 library locations and are free of charge.

*Eligibility:* All Forsyth County residents

*Fee:* No fee for Forsyth County residents \$60.00 per year for non-residents.

**Forsyth County School System**

*Contact:* Jennifer Crachio

*Phone:* (770) 887-2461

*Email:* [www.forsyth.k12.ga.us](http://www.forsyth.k12.ga.us)

*Location:* 1120 Dahlonega Hwy.  
Cumming, GA 30040

*Services:* Forsyth County School System, accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, provides public education for K-12th grade. Additional services provided include: Extracurricular Activities, Alternative School, Horizons, Hospital Homebound, Home School, Special Education, Counseling Services, Student Support Teams, Drug-Free Courses, Preschool Intervention Program, and Virtual Learning for grades 8-12

*Eligibility:* Kindergarten-12th grade students

*Fee:* None

**Forsyth County Sheriff's Office Community Oriented Police Services Unit**

*Contact:* Allen Frampton

*Phone:* ((678) 513-5982

*Location:* 475 Tribble Gap Road, Suite 200  
Cumming, GA 30040

*Services:* Teach classes to ensure public safety. Many different programs can be provided any time. Program provided for any size group including individual persons. Explorer, Sergeant Allen Frampton. For young men and women interested in law enforcement as a career. Classes include: Neighborhood Watch, Lock/Alarm, Personal Safety/Latch Key Kids, Senior Citizen Safety, Child Safety for Parents Domestic Violence, Rape Prevention, Date Rape, Commercial and Home Security Survey, Business Traveler Safety, Personal Development, D.R.I.V.E. by Parenting, Anti-Robbery for Businesses, Shoplifting Prevention, Drug, Alcohol and Gang Awareness.

*Eligibility:* Any person, organization or company

*Cost:* None

**Forsyth County Sheriff's Office P.R.I.D.E.**

*Contact:* Lisa Hyatt

*Phone:* (770) 205-4627

*Website:* [www.forsythsheriff.org](http://www.forsythsheriff.org)

*Location:* 475 Tribble Gap Road  
Cumming, GA 30040

*Services:* Offers a two-hour course to help parents and their future teen drivers on learner's permits, ages 14-16, learn what they need to do during the 40 hours.

*Eligibility:* Future teen drivers, ages 14-16 and their parents

*Fee:* Free

**Gainesville Jaycees Vocational Rehabilitation Center**

*Contact:* Paula Phillips

*Phone:* (770) 535-7464

*Website:* [www.rehabindustries.org](http://www.rehabindustries.org)

*Location:* 930 Athens Street  
Gainesville, GA 30501

*Services:* Supported employment training, supervision and follow-up on the job site. Placement (application, interviewing, and job placement assistance), Evaluation (determining skills, interest, and employment goals), Adjustment (training or re-training in skills for employment). Job sampling/internships for short-term training.

*Eligibility:* At least 16 years of age with barriers to employment, such as a disability.

*Fee:* None

**Gateway House**

*Contact:* Jessica Butler, Executive Director

*Phone:* (770) 536-5860

*Email:* [blythe.gateay@gmail.com](mailto:blythe.gateay@gmail.com)

*Location:* PO Box 2962  
Gainesville, GA 30503

*Services:* Women's and children's support groups, Life Enrichment group, Shelter, 24-hour Crisis Counseling/Phone, Legal Support Services, Information and Referrals, Transportation to shelter, Medical support services, Support groups/Individual counseling

*Eligibility:* Victims of Domestic Violence

*Fee:* None

**Genesis Center for Christian Counseling**

*Contact:* Betty Holloway, Counselor

*Phone:* (770) 399-6333

*Location:* 5676 Roberts Drive  
Atlanta, GA 30338

*Services:* Provides a wide range of therapeutic services for children, adolescents and families from Christian professional counselors

*Eligibility:* Anyone

*Fee:* \$85 per session.



**Georgia Highlands Medical Services, Inc.**

*Contact: Linda Howell / CFO*

*Phone: (770) 887-1668 Ext. #1104*

*Location: 260 Elm Street  
Cumming, GA 3004*

*Services: Non-profit community health center offering a comprehensive family practice health care with physicians and family nurse practitioners. Physical exams, family planning, well child care, immunizations, PAP smears, women's health, laboratory tests, EKG's, hospitalization at Northside-Forsyth Center in Cumming, obstetrical services. Delivery at Northside Hospital. Physician Assistant. Pharmacy Services and Pediatric Assistant.*

*Eligibility: All residents of Forsyth County and contiguous counties*

*Fee: Sliding scale fee for qualified families; Medicare, Medicaid, Private insurance.*

**Georgia Legal Services Gainesville Regional Office**

*Contact: Information*

*Chris Jones, Manager*

*Phone: (770) 535-5717*

*Email: [www.legalaid-ga.org](http://www.legalaid-ga.org)*

*Location: 705 Washington St. NW, Suite 1B  
Gainesville, GA 30501*

*Services: Provides free legal assistance to low-income and the elderly*

*Eligibility: Varies based on the type of legal problem and income. Programs for the elderly*

*Fee: None*

**Georgia Parent Support Network, Inc.**

*Contact: Sue Smith*

*Location: 1381 Metropolitan Parkway, SW  
Atlanta, GA 30310*

*Phone: (404) 758-4500*

*Services: Statewide support system for families of disturbed children, assisting parents by providing support, information referrals, advocacy training, group organizing and linkage with other parent organizations across Georgia and direct community based services. The programs available are Safety Networks, Respite Care, Family Advocates, Transition/Re-integration Program, and Therapeutic Foster Care.*

*Eligibility: Families of severely disturbed children ages 1-18*

*Fee: Sliding scale fee (no one turned away for inability to pay)*

**Girl Scouts of NE Georgia**

*Contact: Maggie Wall*

*Phone: (770) 702-9123*

*Web: [girlscoutsofgreateratlanta.org](http://girlscoutsofgreateratlanta.org)*

*Location: 133 Samaritan Drive, Suite 108  
Cumming, GA 30040*

*Services: Provides girls a chance to develop their potential, make friends, become a vital part of the community and build confidence, courage and character based on ethical values. It opens a world of opportunity to girls working in partnership with adult volunteers.*

*Eligibility:* Girls age Kindergarten -12<sup>th</sup>  
*Fee:* \$15.00 membership fee (waived if necessary)

**Grace Chapel Church of Christ**

*Contact:* Senior Pastor  
*Phone:* (678) 455-6845  
*Email:* [gracechapelchurch.com](http://gracechapelchurch.com)  
*Location:* 6755 Major Road  
                    Cumming, GA 30040  
*Services:* Church worship, spiritual counseling and training  
*Eligibility:* Children and Adults  
*Fee:* None

**Habitat for Humanity of North Central GA, Inc.**

*Contact:* Mary Lamond  
*Phone:* (770) 886-4939  
*Location:* 133 Samaritan Drive, Suite 107  
                    Cumming, GA 30040  
*Services:* Our mission is to eliminate poverty housing, one family at a time. We work in partnership with the community and a needy family to build decent, affordable housing. The partner family must have a NEED for decent housing, must be able to make mortgage payments (around \$600/month), and must be willing to put in 200 hours of “sweat equity” on Habitat house, usually at least 12 months or more from time of application to completion of home.  
*Eligibility:* Need, ability to pay \$1,250 down payment and be able to make mortgage payments, and willingness to partner  
*Fee:* Mortgage payments plus down payment.

**Hospice of NE GA Medical Center**

*Contact:* Rhonda Rogers, Social Services Coordinator  
*Phone:* (770) 219-8888  
*Location:* 2150 Limestone Pkwy. Suite 222  
                    Gainesville, GA 30501  
*Services:* Supportive, comforting care to dying patients and their family members in their homes. Provides bereavement care to families for 13 months after death. Several bereavement support groups open to the public free of charge.  
*Eligibility:* Any person with a life threatening illness with less than a 6 month prognosis and who desires comfort care  
*Fee:* Sliding scale fee, Medicare, Medicaid, private insurance

**Housing Authority of the City of Cumming**

*Contact:* Anyone available  
*Phone:* (770) 887-5331  
*Location:* 102 Social Circle  
                    Cumming, GA 30040  
*Services:* Provide assistance for low income individuals and families requiring housing.  
*Eligibility:* Low income  
*Fee:* No fee for applications

### **Jesse's House**

*Contact:* Amber Black, Exec. Director

*Phone:* (678) 947-6217

*Web:* [www.jessehouse.org](http://www.jessehouse.org)

*Email:* [amberblack@jesseshouse.org](mailto:amberblack@jesseshouse.org)

*Location:* PO Box 3318

Cumming, GA 30028

*Services:* Children are referred through DJJ and DFACS for emergency temporary placement/shelter.

*Eligibility:* Emergency shelter serving North Georgia; for girls ages 7-17

*Fee:* Per Diem by the state

### **Joy House**

*Contact:* Steve Lowe

*Phone:* (706) 253-7569

*Web:* [www.thejoyhouse.org](http://www.thejoyhouse.org)

*Email:* [www.info@thejoyhouse.org](mailto:www.info@thejoyhouse.org)

*Location:* PO Box 247

Jasper, GA 30143

*Services:* Provides a Christian home for hurting teenage boys and girls. The programs serve as an agent of healing between the family and teen with the ultimate goal of reunification when possible. It is a three-phase program, where responsibility is earned and tested through each phase and sincere attitude changes are rewarded.

*Eligibility:* Teens ages 12-17 years

*Fee:* Sliding scale fee

### **Lanier Technical Institute**

*Contact:* Joanne Tolleson

*Phone:* (770) 781-6800 or (770) 781-6950

*Email:* [www.laniertech.edu](http://www.laniertech.edu)

*Location:* 3410 Ronald Regan Boulevard

Cumming, GA 30041

*Services:* Provides diploma and certificate programs of study and 2 year associate degree. Occupational programs are offered in the areas of Business, Health, Trade and Industrial, and Technical skills. Certificate programs are approximately 2-3 semesters in length.

Diploma programs are approximately 1-2 years in length. Offers GED and ESOL classes

*Eligibility:* Anyone over 16 years of age

*Fee:* \$20 application fee; HOPE Grant and scholarship; PELL grant if qualified.

### **Medline Treatment Center**

*Contact:* Jay Hall

*Phone:* (770) 919-9088

*Email:* [www.medlinetc.com](http://www.medlinetc.com)

*Location:* 698 North East Marietta Parkway

Marietta, GA 30060

*Services:* Specializes in evaluation and treatment of sexual abuse victims and perpetrators.

*Eligibility:* All ages

*Fee:* Straight fee for service; Medicaid, insurance accepted.

**Mel T. Grady**

*Contact:* Mel T. Grady

*Phone:* (770) 513-3086

*Location:* 4600 Nelson Brogdon Boulevard  
Sugar Hill, GA 30515

*Services:* Counseling for relationships, marital problems, anger, anxiety, sadness, depression, grief and loss, fear, trauma, panic, phobia, pain management, stress management, and relaxation training, domestic violence, individuals, couples, groups, and organizations.

*Eligibility:* Ages 16-Adulthood

*Fee:* Standard fee of \$70.00 and insurance

**Melissa J. McGinnis, M.D.**

*Contact:* Melissa McGinnis, M.D.

*Phone:* (770) 886-9701

*Fax:* (770) 886-3302

*Location:* 310 West Main Street  
Cumming, GA 30040

*Services:* Pediatrics health services provided including well check-ups, sick visits, behavior problems, school problems, newborn visits, hospital referrals, vision screenings, and strep test.

*Fee:* Straight fee for services; Medicaid and Private insurance

**Mentor Me, North Georgia, Inc.**

*Contact:* Sylvia, or Karen

*Phone:* (678) 341-8028

*Web:* [www.mentormenorthga.org](http://www.mentormenorthga.org)

*Location:* PO Box 2053  
Cumming, GA 30028

*Services:* Provides a stable relationship for your child with a dependable adult volunteer from the community. We match children ages 6-16 that are primarily from single-parent families or children who are being raised by grandparents or other family relatives. The volunteer spends time with your child doing things they enjoy in the community, typically through weekly contact. Our REACH program helps with homework with elementary school age for Spanish speakers.

*Eligibility:* Qualified applicants

*Fee:* Free

**Morningstar Family Resource Center**

*Contact:* Angela Mehan

*Location:* 875 Lanier Parkway, Suite 261  
Cumming, GA30040

*Services:* Provides in-home services such as counseling and parent education. Mental Health Services, Medicaid and certain insurance.

*Eligibility:* Families and children referred by DFCS or court system.

*Fee:* Grant money available for services based on need; no insurance.

**NAMI – National Alliance on Mental Health**

*Website:* [www.namifdl.org](http://www.namifdl.org)

*Contact:* Ovia Hughie

*Phone:* (678)341-9414

*Address:* 595 Dahlonega Hwy  
Cumming, GA 30040  
PO Box 2665  
Cumming GA 30028

*Services:* Mental Health Support Groups for Families and individual Mental Health Referrals.

*Fee:* Free

**Narcotics Anonymous World Services**

*Contact:* Anyone

*Phone:* (818) 773-9999

*Location:* 19737 Nordhoff Place  
Chatsworth, CA 91311

*Services:* Self-help 12 step program for drug addicts seeking recovery. Meetings are held all over the world-phone for nearest location.

*Eligibility:* Anyone

*Fee:* None

**National Hispanic Alliance for Health**

*Contact:* Mario/Health Promo Advisor

*Phone:* (866) 783-2645

*Location:* Washington, D.C.

*Services:* Provides free, reliable and confidential health information in Spanish and English. Bilingual health specialist provides callers with basic information on a wide range of health topics and can refer caller to health care providers in their communities. Prenatal helpline offers referral to low cost health care in your area.

*Eligibility:* Anyone

*Fee:* None

**Next Generation Focus**

*Contact:* Amy Sol

*Phone:* (678) 516-5062

*Website:* [amysol@nextgenerationfocus.org](mailto:amysol@nextgenerationfocus.org)

*Location:* Grace Chapel Church  
6755 Majors Road  
Cumming GA 30040

*Services:* Children entering kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to be part of our high-quality tutoring program. We specialize in helping children who are struggling in school or falling behind in their skills. Summer tutoring is perfect for helping reinforce knowledge your child learned last year and prepare for the upcoming school year. Help them start the new school year feeling ready and confident!

*Eligibility:* Kindergarten thru 8<sup>th</sup> grade

*Fee:* Depend of the activity

### **Ninth District Opportunity, Inc.**

Contact: Pam Morris

Phone: (770) 889-9420

Location: 133 Samaritan Drive, Suite 112  
Cumming, GA 30040

- ENERGY ASSISTANCE- begins in November for households in which everyone in the household is over the age of 65 or completely unable to leave the home due to medical reasons. Other low income households will be allowed to sign-up for any remaining funds in December.
- EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE: qualifying under income households going through an emergency situation with utilities, prescriptions, & heating fuel.
- YOUTH PROGRAMS: Training sessions, leadership institute, promotion of health education, education workshops, parenting programs/domestic violence prevention/family enrichment programs.
- FAMILY RESOURCE/DEVELOPMENT: Provision of prescription medicine, case management self-sufficiency, i.e.; money management, budgeting, life skills enrichment and food pantry referrals.
- Indigent Medicine Program- designed to assist under income households with long term medications by utilizing discounts and free samples from the companies. Eligibility is based on the number of household members and annual income. Participants can not have any insurance policies that cover medications
- USDA COMMODITY FOOD: 125% poverty level.
- HOME WEATHERIZATION: limited number of homes per county, priority to frail elderly and disabled.
- INDIGENT MEDICATION ASSISTANCE: Client must verify income eligibility and citizenship; Client cannot be covered by insurance that assists with medications. Qualifying households can receive assistance with the completion of applications for free or discounted medications through pharmaceutical companies. Waiting list is always maintained current (115% poverty level)

### **CSBG Services**

Website: [www.acf.hhs.gov](http://www.acf.hhs.gov)

*Case Management Services:*

Assessment, counseling services, and family enrichment services.

Development of individualized service plans.

Counseling families on community resources.

Assistance with obtaining child support and other resource benefits, i.e.; child care and health services.

Evaluation

*Budget Counseling and Development:*

Counseling/Referral to credit counseling services.

Money management training and budget counseling.

*Weatherization*

Assessment/case planning and development.

Negotiations with landlords for placement into temporary or permanent housing.

Rental payments (depending on available funds).

Assistance in the procurement of 504 loans and grants.

Improvements to the home for the reduction in energy costs and increase in energy conservation.

*Emergency Assistance:*

Linkage to necessary service providers.

Arranging for payment for past due utility, rent payments, etc.

Provision of food assistance and other special feeding initiatives.

Coordination of family intervention activities relative to meeting basic needs.

*Eligibility:* Low-income families and individuals

*Fee:* None

### **No Longer Bound**

*Contact:* Lake- Intake coordinator

*Phone:* (770) 886-7873

*Web:* [www.nolongerbound.com](http://www.nolongerbound.com)

*Location:* 2735 Pine Grove Road  
Cumming, GA 30041

*Services:* Adult male alcohol and drug rehabilitation program.

*Eligibility:* Males over age 18

*Fee:* \$6,000 admission fee 12 month program.

### **Northeast Georgia Speech Center, Inc.**

*Contact:* Jody, Secretary

*Phone:* (770) 534-5141

*Location:* 604 Washington Street  
Gainesville, GA 30501

*Services:* Provides services to all ages and persons with speech or language disorders, delays, result of accident/illness. Diagnostic evaluations. TLC preschool program for ages 3-5. Summer language program for preschoolers. Individual therapy for all communication disorders.

*Eligibility:* All ages

*Fee:* Sliding scale; Medicaid; private insurance.

### **Office of Child Support Enforcement**

*Contact:* Bell/Forsyth office (customer service)

*Email:* [CantonCSE@dhr.state.ga.us](mailto:CantonCSE@dhr.state.ga.us)

*Location:* 321 Lamar Haley Pkwy Suite A  
Canton, GA 30114

*Phone:* 1-877-423-4746

*Services:* The Fatherhood Program serves the non-custodial parent who is unable to pay their child support by helping attain gainful and stable employment. Assist fathers in helping get name on child's legal records. Assist parents with legal custody of a child. A non-custodial parent may apply to have paternity established or to have the support order reviewed. Provide support for grandparents raising grandchildren.

*Eligibility:* Custodial parents who receive TANF benefits, Non-custodial parents who are in arrears on child support payments and have been referred to the Fatherhood program.

*Fee:* None

**Out-Patient Juvenile Forensic Team**

*Contact:* Team Office/Dewana Thomas, Mosley,

Program Associate

*Phone:* (404) 212-4798

*Fax:* (404) 243-2356

*Location:* 3073 Panthersville Rd, Bldg. C,  
Decatur, GA 30034

*Services:* Assists the courts with court-ordered psychological evaluations, works with child service mental health agencies in the area of risk reduction and/or prevention programs, individual case consultation and in-service training offered to agencies.

*Eligibility:* Clients must be charged with a violation of the law or be adjudicated, and the court asks for assistance with treatment recommendations or disposition.

*Fee:* None

**Ridgeview Institute**

*Contact:* Chad Husted

*Phone:* (770) 434-4567

*Web:* [www.ridgeviewinstitute.com](http://www.ridgeviewinstitute.com)

*Location:* 3995 S. Cobb Drive  
Smyrna, GA 30080

*Services:* Provides in-patient, partial hospitalization, intensive out-patient treatment for children, adolescents, young adults, and seniors with psychiatric and substance abuse problems with specialty programs for eating disorders and impaired professionals. We provide continuing education for licensed clinicians. Free 12-step support groups

*Eligibility:* Ages 5 and older

*Fee:* Straight fee for service; Medicare; private insurance and Medicaid

**Right from the Start Medicaid Project**

*Contact:* Jean Henningsen

*Phone:* (470) 428-2087 x204

*Website:* <http://georgia.earnbenefits.org>

*Services:* Determines eligibility for Medicaid for children 0-19 and pregnant women. We do outreach events in the county. We also assist with application process for PeachCare for Kids. Referrals for children health services and for elderly health services

*Eligibility:* Children 0-19 and pregnant women. Services are based on family size, income, and legal residency/citizenship

*Fee:* None

**Rotary Club of Forsyth County, Inc**

*Contact:* Jon McDaniel

*Phone:* (678) 523-9362

*Email:* [mcdanielj@forsythpl.org](mailto:mcdanielj@forsythpl.org) or [www.southforsythrotary.org](http://www.southforsythrotary.org)

*Location:* PO Box 57

Cumming, GA 30028

*Services:* Provides assistance based on need. Our services limited to financial assistance and special work project completions. We provide financial assistance via college scholarships and contributions to fundraising and charitable activities.

*Eligibility:* Forsyth County Community

*Fee:* None



**Rotary Club of Lanier Forsyth**

*Contact:* Logan Butler, Secretary

*Email:* [www.lanierforsythrotaryclub.org](http://www.lanierforsythrotaryclub.org)

*Location:* 1400 Building Bennett Education Center  
Cumming, GA 30041

*Services:* Provides assistance in immediate need situations. Provides financial assistance via college scholarships and contributions to various fundraising and charitable activities with a strong focus on international funding throughout the world. We also support youth through scholarships, the LEADER Program, teen driving education program, and Interact program within the schools.

*Eligibility:* Population

*Fee:* None

**St. Brendan Catholic Community**

*Contact:* Mary Ann

*Phone:* (770) 205-7969

*Email:* [www.stbrendansatl.com](http://www.stbrendansatl.com)

*Location:* 4633 Shiloh Road  
Cumming, GA 30040

*Services:* Offers a broad range of outreach and religious education, Preschool Education, Mother's Morning Out, Youth Ministry, Service Ministries

*Eligibility:* All are welcome

*Fee:* None

**St. Vincent DePaul Sojourner's House**

*Contact:* Peter Tinkim

*Phone:* (678) 947- 0677 (helpline message)

*Location:* Good Shepherd Church  
Cumming, GA 30041

*Services:* Emergency services such as rental and utilities when available

*Eligibility:* Low income persons

*Fee:* None

**Sawnee Women's Club**

*Contact:* Debbie Kistler

*Website:* [www.infor@sawneewomansclub.org](http://www.infor@sawneewomansclub.org)

*Phone:* None

*Location:* PO Box 2793  
Cumming, GA. 30028

*Services:* A community service develop and support effective programs through the Departments of Arts, Conservation, Education, Home Life, International Affairs, and Public Affairs by contributing to charitable organizations working to make the local, state, national and world community a better place for all people.

*Eligibility:* None

*Fee:* None

### **Simply Grace**

*Contact:* Rev. Kenneth F. Pallone

*Phone:* 678-965-4055

*E-mail:* [Ken@simply-grace.org](mailto:Ken@simply-grace.org)

*Website:* simply-grace.org

*Location:* 133 Samaritan Drive (Suite 202)  
Cumming GA 30040

*Services:* Individual discipleship counseling. Personal coaching & mentoring. Couples counseling (premarital& general marriages). Small group. Discipleship counselor training.

*Eligibility:* Anyone over 15 years of age

*Fee:* \$70.00 per session

### **The Place of Forsyth County**

*Contact:* Joni Smith

*Phone:* (770) 887-1098

*Website:* [www.theplaceofforsyth.com](http://www.theplaceofforsyth.com)

*Location:* 2550 The Place Circle  
Cumming, GA 30040

*Services:* Supplying direct emergency assistance, Food Pantry, Elderly Assistance Program, Thrift Shop, Youth Program, Hispanic Program, life sustaining medicine.

*Eligibility:* Emergency assistance for those in need

*Fee:* None

### **The Salvation Army**

*Contact:* Crisis line

*Phone:* 1-800-725-2769 or (770) 441-6200

*Website:* [salvationarmygeorgia.org/Gainesville/](http://salvationarmygeorgia.org/Gainesville/)

*Location:* 711 Dorsey St, Gainesville GA 30501

*Service:* Provide grants for rent, utility assistance, medicine and food for more families in desperate need. Visit lonely, hurting people in nursing homes and correctional facilities – perhaps the only visits they'll receive this year. Provide meals to hungry men, women and children here in Georgia. Give disadvantaged children the opportunity to experience summer camp at Camp Grandview in Jasper, GA.

*Eligibility:* Family and Individual in need

*Fee:* None

### **Twin Cedars Youth & Family Services**

*Contact:* Scotty Alexander

*Phone:* (706) 302-1001

*Web:* [www.twincedars.org](http://www.twincedars.org)

*Location:* 1022 E. Depot Street  
LaGrange, GA 30241

*Services:* Provides at-risk children, their families, and support systems with services to bring about change contributing to the process of achieving optimal potential.

Intermediate Residential Services addresses sexual aggression or trauma for boys 10-17 and girls 7-17 years of age. Other services are: Therapeutic Group Homes and Second Chance Homes and specialized foster care programs. Programs offered: Girls group home and second chance, homes for teenage girls age 14-17 and camp Viola for boys and girls. There is a Teambuilding and Ropes Course.

*Eligibility:* Children, youth and families.

*Fee:* Varies by program

**United Way of Forsyth County, Inc.**

*Contact:* Ruth Goode

*Phone:* (770) 781-4110

*Email:* [www.unitedwayforsyth.org](http://www.unitedwayforsyth.org)

*Location:* PO Box 1350

Cumming, GA 30028

*Services:* Local non-profit organization that connects people and resources in order to build a stronger, safer community. A volunteer based fundraising campaign and allocations process makes it possible for agencies to receive funding and community support directly from community members in Forsyth County.

*Eligibility:* Non-profit community agencies serving Forsyth County, meeting specific criteria. All individuals in need of services are referred to appropriate agencies.

*Fee:* None

**Victim/Witness Assistance Program**

*Contact:* Sarah Carver, Victim Advocate

*Website:* [www.victimwitness.org](http://www.victimwitness.org)

*Phone:* (770) 205-2268

*Location:* 112 West Maple Street Suite 102

Cumming, GA 30040

*Services:* Offers crime victims and witnesses emotional support during the aftermath of crime. Also offers guidance through the criminal justice system.

*Eligibility:* Victims of crime

*Fee:* None

**Whispering Hope**

*Contact:* Jackie Batson *Phone:* (770) 889-8302

*Location:* 133 Samaritan Drive, Suite 306

Cumming, GA 30040

*Services:* Offers programs such as: Parenting Education, breast-feeding, infant and toddler safety and first aid, job training. Ultrasound/pregnancy testing and abstinence education. STD testing is available. Earn money to get baby resource and be in program until baby is 18 months old.

*Eligibility:* Women of any age and parenting education also offered to men

*Fee:* None

## **Forsyth Government Information**

Doug Derrer

*County Manager*

770-781-2101 Phone

770-781-2199 Fax

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The mission of the County Manager's Office is to manage day-to-day operations of the county on behalf of the Chairman and Board of Commissioners, to ensure that tax dollars are spent and accounted for in a responsible manner and to respond to the needs and concerns of the citizens of Forsyth County.

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### **Greetings!**

#### **Welcome to Forsyth County!**

Forsyth County is home to approximately 200,000 people and is located on the north side of Atlanta's metropolitan area.

Forsyth County is a great place to live and work. The goal of our county government is to mirror the fine people that live and work in our community while striving to serve them to the best of our ability. We pride ourselves on maintaining a responsive and professional government, providing a full range of services to citizens and visitors. Whether you are a visitor or a life-long resident, please know that Forsyth County is eager to assist you with any issue related to providing you the services you need and deserve. I encourage you to visit our offices and meet your staff of county government employees.

### **Board of Commissioners**

*Forsyth County* 770-781-2101 Phone      770-781-2199 Fax

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The mission of the Forsyth County Board of Commissioners is to exercise the powers, duties and responsibilities vested in and imposed upon it as the duly constituted governing authority of Forsyth County. Forsyth County operates under the commission-county manager form of government.

The Board of Commissioners is made up of five members, each living in a specific district but elected by voters countywide to serve four-year terms. Each year in January, the five members elect one of their own to serve as chairman of the board for the coming year.

The Commission meets in regular session twice a month, on the first and third Thursdays. The meetings begin at 5 p.m. in the Commissioners' Meeting Room on the second floor of the Administration Building, 110 East Main Street, Cumming. Public hearings coincide with the meeting on the first Thursday.

The meetings are open to the public, or they can be viewed online. All meetings will air on Comcast Channel 23.

**District 1**  
R.J. (Pete) Amos  
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Todd Levent  
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[jjboff@forsythco.com](mailto:jjboff@forsythco.com)



## ***RESOURCE DIRECTORY TELEPHONE NUMBERS***

Aid Atlanta.....	404-870-7700
Alzheimer's Association.....	404-728-1181
Atlanta Alliance on Developmental Disabilities.....	404-881-9777
American Cancer Society.....	404-816-7800
American Heart Association.....	678-224-2000
Arthritis Foundation.....	404-872-7100
Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.....	404-325-6973
Easter Seal Society.....	678-585-9100
Emory University.....	404-778-2700
Georgia Baptist Children's Home, Inc.....	770-463-3800
Georgia Immunization Program.....	404-657-3158
Georgia Society to Prevent Blindness, Inc.....	404-266-0071
Governor's Council on Developmental Disabilities for Atlanta.....	404-657-2126
Helen Keller Foundation.....	770-948-9521
Hemophilia of Georgia, Inc.....	770-518-8272
Justice Center of Atlanta, Inc.....	404-523-8236
Juvenile Diabetes Resources Foundation.....	404-420-5990
Lighthouse for the Blind (Lions Club).....	404-325-3630
Muscular Dystrophy Association.....	770-621-9800
National Kidney Foundation of Georgia.....	770-452-1539
National Society for Children and Adults with Autism.....	770-904-4474
Northeast Georgia Speech Center.....	770-534-5141
Parent to Parent of Georgia, Inc.....	770-451-5484
Roosevelt Warm Springs Institute for Rehabilitation.....	706-655-5000
Sickle Cell Foundation of Georgia.....	404-755-1641
Spinal Bifida Association of Atlanta.....	770-939-1044
United Cerebral Palsy of Greater Atlanta.....	770-676-2000
United Way of Atlanta.....	404-527-7200

# TOLL FREE NUMBERS

## AIDS

NATIONAL SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASES HOTLINE..... 1-800-227-8922

## ALCOHOLISM

National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Information.....1-800-662-4357

## BLINDNESS/VISION

American Council of the Blind..... 1-800-424-8666

Library for the Blind & Physically Disabled ..... 1-800-248-6701

National Association for the Parents of the Visually Impaired ..... 1-800-562-6265

National Eye Care Project Hot Line ..... 1-800-222-3937

National Library Services for the Blind and Physically Disabled ..... 1-800-424-8567

## CANCER

National Cancer Institute Information Service.....1-800-422-6237

## CEREBRAL PALSY

UCPA Affiliate Relations Division..... 1-800-872-5827

UCPA Community Services Division.....1-800-872-5827

## CHILD ABUSE

Child Help Hot line (sexual abuse victims and families).....1-800-422-4453

Division of Family and Children Services.....1-855-422-4453

## CLEFT PALATE

American Cleft Palate Educational Foundation (CLEFTLINE).....1-800-242-5338

## COMPUTERS

Apple Office of Special Education ..... 1-800-959-2775

## COMMUNICATION DISORDERS

American Speech-Language-Hearing Association ..... 1-800-638-8255

National Center for Stuttering..... 1-800-221-2483

## CONSUMER

American Express-Report Lost or Stolen Card.....1-800-528-2121

## DEAFNESS HEARING IMPAIRMENTS

Captioned Films for the Deaf..... 1-800-237-6213

Occupational Hearing Services (Dial a Hearing Test).....1-800-222-EARS

## DIABETES

Juvenile Diabetes Foundation Hot line ..... 1-800-223-1138

## **DISEASES**

Alzheimer's Disease .....	1-866-232-8484
Huntington's Disease Society of America .....	1-800-345-4372
Lupus Foundation of America .....	1-800-558-0121
National Association for Sickle Cell Disease, Inc .....	1-800-421-8453
National Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.....	1-800-344-4823
National Organization for Rare Disorders .....	1-800-999-6673
National Parkinson Foundation.....	1-800-327-4545

## **DOWN SYNDROME**

National Down Syndrome Society.....	1-800-221-4602
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## **DRUG INFORMATION**

Center For Substance Abuse Treatment, National Drug Line.....	1-800-662-4357
National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Information .....	1-800-729-6686

## **EMPLOYMENT**

Job Accommodation Network (JAN) .....	1-800-526-7234
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## **EPILEPSY**

Epilepsy Foundation of America.....	1-800-332-1000
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## **FINANCIAL AID**

Federal Hill-Burton Free Care Program.....	1-800-638-0742
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## **GROWTH DISORDERS**

Human Growth Foundation .....	1-800-451-6434
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## **HEALTH INFORMATION**

National Health Information Center .....	1-800-336-4797
Change to.....	1-240-453-8280
Health Care Label .....	1-800-323-8323

## **IMMUNOLOGY**

National Jewish Center for Immunology and Respiratory Medicine .....	1-800-222-5864
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## **KIDNEY DISORDERS**

American Kidney Foundation.....	1-800-638-8299
Kidney Foundation.....	1-800-633-2339

## **LEARNING DISABILITIES**

Educators Publishing Service, Inc & Specific Language Disabilities (Dyslexia).....	1-800-225-5750
Horton Dyslexia Society .....	1-800-222-3123



## **MEDIA**

Handicapped Media, Inc ..... 1-800-321-8708

## **MEDICAL DEVICES**

Practitioner's Reporting System ..... 1-800-638-6725

Medicare Hot line..... 1-800-633-4227

## **MISSING CHILDREN**

National Center for Missing and Exploited Children ..... 1-800-843-5678

## **NEUROLOGICAL IMPAIRMENT/PARALYSIS**

National Headache Foundation..... 1-800-843-2256

## **NUTRITION**

Agriculture Consumer Service Program (directory service)..... 1-800-282-5852

Beech-Nut Nutrition Hot line..... 1-800-233-2468

Gerber Products Company ..... 1-800-443-7237

## **ORGAN DONORS**

The Living Bank ..... 1-800-528-2971

## **ORTHOPEDIC PROBLEMS**

International Shriners Headquarters..... 1-800-237-5055

## **PESTICIDES**

Pesticides Information..... 1-800-858-7378

## **POISON CONTROL CENTER**

Poison Control Center..... 1-800-282-5846

## **RARE DISORDERS**

Cornelia deLange Syndrome Foundation ..... 1-800-223-8355

National Organization for Rare Disorders (NORD) ..... 1-800-999-6673

National Reye's Syndrome Foundation ..... 1-800-233-7393

National Tuberous Sclerosis Association..... 1-800-225-6872

## **RESPIRATORY DISEASE**

National Jewish Center for Immunology  
and Respiratory Medicine Lung Line..... 1-800-222-LUNG

## **SPINA BIFIDA**

Spina Bifida Hot line..... 1-800-621-3141

## **SUDDEN INFANT DEATH SYNDROME (SIDS)**

National Sudden Infant Death Syndrome Foundation ..... 1-800-221-7437

**NATIONAL RUNAWAY SWITCHBOARD**

National Runaway Switchboard..... 1-800-786-2929

**TOYS**

Consumer Product Safety Commission ..... 1-800-621-4000

**TRAUMA**

American Trauma Society ..... 1-800-556-7890