

First Friday Homeless Connect Florence Area Resources Guide

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Resources Information Distribution Project

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Project Support: Lighthouse Ministries, SC Legal Services, & Florence Family Support Center

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Financial Assistance with Rent, Utilities				
Agency	Address	Contact Information	Service	Other Information
<i>Lighthouse Ministries</i>	1416 W. Evans St.	843-629-0830 www.lighthouseflorence.org/		Applicants must meet requirements to qualify
<i>Salvation Army</i>	2210 Hoffmeyer Rd.	843-662-4461 www.salvationarmycarolinas.org/florence/home/		Applicants must meet requirements to qualify
<i>ECHO Eviction Prevention</i>		www.echousing.org/get-help or ECHO Access Point at 843-213-1798		Applicants must meet requirements to qualify
<i>Pee Dee Community Action Partnership</i>	2685 S. Irby St.	843-678-3400 peedeecap.org		Only phone and apply on website, office closed to the public
<i>SC Housing's SCStay Plus</i>		1-800-476-0412 schousing.com/Home/SC-Stay-Plus	Short-term rental and mortgage assistance for South Carolinians affected by COVID-19	

Mental Health & Substance Abuse				
Agency	Address	Contact Information	Service	Other Information
<i>Circle Park</i>	238 S. Coit St. Florence, SC 29501	843-665-9349 www.circlepark.com	Substance abuse treatment	
<i>Chrysalis Centre</i>	1430 S Cashua Drive	843-673-0660	Residential substance abuse treatment for women with children	
<i>Crisis Text Line</i>		Text HOME to 741741, use Facebook messenger, or KiK www.crisistextline.org	Text line for anyone to in crisis such as suicidal thoughts	
<i>HopeHealth Behavioral</i>	Hope Health 360 North Irby Street, Florence, SC 29501	Main Hope Health Number (843) 667-9414 https://www.hope-health.org/services/behavioral-health-services/	Mental health & substance abuse counseling	8am-5pm (Monday-Friday)
<i>Pee Dee Mental Health</i>	125 E. Cheves St. Florence, SC 29506	843-317-4073 (Clinic) 24/7 CRISIS RESPONSE TEAM 1-833-364-CCRI (2274) www.peedeementalhealth.org	Mental health treatment Domestic violence Sexual assault Child abuse	

Medical/Physical Health				
Agency	Address	Contact Information	Service	Other Information
<i>HopeHealth</i>	360 N. Irby St. Florence, SC 29501	843-667-9414 If assistance needed, call Diane: 803-525-4241 www.hope-health.org/	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Medical ● Primary care ● Dental ● Mental health ● Women's health ● More 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Insured or Uninsured ● Call for assistance ● Offers Telehealth ● Online application to become patient
<i>Mercy Medicine</i>	500 S. Coit St. Florence, SC 29501	843-667-9947 info@mercymedicine.org www.mercymedicine.org	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Medical ● Dental ● Primary care 	Eligibility: no health insurance (including Medicaid, unless dental only) and not eligible for insurance
<i>SC Healthy Connections Choices</i>	Florence County DSS 2685 S. Irby St.	DSS: 843-669-3354 Members/applicants: 888-549-0820 www.scdhhs.gov	Medicaid health insurance provider	Office Hours: 8AM - 5PM DSS office not open to public, call for assistance
<i>Welvista</i>	121 Greystone Blvd, Columbia, SC 29210	803-933-9183 www.welvista.org Community Advocate: Nicole (803-563-3948)	Prescription drug coverage; Offers pediatric dental through Dillon, Manning, and Summerton school districts	Must be uninsured, a resident of SC, and below income bracket

Social Service Agencies				
Agency	Address	Contact Information	Service	Other Information
<i>Department of Social Services</i>	2685 S. Irby St. #A Florence, SC 29505	843-669-3354	Provides public assistance to families, access to healthcare, etc.	
<i>Lighthouse Ministries</i>	1416 W. Evans St. Florence, SC 29501	843-629-0830 https://www.lighthouseflorence.org/	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Rent ● Utilities 	
<i>SC Thrive</i>	120 Research Drive Columbia, SC 29203	843-409-7898 Toll free: 800-726-8774 Scthrive.org	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Healthcare coverage ● Military/Veteran ● Student Assistance ● Financial Wellness 	Access to resources: Medicaid Welvista Prescriptions help MIAP SNAP SSI/SSDI, FI, Taxes, Voter registration
<i>United Way 211</i>	1621 W. Palmetto St.	Dial 211 843-662-2407 uwflorence.org/211-program	Referral information about essential health & human services in Florence	List of services: https://www.unitedway.org/our-impact/featured-programs/2-1-1#

Employment & Adult Education Services				
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<i>Goodwill Career Opportunity Center</i>	1551 Second Loop Rd. Florence, SC 29505	(843) 468-2160	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Provide job leads ● Job centers ● Computer assistance ● Assist with applying for unemployment 	Resume, Soft skills, & Dress for success workshops
<i>Indeed</i>		indeed.com	Job searching website	
<i>Labor Finders</i>	329 West Palmetto St. Florence, SC 29501	843-669-0410 https://www.laborfinders.com/	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Day labor ● Employment services 	Workers with cars earn extra day work. Call early in the morning and they will assess over the phone and get you in the system
<i>SC Works State Department of Employment</i>	1558 West Evans St. Florence, SC 29501	(843) 407-9683 https://www.scworks.org/	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Job Search, ● Resume/Interview with Coaching, ● Employment Assistance 	COVID19: building is not open, but staff is available via phone
<i>Florence County Adult Education</i>	Poynor Bldg. 301 S Dargan St, Florence, SC 29506	Carol Hill, Director 843-664-8152 www.fl.s.org/florenceadulted cchill@fsd1.org	Supports adults in high school completion, work readiness certifications and training, and college preparation.	Call first, offices may be closed to public

Please Note: At this time, the Shelters are operating with limited space, may be closed to new clients due to the pandemic, and will require negative COVID-19 test. Call first to ask if they are accepting new clients and for instructions

Shelters				
Agency	Address	Contact Information	Service	Other Information
<i>Courtney McGinnis Graham Community Center</i>	535 S. Church St.	843-731-9315	Men, women, and families	Second doors open at 4:00, names can go on a list at 2:00
<i>Salvation Army</i>	2210 Hoffmeyer Rd. Florence, SC 29501	843-662-4461	Men and women	
<i>Pee Dee CAP</i>	411 S Jarrott St. Florence, SC 29505	843-678-3410	Men and women	
<i>Resurrection Restoration Center for the Homeless</i>	1807 N Douglas St, Florence, SC 29501	843-601-7935	Men only	
<i>Pee Dee Coalition Against Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault</i>		843-669-4600	Domestic violence shelter for women	Victims & their children

Housing				
Agency	Address	Contact Information	Service	Other Information
<i>ECHO</i>	407 Broadway St. Myrtle Beach, SC <i>Office Closed to Public at this time, call main number</i>	843-213-1798 for phone assessment for help echousing.org	Housing Security deposits	Civilians and veterans
<i>Florence Housing Authority</i>	400 East Pine St. Florence, SC 29506	843-669-4163 hafsc.org	Rental housing	Subsidized housing Covid 19- office closed to public, phone only
<i>House of Hope for Men</i>	1020 Darlington Street	843-667-9000 hofh.org	Long term transitional facility for men	

Veteran Services				
Agency	Address	Contact Information	Service	Other Information
<i>Veterans Resource Center of Florence</i>	Lighthouse Ministries 1416 W. Evans St. Florence, SC 29501	843-629-0830 ask for Veterans Resource Center or CB		
<i>Florence County VA Office</i>	707 National Cemetery Road, Florence, SC 29506	843-665-3045 call for appointment		
<i>Dept of Veterans Affairs Veterans Crisis Line</i>	1-800-273-8255	www.veteranscrisisline.net/	For veterans in crisis or suicidal or for anyone concerned about a vet	

Family/Child Services				
Agency	Address	Contact Information	Service	Other Information
<i>Pee Dee Healthy Start</i>	314 W. Pine St., Florence, SC, 29501	Miriam James-Singley, SW Case Manager (843) 662-1482 msingley@pdhs.org	-childbearing age women -assessment, case management, -infant, child, youth, and family development -inter-conceptional care	Culturally relevant health education, healthy marriage & relationship education, career readiness, job development & placement, training & certifications, mentoring
<i>ABC Quality- Child Care Connections</i>	Florence County DSS: 2685 S. Irby St. Florence, SC 29505	(800) 763-2223 https://abcquality.org/	Connecting parents to child care resources	
<i>The Care House of the Pee Dee</i>	1920 2nd Loop Rd. Florence, SC 29501	843-629-0236 www.thecarehouse.com	Child abuse Therapy and advocacy to children and families	
<i>Durant Children's Center</i>	226 S. Irby St.	843-664-4357	Counseling for abused children Parenting courses	
<i>Naomi Project</i>	P.O. Box 13143	843-615-1548 www.naomiproject.com	Year-long transitional facility that addresses the devastation of domestic abuse with resources and educational support	Mission is to change the lives of women experiencing domestic abuse, once they chose not to return to their abusers

Food				
Agency	Address	Contact Information	Service	Other Information
<i>Manna House</i>	450 Jarrott St, Florence, SC	(843) 667-6077	M-F Breakfast 830-930, Lunch 1030-noon	Food Pantry MWF 930a-11a
<i>Antioch Fellowship</i>	1405 E. Howe Spring Rd. Florence, SC 29501	843-539-6114	Food pantry open to public	Open 2nd Saturday of the month: 11-12
<i>Bethel Apostolic Church</i>	1200 N. Irby Florence, SC 29506	843-665-6693	Food pantry	2nd Saturday of the month: 9-12
<i>My Brother's Keeper</i>	Meal Distribution at Four Local Parks	(803) 316-7273	Meals served every day of the week. They have care packages, clean clothes, mission mart gift cards, and hygiene products.	Levi 230p-330p Northwest 230p-3p Timrod 310p-340p Iola Jones 310p-340p
<i>Salvation Army</i>	2210 Hoffmeyer Rd.	843-662-4461 call for appointment (No walk ins)	Food, clothes	M-Tu-Th, call for appointment
<i>St. Anne Catholic Church</i>	113 S. Kemp St. Florence, SC 29506	843-673-2680	Food pantry	Tuesday: 10-11 Wednesday: 9-11
<i>Parking Lot Ministry</i>	Parking Lot behind old HopeHealth building at 600 E. Palmetto St		Breakfast, food, & clothing	Saturdays 7am-8am

Legal Services				
Agency	Address	Contact Information	Service	Other Information
<i>South Carolina Legal Services</i>	320 S. Coit St. Florence, SC 29501	Managing attorney: Susan Firimonte Phone: 843-413-9500 Silvana: EXT 6303 https://sclegal.org/ Online Intake https://www.lawhelp.org/sc/online-intake	Legal counseling and representation	Eligibility: Income-based requirements

COVID Testing				
Agency	Address	Contact Information	Service	Other Information
<i>DHEC COVID Resources: Vaccination, Other Info</i>		DHEC Care Line 1-855-472-3432 8am-6pm M-F https://scdhec.gov/covid19 Vaccinations https://vaxlocator.dhec.sc.gov/ or 1-866-365-8110.		
<i>DHEC List of Testing Locations</i>		https://scdhec.gov/covid19/find-covid-19-testing-location		
<i>McLeod</i>	555 E Cheves St Florence, SC 29506	843-777-2919 https://www.mcleodhealth.org/services/care/telehealth/	Offers telehealth and drive-thru testing.	Must call to be screened to set up appointment. Multiple locations are available.
<i>HopeHealth</i>	360 N. Irby St. Florence, SC 29501	843-667-9414 https://www.hope-health.org/	Offers telehealth and on-site testing.	Must set up telehealth appointments for screening before testing.

<i>MUSC</i>	805 Pamplico Highway Florence, SC 29505	843-674-5000 Online COVID screening https://campaigns.muschealth.org/virtual-care/index.html	MUSC COVID resources https://muschealth.org/patients-visitors/coronavirus-information/covid-19-testing	For free screening online, go the link given, use code COVID19 to access
<i>Genesis Health Care</i>	1523 Heritage Ln Florence, SC 29505	843-673-9992	Offers telehealth and on-site testing.	Must be a Genesis patient with symptoms