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# **Wharton County Resources**

### **Employment Services**

Workforce Solutions Gulf Coast - Bay City

3501 Ave. F, Bay City, TX 77414 | (979) 245-4808 | http://www.wrksolutions.com/

Job search assistance and resources are available to the public free of charge. Toll Free: 1(877)967-5228 Hours: 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Monday thru Friday

Workforce Solutions Gulf Coast - Columbus

104 B Shult Dr., Columbus, TX 78934 | (979) 732-3299 | http://www.wrksolutions.com/

Job search assistance and resources are available to the public free of charge. Toll Free: 1(877)967-5228 Hours: 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Monday thru Friday

Workforce Solutions Gulf Coast - Wharton

1506 N. Alabama Rd., Wharton, TX 77488 | (979) 531-0730, Toll Free: 1-(888)-469-5627+2+7748# | http://www.wrksolutions.com/

Job search assistance and resources are available to the public free of charge. Toll Free: 1(877)967-5228 Hours: 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Monday thru Friday

### **Community Health Services**

Texana Behavioral Healthcare Clinic at Wharton

3007 N. Richmond Rd., Wharton, TX 77488 | (979) 532-6100 | http://www.texanacenter.com

Provides community mental health services. Use the main phone number to contact an office for an appointment or to ask for more information about eligibility and programs. The toll free Crisis Hotline is 1-800-633-5686. This crisis number is for people facing an emergency situation, such as having a homicidal or suicidal thoughts. If your call is an emergency, a crisis team may be sent out to help manage your situation. If necessary, emergency services may also be contacted to respond to your crisis.

Wharton County Indigent Health Care Program

303 Sandy Corner Rd., El Campo, TX 77437 | (979) 578-5146 | (979) 543-3671 | http://www.dshs.state.tx.us

This program provides basic medical services to residents of this county who cannot receive health care coverage from any other source and who are eligible for the program. Eligibility is based on income and resources.

Wharton County Indigent Health Care Program

PO Drawer 4128, Bryan, TX 77805 | (979) 595-2801 x2266 | (979) 595-2814 | http://www.dshs.state.tx.us

This program provides basic medical services to residents of this county who cannot receive health care

coverage from any other source and who are eligible for the program. Eligibility is based on income and resources.

## **County Probation Offices**

Matagorda County Community Supervision & Corrections Department

2200 7th St., Bay City, TX 77414 | (979) 532-4413 | (979) 532-4771 | http://www.tdcj.state.tx.us

#### **Education Assistance**

Wharton County Junior College

911 E. Boling Highway, Wharton, TX 77488 | (979) 532-6301 | (979) 532-6585 | http://www.wcjc.edu

Offers Adult Basic Education and Adult Secondary classes throughout Fort Bend, Matagorda, and Wharton counties. Delivers instruction for GED preparation; improves basic academic skills such as reading, math, and writing; and develops speaking and writing communication skills for ESL students. Courses are offered during the day and evenings. All instructional services, including books, are provided free of charge.

### **Housing Services**

Straightway Prison Outreach

PO Box 134, Hungerford, TX 77448 | (979) 532-5613 | http://www.straightway.tc

Straightway Prison Outreach provides transitional housing and other services for men and women. Individuals with sex offenses and those on electronic monitors are not accepted. Rent is \$750 per month, which includes all costs (such as counseling). Residents must commit to the one-year program.

# **Indigent Defense Services**

Donna Goree 329 District Court Coordinator

100 South Fulton Suite 200, Wharton, TX 77488 | (979) 532-1514 | (979) 532-4752 | http://www.329th.com

Patty Shannon, County Court Coordinator

309 E. Milam St. Suite 600, Wharton, TX 77488 | (979) 532-4612 | (979) 532-1970 | http://www.co.wharton.tx.us

### **Legal Aid Services**

Lone Star Legal Aid

126 N. Velasco St., Angleton, TX 77515 | (800) 244-5492 | (979) 848-0682 | http://www.lonestarlegal.org/Angleton.pl

#### **Other**

Colorado Valley Transit - Wharton County Service

108 Cardinal Ln. (FM 806) PO Box 940, Columbus, TX 78934 | (800) 548-1068 (toll free) or (979) 732-6281 | (979) 732-6283 | <a href="http://www.gotransit.org/whartoncounty.htm">http://www.gotransit.org/whartoncounty.htm</a>

Providing transportation services including demand responsive service and fixed route service. Call or go online for schedule and fare information. Dispatchers are available to schedule your trips: Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., excluding holidays & safety meeting days.

Holy Family Catholic Church - St. Vincent de Paul Society

They can provide assistance with food, clothing, brief emergency shelter and other needs. Leave a message with your contact information and what you need help with and they will call you back.

St. Thomas Episcopal Church

207 Bob-O-Link Ln. PO Box 586, Wharton, TX 77488 | (979) 282-2302 | http://stthomas-wharton.org

They provide assistance with food, clothing and other miscellaneous expenses for people in need. By appointment only.

Wharton County Community Action

This agency assists eligible individuals with utility bills. They also offer case management and information and referral to single mothers in an attempt to help them out of poverty.

Wharton County SHARE

They will provide assistance with food and clothing every three months. In addition, they can sometimes help with other emergency needs. They are open Monday & Thursday, 10am-2pm. Services are available to residents of East Wharton Co, Boling, East Bernard, Glen Flora, Hungerford, Lane City and some of Eagle Lake.

Wharton County Veterans Services Officer

The Veteran Services Officer acts as an advocate and assists veterans and/or their survivors obtain entitled benefits from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) and the State of Texas. Please call before visiting the office.

Texas Department of Health and Human Services - Benefits Office

404 N. Alabama Rd., Wharton, TX 77488 | (979) 532-5910 | (979) 532-3784 | <a href="http://www.yourtexasbenefits.com">http://www.yourtexasbenefits.com</a>

The SNAP food benefits (formerly known as Food Stamps) helps people with low incomes and resources buy the food they need for good health. Medicaid Programs provide medical benefits for eligible low income adults, children, and families. CHIP offers a health insurance program for children. Call or visit website for program-specific eligibility information. Anyone convicted of a drug-related felony (possession, use or distribution of a controlled substance) after August 22, 1996, is not eligible for SNAP (Food Stamps) benefits.

#### **Parole Offices**

Angleton District Parole Office

1212 N. Velasco Suite 103, Angleton, TX 77515 | (979) 849-2461 | (979) 849-9279 | <a href="http://www.tdcj.state.tx.us">http://www.tdcj.state.tx.us</a>

# **Treatment Programs**

Alcoholics Anonymous Houston Intergroup Association, Inc.

4140 Directors Row Suites D & E, Houston, TX 77092 | (713) 686-6300 | http://www.aahouston.org

Phones are answered 24 hours a day by a recovered alcoholic. Alcoholics Anonymous