

2025-2026 RESOURCE GUIDE

Campus and Community Resources for the University of Southern Indiana

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Resource Key



To suggest additional resources to this guide, please contact USI Disability Resources at usildisres@usi.edu.

EMERGENCY

 USI Public Safety 812-492-7777

USI.edu/public-safety

Maintains 24/7 security coverage of campus. All security staff are trained in first aid and other emergency procedures. Located in RFW 170.

Academic

Academic Success Center

CAMPUS FREE 812-464-1743

USI.edu/university-division/academicsuccess-center

Provides on-site subject based tutors, supplemental instruction and writing help (Writer's Room).

 Academic and Athletic Peer Coaching CAMPUS FREE

USI.edu/university-division/academicsuccess-center/academic-coaching

Personalized support for any USI student, focusing on skills for academic and personal success.

Peer Mentoring Program

CAMPUS FREE 812-464-1939

USI.edu/university-division/academicskills

Provides support and guidance to undergraduate students as they transition from high school to college life.

USI Career Counseling

CAMPUS FREE 812-465-1606

USI.edu/university-division/career-counseling

Assists students in identifying a career path.

Baby & Prenatal

Have a Healthy Baby

LOCAL 812-435-5287

Prenatal nutrition and lifestyle choice education provided by Purdue Extension of Vanderburgh County.

Safe Haven Baby Boxes

LOCAL FREE 888-742-2133 shbb.ora

Prevent illegal abandonment of newborns by raising awareness, offering a 24-hour hotline for mothers in crisis and offering the Safe Haven Baby Boxes as a last resort option for women who want to maintain complete anonymity.

Women, Infants, and Children (WIC)

FEDERAL FREE 1-800-457-8283 in.gov/isdh/24809.htm

WIC is a nutrition program that provides assistance for healthy foods and counseling to needy mothers.

Childcare

4C of Southern Indiana

LOCAL FREE 812-423-4008 child-care.org

Connects parents with various need-based childcare programs, such as childcare expenses, nutrition, finding providers, etc.

Clothing

Evansville Christian Life Center

restoringpeople.com

The Clothing Resource Department offers gently used clothing, including career wear, at just 25¢ per item.

Hangers

LOCAL FREE 812-435-0913 evscfoundation.org/hangers

Hangers is a clothing resource committed to serving EVSC students in need by providing them every-day living essentials that would otherwise be unaffordable. By providing clothing, school supplies and hygiene products, they strive to improve the selfesteem and confidence of each student served, and in turn, ensure greater student success and fulfillment.

USI Suits for Student Success

CAMPUS FREE 812-464-1865

USI.edu/career-success/career-resources-forstudents/suits-for-student-success

Provides USI students professional clothing for interviews.

Disabilities

ABLE Accounts

LOCAL 888-609-3457 savewithable.com/in/home.html

ABLE accounts, also known as 529A accounts, allow for individuals with disabilities to save for their future and pay for disability related expenses without jeopardizing access to public benefits. The intent is to ease financial burdens on individuals with disabilities to allow for tax-free savings to cover qualified expenses such as education, transportation, housing and medical needs.

Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Resources

FEDERAL FREE ada.gov/resources

The Arc Evansville

arcofevansville.org

Autism Evansville

LOCAL 812-202-6087 autismevansville.org

Evansville Association for the Blind

LOCAL 812-422-1181 evansvilleblind.org

The Evansville Association for the Blind is a nonprofit organization dedicated to empowering individuals with disabilities, particularly those who are visually impaired. It offers a variety of services to help clients live independently and participate fully in their communities. Their summer program at USI provides an opportunity for students with disabilities to gain experience in a college setting. During the first week of the program, students will have the chance to become familiar with the campus environment and learn essential skills for navigating college life while having a support person with them. In the following five weeks, students will enroll in college courses offered by USI, including a Study Skills course. This program is open to students with any disability. This program is funded through Vocational Rehabilitation or available through private pay.

Evansville Regional Airport

LOCAL FREE 812-421-4401 flvevv.com

Sunflower program, Therapy dogs, CAMSE sensory kits available to passengers.

Garling Mobility

LOCAL 812-459-0714 garlingmobility.com

Garling provides non-emergency medical transportation specializing in door-to-door wheelchair and ambulatory transportation for the elderly, disabled and people with limited mobility.

• Indiana Disability Resource Finder

ONLINE FREE

indianadisabilityresourcefinder.org

Job Accommodation Network (JAN)

federal free askjan.org

JAN helps employers recognize the valuable contributions that qualified workers with disabilities add to the workforce by providing accommodation solutions, trusted strategies and practical guidance on the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

Rise Autism

LOCAL

riseautism.com

Therapy service for children and teenagers.

Sensory Space

CAMPUS FREE 812-465-1606
USI.edu/university-division

Our University's sensory space located in Room 1114 of the Academic Success Center serves a vital role in supporting both our neurodivergent students and the broader student body's mental health. The space has limited capacity and will require a check-in process.

TSA Cares

LOCAL FREE 855-787-2227 tsa.gov/travel/tsa-cares

Call ahead to alert the staff you will need assistance and they will greet you and assist at any location.

• USI Disability Resources

CAMPUS FREE 812-464-1961
USLedu/disabilities

Assists students to receive academic accommodations.

Domestic Violence

Abuse Awareness and Accountability

ONLINE FREE 1-866-AbuseAA abuseaccountability.com

Help provide education and awareness to attendees of our classes towards problematic life patterns.

• Albion Fellows Bacon Center

LOCAL FREE 1-800-339-7752 albionfellowsbacon.org

Emergency shelter for males, females and dependent children, as well as advocacy and non-residential services.

The Chloe Randolph Organization

LOCAL FREE

thechloerandolph.org

Provides life-saving services that allow survivors to become successful, on their new journey free of abuse while healing, becoming self-sufficient and to thrive.

Evansville YWCA

LOCAL FREE 812-422-1191

ywcaevansville.org/what-were-doing/ housing-programs

Provides shelter for victims of domestic violence and their children. 24-hour domestic violence hotline as well.

Holly's House

LOCAL FREE 812-437-7233

hollyshouse.org

Report abuse and/or receive support if student or a loved one is a victim of abuse.

House of Bread and Peace

LOCAL FREE 812-425-6754
echohousing.org/housing/house-of-breadand-peace

Vanderburgh County CASA

LOCAL FREE 812-424-5825

Vanderburgh County Crime Victim Resources

LOCAL FREE

VCCVr.org

Victims Assistance and Protective Orders

LOCAL FREE
evansvillegov.org/county/topic/index.
php?topicid=1044&structureid=269

Willow Tree of Posey County

LOCAL FREE 812-838-3077 willowtreepc.org

Provides advocacy, support and a safe house for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault, with a focus on Posey County.

Employment

Sycamore Services

LOCAL FREE 812-421-0847 sycamoreservices.com/pre-ets

Pre-employment transition services help students with disabilities build essential skills and opportunities for a meaningful future, supporting decision-making in community living, further education and employment.

USI Career Success Center

CAMPUS FREE 812-464-1865 USI.edu/career-success

Assists students in transitoning from college to career, provides internships, job search strategy, workshops, resume assistance, etc.

Vocational Rehabilitation

CAMPUS FREE 812-910-9559 in.gov/fssa/ddrs

Helps individuals with disabilities achieve employment, tuition assistance, job coaching, life coaching and much more. Contact Melissa Baxter (Melissa.Baxter@fssa.in.gov) at the Academic Success Center on Wednesdays.

WorkOne Southwest

LOCAL FREE 812-424-4473 workonesouthwest.com

Connects people with employers and job resources.

Financial

Community Action Program of Evansville (CAPE)

LOCAL 812-425-4241 capeevansville.org

CAPE provides services such as housing stability, childcare, minority health initiatives and an emergency pantry for those in need. Their programs promote economic and social self-sufficiency.

• Indiana Emergency Rental Assistance (IERA)

LOCAL FREE 877-428-8844
indianahousingnow.org/press/articles/
EmergencyRentalAssistance.html

The IERA program provides financial assistance for rent and utility payments for Indiana residents whose income has been negatively impacted by the pandemic.

Linda L. M. Bennett Student Care Endowment

CAMPUS FREE 812-464-1862 USI.edu/dean-of-students

Requests for needs (excluding tuition) can be requested through the USI Dean of Students Office.

USI Financial Assistance

CAMPUS FREE 812-464-1767 USI.edu/financial-aid

Financial aid resources for USI students.

Food Pantries

Archie's Food Closet

CAMPUS FREE 812-461-5268

USI.edu/rfw/facilities-and-services/archiesfood-closet

Provides non-perishable foods and personal hygiene products to USI students and employees. Ask for "Archie" at the front desk of RFWC.

Catalyst Food Pantry

LOCAL FREE 812-250-6636

3232 Claremont Ave, Evansville, IN. Open Thursday 4–6 p.m.

Deliverance Center

LOCAL FREE 812-746-1147

Family Nutrition Program (County Extension Service)

LOCAL FREE 812-435-5287

Nutrition information, especially for those on limited incomes.

First Call for Help (United Way)

LOCAL FREE 812-421-2800

Information and referral service.

The Gathering

LOCAL FREE 812-402-4456

Cedar Hall Elementary: Monday 5:30 p.m. Evans Elementary: Thursday 5:30 p.m.

MASIHA Mobile Food Pantry

LOCAL FREE

mobilefoodpantry.net

A mobile food pantry that operates at different locations on different days.

Medicaid, Food Stamps, TANF Applications

LOCAL FREE 1-800-403-0864

Mission of Grace

LOCAL FREE 812-464-2919

Food for Thought w/free food pkgs.

Nativity Food Pantry

LOCAL FREE

1167 S Green River Rd, Evansville, IN.

Neighborhood Food Market

LOCAL

juniorleagueofevansville.org/mobile-foodmarket

Provides free lunches for children as well as selling fresh product, meat, eggs, cheese and non-perishable food items, at a reduced rate.

Oakhill Baptist Church

LOCAL FREE 812-476-3450

5600 Oakhill Rd, Evansville, IN. Open second and third Saturdays of the month from 10 a.m.–Noon.

Outreach Ministries

LOCAL FREE 812-464-1025

Food for Thought w/free food pkgs.

Patchwork Central

LOCAL FREE 812-424-2735

100 Washington Ave, Evansville, IN. Open Monday–Thursday 9:30–11:45 a.m.

Potter's Wheel

LOCAL FREE 812-401-4440

333 Jefferson Ave, Evansville, IN. Open Sunday at 2:30 p.m.

Salvation Army

LOCAL FREE 812-422-4673

1040 N Fulton, Evansville, IN. Open Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 1-3 p.m.

Simpson United Methodist Church

LOCAL FREE 812-423-7636

2201 W Illinois St, Evansville, IN. Open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 1:30-3:30 p.m.

St. Anthony's Center for Family Life

LOCAL FREE 812-423-6406

St. Mary's Catholic Church

LOCAL FREE 812-425-1577

613 Cherry St, Evansville, IN. Call ahead to see if you are in their limited service area.

St. Matthew United Church of Christ

LOCAL FREE 812-422-8023

St. Vincent De Paul Food Pantry

LOCAL FREE 812-425-3485

SNAP Federal Program

FEDERAL FREE 1-800-221-5689

fns.usda.gov/snap/supplemental-nutritionassistance-program

Provides supplemental food budget for needy families, website allows students to see if they're eligible and shows how to apply for SNAP based off of state.

Swipe Out Hunger

CAMPUS FREE 812-464-1862

USI.edu/dean-of-students/swipe-out-hungerand-additional-resources

A meal swipe assistance program for USI students experiencing food insecurity.

Tri-State Food Bank

LOCAL FREE 812-425-0775

tristatefoodbank.org

Provides information about local food banks and soup kitchens in the Tri-state area.

Zion Missionary Baptist Church

LOCAL FREE

1800 S Governor St, Evansville, IN.

Furniture

Sleep in Heavenly Peace

LOCAL FREE 884-432-2337

shpbeds.org/chapter/in-evansville

Provides free beds to kids in need including a custom wooden twin bed, mattress, sheets, pillow and comforter.

Grief

Grief Resources

ONLINE FREE

griefcounselor.org/resources/helpfulwebsites

· Grief Share Groups

LOCAL FREE

griefshare.org/countries/us/states/in/cities/ evansville

Grief support groups that meet in the Evansville, IN area.

Homelessness

Aurora Evansville

LOCAL FREE 812-428-3246

auroraevansville.org

Serves homeless and near homeless and provides long-term housing solutions.

Commission on Homelessness

LOCAL FREE 866-211-9966 evansvillehomeless.org

Resource of organizations, services, food pantries and meal providers helping the homeless.

Dorothea McGregor Family Shelter

LOCAL FREE 812-435-5388

Apply at 907 8th St, Evansville, IN.

• Evansville Rescue Mission

LOCAL FREE 812-421-3800 evansvillerescuemission.org/what-we-do/residence-center

Provides meals, shelter, clothing, life counseling and work programs for those who are homeless in the Evansville, IN area.

House of Bread and Peace

LOCAL FREE 812-425-6754 houseofbreadandpeace.org

• JHG Memorial Laundromat

LOCAL FREE 812-305-3366 jhamemorial.org

Christian community laundromat that is a non-profit outreach and free to those in need.

• Lucas Place (ECHO Housing)

LOCAL FREE 812-423-8422 echohousing.org/what-we-do/lucas-place

Lucas Place provides permanent supportive housing for formerly homeless families with minor children.

Ozanam Family Shelter

LOCAL FREE 812-422-2214 ozanamfamilyshelter.org

Provides safe, short-term shelter with resources to help them secure long-term housing.

United Caring Services

LOCAL FREE

unitedcaringservices.org

Provides values-based, low barrier, sustainable and high-quality homeless shelters, services and solutions.

YWCA Evansville

LOCAL FREE 812-422-1191 ywcaevansville.org

Provides safe housing, case management, mentoring and support for women and children working to reach their full potential.

Hot Meals

• Evansville Rescue Mission

LOCAL FREE 812-421-3800 evansvillerescuemission.org

500 E Walnut St, Evansville, IN. Open 7 days a week.

• First Ebenezer Baptist Church

LOCAL FREE 812-424-9524

518 S Linwood Ave, Evansville, IN. Open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from Noon–2 p.m.

• Meals On Wheels

LOCAL FREE 812-476-6521

Need physician referral.

Potter's Wheel

LOCAL FREE 812-401-4440

333 Jefferson Ave, Evansville, IN. Open Tuesday 11 a.m.–1 p.m. and Saturday 9–11 a.m.

Salvation Army

LOCAL FREE 812-422-4673

1040 N Fulton, Evansville, IN. Open Monday-Friday 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

St. John's Catholic Church

LOCAL FREE 812-424-9261

617 Bellemeade Ave, Evansville, IN. Open Sunday at 2 p.m.

• St. Paul's Episcopal Church

LOCAL FREE 812-422-9009

301 SE 1st St, Evansville, IN. Open Saturday 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

SWIRCA

LOCAL FREE 812-464-7807

Southwestern Indiana Regional Council on Aging.

United Caring Shelter

LOCAL FREE 812-426-9960

324 NW 6th St, Evansville, IN. Open daily at 9 a.m, Noon and 5 p.m.

Legal

Pro Bono Indiana

LOCAL FREE 812-618-4845 (888-594-3449) indianalegalhelp.org

Talk to a lawyer for free legal advice and guidance.

Vanderburgh County Victim Assistance

LOCAL FREE 812-435-5158

vanderburghprosecutor.org/?page_id=92

Assists victims/witnesses of crimes in questions they may have and gives guidance about the criminal justice system.

LGBT+

Az-U-R

LOCAL FREE 812-677-0285

facebook.com/profile.php?id=100081064731238

An inclusive community that comes together to share stories and find inspiration.

Coming Out Resource (UC Davis)

ONLINE FREE

lgbtqia.ucdavis.edu/support/coming-out

Gender Nexus

FREE 317-650-5988

gendernexus.org

Empowers gender-diverse people and their loved ones to live healthy, authentic and joyful lives.

Indiana Youth Group

FREE

indianayouthgroup.org

Creates safer spaces to foster community and provides programming that empowers LGBT+ youth and magnifies their voices.

• It Gets Better Project

ONLINE FREE

itgetsbetter.org

Stories from LGBT+ people talking about how life gets better. For LGBT+ students struggling with issues due to identity.

LGBT National Help Center

ONLINE FREE 888-843-4564

lgbthotline.org

Provides free and confidential peer-support, information and local resources through national hotlines and online programs.

• LGBTQ Liaison to the Mayor's Office

evansvillegov.org

The LGBTQ Liaison serves as an accessible and friendly ear to the city's LGBTQ community and reports to the Mayor and other city officials on LGBTO related issues and concerns.

LGBTQIA+ Resources

CAMPUS FREE 812-228-5107

USI.edu/campus-life/lqbtqiaplus-resources

The Center for Campus Life provides resources and programming to cultivate a diverse and inclusive environment for everyone on campus.

Mental Health Resources for Queer & **Transgender Communities of Color** ONLINE

docs.google.com/document/d/1pnNNTe-Hh HiQPMT6rcJVebZLTPHPuQ5ObaEC5ibU8OA/ edit#heading=h.k0ejtxtyoird

The Rainbow Jacket Project

LOCAL FREE

rainbowjacket.wixsite.com/home

A free clothing resource for trans, nonbinary and gender non-conforming people in Evansville and surrounding areas.

River City Pride

LOCAL FREE

rivercityprideindiana.org/resources

Strong community connections and awareness of LGBT+ issues.

Southern Indiana Pride Business Alliance

LOCAL

soinpba.com

Promoting and advocating for a visible and unified LGBTQ+ business community in Southern Indiana.

The Trevor Project

ONLINE FREE 866-488-7386 thetrevorproject.org/get-help-now

Phone, online chat and text options avaliable for LGBT+ students in crisis.

Tri-State Alliance

LOCAL FREE 812-480-0204 facebook.com/tristatealliance

A social service and educational organization that serves the local LGBT+ community.

Medical

Automated External Defibrillator (AED)

CAMPUS FREE

USI.edu/media/5eupdwoe/aed-maps.pdf

An AED is a portable, life-saving device used to help people experiencing sudden cardiac arrest. It's designed to be user-friendly, even for people with no medical training.

Echo Community + Healthcare

LOCAL 812-421-7489 echochc.org

Provides comprehensive medical care (see "services" part of website) to uninsured, under-insured and homeless in the Evansville, IN area.

Evansville Christian Life Center

restoringpeople.com/health-clinic

Free care for all pregnancy and sexual health. Medical and dental services offered on a sliding fee scale to keep care affordable regardless of income or insurance status.

MASIHA Free Specialty Clinic

LOCAL FREE

masihausa.org

Comprised of a group of more than 25 board-certified specialists dedicated to providing high-quality healthcare in more than fifteen specialties.

Narcan Box (at the C-Store)

CAMPUS FREE

Narcan is a life-saving medication used to reverse opioid overdoses. Administered as a nasal spray, it typically restores normal breathing within minutes.

• USI Deaconess Clinic

CAMPUS FREE 812-465-1250 USI.edu/deaconess-clinic

Provides medical care to USI students and employees.

USI Dental Clinic

CAMPUS 812-464-1706 USI.edu/health/dental-clinic

Provides low-cost dental hygiene treatment to adults and children.

Mental Health

Active Minds

campus Free activeminds.org

University club.

Brentwood Springs

LOCAL 812-858-7200

brentwoodsprings.com

4488 Roslin Road, Newburgh, IN 47630

The Jed Foundation

ONLINE FREE 1-800-273-8255 jedfoundation.org

Text and phone hotline for those in suicidal crisis, along with web resources, including how to help a friend who may be suicidal.

Lampion Center

LOCAL 812-471-1776 lampioncenter.com

Provides counseling services for trauma, stress, grief, anxiety/depression, abuse, child behavior issues, relationship, etc. Insurance or affordable rates.

• Movin' For Mental Health

LOCAL FREE

youthfirstinc.org/events/movinformentalhealth
Annual event by Hype Hop and Youth First.

National Alliance on Mental Illness

LOCAL FREE 812-897-1694

namievansville.org

NAMI Evansville provides understanding for anyone concerned about mental illnesses and their treatment.

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline

ONLINE FREE 1-800-273-8255 or dial 988 suicidepreventionlifeline.org

Free, 24/7 phone or online chat (lifeline chat) and confidential support for people in distress, prevention and crisis resources.

Southwestern Behavioral Health

LOCAL FREE 812-422-1100 southwestern.org/crisis

Emergency Services team intervenes in psychiatric emergencies to ensure safety and provide support.

TimelyCare

ONLINE FREE 833-4-TIMELY app.timelycare.com

Offers 24/7 access to virtual care, self-care and well-being tools.

USI Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS)

CAMPUS FREE 812-464-1867 USI.edu/caps

Provides USI students with counseling services for a variety of reasons including adjusting to college life, depression, anxiety, body-image concerns, trauma and more.

Mental Health (Art)

Arts Council of Southwestern Indiana

LOCAL 812-303-3178

artswin.org

This organization enhances regional quality of life and economic development by promoting arts, arts education and arts organizations in Southwestern Indiana.

The Foundry Center for the Arts

LOCAL

foundryarts.org

Aims to foster creativity in individuals through arts-focused community outreach programs.

Peace Zone

LOCAL FREE

peaceevansville.org

A peer-run recovery center (ages 18+) for individuals struggling with mental health and/or addiction. Offers free programs, support groups, arts empowerment, peermentoring and wellness groups.

Multicultural Resources

 The American Indian Center of Indiana

LOCAL FREE

americanindiancenter.org

 Black Emotional and Mental Health Collective

ONLINE FREE

beam.community

Carver Neighborhood Center

LOCAL FREE 888-423-2612

carverorg.org

 Evansville Black Chamber of Commerce

facebook.com/blackchamberevv

Free Black Therapy

ONLINE FREE

freeblacktherapy.org

Indiana Latino Coalition

facebook.com/IndianaLatinoCoalition

 Mental Health Resources for Black, **Indigenous and People of Color** ONLINE FREE

mentalhealthlistings.com/mental-healthresources-for-black-indigenous-and-peopleof-color-bipoc

 Mental Health Resources for Queer & **Transgender Communities of Color** ONLINE

docs.google.com/document/d/1pnNNTe-Hh HiQPMT6rcJVebZLTPHPuQ5ObaEC5ibU8OA/ edit#heading=h.k0ejtxtyoird

NAACP Evansville Branch

naacpevansville.com

 South Asian Mental Health Initiative & Network



samhin.org

Sexual Violence

RAINN

ONLINE FREE 1-800-656-4673 rainn.org

Free, 24/7 phone or online chat for people facing sexual violence, rape, sexual assualt, etc. Provides confidential support, local support, someone to talk to, referrals, etc.

 Title IX Coordinator and Affirmative Action Officer, Institutional Equity Office

CAMPUS FREE 812-464-1703
USI.edu/institutional-equity

This office provides support to students and employees who have experienced sexual harassment, sexual/intimate partner violence or related misconduct. They offer assistance in guidance, reporting, resources and support to individuals navigating the effects of such experiences, whether the person chooses to formally report the incident or not. Their goal is to ensure a safe and supportive environment, offering options for counseling, academic accommodations and connections to other campus or community resources to help individuals affected by these issues.

Substance Abuse

• Comprehensive Treatment Center
LOCAL 812-512-9175

indianactc.com/location/evansville

Treatment facility with counselors, doctors and nurses, accepts Medicaid and most commercial insurances.

• Counseling for Change

LOCAL 812-491-2615 counselingforchangeinc.com

Treatment facility for adult clients participating in an outpatient treatment program, works with clients to make treatment affordable.

• Evansville Recovery Alliance

LOCAL FREE

evansvillerecoveryalliance.com

Distributes free nasal Narcan, drug testing kits, safer-use kits, condoms, HIV home tests and referrals to treatment and wrap-around resources in Vanderburgh County.

Free Rehab Centers

online Free 866-972-0589 freerehabcenters.org/state/indiana
Connects people with local treatment centers for drug and alcohol abuse.

Indiana Narcotics Anonymous

LOCAL FREE

narcotics.com/na-meetings/indiana

SAMHSA Helpline

FEDERAL FREE 1-800-662-4357 samhsa.gov/find-help/national-helpline

Free, 24/7 information service in English and Spanish for individuals and family members facing mental and/or substance use disorders. Provides referrals to local treatment facilities, support groups, etc.

University Services

Employee Assistance Program (EAP)

CAMPUS 812-464-1815

USI.edu/hr/benefits/employee-assistance

Housing and Residence Life

CAMPUS 812-468-2000 USI.edu/housing

Multicultural Center

CAMPUS 812-465-7188

USI.edu/multicultural-center

Pathways to USI

CAMPUS

USI.edu/pathways

Historically underserved populations, i.e., first-generation students, PELL Grant eligible students, 21st Century Scholars and students from rural areas are supported by mentors who build up confidence, leadership and social skills in students while keeping them on track academically.

Rave Guardian Safety Alerts

CAMPUS

USI.edu/public-safety/campus-alerts-andmessaging

A safety app with features like a safety timer, direct connection to campus safety and ability to notify guardians of location and status.

• Religious Life

CAMPUS 812-464-1871 USI.edu/religious-life

Provides religious guidance and worship opportunities for students, faculty and staff.

Rice Library Testing Center

CAMPUS

USI.edu/library/rice-library-testing-center

Proctored testing for placement exams, professional tests, make-up exams and other situations such as testing outside of class. Meeting time is offered during open hours.

USI ADA Coordinator

CAMPUS 812-465-7115

USI.edu/hr/americans-with-disabilities-act/ accommodation-process

USI Name Change Form

CAMPUS

USI.edu/registrar/academic-records/ preferred-or-chosen-name-policy

Veterans

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

FEDERAL

va.gov

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs – Intimate Partner Violence Assistance Program

FEDERAL 812-465-6202 ext. 73733 socialwork.va.gov/IPV

Helps veterans, their partners and VA staff who are impacted by intimate partner violence.

Veterans' Employment and Training Service

FEDERAL 317-232-6803 dol.gov/agencies/vets

Helps veterans, their partners and VA staff who are impacted by intimate parnter violence.

• Veteran Financial Resources

ONLINE

annuity.org/financial-literacy/veterans

Veteran, Military and Family Resource Center

CAMPUS 812-464-1857

USI.edu/veterans

This department recognizes military members and dependents have special needs and concerns. Our office seeks to ease the transition from military to civilian life, and will guide you as you embark on or continue your college experience with us.

MEDICAID INFORMATION

Introduction to Medicaid

If you're a student or parent caring for a family member with a developmental disability, the Medicaid Waiver might be a valuable resource. You may think your loved one doesn't qualify, but the Medicaid waiver differs from traditional Medicaid. It allows individuals to receive services at home rather than in an institution without considering family income.

When a student transitions from high school to adult life, they may not get insurance at their workplace if not working full time hours. Once a student is 18 years old and has attained adult status, a young adult may no longer qualify for their parent's insurance coverage unless they go to college or vocational school. This should be addressed prior to exiting high school.

Medicaid is a form of medical insurance and was created to provide health care to specific groups of low income individuals:

- · Families with children
- · Pregnant women and children
- Aged
- · Blind and disabled

To be eligible for Medicaid, a person must belong to one of those groups and meet the financial criteria for that group. Once you become 18 years old, your parent's income is not considered any longer when determining eligibility. Your local Department of Family Resources (DFR) Office is a single point of entry for Medicaid and other social services available in Indiana.

You may call DFR Toll Free: 800-403-0864 for information.

- An application must be completed
- · A caseworker is assigned

- An appointment will be scheduled to determine eligibility
- · An interview will be conducted
- Eligibility determination will be made within 90 days

What is the Indiana Medicaid Waiver Services Program?

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The Medicaid Waiver program began in 1981, in response to the national trend toward providing Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS). In the past, Medicaid paid only for institutionally based long-term care services, such as nursing facilities and group homes. This new program "waived" the requirement of an admission into an institution in order for Medicaid to pay for the Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS).

in.gov/fssa/ompp/health-coverage/ medicaid-hcbs-programs

The goals of Waiver services are to provide to the person meaningful and necessary services and supports, to respect the person's personal beliefs and customs and to ensure that services are cost-effective.

Waivers for children and adults whose needs are primarily medical in nature assist a person to:

- Be as independent as possible
- Live in the least restrictive environment possible while maintaining the safety in the home

Waivers for children and adults with a developmental disability assist a person to:

- Become involved in the community where he/she lives and works
- Develop social relationships in the person's home and work communities
- Develop skills to make decisions about how and where the person wants to live
- Be as independent as possible

Kentucky Medicaid Waiver

HCB provides assistance to the elderly or to adults and children with physical disabilities to help them live in the community as independently as possible.

chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dms/dca/pages/ hcb-waiver.aspx

Similar to Indiana, they have a program called a Medicaid waiver that allows individuals to receive services outside of an institutional setting, and it also waives

family income requirements. It's important to note that when people hear "Medicaid," they often think of traditional Medicaid, but this is different. While the person receiving the service does need to be on Medicaid, the income is waived for this program.

Kentucky has several waivers, currently, the HCB waiver has 4,000 people on the waiting list, however they have been releasing about 200 people per week and expect this to continue, which should reduce the wait time significantly. The Michelle P. waiver has 9,000 people on the list, so it will take longer, but applying for one waiver means you are applying for all seven waivers available. This is beneficial because even if you are chosen for one, you can remain on the waiting list for the others.

Once you complete the application, a reviewer will decide which waiver you qualify for first, which will likely be the HCB waiver. This service can provide a staff person to come to your home so you can attend school, run errands or handle other tasks.

SUPPLEMENTAL ASSISTANCE

Social Security

Supplemental Security Income (SSI) is a federal income supplement program funded by general tax revenues (not Social Security taxes). It is designed to assist aged, blind and disabled persons who have little or no income. SSI provides cash assistance to meet basic needs for food, clothing and shelter and can be financial support as you prepare to enter the workforce.

Basic eligibility requirements for SSI include: Age 65 or older, blind or disabled; U.S. National or Citizen of the U.S. or an alien who meets the applicable requirements; have financial need (income and resources within specified limits); and have filed an application.

Definition of Disability: Applicants must have a physical or mental condition(s) that very seriously limit his/her activities; the individual must not be substantially gainfully employed (\$1000 per month for 2010); condition(s) must have lasted or be expected to last at least one year or to result in death.

Important Information

If you already receive SSI or Childhood Disability benefit, you must be redetermined following adult disability quidelines upon reaching age 18. Also, periodic medical reviews are conducted for anyone who receives SSI payments based on disability. In addition, periodic nonmedical reviews are conducted to ensure SSI beneficiaries are still within guidelines (income, resource and living arrangement) for eligibility. Many students receiving Special Education Services are eligible for SSI. Parental income is not considered in the application process after the age of 18. If parental income has disqualified you prior to age 18, an application based solely on

your income may be submitted one month prior to your 18th birthday.

Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) is a program financed with Social Security taxes paid by workers, employers and self-employed persons. SSDI is available only to the person who has paid into the Social Security system through taxes. The monthly disability benefit is based on the Social Security earnings record of the insured worker on whose Social Security number the disability claim is filed.

Some facts about Social Security Disability Insurance and Childhood Disability Benefits: You, as a dependent, may qualify for payments if a parent who has contributed to the Social Security system is now deceased, disabled or retired. SSDI is not based on economic need so there are no resource limitations as with SSI. Dependent benefits end at age 18 (or age 19 if still in high school). However, you may continue to receive benefits for life if you were disabled prior to age 22. The minimum work (credits) required for you to draw Social Security on your own earnings record is reduced when you have been disabled prior to age 31.

Applying for Social Security: The application processes for SSI and SSDI are the same. You may complete and submit a Disability Report online at socialsecurity.gov/adultdisabilityreport, or if filing for someone under the age of 18, you may visit socialsecurity.gov/childdisabilityreport.

Completing the disability form online does not mean that you have applied. An appointment is still required to file an application.

To make an appointment for your SSI or SSDI application: call the Social Security Administration at 877-768-5679 between the hours of 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday through

Friday. Deaf or hard-of-hearing applicants may call the "TTY" number at 800-325-0778 during the same hours.

For your appointment, information you will need includes: School records, medical records and personal income. There are Work Incentives designed to assist disabled beneficiaries to go to work by minimizing the risk of losing their Social Security and Medicaid benefits. Some incentives allow the government to disregard some income and resources. Other incentives protect your Medicaid coverage. For more information about Work Incentives that you may qualify for, contact Indiana Works at 866-646-8161 or TTY: 765-641-8285 for deaf and hard-of-hearing beneficiaries.

EMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE

WorkOne Services & Workforce Development

4600 Washington Avenue Evansville, IN 47715 800-891-6499 or 812-424-4473 in.gov/dwd

WorkOne and the Indiana Department of Workforce Development assist people with or without disabilities with employment and training services.

Services available may include:

- Career Counseling on education, training, jobs and local employers
- Information on colleges/universities, financial aid and scholarships
- Free workshops on resume writing, job search methods and interviewing skills
- Referrals to job openings that match interests and skills
- · Steps to Employment search
- Assess your skills: take a skills inventory by making a list of your strengths and experience
- Remember to include volunteer opportunities and in-school work experience
- Identify Jobs: once you have an idea of your skills, you can start to create a list of potential jobs and/or employers
- Resume and Cover letter: the best resume is the one that quickly summarizes your work history and skills
- Approach Employers: now that you have a resume in hand, you're closer to your real goal – a successful interview
- Interview Process: the best way to be prepared for the actual job interview is to plan ahead for questions and practice your answers

- Follow through for success: never underestimate the power of a "thank you"
- · Letter after an interview
- Continue to build skills: in today's global economy, it is important to sharpen your skills and advance your career

Like with everyone else, substantial employment to support themselves and their families is a basic desire of people with disabilities.

Vocational Rehabilitation

Vanderburgh County Office 401 SE 6th Street, Suite 212 Evansville, IN 47713 812-425-1367

An adult must be eligible for Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) Services by qualifying with a physical or mental impairment that substantially interferes with the ability to work, making services necessary to become employable.

How to Apply

- Make the appointment. Anyone (including you) can assist with contacting the nearest VR office to make a referral.
- 2. Go to the appointment prepared with:
 - a. Social Security Number
 - b. Medical information
- Names, addresses and phone numbers of all physicians, therapists and mental health professionals.
- 4. Medication information.

- Treatment information i.e. therapies, mental health and occupational/ physical/speech therapy.
 - a. History of previous school and work experience
 - b. Copies of all diagnostic testing results (if available)
- 6. Student is found eligible or ineligible must be determined within 60 days.
 - a. If eligible, VR counselor will help identify services that help the vocational goal.
 - b. If ineligible, individual has the right to appeal (must be within 15 days from receiving notice).
- A Vocational Rehabilitation Plan for Employment is developed with the individual.
- 8. The individual begins planned services.

Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)

The ADA prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability in employment, state and local government, public accommodations, commercial facilities, transportation and telecommunications. It also applies to the United States Congress.

To be protected by the ADA, one must have a disability or have a relationship or association with an individual with a disability. An individual with a disability is defined by the ADA as a person who has a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities, a person who has a history or record of such an impairment or a person who is perceived by others as having such an impairment. The ADA does not specifically name all of the impairments that are covered.

Section 504

Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 is a national law that protects qualified individuals from discrimination based on their disability. The nondiscrimination requirements of the law apply to employers and organizations that receive financial assistance from any Federal department or agency, including the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS). These organizations and employers include many hospitals, nursing homes, mental health centers and human service programs. Section 504 forbids organizations and employers from excluding or denying individuals with disabilities an equal opportunity to receive program benefits and services. It defines the rights of individuals with disabilities to participate in, and have access to, program benefits and services.

Who Is Protected from Discrimination?

Section 504 protects qualified individuals with disabilities. Under this law, individuals with disabilities are defined as persons with a physical or mental impairment which substantially limits one or more major life activities. People who have a history of, or who are regarded as having a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities, are also covered. Major life activities include caring for one's self, walking, seeing, hearing, speaking, breathing, working, performing manual tasks and learning. Some examples of impairments which may substantially limit major life activities, even with the help of medication or aids/devices, are: AIDS, alcoholism, blindness or visual impairment, cancer, deafness or hearing impairment, diabetes, drug addiction, heart disease and mental illness.

In addition to meeting the above definition, for purposes of receiving services, education or training, qualified individuals with disabilities are persons who meet normal and essential eligibility requirements.

EMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE Continued

For purposes of employment, qualified individuals with disabilities are persons who, with reasonable accommodation, can perform the essential functions of the job for which they have applied or have been hired to perform. (Complaints alleging employment discrimination on the basis of disability against a single individual will be referred to the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission for processing.) Reasonable accommodation means an employer is required to take reasonable steps to accommodate your disability unless it would cause the employer undue hardship.

ELECTION DAY VOTING CENTERS

Previously, a voter was required to vote at the polling place within the precinct they resided. Now, a voter can choose to vote at any Vote Center that is convenient for them.

If you need information about a voter's registration, you can call the Voter's Registration Office at 812-435-5223.

For other election questions, you can call the Election Office at 812-435-5122.

Location	Address	Zip
4-H Fairgrounds Activities Building	210 E. Boonville New Harmony Rd.	47725
Academy for Innovative Studies	2319 Stringtown Rd.	47711
Bethel United Church of Christ	3029 N. Green River Rd.	47715
Bethlehem UCC	6400 Oak Hill Rd.	47725
Blue Grass Church	14200 Petersburg Rd.	47725
Calvary Temple Assembly of God	5050 N. First Ave.	47710
Caze Elementary School	2013 S. Green River Rd.	47714
Cedar Hall Elementary School	2100 N. Fulton Ave.	47710
Fairlawn United Methodist Church	2001 Parker Dr.	47714
McCutchanville Fire House	9219 Petersburg Rd.	47725
Memorial Baptist Church	605 Canal St.	47713
Methodist Temple	2109 Lincoln Ave.	47714
Northeast Park Baptist Church	1215 N. Boeke Rd.	47711
Plaza Park School	7301 Lincoln Ave.	47715
Glenwood Leadership Academy	901 Sweetser Ave.	47713
Simpson United Methodist Church	2201 W. Illinois St.	47712
St. James West Church	3111 Hillcrest Ter.	47720
St. Lucas United Church of Christ	33 W. Virginia St.	47710
St Paul's UCC	8701 Big Cynthiana Rd.	47720
Southern Ind. Career & Technical Center	1901 Lynch Rd.	47711
Washington Square Mall	4801 Washington Ave.	47715
West Side Christian Church	1200 N. Red Bank Rd.	47720

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