



EMERGENCY RESOURCE LIST

Central Locations

Calhoun County Assistance Programs: Emergency Assistance

There are organizations that offer people in need a variety of aid. Services offered by the **Battle Creek and Calhoun County Salvation Army** (269-963-3640), as well as the **Community Action Agency of South Central Michigan, Inc.**, include the following. Families and individuals can receive grants and assistance to help those in need with rent and housing expenses, utilities - including gas & electric bills, clothing, prescription medication, personal care items, emergency food, and from time to time there may even be funds to partially pay a mortgage.

Last year the **Salvation Army** served Calhoun County residents with almost 7,000 bags of groceries. In addition, almost 250 families were assisted with paying their monthly rent. Specifically, in Marshall over \$6,000 has been spent assisting families with rent, electric, gas and heating bills, food, prescription drug medication and furniture. In the city of Albion, over \$15,000 has been spent by the Salvation Army and the money was used to help families with rent, mortgages, electric, gas, food, and prescription medication. Contact this organization at (269) 963-3640 to learn more or to apply for assistance.

Another local nonprofit community action agency that people can turn to is the **Community Action Agency of South Central Michigan, Inc.** They provide the services that are listed below.

The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP)

If you are struggling with providing for your next meal, this organization can offer those in need foods such as spaghetti, peanut butter, meat, beans, rice, flour, fruit, and other food. This assistance is distributed every three months to eligible families and individuals. The food aid is distributed from a variety of locations throughout CAA's four-county service area.

Home Repairs and Rehabilitation Program

The community action agency known as CAASCM also provides low and moderate income homeowners emergency repairs and home rehabilitation for those living in Calhoun County and Marshall. Rehabilitation and improvements will be limited to up to \$10,000 for lead remediation and \$25,000 in home renovations. The funding for this program is being made possible through the **Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA)** and other government agencies. [Click here](#) to find additional home repair programs. Phone (269) 966-1284.

The **community action agency** offers information on those programs listed above and more. They also support Marshall and can be reached at (269) 965-7766. Or stop by the Albion Office at 101 North Albion Street, Albion, MI 49224 as well as Battle Creek Office, 175 Main Street, Battle Creek, Michigan 49017. To find additional information on the financial resources offered, learn more on the [Community Action Agency of South Central Michigan](#).

Marshall Area Community Services, which can be reached at (269) 781-2954, administers several emergency programs. They include groceries and meals from a food pantry, as well as utility and heating bill payment assistance.

Calhoun County Michigan Salvation Army is located at 400 Capital Avenue Northeast, Battle Creek, Michigan 49017. Call or stop by to apply for gas and electric bill assistance with a shut off notice. People need to be referred by the DHS. The Salvation Army will not assist with deposit or reconnect fee. Specifically, get help with

Water/Sewage bill assistance as well. Other services offered include bus fares, congregate meals, diapers, food, soup kitchen, and education programs.

Housing programs - Whether it is shelter, emergency funds for rent or a deposit, or placement into transitional housing, there are many programs in Calhoun County that all focus on stopping homelessness. Another option will always be to apply for grants from the government. [Learn more.](#)

Locate free or emergency food programs

About 20 organizations work to prevent hunger in the community. Many have food pantries or soup kitchens that offer groceries or holiday meals. Some of the other non-profit agencies will help low income families apply for food stamps. Find the leading places for food, clothing, and other basic needs.

Battle Creek First Church Of The Nazarene is on Beadle Road.

There are several **Neighborhood Food Pantry Ministries** in Calhoun County Michigan. Each will offer groceries, clothing from a thrift store, or Christmas meals.

Ceresco Baptist Church (phone (269) 979-1698) will also have groceries, food items, and more.

Summit Pointe Community Mental Health

140 West Michigan Avenue, Battle Creek MI 49017

Website: www.summitpointe.org

Summit Pointe provides access to mental health services, case management, ACT services, 24-hour crisis emergency services, inpatient and partial hospitalization for the mentally ill of Calhoun County. For 24-hour Crisis Hotline, call 800-632-5449. For further information, call 269-966-1460. For substance abuse services visit www.drugfreebc.org or call 269-373-6000.

Behavioral Health Resources

3630 Capital Avenue SW, Battle Creek MI 49015

Website: www.bcbhr.org

Safe Place Domestic Violence Shelter 24-Hour Helpline (888) 664-9832

P.O. Box 199
Battle Creek, MI 49016

24 Hour Helpline (888) 664-9832
(269) 965-SAFE (7233)

Business Phone (269) 965-6093
Fax (269) 966-2503

Email info@safeplaceshelter.org

Facebook: www.facebook.com/safeplaceshelter.org

[LinkedIn](#)

Twitter: [@safeplaceinc](https://twitter.com/safeplaceinc)



Allegan County Central Food Pantry

Location of the pantry - 323 Water Street

Allegan, Michigan 49010

Main phone - (269) 673-5472

The center offers emergency food or groceries as well as applications to SNAP food stamps.

First Baptist Church - Love Inc Of Northwest Allegan County

Address is 1290 32nd Street

Allegan, MI 49010

Phone - (269) 751-2533

A free food bank is available from this charity. There is canned fruit and vegetables, frozen meat, dry goods, soups, juices, eggs, snack foods, condiments and much more. The assistance is available in Allegan County using the U.S. Health Department's recommendations as a guide to provide families with nutritionally balanced meals.

- Another church that is part of this network is at 4621 135th Avenue, Hamilton, Michigan 49419, dial (269) 751-2533 for hour.
- Love Inc. is also in Hudsonville Michigan. This pantry is at 3300 Van Buren Street, Hudsonville, MI, 49426. Phone - (616) 662-3300.

Project Hope Of North East Allegan County

1808 143rd Avenue

Dorr, MI 49323

(616) 681-4673

Emergency food for up to 3 days may be provided to low income families and the working poor in the Allegan region. There is also canned goods, paper items, and more.

Allegan County Resource Development

Main address: 323 Water St

Allegan, Michigan

(269) 673-5472

Everything from surplus commodities to public aid is offered.

Legal Aid of Allegan County and Western Michigan

Main office is 201 W Kalamazoo Ave

Kalamazoo, Michigan 49007

Dial (269) 344-8113

Salvation Army Regional Location

1269 M-89

Plainwell, MI

Phone - (269) 685-5886

Based on donations from the community, one time funds may be issued for rent, utilities, and other costs.

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