

PIERCE AND WARE COUNTY RESOURCE GUIDE



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WARE CHILDREN'S INITIATIVE
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P O Box 2801, Waycross, GA 31502
warechildrensinitiative@gmail.com
www.gafcp.org/ware

The Ware Children's Initiative is the Georgia Family Connection collaborative for Ware County. For the past 30 years community members and service providers from a variety of community sectors have committed to the work of the collaborative through a common agenda that is driven by data specifically for Ware County families and children. Collective impact ensures that services, programs, and projects are in place or are created to meet defined needs in the community.

The vision of the Children's Initiative is a Ware County where all children are healthy, primed for school and succeed when they get there; families are stable, self-sufficient, and productive; and the community is vibrant, robust, and thriving.

Please join us at our collaborative meetings the third Thursday of the month (August thru May) at 8:30am in Room 1211 at Coastal Pines Technical College.

For more information email:

warechildrensinitiative@gmail.com

PIERCE COUNTY FAMILY CONNECTION

One of 159 counties in Georgia that make up the Georgia Family Connection Partnership.

Our Vision

We envision a Georgia where all children are healthy, primed for school, and succeed when they get there; where families are stable, self-sufficient, and productive; and where communities are vibrant, robust, and thriving.

Our Mission

Georgia Family Connection connects and convenes key community members committed to improving the well-being of children and families. We connect our partners to the resources they need, coordinate and manage efforts, and empower our communities to craft local solutions based on local decisions.

Our collaborative meetings are the third Wednesday of each month (September thru May). For meeting times and locations please contact us at the email below.

Contact Us

For more information call or email:
Stephanie Bell, Executive Director
912-230-7835
piercefc@gmail.com



What resources do you need?

Adoption/ Foster Care

Southeast Area CASA
Department of Family & Children's Services (DFCS)
Covenant Care Adoptions

Alcohol, Drugs, & Substance Abuse

Bethesda House
Cord of Three
Unison Behavioral Health
St. Simons by the Sea
Trust Partnership

Business Services & Support

Pierce County Chamber of Commerce
Ware County Chamber of Commerce

Child Abuse

Department of Family & Children's Services (DFCS)
Satilla Advocacy

Child Support Services

Division of Child Support Services

Childcare, Preschools, & Afterschool Care

Headstart & Early Headstart
Daffodil Preschool
Lollipop Kids, Inc
Telamon (Seasonal Headstart)
YMCA

Children and Youth Services

Southeast Area CASA
Boy Scouts of America
Cord of Three
Department of Family & Children's Services
Girl Scouts of Historic Georgia
Head Start & Early Head Start
IMPACT Teen Center
Ware County Board of Education
Ware County Department of Recreation
Pierce County Board of Education
YMCA

City of Blackshear

Blackshear City Hall
Blackshear Public Works
Better Hometown Blackshear

City of Offerman

Offerman City Hall

City of Patterson

Patterson City Hall
Patterson Public Works

Community Garden/ Farmers Market

Waygreen

Counseling & Mental Health

Cord of Three
Satilla Advocacy Services
Unison Behavioral Health
St. Simons by the Sea

Disabilities/ Disabled Support

Action Pact
Area Agency on Aging
Babies Can't Wait
Children's Medical Services
Diversified Resources
Harrell Learning Center
Hooves to Freedom
Georgia Council on Developmental Disabilities
Georgia Department of Labor-Vocational Rehab
Georgia Parent Mentorship Program (Autism Parent Group)
Georgia Lions Camp for the Blind
Goodwill
Okefenokee Lions Club

Education/ Literacy

Headstart & Early Headstart
Harrell Learning Center
Little Library
Okefenokee Regional Library
Pierce County Public Library
Pierce County Board of Education
Telamon
Ware County Board of Education
Ware Ferst Foundation

Employment Services

Georgia Department of Labor
Goodwill

Fire Protection

Blackshear Fire Department
Patterson Fire Department
Ware County Fire Department
Waycross Fire Department

Food Assistance

Food Pantries (listed with phone numbers)

Health Services

Amerigroup Community Care
Babies Can't Wait
Diversified Resources
Harborview Health Systems
Hospice Satilla
Kingdom Care
McKinney Medical Center
Memorial Satilla Health
Pierce County Health Department
St. Simons by the Sea
Unison Behavioral Health
Visiting Nurses Services
Ware County Health Department

Homeless Support & Services

Okefenokee Alliance for the Homeless (OATH)

Law Enforcement

Department of Juvenile Justice
Ware County Sheriff Department
Waycross Police Department
Waycross Probation
Waycross RYDC
Department of Driver Services

Legal Services

Georgia Legal Services

Nursing/ Personal Care Homes

Harborview Health Systems

Pierce County Government Agencies

Pierce County Board of Commissioners
Pierce County Board of Elections & Registration
Pierce County Tax Commissioner
Pierce County Tax Assessor
Pierce County Recreation Department
Pierce County Transit
Pierce County Senior Center

Post Offices

Blackshear Post Office
Waycross Post Office

Post-Secondary Education

Coastal Pines Technical College
South Georgia State College

Pregnancy Support

Amerigroup Community Care
IMPACT Teen Center
Pierce County Health Department
Ware County Health Department

Public Safety

Pierce County Sheriff's Department
Blackshear Police Department
Blackshear Fire Department
Patterson Police Department
Patterson Fire Department
Pierce County Emergency Management Agency
Georgia State Patrol

Senior Adult Services

Area Agency on Aging
Pierce County Senior Center
Unison Behavioral Health

Veteran's Services

Veteran's Administration

ACTION PACT

Administrative Office
510 Tebeau St
Waycross Ga 31501
912-285-6083

A community agency for supporting individuals and families. To find your local office go to myactionpact.org

AMERIGROUP COMMUNITY CARE

8001 Chatham Ctr Drive, Suite 100
Savannah, GA 31405
912-235-4470

Amerigroup Community Care has served Georgia families since 2006 through our Medicaid insurance and other low-cost health coverage.

AREA AGENCY ON AGING

1725 South Georgia Pkwy W
Waycross GA 31503
1-888-732-4464
912-287-5888
Fax: 912-287-6697

The Area Agency on Aging supports larger goals of DHS by assisting older individuals, at risk adults, persons with disabilities, and their family members to achieve safe, healthy, independent and self-reliant lives.

BABIES CAN'T WAIT

Southeast Health District

Waycross Office
1101 Church Street
Waycross, GA 31501
P: 912-285-6002
<https://www.sehdph.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/12/Babies-Cant-Wait-Brochure.pdf>

Babies Can't Wait (BCW) is Georgia's Federally mandated early intervention program which serves children who have significant developmental delays or children who may be at risk for delays due to a physician diagnosed medical condition. The program provides services to children, ages birth to 3, and their families. BCW provides evaluation to determine eligibility and service coordination at no charge to families.

BETHESDA HOUSE

1010 Mary Street
Waycross, GA 31501
(912) 283-8580

Bethesda House is a residential recovery care center for women. It is a faith-based program seeking to restore women spiritually, emotionally, and physically.

BETTER HOMETOWN BLACKSHEAR (MAINSTREET PROJECT)

318 Taylor St
Blackshear GA 31516
912-590-2200

Blackshear's Main Street program is part of a national network of

more than 1,200 active Main Street entities. The focus is restoring and revitalizing older, traditional business districts throughout the United States.

BLACKSHEAR CITY HALL

318 East Taylor St.
Blackshear, Ga.
Phone: 912-449-7000
Fax: 912-449-7002
www.blackshearga.com

BLACKSHEAR FIRE DEPARTMENT

219 Nichols St.
Blackshear, Ga.
912-449-7011

BLACKSHEAR POLICE DEPARTMENT

219 Nichols St.
Blackshear, Ga.
912-449-7011

BLACKSHEAR POST OFFICE

327 Main Street
Blackshear, GA 31516
912-449-8348
800-275-8777

BLACKSHEAR PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

211 Nichols St.
Blackshear, Ga.
912-449-7008

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

Coastal Georgia Council, Coastal District
Greyson Cato
District Executive
(770) 855-1238
greyson.cato@scouting.org
<https://coastalgeorgiabsa.org/about-us/districts/coastal/>

The mission of the Boy Scouts of America is to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law. To locate a pack, troop or crew, visit BeAScout.org

CALLED TO CARE

912-282-0587
iamtocalledtocare.com

Called to care provides advocacy and support through tangible needs for children and families in the foster care system; adoption support, and trauma informed education.

CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES

215-B Albany Avenue
Waycross, GA 31501
1-877-423-4746
WaycrossCSE@dhs.ga.gov
childsupport.georgia.gov/location/s/waycross

The Division of Child Support Services (DCSS) provides child support services to Georgia parents who need assistance. The custodial parent may apply at the office that serves their county, or online. There is an application fee of \$25. The custodial parent is asked to furnish legal documents, if available, and information about the non- custodial parent.

CHILDREN'S MEDICAL SERVICES (CMS)

Southeast Health District
Waycross Office
1101 Church Street
Waycross, GA 31501
912-285-6002

Children's Medical Services is a statewide program that supports children, youth and young adults with special health care needs and their families. Children's Medical Services provides assistance to eligible families and young adults with accessing timely and affordable health care services.

COASTAL PINES TECHNICAL COLLEGE

1701 Carswell Avenue
Waycross, GA 31503
912-287-6584
www.coastalpines.edu

A postsecondary technical college offering degree, diploma and certificate programs that prepare graduates to enter the work force.

CORD OF THREE COUNSELING

419 Main Street
Blackshear GA 31516
912-282-0992
Cordofthreecounseling.org

Mental Health Counseling Agency providing Christian based counseling services to individuals, couples, and families.

COVENANT CARE ADOPTIONS

South and Coastal Georgia
912-401-4840
Contact: Lauren Rae Grace
Covenantcareadoptions.com

We are a state licensed, non-profit Christian adoption and counseling agency providing services to birth mothers children, and families. We are a domestic adoption agency working primarily with birthmothers and families in Georgia.

DAFFODIL PRE-K

(DIVERSIFIED AGENICES FEELING FINE OVER DEVELOPING INFANT LINKAGES)

1321 Buchannon St,
Waycross, GA 31501
912-287-2311

DAFFODIL Pre-K is a component of the Georgia Pre-K Program. The program is free and available to all four-year-olds in Georgia who are age four by September 1 of the school year in which they enroll.

DEPARTMENT OF DRIVER SERVICES – GEORGIA

Georgia State Patrol Driver's
License 3029 Memorial Drive,
Waycross, GA 31503
678-413-8400
https://dds.drives.ga.gov/_/
Hours: Tues-Fri 8 AM-6PM

DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY AND CHILDREN'S SERVICES

Pierce County
621 Hendry St.
Blackshear, Ga
(912) 449-6624

Ware County
1200 Plant Avenue
Waycross, Ga 31502
(912) 285-6040

dfcs.georgia.gov

The mission of the DFCS is to enable families and individuals to provide the care, protection, and experiences essential to their well-being through services like: TANF, SNAP, Medicaid, and foster care.

DIVERSIFIED RESOURCES, INC. - S.O.U.R.C.E.

147 Knight Avenue Circle / P O
Box 1099, Waycross, GA 31502
912-285-3089 / 1-800-283-0041
Diversifiedresources.net

Community-based programs and services that are designed to help disabled and older adults remain safely in their homes and delay or prevent nursing home placement.

FAMILY ENGAGEMENT PROGRAM

912-807-0048
912-449-2044
Contact: Dr. Anita Harris
aharris@pierce.k12.ga.us

The Family Engagement Program works to help parents find ways to partner at home, at school and in the community so that all students can be successful.

FOOD PANTRIES/ASSISTANCE

Waycross First UMC 912-283-2077
First Church of Nazarene 912-283-1836
St. Joseph Catholic Church 912-283-5221
DC Downtown Food Ministry 912-284-9066
Waycross Housing Authority 912-287-2440
Kingdom Care 912-287-4434

Sweetwater Baptist
Church/Patrick Hicks Shelter for
Men- 912-285-1204
First Presbyterian Church 912-283-5077
McKinney Community Center
912-287-9140
Trinity House of Hope 912-287-0366
Salvation Army 912-286-7237
Action Pact 912-285-6083
The Refinery 912-816-3806

GEORGIA COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

Sloppy Floyd Building, West
Tower
200 Piedmont Avenue SE
Suite 426, 4th Floor
Atlanta, GA 30334
info@gcdd.org
404.657.2126 main
888.275.4233 toll free
www.gcdd.org

The mission of the Georgia Council on Developmental Disabilities seeks social and policy changes that promote opportunities for persons with developmental disabilities and their families to live, learn, work, play and worship.

GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

600 Plant Avenue
Waycross, GA 31501
912-285-6105
877-709-8185
dol.georgia.gov

The mission of the Department of Labor is to work with public and

private partners in building a world-class workforce system that contributes to Georgia's economic prosperity. The Department of Labor will assist you with finding employment, gaining necessary skills or vocational training, and filing for unemployment benefits.

GEORGIA LEGAL SERVICES

1607 Union Street,
Brunswick GA 31520
912-264-7301
www.glsp.org

Waycross Office
218 Quarterman St
Waycross GA 31501

Georgia Legal Services handles a variety of civil, non-criminal cases for low-income people and families.

For information please contact Racheal Henderson at 912-287-9140 ext 185 or Senior Paralegal Erica Grant 912-496-3919

GEORGIA LIONS CAMP FOR THE BLIND

5626 Laura Walker Road,
Waycross, GA 31503
912-283-4320
www.glcb.org

One to two week long camping sessions are scheduled for various age groups from approximately mid-June through mid-August each year. Ages served include

youth, ages 6-17; young adults, ages 18-45; and senior adults, ages 45 and up. There is a \$25 registration fee. Campers are sponsored by Lions Clubs throughout Georgia.

GEORGIA PARENT MENTORSHIP PROGRAM

Kim Gibson - Ware County Parent Mentor
912-287-2306
kimgibson@ware.k12.ga.us

The purpose of the Georgia Parent Mentor Partnership is to enhance communication and collaboration between families, educators and the community, ultimately leading to greater success for students with disabilities. Please contact Kim Gibson for information on support groups for parents of children with autism.

GEORGIA STATE PATROL – POST 22

3029 Memorial Drive
Waycross, Ga.
912-287-6500

GIRL SCOUTS OF HISTORIC GEORGIA

535 E Liberty St
Savannah, GA 31401
912-236-1571
www.gshg.org
Shatia Coats, Membership Manager

scoats@gshg.org

Girl Scouts of Historic Georgia offers a membership program for girls ages five through seventeen. The mission is to build the courage, confidence, and character of girls, who make the world a better place.

GOODWILL

2101 Memorial Drive Waycross, Ga.
912-285-4444

Goodwill Industries of the Coastal Empire assists people with disabilities and other barriers to employment to live independently.

HARBORVIEW HEALTH SYSTEMS

Harborview Satilla
1600 Riverside Avenue,
Waycross, GA 31501
912-283-1182

Harborview Pierce County
221 East Carter Ave.
Blackshear, Ga.
912-449-6631

Harborview Satilla provides care for patients ranging from simple assistance with daily living and short term in-house rehabilitation to the most medically complex requirements. <https://harborview.health/harborview-satilla/>

HARRELL LEARNING CENTER

1215 Bailey Street, Suite C,
Waycross, GA 31501
912-285-6191

The Harrell Learning Center is a special day school dedicated to serving children and youth (ages 5-21) with severe emotional and behavioral disorders (SEBD).

HEAD START

ACTION PACT HEAD START &
EARLY HEAD START

Pierce County
619 Grady St
Blackshear, Ga.
912-449-0076

Ware County
1235 McDonald Street,
Waycross, GA 31501
912-285-1844 / 912-284-0369
/912-285-2092

Head Start is a free federal comprehensive pre-school program for children ages three to four. Applicants must meet established income guidelines. Priority is given to children with special needs as well as homeless and foster children.

HOOVES TO FREEDOM

6671 Oak Ridge Trail Blackshear,
Ga.
912-286-2921
www.hoovestofreedom.com

We enable individual healing, growth, and independence through therapeutic horsemanship. We strive to maintain a Christian atmosphere on the farm, treating the horses, property and other individuals with the utmost respect.

HOSPICE SATILLA

808 Evergreen Way
Waycross, GA 31501
912-285-2340
After Hours: 912-809-2021
www.hospicesatilla.com

Hospice Satilla is a community non-profit who have been caring for patients living with advanced illnesses like Alzheimer's, cancer, COPD, etc. since 1986. They offer hospice care, palliative care, and community support.

IMPACT TEEN CENTER

(Implementing More Positive Alternative Choices For Teens)
Ware County Health Department
604 Riverside Avenue,
Waycross, GA 31501
912-283-1875

IMPACT offers public health services including immunizations, screenings, nutrition counseling and more. They offer services like WIC to parenting teens as well. There is a private entrance and waiting room just for teens who will receive catered care. You will receive a hygiene basket at each visit!

JUVENILE JUSTICE – GEORGIA DEPARTMENT

1057 Grove Avenue
Waycross, GA 31501
912-285-6096
www.djj.state.ga.us

The Department of Juvenile Justice exists to assist the court system and their communities with youthful offenders by providing appropriate services in secure and non-secure facilities and/or community settings.

KINGDOM CARE

800 Beacon Street, Waycross GA
31501-7104
912-287-4434

Free healthcare clinic for people who are uninsured or underinsured (must meet income eligibility).

LABOR – GEORGIA DEPARTMENT VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION SERVICES

2311 Knight Avenue / P O Box
2026, Waycross, GA 31502
912-285-6078
<https://gvs.georgia.gov/locations/waycross-vr-office>

Our purpose is to provide opportunities to improve the quality of life for Georgians with disabilities by promoting

independence through employment, service, and support.

LABOR - GEORGIA DEPARTMENT WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT (WIA)

Georgia Department of Labor
Building
600 Plant Avenue, Waycross, GA
31501
912-287-9943
912-284-2931

WIA Youth Services provides financial assistance for occupational training to eligible young adults, ages 19-21 years of age who have a high school diploma or GED.

LIFE, Inc

213 W JL Tyre St
Screven, GA 31560
912-385-2214
Lifecil.com

Support for people with disabilities.

LITTLE LIBRARY LOCATIONS- WARE COUNTY

Housing Authority community building Tebeau Street; Unison Behavioral Health at left side porch, Mary Street; Regan Circle Community Building; Waresboro Elementary School at flagpole

LOLLIPOP KIDS INC. CHILDCARE

5218 Ga Highway 121
Blackshear, Ga.
912-449-6765

Lollipop Kids is a qualified DECAL Pre K that provides child care services to children ages 6 weeks to 5 years of age. They also provide after school services for children ages 4 to 12 years of age.

MAGNOLIA HOUSE SHELTER FOR ABUSED WOMEN

PO Box 1824
Waycross, GA 31502
912-285-5850
800-33-HAVEN

Shelter for women and their children who are experiencing domestic abuse. The shelter is open 24 hours a day, year-round. The services offered are free and confidential.

MCKINNEY MEDICAL CENTER

218 Quarterman Street,
Waycross, GA 31501
912-287-9140, 912-287-0301

McKinney Medical center offers a full range of health services on a sliding fee scale.

MEMORIAL SATILLA HEALTH

1900 Tebeau St
Waycross, GA 31501
912-283-3030
www.memorialsatillahealth.com
Full-Service hospital including emergency medicine. Please visit website for a full list of services.

OFFERMAN CITY HALL

6113 Carter Drive
Offerman, GA
912-647-1944

OKEFENOKEE ALLIANCE FOR THE HOMELESS (OATH)

115 Albany Ave, Waycross, GA
31501
Mailing address:
P O Box 2088, Waycross, GA
31502-2088
912-816-4399
navigator@oathnsega.org
www.oathnsega.org

OATH works with the homeless or those precariously housed to focus on increasing their housing stability and self-sufficiency. Services include assessment; development of an individualized housing stability plan; acting as a liaison to secure and maintain housing; promotion of employment and training opportunities; a connection to community resources; and advocating on behalf of the client.

OKEFENOKEE LIONS CLUB

711 Columbus Street / P O Box
673, Waycross, GA 31502
912-285-7282

Assistance with eye exams and
glasses for financially needy
children

OKEFENOKEE REGIONAL LIBRARY

Waycross-Ware County Public
Library
401 Lee Avenue, Waycross, GA
31501
912-287-4978
www.okrls.org

The library provides free
resources, books, DVDs, e- books,
and other materials for people of
all ages. Georgia residents can get
a free library card with proof of
current residence and picture ID.
We offer free programs for adults
and children year-round; a
schedule is available on our
website.

OKEFENOKEE RESA

1450 North Augusta Avenue
Waycross, Georgia 31503
912-285-6151
OKRESA.org

Okefenokee RESA supports our
local school systems in building
capacity of teachers, leaders, and
staff through professional
learning and technical services

that lead to increased student
achievement and college and
career ready graduates.

PATTERSON CITY HALL EAGLE STATION

3507 Williams St.
Patterson, Ga.
Phone: 912-647-5776
Cityofpattersonga.com

PATTERSON FIRE DEPARTMENT

3507 Williams St.
Patterson, Ga.
912-647-2117

PATTERSON POLICE DEPARTMENT

3507 Williams St.
Patterson, Ga.
912-647-5776
912-647-2117

PATTERSON PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

3507 Williams St.
Patterson, Ga.
912-449-5776

PIERCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

312 Nichols St.
Blackshear, Ga.
Phone: 912-449-2022
Fax: 912-449-2024
piercecountyga.gov

PIERCE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

834 East Main Street
Blackshear, GA 31516
912-449-2044

PIERCE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATION

312 Nichols Street,
Blackshear, GA 31516
912-449-2028

PIERCE COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

200 SW Central Avenue
Blackshear, GA 31516
912-449-7044
Pcgeorgia.com

PIERCE COUNTY E-911 OPERATIONS

312 Nichols St
Blackshear GA 31516
912-449-2022

PIERCE COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

312 Nichols St
Blackshear GA 31516
912-449-2022

PIERCE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

715 Ware St. Blackshear, Ga.
Phone: 912-449-2033
Fax: 912-449-0409

PIERCE COUNTY NURSING HOME

221 East Carter Ave.
Blackshear, Ga.
912-449-6631

PIERCE COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT

312 Nichols St.
Blackshear, Ga.
912-449-2037

PIERCE COUNTY PROPERTY TAX ASSESSOR

312 Nichols St.
Blackshear, Ga.
912-449-2025

PIERCE COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

785 College Ave
Blackshear, Ga.
912-449-7040
okrls.com/pierce

PIERCE COUNTY RECREATION DEPARTMENT

728 Ware St.
Blackshear, Ga. 31516
912-449-4791

PIERCE COUNTY ROAD DEPARTMENT

602 W. Caarter Ave
Blackshear, Ga 31516
912-449-2030

PIERCE COUNTY SENIOR CENTER

711 Hendry St.
Blackshear, Ga.
912-449-0145

PIERCE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT – OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF

300 Pierce Industrial Blvd.
Blackshear, Ga.
912-449-2011
www.piercegaso.org

PIERCE COUNTY TAX COMMISSIONER

312 Nichols Street
Blackshear, GA 31516
912-449-2026

PIERCE COUNTY TRANSIT

312 Nichols St.
Blackshear, Ga.
912-449-1825

PROBATION DEPARTMENT

3019 Memorial Drive,
Waycross, GA 31501
Ph: 912-285-6028 Fax: 912-662-
5813
[https://dcs.georgia.gov/locations/
waycross](https://dcs.georgia.gov/locations/waycross)

This department supervises adult
offenders placed on probation or
parole.

SATILLA ADVOCACY SERVICES

605 Church Street ste A & B
Waycross GA 31501
912-285-7355 (admin) / 912-283-
0987 (crisis)
support@satillaadvocacy.org

Satilla Advocacy Services is our
local rape crisis and child
advocacy center, providing a 24-
hour crisis line and services for
victims of sexual assault, which
include emotional, medical and
legal advocacy. SANE Nurse
Program.

SOUTH GEORGIA STATE COLLEGE – WAYCROSS CAMPUS

2001 South Georgia Parkway,
Waycross, GA, 31501
912-449-7600
www.sgsc.edu

A two-year unit of the University System of Georgia.

SOUTHEAST AREA CASA

510 Tebeau St
Waycross GA 31501
912-285-6083
casa@myactionpact.org
gacasa.org

(Court Appointed Special Advocate) CASA is a non-profit organization of volunteers who are voices for abused and neglected children. The courts appoint CASA volunteers to gather information and make recommendations to help judges decide what is best for each child.

SOUTHEAST HEALTH DISTRICT

1101 Church Street
Waycross GA 31501
912-287-4874

Our Mission is to promote and protect the health of people in Southeast Georgia, wherever they live, work, and play, uniting individuals, families, and communities to improved their quality of life.

ST. SIMONS BY THE SEA

2927 Demere Road St. Simons Island, Ga.
912-638-1999
www.ssbythesea.com

St. Simons by the Sea offers substance use disorder treatment and mental health treatment for adults and adolescents.

TELAMON | TRC

111 Oliver Lane
Glennville, GA 30427
912-386-1163

Builds individual and community partnerships that inspire families to achieve: Educational success; foundations for a career pathway; Financial management skills; Affordable housing of choice; migrant and seasonal headstart.

THE HUB

105 E Washington Ave
Waycross GA
912-283-8580
10AM-4:30PM

The Hub is a connecting space for people in recovery from substance use disorder in Waycross

TRUST PARTNERSHIP

www.trust-partnership.com

A coalition of community partners committed to reducing Substance Use Disorder in Brantley, Pierce,

and Ware counties through the introduction and use of harm reduction and by bringing support to those who suffer from SUD and those who are in recovery.

UGA EXTENSION

Ware County
3225 Harris Road
Waycross GA 31503
912-287-2456

Pierce County
705 College Ave
Blackshear GA 31516
912-449-2034
[Extension.uga.edu/ county-offices/ware.html](http://Extension.uga.edu/county-offices/ware.html)

UGA Extension extends lifelong learning to the people of Georgia through unbiased, research-based education in agriculture, the environment, communities, youth and families. UGA Extension helps Georgians become healthier, more productive, financially independent and environmentally responsible.

UNISON BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

1007 Mary Street, Waycross, Georgia 31501
912-449-7100
1-800-342-8168 (Scheduling Unit)
We create health and wellness in our communities by providing quality mental health, substance abuse, and developmental disability services.
www.unisonbehavioralhealth.com

VETERANS ADMINISTRATION

415 Lott Street
Waycross, GA 31501
912-285-6340 FAX: 912-285-
6341
sparrish@vs.state.ga.us

VISITING NURSES SERVICES

360 State Street, Waycross, GA
31501
912-283-1262
Home Health & Nurse Services

WARE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

1301 Bailey Street / P O Box 1789,
Waycross, GA 31501
912-283-8656
Bert Smith -Superintendent

The Ware County School System
is comprised of one preschool, 6
elementary schools, 2 middle
schools, one high school.

WARE COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

215 Pendleton St, Ste 204
Waycross, GA 31501
PO Box 1282
Waycross, GA 31502
(912) 283-3742
paiqe@waycrosschamber.org

WARE COUNTY FERST FOUNDATION

PO Box 1064, Waycross, GA 31502
912-288-6684
warechildrenread@gmail.com
www.wareferst.org
Contact: Cindy Hitt
The foundation strives to improve
early childhood learning for every
child regardless of income, race,
religion, or gender. Children
registered with Ferst Foundation
will receive a book at his or her
home every month until their fifth
birthday.

WARE COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT

3395 Harris Road, Waycross, GA
31503
912-287-4460
Emergency: 9-1-1

WARE COUNTY RECREATION DEPARTMENT

2110 Cecil Brown Drive
Waycross, GA 31503
912-287-4488
[www.warecounty.com/departme
nt-nodes/recreation-department](http://www.warecounty.com/departme
nt-nodes/recreation-department)
Contact: Lance Adamson

Ware County Recreation
Department offers a wide range
of activities for anyone age five
years and older. Basketball,
baseball, football, cheerleading,
and several senior citizens
activities are offered. All persons
are invited to participate in all
programs and use all facilities.

WARE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

3487 Harris Road, Waycross, GA
31503V
912-287-4326
After Business Hours: 912-287-
4325
Emergency: 9-1-1

WARE WELLNESS CENTER

1102 Plant Avenue
Waycross 31501
912-550-0020
<https://www.sehdph.org/services/epidemiology-and-infectious-disease/wellness-programs/>

Primary care to those with
HIV/AIDS; women's health
services.

WAYCROSS FIRE DEPARTMENT

1820 Mary Street
Waycross GA 31501
912-287-2937
Emergency: 9-1-1
[www. waycrossga.gov/fire-department.php](http://www.waycrossga.gov/fire-department.php)

Fire protection, fire safety
education programs, operation
touch, provide & install free
smoke detectors.

WAYCROSS POLICE DEPARTMENT

512 Oak Street, Waycross, GA
31501
912-287-2921
Chief's Office: 912-287-2927
Criminal Investigation: 912-
287-2929
Emergency: 9-1-1
[www.waycrossga.gov/police-
department.php](http://www.waycrossga.gov/police-department.php)

WAYCROSS POST OFFICE

610 Tebeau St
FL 1
Waycross, GA 31501
800-275-8777

WAYCROSS REGIONAL YOUTH DETENTION CENTER (RYDC)

3275 Harris Road, Waycross, GA
31503
912-287-6680
Contact: Jimmy Moore
jimmymoore@djj.state.ga.us

Provide temporary secure care
and supervision to children
through age 18 that have been
charged with offenses or
adjudicated delinquent and
awaiting placement

WAYCROSS/WARE COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

215 Pendleton St, Ste 204

Waycross, GA 31501
912-283-3742
director@waycrosschamber.org
www.waycrosschamber.us

WAYGREEN, INC.

1460 N Augusta Ave
Waycross GA
912-282-8515
Waygreeninc.org
wayxgreen@gmail.com

A local non-profit organization
whose mission it is to improve the
health of the community by
providing accessibility to healthy
food and food education.
Local fare markets May-Nov, the
first Saturday of the month from
10 AM to 1 PM.

YMCA OF WAYCROSS, INC.

1634 Plant Avenue
Waycross, GA 31501
912-285-8660
ymcawaycross.com

Recreational facility for all ages.
Services include: preschool
program, afterschool program,
youth & adult sports leagues,
water sports, etc. The wellness
center is accessible 24/7, with
regular business hours of
Monday-Friday 9AM-6PM.

National Hotlines for Crisis Assistance

Center for Missing & Exploited Children

800-843-5678

www.missingkids.com

Drug & Alcohol Recovery Hotline

888-497-6879

www.recovery.org

Georgia Cares Support for victims of sex trafficking

844-842-3678

www.gacares.org

National Domestic Violence Hotline

800-799-7233

www.thehotline.org

National Runaway Safeline

800-786-2929

www.1800runaway.org

National Substance Abuse Helpline

8000-662-4357

www.samhsa.gov

Prevent Child Abuse Georgia

800-244-5373

<https://abuse.publichealth.gsu.edu>
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Never Use Alone Overdose Prevention Lifeline

Life saving crisis response and
reversal services for people who
use drugs while alone.

800-484-3731

<https://neverusealone.com>

Suicide & Crisis Lifeline

988

www.samhsa.gov/find-help/988

Regional Resources

Okefenokee RESA Wraparound Services App

Find resources for the 9 counties
served by Okefenokee RESA:

Coffee, Bacon, Pierce,
Atkinson, Brantley, Ware,
Charlton, Clinch, Camden.

The app has a search feature and
will soon allow you to search for
resources by county. Scan to
access.



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To add your services to
the Resource Directory,
send the information to
warechildrensinitiative@gmail.com
or
piercefc@gmail.com

