

# PARENT'S GUIDE to Howard County

Resources and Information from  
Infancy through the Teen Years



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**Howard County**  
Office of Children and Families



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**Calvin Ball, Howard County Executive**

Dear Residents,

Welcome to the 2026 Parents Guide to Howard County, a comprehensive resource created with Howard County parents, grandparents, caregivers and guardians in mind. Our Department of Community Resources and Services (DCRS) and its Office of Children and Families (OCF) have included vital information and resources which support local families, including more than 22,545 children aged five and under. Newly updated for 2026, the Guide can help you find childcare options, locate County services or identify family supports and programs to help your children live their best lives in Howard County.

In 2025, the County supported the launch of seven new Family Child Care programs, expanding access to high-quality early learning opportunities for young children and strengthening the economic stability of Howard County families. Knowing childcare is vital to a thriving community and workforce, we added 26 professionals to expand childcare programs through our Department of Recreation and Parks, cutting waitlists by nearly 60%. With a \$1 million grant and in partnership with our Economic Development Authority, we also invested in 27 independent childcare providers that will create more than 200 seats. These investments are supported by OCF's comprehensive training opportunities for childcare professionals to ensure children have safe, supportive spaces to learn and grow.

OCF also provides parent education opportunities, virtually and in-person at the Family Support Center, an annual Child Care Information Fair, and digital communications like the Parent Pages newsletter. To learn more about these programs or address your family's unique needs, call the free CARE line at 410-313-CARE (2273) to speak with a member of our team. OCF's commitment to provide direct services, information, referrals, and education to residents is one of many reasons Howard County is one of the best places for families to live, work, play, grow, and thrive. By working together, we will continue to create the best opportunities for our current and future generations.

Sincerely,



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***Follow through for resources and information, programs and services from birth through the teen years!***

The Howard County Office of Children and Families does not assume responsibility for the accuracy of the information as provided by the organization and/or businesses listed herein. This compilation of programs, goods and services does not represent every entity serving families in Howard County, nor does this directory imply endorsement of the agencies and companies included.

If you need this information in an alternate format, contact the Office of Children and Families at 410-313-2273 (voice/relay) or [children@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:children@howardcountymd.gov).





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**Welcome to the 2026 edition of the Howard County Parents Guide.** The early years of a child's life are filled with growth, discovery, and possibility — and they also come with questions, decisions, and the need for trusted support. This guide was created with families in mind, to make it easier to navigate the resources and services available throughout Howard County.

Every day, the Department of Community Resources and Services (DCRS) and the Office of Children and Families (OCF) work alongside parents, caregivers and community partners to strengthen families and support healthy child development from the very beginning. With nearly 90% of a child's brain development occurring by age five, these early years matter — and support during this time can make a lasting difference for children and families.

This Parents Guide brings together local programs, services, and opportunities designed to meet families where they are. Whether you are exploring child care options, seeking behavioral health supports, or looking for ways to learn and play together, this guide is your starting point.

Through OCF and our Family Support Center, our knowledgeable and caring staff are here to answer questions, provide guidance, and help connect you to the supports that best meet your family's needs. We are committed to ensuring that Howard County's children and the adults who care for them have the tools, resources and encouragement they need to learn, grow and thrive.

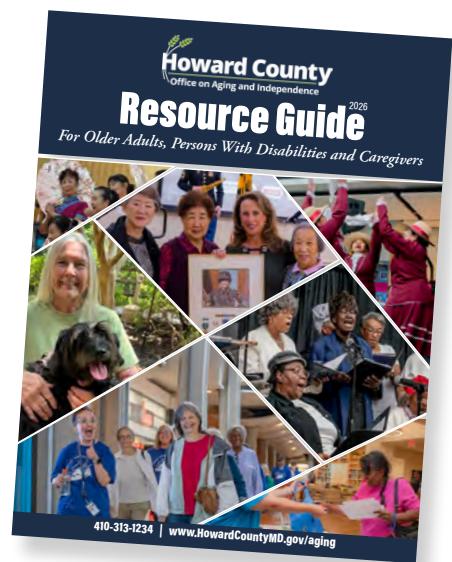
We invite you to stay connected and informed by subscribing to our monthly Parent Pages newsletter at [bit.ly/HoCoSubscribe](http://bit.ly/HoCoSubscribe), and to reach out whenever you need support along the way.

## THE RESOURCE GUIDE FOR OLDER ADULTS

Information about local, state and federal programs, businesses and non-profit organizations serving older adults, caregivers and their families in Howard County.

The guide is free; download it at any time!

<http://bit.ly/HoCoResourceGuide>



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# Child Care and Education

## REFERRAL SERVICES

### The CARE Line

#### Howard County Office of Children and Families

9830 Patuxent Woods Drive, Columbia 21046

410-313-CARE (2273)

[www.howardcountymd.gov/children](http://www.howardcountymd.gov/children)

children@howardcountymd.gov

A free information and referral service to help Howard County families identify needs and link them to agencies, programs and organizations.

#### Howard County Family Child Care Association

301-776-4841

[www.hcfcca.com](http://www.hcfcca.com)

Parent Referral Line

#### LOCATE: Child Care

877-261-0060

[www.marylandfamilynetwork.org](http://www.marylandfamilynetwork.org)

A free, personalized resource, referral and counseling service to help parents choose quality child care to best meet their needs.

If you're a parent of a child with special needs or would like to speak with a Referral Specialist in Spanish, call **LOCATE: Child Care Enhanced Services** at **800-999-0120**.

## BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE

On-site before and/or after care programs for elementary and middle school age children. Other options are offered by family child care homes and child care centers.

#### Columbia Association

6310 Hillside Court, Suite 100, Columbia 21046

410-715-3000

[www.columbiaassociation.com](http://www.columbiaassociation.com)

Before and after care for all-day Pre-K and up.

#### Howard County Department of Recreation and Parks

7120 Oakland Mills Road, Columbia 21046

Registration: 410-313-7275

General information: 410-313-4700

[www.howardcountymd.gov/recreation-parks/recreational-licensed-child-care](http://www.howardcountymd.gov/recreation-parks/recreational-licensed-child-care)

## FAMILY CHILD CARE HOMES

#### Howard County Family Child Care Association

301-776-4841

[www.hcfcca.com](http://www.hcfcca.com)

Parent Referral Line

WE LOVE HEARING FROM THE PARENTS WE SERVE...

*“I feel safe sharing my challenges I face as a parent. I never feel ashamed and look forward to visits.”*

## DROP-IN CHILD CARE

### Kids Time Out

5809 Clarksville Square Drive #101, Clarksville 21029

410-531-3858

<https://kidstimeout1.godaddysites.com/>

Hourly child care and more for ages two to 11 years.

## IN-HOME CARE

### A Choice Nanny

3545 Ellicott Mills Drive, Suite 205, Ellicott City 21043

410-730-2229

<https://www.achoice nanny.com/maryland>

Matches qualified nannies with families according to their needs.

### Au Pair in America

800-928-7247

[www.aupairinamerica.com](http://www.aupairinamerica.com)

[aupairinfo@aisf.com](mailto:aupairinfo@aisf.com)

Matches au pairs with families.

### Cultural Care Au Pair

443-285-1109

[aupair@culturalcare.com](mailto:aupair@culturalcare.com)

[www.dpopp.aupairnews.com](http://www.dpopp.aupairnews.com)

Au pair services.

### The Nanny Network

410-321-1566

[www.nanny-network.com](http://www.nanny-network.com)

Full-time or-part-time, live-out nannies. Temporary and summer care is also available.

## REGULATIONS AND LICENSING

### Maryland State Department of Education

#### Office of Child Care Region 6

3300 North Ridge Road, Suite 190, Ellicott City 21043

410-750-8771

<https://earlychildhood.marylandpublicschools.org/office-child-care>



# Early Care and Education Programs

## A

### **ABC Daycare Inc. DBA Little Lighthouse**

9055 Chevrolet Dr. Suite 10, Ellicott City 21042

410-750-0660

thelittlelighthousedc@gmail.com

[www.littlelighthouseabc.com](http://www.littlelighthouseabc.com)

Ages served: 2 months to 5 years

An early childhood center that has built a reputation for caring about children and families. We welcome children to a safe haven.

### **Aiya's House**

5964 Rosinante Run, Columbia 21045

410-707-4802

atlamberti@gmail.com

Ages served: infant to school age

A play-based environment where children are allowed to grow and learn naturally, through their own interests and explorations.

### **All Aboard Early Learning Center LLC**

11625 Little Patuxent Parkway, Columbia 21044

443-935-9500

info@allaboardelc.com

Ages served: 6 weeks to 15 years

Our mature, certified staff provides a safe, fun and engaging learning environment. Before and after care is available.

### **All About Kids**

9402 North Laurel Road, Laurel 20723

desireerichards27@gmail.com

240-354-8871

Ages served: 2 to 4 years

Small group size and individualized attention supporting development, independence and preparation for school readiness.

### **Art of Learning**

10029 Chatelaine Circle, Ellicott City 21042

<https://preschoolartoflearning.com>

Ages served: infant to 5 years

A loving, play-based, nature-inspired childcare program that nurtures curiosity, empathy and independence while fostering individualized growth and learning.

### **Ashton Child Care and Learning Center**

405 Samuels Spring Court, Ashton 20905

<https://ashtondaycare.com/>

301-346-9022

Ages served: infant to 5 years

Large family child care, NAFCC-accredited, Level 5 Maryland EXCELS

### **Atholton Adventist Academy PreK-10**

6520 Martin Road, Columbia 21044

410-740-2425

office@atholton.us

<https://www.atholtonadventistacademy.org/>

Ages served: 4 to 15 years

We exist foremost to foster a love for God in every area of our curriculum; loving each other; and looking to Jesus Christ as the source of every good thing.

## Aya Montessori

6785 Business Parkway, Suite 104, Elkridge 21075

443-459-1299

info@ayamontessori.com

<https://www.ayamontessori.com/>

Ages served: 0 to 6 years

We are a daycare and preschool offering a Montessori program that teaches love, care and growth.

## B

### **Back 2 Basics Pediatric Therapy Services**

10753-A Birmingham Way, Woodstock 21163

240-200-4010

info@back2basicspeds.com

[www.back2basicspeds.com](http://www.back2basicspeds.com)

Ages served: birth to 19 years

Comprehensive pediatric therapy with personalized care. Services include speech, occupational, feeding, myofunctional therapies, nutrition, lactation consulting, and mental health counseling.

### **Bethany Learning Center**

3030 Bethany Lane, Ellicott City 21042

410-461-3393

[www.bethanylearningcenter.org](http://www.bethanylearningcenter.org)

Ages served: Infant to 5 years

Providing a secure and loving Christian atmosphere where children can thrive, offering age-appropriate learning experiences and opportunities for exploration. We are committed to laying a strong foundation for your child's future learning and the cultivation of quality relationships and essential skills, and dedicated to fostering success in every child in our care.

### **Bethel Christian Preschool**

4261 Montgomery Road, Ellicott City 21043

410-465-1192

bethelpreschool@gmail.com

Ages served: 3 to 5 years

A ministry of Bethel Baptist Church, this part-time preschool program offers a warm, loving environment in a Christ-centered curriculum.

### **Bet Yeladim Preschool**

8910 Route 108, Suite D, Columbia 21045

410-997-7378

info@betyladim.org

[www.betyladim.org](http://www.betyladim.org)

Ages served: 2 months to 5 years

We support each child's development, promoting a lifelong love for learning, a sense of curiosity and a desire to try new things.

### **Beverly Sherman's Daycare**

6402 Hanover Road, Hanover 21076

beckysherman5@gmail.com

443-422-7831

Ages served: infant to 5 years

Meals, toilet training and educational activities. Non-smoking, in-home environment with a great back yard for outside play.

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## **Bird of Paradise Bilingual Childcare**

3280 Halcyon Court, Ellicott City 21043

Bopbilingualchildcare@gmail.com

240-278-5174

[www.bopbilingualchildcare.com](http://www.bopbilingualchildcare.com)

Ages served: 2 to 4 years

Bilingual Spanish and English and Montessori-inspired.

## **Blooming Buds Learning Center**

10005 Old Columbia Road N-165, Columbia 21046

240-461-9943

[Info.Bloomingbudsllc@gmail.com](mailto:Info.Bloomingbudsllc@gmail.com)

[www.bloomingbudcare.com](http://www.bloomingbudcare.com)

Ages served: 2 to 5 years

An inclusive place for children based on their individual needs.

We strive to build a trusting and lasting relationship. Our individual services extend to before and after school program.

## **BROOKFIELD CHRISTIAN SCHOOL**

A private, independent school, focused on academic achievement in a fun, caring environment, and dedicated to the success of all children. Offering before and after care. Ages served: Infant to Kindergarten

### **Brookfield Christian School — CLARKSVILLE**

6347 Ten Oaks Road, Clarksville 21029

410-531-9443

[bcsclarksville@gmail.com](mailto:bcsclarksville@gmail.com)

[www.brookfieldchristianschool.com](http://www.brookfieldchristianschool.com)

### **Brookfield Christian School — COLUMBIA (NEW)**

5890 Cedar Lane, Columbia 21045

410-740-7115

[bcscedarlane@gmail.com](mailto:bcscedarlane@gmail.com)

[www.brookfieldchristianschool.com](http://www.brookfieldchristianschool.com)

### **Brookfield Christian School — MAPLE LAWN**

11830 West Market Place, Fulton 20759

301-362-3580

[bcsmaplelawn@gmail.com](mailto:bcsmaplelawn@gmail.com)

[www.brookfieldchristianschool.com](http://www.brookfieldchristianschool.com)

## **Building Blocks Family Daycare**

5770 Sweetwind Place, Columbia 21045

443-851-6767

[gizmoslight63@gmail.com](mailto:gizmoslight63@gmail.com)

Ages served: Infant to 4 years

Pre-K curriculum offered.



## **CAC/ECE/Howard County Head Start**

9820 Patuxent Woods Drive, Columbia, 21046

[etillery@cac-hc.org](mailto:etillery@cac-hc.org)

[www.cac-hc.org](http://www.cac-hc.org)

Howard County Head Start is a federally-funded, year-round program for ages 3, 4 and 5. All applications can be found and submitted on our website.

## **The Celebree School**

In our child care and education programs, children learn about their world through age-appropriate play, projects, and activities that focus on mastering objectives which center around the seven domains of childhood development.

### **The Celebree School of Ellicott City**

10020 Baltimore National Pike, Ellicott City 21042

410-461-5557

[PDellicottcity@celebree.com](mailto:PDellicottcity@celebree.com)

<https://www.celebree.com/ellicott-city-md/>

Ages served: 6 months to 12 years

### **The Celebree School of Waverly Woods**

10785 Birmingham Way, Woodstock 21163

410-480-5400, ext. 2

[www.celebree.com](http://www.celebree.com)

## **Children & Company Cooperative Preschool**

5355 Phelps Luck Drive, Columbia 21045

443-741-2436

[membership@childrenandcompany.org](mailto:membership@childrenandcompany.org)

[www.childrenandcompany.org](http://www.childrenandcompany.org)

Ages served: 2 to 4 years

A private, non-profit cooperative preschool, offering part-day programs that emphasize play to promote learning and building a school community.

## **CHILDREN'S MANOR & MAGNET MONTESSORI SCHOOLS**

We are dedicated to preparing children to excel in a global society by providing an academically rigorous, engaging and supportive learning environment that cultivates curiosity, creativity and critical thinking.

### **Children's Manor Montessori School — ELLICOTT CITY**

4465 Montgomery Road, Ellicott City 21043

410-461-6070

[ellicottcity@childrenmanor.com](mailto:ellicottcity@childrenmanor.com)

<https://childrensmagnet.com/ellicott-city/>

Ages served: 2 to 4 years

### **Children's Magnet Montessori School — ELKRIDGE**

6135 Old Washington Road, Elkridge 21075

[elkridge@childrensmagnet.com](mailto:elkridge@childrensmagnet.com)

410-220-3792

### **Children's Manor Montessori School — COLUMBIA**

9008 Red Branch Road, Columbia 21045

410-730-3100

[columbia@childrensmanor.com](mailto:columbia@childrensmanor.com)

<https://childrensmagnet.com/columbia/>

## **Christ Centered Childcare**

9510 Mellow Court, Laurel 20723

443-280-0635

[khintercessor@verizon.net](mailto:khintercessor@verizon.net)

Ages served: 5 to 10 years

Offering before and after school care for Forest Ridge, Hammond and Cradlerock Elementary Schools.

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## Christ Memorial Christian Preschool

10600 Shaker Drive, Columbia 21046  
410-997-8011

[preschool@cmpcusa.org](mailto:preschool@cmpcusa.org)  
<http://www.cmpcusa.org/preschool>

Ages served: 3 to 5 years

A preschool program that encourages growth through a love of play and exploration with a faith-based curriculum providing social, emotional, physical, language and cognitive areas of development.

## Christine's Family Daycare

9680 Horsham Drive, Laurel 20723  
301-221-4055

[hernandez.tine@gmail.com](mailto:hernandez.tine@gmail.com)  
[www.christinesfamilydaycare.com](http://www.christinesfamilydaycare.com)

Ages served: 6 months to 6 years

A home-like setting where children learn through play. Part time schedules available.

## Clarksville Daycare

6911 Westcott Place, Clarksville 21029  
[clarksvilledaycare@gmail.com](mailto:clarksvilledaycare@gmail.com)  
443-854-9020

Ages served: 0 to 2 years

We are dedicated to creating a safe environment for your children to learn and grow. We are licensed and trained care providers who work with families for the most comfortable daycare experience.

## Clarlen Children's Nursery

2875 Bethany Lane, Ellicott City 21042  
410-465-7405

<https://www.clarlennursery.org/>

Ages served: 2 to 4 years

Fostering emotional regulation & social skills through play and structured experiences. Guided by highly-trained, experienced staff and based on current research, half-day classes perfectly prepare children for school.

## Columbia Academy Elementary and Middle School

10350 Old Columbia Road, Columbia 21046  
410-312-5233

[admissions@columbiaacademy.com](mailto:admissions@columbiaacademy.com)  
[www.columbiaacademy.com](http://www.columbiaacademy.com)

Ages served: Transitional Kindergarten to 8<sup>th</sup> grade

Private school developing firm foundations in core subjects while exploring students' unique interests and passions, emphasizing leadership, character development and academic excellence.

## Columbia Academy Preschool

We are a private preschool providing an unparalleled customized curriculum that challenges children in new and critical ways, developing each child's creativity and analytical skills.

## Columbia Academy Preschool at KENDALL RIDGE

6000 University Boulevard, Ellicott City 21043  
410-312-5233

[admissions@columbiaacademy.com](mailto:admissions@columbiaacademy.com)  
[www.columbiaacademy.com](http://www.columbiaacademy.com)

Ages served: 6 weeks to 5 years

## Columbia Academy Preschool at KINGS CONTRIVANCE

10380 Old Columbia Road, Suite 106, Columbia 21046  
410-312-5233

[admissions@columbiaacademy.com](mailto:admissions@columbiaacademy.com)  
[www.columbiaacademy.com](http://www.columbiaacademy.com)

Ages served: 6 weeks to 5 years

## Columbia Academy Preschool at MAPLE LAWN

7425 Maple Lawn Boulevard, Fulton 20759  
410-312-5233

[admissions@columbiaacademy.com](mailto:admissions@columbiaacademy.com)  
[www.columbiaacademy.com](http://www.columbiaacademy.com)

Ages served: 6 weeks to 5 years

## Columbia Academy Preschool at THUNDER HILL

9210 Route 108, Columbia 21045  
410-312-5233

[admissions@columbiaacademy.com](mailto:admissions@columbiaacademy.com)  
[www.columbiaacademy.com](http://www.columbiaacademy.com)

Ages served: 6 weeks to 5 years

## Columbia Association School Age Services (CA SAS)

6310 Hillside Court, Columbia 21046  
410-716-3164

[SAS@columbiaassociation.org](mailto:SAS@columbiaassociation.org)  
[www.columbiaassociation.org](http://www.columbiaassociation.org)

Ages served: K through grade 8

We offer before and after care in 20 Howard County Public Schools, open to students during the school year from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. CA SAS also offers a School's Out Program.

## Columbia Montessori School

10508 Marble Faun Court, Columbia 21044  
410-772-8353

[Cms4kids@verizon.net](mailto:Cms4kids@verizon.net)  
<https://columbimontessori.com/>

Ages served: 3 to 5 years

A small school, providing a quality education and qualified licensed childcare. Open year-round Monday through Friday, 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Full and part-time.

## Community Action Council of Howard County (Head Start)

9820 Patuxent Woods Drive, Columbia 21046  
410-313-6440

[eceinbox@cac-hc.org](mailto:eceinbox@cac-hc.org)  
[www.cac-hc.org](http://www.cac-hc.org)

Ages served: 3 to 5 years

Providing full-day Head Start and Pre-Kindergarten in four locations at no cost to eligible families. Whole family support and before and after care services. Limited space.

## Community of Families in Nature (CFIN)

8000 Harriet Tubman Lane  
Columbia, MD 21044

[cfin@cei.earth](mailto:cfin@cei.earth)  
<https://www.communityecologyinstitute.org/>

CFIN is a Family Nature Club, a program of the Community Ecology Institute. We have seasonal memberships with weekly events on Sunday afternoons and hold free, seasonal community events.

# Early Care and Education Programs

## Cradlerock Children's Center

7246 Cradlerock Way, Columbia 21045

410-381-0906

amanda@cradlerockcenter.org

<https://cradlerockcenter.org/>

Ages served: Infants to 5 years

A licensed, non-profit child care center accredited by MSDE, serving diverse families of Howard County while providing meaningful scholarships and services to families in need.

## Creative Little Minds Learning Center II

8995 Lambskin Lane, Columbia 21045

240-268-0321

info@clmlcii.com

<https://www.clmlc.com/>

Ages served: 2 to 12 years

Our program is rooted in a STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics) approach, encouraging children to explore, question, and create. Through hands-on activities, we nurture curiosity and critical thinking skills that prepare children for lifelong learning.

## D

### Deena's Family Child Care

10541 Gorman Road, Laurel

301-725-9345

Dloveshearts@aol.com

Ages served: Infants to 5 years

A safe, nurturing environment that offers play-based curriculum, individualized one-on-one support and learning. Before & after school care is available for students at Hammond Elementary and Middle Schools.

## E

### East Columbia Preschool

6800 Cradlerock Way, Columbia 21045

410-290-9166

info@eastcolumbiapreschool.com

[www.eastcolumbiapreschool.org](http://www.eastcolumbiapreschool.org)

Ages served: 3 to 5 years

Providing a caring and cooperative learning environment within the Owen Brown Community Center with comprehensive and diverse curriculum. Be part of your child's preschool experience.

### Eco-Tots Early Learning Center

9270 Homespun Drive, Columbia 21045

410-381-1326

ecototslearningcenter@gmail.com

[www.ecototslearning.com](http://www.ecototslearning.com)

Ages served: 6 weeks to 12 years

Providing high quality education and child care in an eco-healthy learning environment, allowing for optimal health and development in all aspects of life.

## Elizabeth's Child Care

6415 Kristin Drive, Hanover 21076

elizabethchildcare@me.com

443-250-4620

[elizabethchildcare.com](http://elizabethchildcare.com)

Ages served: infant through school age

Offering a safe, loving, structured, and educationally-enriching environment. Before and after school care available.

## Emmanuel United Methodist Preschool

10755 Scaggsville Road, Laurel 20723

301-725-5178

[emmanuelpreschool@gmail.com](mailto:emmanuelpreschool@gmail.com)

[www.emmanuelpreschool.com](http://www.emmanuelpreschool.com)

Ages served: 2 to 5 years

Offering two-, three- and five- day classes, before and after care in a unique, hands-on approach that focuses on social/emotional development, allowing children to discover the world around them.

## Erica's Family Child Care

5461 Mystic Court, Columbia 21044

ericamack47@gmail.com

410-302-9469

Ages served: 2 to 4 years

A safe learning environment and positive setting for each child's future. Program designed to enrich children's learning development through sharing, exploring and experimenting.

## F

### Fairlane Family Child Care LLC

1029 Thunderbird Drive, Woodbine 21797

410-412-4007

[info@FairlaneFamilyChildCare.com](mailto:info@FairlaneFamilyChildCare.com)

[www.FairlaneFamilyChildCare.com](http://www.FairlaneFamilyChildCare.com)

Ages served: Infant to 12 years

Warm and welcoming environment where children play, learn and grow. MSDE-approved Aspire PreK Program.

## First Lutheran Preschool

3604 Chatham Road, Ellicott City 21043

410-465-5977

[f1cpreschool@firstlutheranec.org](mailto:f1cpreschool@firstlutheranec.org)

[www.firstlutheranpreschoolec.com](http://www.firstlutheranpreschoolec.com)

Ages served: 2 to 4 years

Specialize in offering a warm, nurturing preschool experience for young children and their families.

## First Start Childcare and Learning Center

6501 Huntshire Drive, Elkridge 21075

410-379-8200

[firststartparent@firststartcenters.com](mailto:firststartparent@firststartcenters.com)

[http://www.firststartcenters.com/](http://www.firststartcenters.com)

Ages served: 6 weeks to 5 years and virtual learning for 5 to 13 years (Pre-K to 5th grade)

We provide a safe and caring atmosphere that nurtures children in early developmental stages.

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## G

### **Gan Israel Preschool and Daycare**

770 Howes Land, Columbia 21044

410-740-2424

Ganisrael@comcast.net

<https://www.lubavitchhowardcounty.org/>

Ages served: Infants through Pre-K

A Jewish preschool and daycare serving Jewish families of all backgrounds and affiliations. Our program is Reggio-inspired and child-centered in a warm and nurturing environment.

### **Gina's Home Away From Home Family Child Care**

6129 Sinbad Place, Columbia 21045

410-707-4313

Ages served: Infant to school age

Play-based curriculum that fosters age-appropriate activities that encourage language and literacy, math and reasoning, as well as social and emotional development.

### **Glenelg Country School**

12793 Folly Quarter Road, Ellicott City 21042

410-531-8600

admission@glenelg.org

[www.glenelg.org](http://www.glenelg.org)

Ages served: 2 years through grade 12

A non-sectarian, co-educational independent day school located on a 90-acre campus.

### **Glenelg United Methodist Church Preschool**

13900 Burntwoods Road, Glenelg 21737

410-489-7702

admin@gumcpreschool.org

[www.gumcpreschool.org](http://www.gumcpreschool.org)

Ages served: 2 to 5 years

A play-based education focused on whole child development and individual opportunities for growth (physically, academically, spiritually, socially and emotionally) through best practices.

### **Glenwood Country Day School**

14785 Bushy Park Road, Woodbine 21797

410-489-5203 (Head of School, Mrs. Poland)

administration@glenwoodcountrydayschool.com

[www.glenwoodcountrydayschool.com](http://www.glenwoodcountrydayschool.com)

Ages served: 2 to 13 years

A small, private, accredited school/camp located on 40 wooded acres. We have six learning stations throughout the property providing outdoor experiences to enhance their education.

### **Glen Mar Early Learning Center**

4701 New Cut Road, Ellicott City 21043

410-461-2859

elc@glenmarumc.org

<https://glenmarelc.org/>

Ages served: 6 weeks to 5 years

Providing a high-quality, licensed, affordable, and nurturing early preparatory experience that helps establish a firm foundation for children to thrive educationally, socially and emotionally.

### **Good Beginnings**

10473 Gorman Road, Laurel 20723

301-776-6670

randall@gbeginnings.com

[www.gbeginnings.com](http://www.gbeginnings.com)

Ages served: 18 months to 5 years

A small childcare center that accepts a maximum of 30 children. Our goal is to provide the highest quality care and education available in a home-like environment.

### **Grace Early Learning Center**

6725 Montgomery Road, Elkridge 21075

410-796-4561

info@gelcridge.org

<https://www.graceearlylearningcenter.org/>

Ages served: Infant to 12 years

Offering a safe, secure learning environment that supports each child's individual social, emotional, physical, and intellectual development.

### **Greater Montessori School**

Providing an authentic Montessori education, with focus not only on academics, but also supporting emotional, intellectual, physical, and social development. Offering a variety of enrichment activities such as music, art, yoga, science, gardening, cooking, dance, and Spanish.

#### **Greater Montessori School — COLUMBIA**

9100 Quarterstaff Road, Columbia 21044

443-620-4666

Columbia@greatermontessori.com

[www.greatermontessori.com](http://www.greatermontessori.com)

Ages served: 6 weeks to 6 years

#### **Greater Montessori School — ELLICOTT CITY**

8866 Columbia 100 Parkway, Columbia 21045

443-741-2337

ellicottcity@greatermontessori.com

[www.greatermontessori.com](http://www.greatermontessori.com)

Ages served: 6 weeks to 6 years



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## Green Mountain Family Child Care Center

10395 Green Mountain Circle, Columbia 21045

703-229-9041

aishaarifmd@gmail.com

Ages served: ages 2 to 4 years

Montessori-based early childhood education program.



## HCPSS Pre-K Program

<https://www.hcpss.org/schools/pre-k-programs/hcpss-pre-k/>

HCPSS offers high-quality half-day and full-day prekindergarten programs. Students must be four years old by September 1 to be considered for enrollment in the 2024-2025 school year. The comprehensive curriculum, taught by certified staff, supports early learning and school readiness and provides experiences that foster children's academic, social, emotional and physical development.

## Highland Playschool

13342 Clarksville Pike, Highland MD 20777

301-778-1020

[kelly@highlandplayschool.com](mailto:kelly@highlandplayschool.com)

[www.highlandplayschool.com](http://www.highlandplayschool.com)

Ages served: 6 weeks to 5 years

An amazing little center fashioned after home-based childcare with the resources of a center. Loving and qualified teachers share a love of learning with your child.

## Hilltop Early Learning Center

12121 Linden-Linthicum Lane, Clarksville 21029

443-535-8505

[Jessica@HilltopELC.com](mailto:Jessica@HilltopELC.com)

[www.HilltopELC.com](http://www.HilltopELC.com)

Ages served: 3 to 5 years

A MSDE-accredited, Christian, non-profit preschool providing hands-on learning. Open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. with school year and summer sessions.

## Home4Kidz Family Daycare

10105 Wesleigh Drive, Columbia 21046

240-483-3038

[homeforkidz@gmail.com](mailto:homeforkidz@gmail.com)

<https://home4kidz.com>

Ages served: 2 to school age

A quality child care program where respect for all is mandatory.



## Howard County Conservancy Nature Preschool

6553 Belmont Woods Road, Elkridge 21075

410-465-8337

[preschool@howardnature.org](mailto:preschool@howardnature.org)

<https://www.howardnature.org/preschool/>

Ages served: 3 to 5 years

Nature nourishes our community! The Howard County Conservancy's Nature Preschool fosters connections to the natural world while supporting a holistic approach to child development through our nature-based, emergent curriculum.

## HOWARD COUNTY RECREATION AND PARKS

### RECREATIONAL LICENSED CHILD CARE (RLC)

7120 Oakland Mills Road, Columbia 21046

Contact Stephanie Wise at [swise@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:swise@howardcountymd.gov)

410-313-4712

## Early Learning Center (ELC)

410-313-3706

[registration@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:registration@howardcountymd.gov)

<https://www.howardcountymd.gov/recreation-parks/recreational-licensed-child-care>

Ages served: 3 to 5 years

Offered at the Roger Carter Center, the ELC is a safe, nurturing, creative, and active learning environment, with activities for social/emotional development, kindergarten readiness, crafts, science, music, and healthy habits. Licensed through MSDE Office of Child Care and a Maryland EXCELS participant.

## Before and After School Care

*Located at these elementary schools: Bellows Spring, Bollman Bridge, Bushy Park, Dayton Oaks, Deep Run, Duckett's Lane, Elkridge, Forest Ridge, Fulton, Gorman Crossing, Hanover Hills, Hollifield Station, Ilchester, Laurel Woods, Lisbon, Manor Woods, Pointers Run, Rockburn, St. John's Lane, Triadelphia Ridge, Veterans, Waverly and West Friendship.*

410-313-3706

[registration@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:registration@howardcountymd.gov)

[www.howardcountymd.gov/childcare](https://www.howardcountymd.gov/childcare)

Ages served: 5+ years

Offering a variety of recreational activities (crafts, games, sports, special events), plus morning and afternoon snacks.

All programs are licensed through MSDE Of Office of Child Care and participate in Maryland EXCELS.

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**“** *I am very happy with all the help I have received. My son is now ready to go to preschool and I have the tools to support him. Thank you for this wonderful program!* **”**

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## **idea lab kids Howard County**

8980 Old Annapolis Rroad, Suites E-F, Columbia 21045

443-542-2242

hoco@ideabkids.com

<http://www.Hoco.IdeaLabKids.com>

Ages served: 5 to 14 years

Offering after school care, summer camps, workshops, birthday parties using coding, engineering, arts, science, 3D-design, culinary, maths. Visit our S.T.E.A.M maker space today.

## **International Children's House**

4649 Columbia Road, Ellicott City 21042

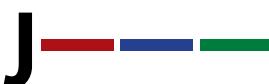
443-537-3256

ichildrenshouse@gmail.com

[www.ichildrenshouse.info](http://www.ichildrenshouse.info)

Ages served: 2 to 5 years

Educating the whole child and inspiring all to be caring, socially-responsible members of the community and world, our team is highly-qualified with Montessori-certified lead guides.



## **Julia Brown Schools**

Private school educating children with the finest Montessori method. In-person and distance learning available.

Family owned and operated since 1967.

### **Julia Brown Schools — LAUREL**

9450 Madison Avenue, Laurel 20723

301-498-0604

spasta.jbs@gmail.com

[www.juliabrownschools.com](http://www.juliabrownschools.com)

Ages served: 18 months to 9 years

### **Julia Brown Schools — COLUMBIA**

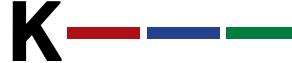
9760 Owen Brown Road, Columbia 21045

410-730-5056

spasta.jbs@gmail.com

[www.juliabrownschools.com](http://www.juliabrownschools.com)

Ages served: 18 months to 9 years



## **Kathy's Kids**

5410 Hesperus Drive, Columbia 21044

efford2294@gmail.com

410-707-8441

Ages served: 0 to 2 years

Family childcare program that focuses on children as individuals.

## **Kelly Jean's Home Daycare**

9839 Rainleaf Court, Columbia 21046

kjpatino@verizon.net

443-280-7072

<https://www.facebook.com/kellyjean5>

Ages served: 0 to 2 years

Caring, nurturing and educating children from birth until preschool.

## **Kiddie Academy of Columbia**

5550 Sterrett Place, Columbia 21044

410-740-9000

KAofColumbia@gmail.com

<https://kiddieacademy.com/academies/columbia/>

Ages served: 6 weeks to school age

Providing an overarching Life Essentials philosophy providing your child the physical, emotional, technological, and cognitive foundation they need to thrive in school and life.

## **Kiddie Academy of Elkridge**

6534 Old Waterloo Road, Elkridge 21075

410-799-7722

elkridge@kiddieacademy.net

<https://kiddieacademy.com/academies/elkridge/>

Ages served: 6 weeks through 5<sup>th</sup> grade

Offering a well-balanced curriculum that meets the needs of children academically, socially and emotionally which exceeds the path to kindergarten readiness.

## **Kiddie Academy of Ellicott City**

10035 Baltimore National Pike, Ellicott City 21042

410-313-8898

kaofellicottcity@gmail.com

[www.kiddieacademy.com](http://www.kiddieacademy.com)

Ages served: 6 weeks to 12 years

Offering a curriculum that not only prepares your child for school, but prepares them for life. We set the standards for safety, education and trust.

## **Kiddie Garden Child Care Learning Center**

8909 Twelve Sons Court, Jessup 20794

301-604-3575

info@Kiddie-Garden.com

<https://kiddie-garden.com>

Ages served: 6 weeks to school-age

Providing safe childcare services for working parents with our trained staff always guarding your child when you are away.

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## Kiddie Mundo Spanish Immersion Learning Center

8995 Lambskin Lane, Columbia 21045

410-740-9800

[info@kiddiemundoeducation.com](mailto:info@kiddiemundoeducation.com)

[www.kiddiemundoeducation.com](http://www.kiddiemundoeducation.com)

Ages served: 2 to 5 years

A Spanish immersion preschool center with a project-based curriculum, healthy snacks and eco-friendly activities.

## Kids Habitat II

5138 Thunder Hill Road, Columbia 21045

410-774-0123

[kidshabitatii@gmail.com](mailto:kidshabitatii@gmail.com)

[www.kidshabitatii.com](http://www.kidshabitatii.com)

Ages served: 6 weeks to 12 years

Dedicated to creating an environment that develops children by encouraging their growth, physical development, interactions, and cognitive skills to discover the world.

## Kids Kingdom Child Care and Learning Center

9900 Washington Boulevard, Suites A/B/C, Laurel 20723

301-776-7722

[kidskingdom.cclc@gmail.com](mailto:kidskingdom.cclc@gmail.com)

[www.kkcclc.com](http://www.kkcclc.com)

Ages served: 6 weeks to 12 years

Helping each child grow emotionally, socially, cognitively, physically, and creatively. Each child is guided to their individual uniqueness, explore the world around them and develop healthy relationships.

## Kid's Time Out

5809 Clarksville Square Drive, #101, Clarksville 21029

410-531-3858

[kidstimeout@gmail.com](mailto:kidstimeout@gmail.com)

[www.kidstimeout1.com/](http://kidstimeout1.com/)

Ages served: 2 to 12 years

Early learning preschool program, drop-in care, and before and after school care.

## Kim's Family Child Care

2506 McKenzie Road, Ellicott City 21042

[kmplitt@aol.com](mailto:kmplitt@aol.com)

443-621-4194

Ages served: 2 to 4 years

Serving Howard County families for 35 years to support the growth of their children. Daily activities are provided to capture the fun of reading, playing games and experience hands-on learning.

## KinderCare Learning Center

6080 Marshalee Drive, Elkridge 21075

410-796-0666

[301533@klcorp.com](mailto:301533@klcorp.com)

[https://www.kinderCare.com](http://https://www.kinderCare.com)

Ages served: 6 weeks to 12 years

An early childhood education program that serves children of all backgrounds. We have an innovative curriculum and are the number one leader in childcare.

## Kindred Learning Center

7739 Mayfield Avenue, Elkridge 21075

410-904-5988

[kindredlearningcenter@gmail.com](mailto:kindredlearningcenter@gmail.com)

Ages served: 6 weeks to 5 years

We strive to build great leaders one family at a time.



## LaPetite Academy

Working together to ensure the care provided for children and parents is the same level of care we would want for ourselves and our families. We also feature WatchMeGrow, live-streaming camera access for our families, and Prep Lab, a program designed to support distance learning for school-age children.

### LaPetite Academy — COLUMBIA EDEN BROOK

7475 Eden Brook Drive, Columbia 21046

410.381.4576

[7054@lapetite.com](mailto:7054@lapetite.com)

[www.lapetite.com](http://www.lapetite.com)

Ages served: 6 weeks to 12 years;  
5 to 12 years Before and After Care

### LaPetite Academy — ELLICOTT CITY

10101 Frederick Road, Ellicott City 21042

410-750-0826

[7057@lapetite.com](mailto:7057@lapetite.com)

[www.lapetite.com](http://www.lapetite.com)

Ages served: 6 weeks to 12 years

### LaPetite Academy — COLUMBIA 100

8890 Columbia 100 Pkwy, Columbia 21045

410-740-5546

[7056@lapetite.com](mailto:7056@lapetite.com)

[www.lapetite.com](http://www.lapetite.com)

Ages served: 6 weeks to 12 years

## Lisbon PreKindergarten (LPK)

915 E. Watersville Road, Mt. Airy 21771

410-489-7422

[thh91@msn.com](mailto:thh91@msn.com)

[https://lisbonprek.org/](http://https://lisbonprek.org/)

Ages served: 3 to 5 years

Located in western Howard county, LPK offers a co-op pre-kindergarten experience to three and four-year-old children and their families.



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## Little Beginners

10617 Johns Hopkins Road, Laurel 20723

240-505-4670

crystalshamim@yahoo.com

<https://mylittlebeginners.com/>

Infant to Pre-K

Nurturing children's confidence and curiosity through caring relationships, joyful experiences, in a safe, home-like atmosphere.

## Little Builders Learning Center

13342 Clarksville Pike, Highland 20777

301-854-2221

Admin@LittleBuildersLearningCenter.com

<https://www.littlebuilderslearningcenter.com/>

Ages served: 6 weeks to 5 years

A high-quality, nurturing, non-denominational, Christian child care facility with dedicated teachers devoted to the early learning experiences.

## Little Eggs Childcare

7005 Banbury Drive, Suite 100, Hanover 21076

410-712-4700

directors@littleeggsc childcare.com

<http://littleeggsc childcare.com/index.php>

Ages served: 6 weeks to school age

With a philosophy toward children to "#simplylove" them, we offer the opportunity for each child to develop according to his or her individual learning style.

## Little Scholar's Playhouse Too

7000 New Colony Boulevard, Elkhridge 21075

410-997-0525

Littlescholarsplayhouse@gmail.com

Ages served: 6 weeks to 12 years

A warm, friendly and inviting atmosphere where children can feel secure and happy, in a learning environment that encourages all to positively interact with peers and teachers.

## Little Stars Learning Center

5265 Elliots Oak Road, Columbia 21044

410-992-3999

littlestarsincolumbia@gmail.com

Ages served: 2 to 12 years

Dedicated to creating an environment that develops children by encouraging their growth, physical development, interactions, and cognitive skills to discover the world.

## Longfellow Nursery School

5267 Elliots Oak Road, Columbia 21044

lns.columbia@gmail.com

<https://www.lnsolumbia.org/>

Ages served: 2 to 4 years

Offering a play-based learning environment where parents take an active role in their child's preschool education.

## Lornwood Daycare

10453 Green Mountain Circle, Columbia 21044

410-992-7026

lornwood@outlook.com

<https://lornwooddaycare.com/>

Ages served: 6 weeks to 11 years

Since 1979, this family-owned and operated center has been educating children cognizant of each child's uniqueness and special qualities.



## Madhavi Kumari Balam Home Daycare

9907 Balsam Way, Laurel 20723

muralee88@hotmail.com

301-467-0046

Ages served: 0 to 2 years

Home daycare service in a safe, secure, loving and challenging learning environment, with a play-based approach to learning.

## Magic Minds, Inc.

7739 Mayfield Avenue, Elkhridge 21075

443-927-8777

magicmindscamp@gmail.com

[www.m2inc.info](http://www.m2inc.info)

Ages served: 5 to 12 years

Offering before care, after care, homework assistance, academic tutoring, and transportation to and from school.

## Magical Mundo

4914 Alice Avenue, Ellicott City 21043

787-433-4311

magicalmundobilingualfcc@gmail.com

Magical Mundo/Facebook

Ages served: 2 to 6 years

Bilingual (English/Spanish) family child care, September-June calendar, summer camps offered.

## Maple Lawn Montessori in Laurel

10215 Guilford Road, Jessup 20794

240-294-4599

laurel@mlmontessori.com

<http://laurel.mlmontessori.com/>

Ages served: 6 weeks to 5 years

A daycare teaching education, independence and fun. Children learn to prepare for kindergarten while being exposed to culturally-rich programs.



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### Mothers Touch Child Care

14900 Belle Ami Drive, Laurel, 20707

240-350-9582

dcs91756@hotmail.com

Ages served: Infant to 5 years

Over 10 years of experience offering a loving, safe, child-friendly environment for children to explore and learn.

### Mt. Hebron Nursery School

2330 Mt. Hebron Drive, Ellicott City 21042

410-461-2773

amyschroeder@mthebronnursery.org

[www.mthebronnursery.org](http://www.mthebronnursery.org)

Ages served: 2 to 3 years • Pre-K

MSDE-accredited, Maryland Excels Top-Rated Level 5 School. Named Healthy Howard and Eco-Friendly child care center, offering asthma-friendly childcare; after school clubs; music, art and physical education. Childcare Aware preferred provider.

### Mt. Zion Christian Preschool

12430 Scaggsville Road, Highland 20777

301-854-2387

mzcps@verizon.net

[www.mtzionhighland.com](http://www.mtzionhighland.com)

Ages served: 2 to 3 years • Pre-K

A MSDE-licensed Christian preschool offering a safe and loving environment. Our learning-through-play program encourages spiritual, social, emotional, physical, and intellectual development.



### Nancy Cauley Family Child Care

17531 Country View Way, Mount Airy 21771

nancymco@aol.com

443-472-8968

Home daycare provider serving children infant through school age.

### Nancy's Day Care

8461 Leishear Road, Laurel 20723

Nancycoon66@gmail.com

301-580-4866 or 301-725-3256

Ages served: Infant to 8 years

In-home environment offering preschool curriculum that focuses on learning and exploration.

### Neighbor Family Day Care

6216 Briar Court, Elkridge 21075

410-300-4914

pebbles510@verizon.net

Ages served: Infant to pre-K

Safe and reliable childcare. PreK programming provided.

### Northcrest Montessori

12345 Wake Forest Road, Suite J, Clarksville 21029

410-690-4890

admissions@northcrestmontessori.com

[www.northcrestmontessori.com](http://www.northcrestmontessori.com)

Ages served: 18 months to 6 years

Providing a quality learning experience by following the individual needs and strengths of the child in accordance with the guidelines set by the Association Montessori Internationale.

### Nurturing Nest Montessori School

5885 Robert Oliver Place, Columbia 20145

410-772-6378

admin@nurturingnestmontessori.com

Ages served: 4 months to Kindergarten

We have been caring for children ages four months through kindergarten and supporting families with the Montessori philosophy since 2009.



### Our Lady of Perpetual Help School (OLPH)

4801 Ilchester Road, Ellicott City 21043

410-744-4251

admissions@olphschool.org

[www.olphschool.org](http://www.olphschool.org)

Ages served: 4-year old Pre-K 4 with extended care options

Offering a full-day Pre-K 4 fostering the growth of the whole child and invite children to see themselves as uniquely created and loved by God.

# We are here when you need us.

- BGE Assistance
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- Disability Services
- Employment Assistance
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- Ex-offender Services
- Financial Coaching
- Food Stamps

- Home Delivery
- Meal Assistance
- Housing Assistance
- Immigration Services
- Information and Referral
- Legal Assistance
- Medical Assistance
- Veteran Benefits Assistance
- Water Bill Assistance



Office of Community Partnerships

Department of Community Resources and Services

- TEL 410-313-0220 (VOICE/RELAY)
- EMAIL [mscinfo@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:mscinfo@howardcountymd.gov)
- WEBSITE [www.howardcountymd.gov/msc](http://www.howardcountymd.gov/msc)
- ADDRESS 9900 Washington Boulevard, Suite I, Laurel 20723

The MSC is accessible via the RTA Bus PURPLE Route

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## P

### **Pallotti Early Learning Center at St. Mary of the Mills**

800 Main Street, Laurel MD 20707

[pelcdirector@stmaryofthemills.org](mailto:pelcdirector@stmaryofthemills.org)

301-776-6471

[www.stmaryslaurel/pelc](http://www.stmaryslaurel/pelc)

Ages served: 2 to 5 years

A faith-based center that offers hands-on learning with experienced, caring teachers. Serving preschoolers since 1973.

### **Peter Pan Learning Center**

1260 Driver Road, Marriottsville 21104

410-442-1440

[info@peterpanlearningcenter.com](mailto:info@peterpanlearningcenter.com)

[www.peterpanlearningcenter.com](http://www.peterpanlearningcenter.com)

Ages served: 6 weeks to 5 years

A privately-owned, accredited center located on over two acres and have been in operation for over 40 years.

### **Precious Gems Daycare**

5674 Waterloo Road, Columbia 21045

410-461-2262 or 443-850-9244

Ages served: Infant to 5 years

Our program fosters curiosity, and creativity, to support overall development and learning.

### **Precious Ones Learning & Outreach, Inc.**

5501 Edmondson Avenue, Baltimore 21229

[precious1learning@yahoo.com](mailto:precious1learning@yahoo.com)

443-636-5488

Ages served: 0 to 2 years

In-home child care providing for children from birth to school age.

### **Primrose School of Ellicott City**

3255 Corporate Court, Ellicott City 21042

[Director@PrimroseEllicottCity.com](mailto:Director@PrimroseEllicottCity.com)

410-200-9898

[www.PrimroseEllicottCity.com](http://www.PrimroseEllicottCity.com)

Ages served: 2 to 4 years

A program using a multi-sensory, hands-on learning approach to teach fine motor skills, auditory and visual learning using center time, books, songs, technology, and art.

### **Public School Employees' Child Development Program**

*Located at high schools: Atholton, Cedar Lane School, Long Reach, Marriots Ridge, Oakland Mills, Reservoir, and River Hill*

410-888-9040

[Enrollment@psecdp.org](mailto:Enrollment@psecdp.org)

[www.psecdp.org](http://www.psecdp.org)

Ages served: 6 weeks to 5 years

A private, non-profit, early childhood program with an overall goal of kindergarten readiness, beginning at birth.

## R

### **Robinson Nature Center Early Childhood Outdoor Classes**

6692 Cedar Lane, Columbia 21044

410-313-0400

[esaleiro@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:esaleiro@howardcountymd.gov)

[www.howardcountymd.gov/recreation-parks/robinson-nature-center](http://www.howardcountymd.gov/recreation-parks/robinson-nature-center)

Ages served: 0 to 5 years

Children use nature as a platform for discovery, emergent learning, and development at the nature center. This outdoor program combines play and building pre-school skills.

### **Running Brook Children's Nursery**

5730 Columbia Road, Columbia 21044

410-997-4662

[info@rbcbn.org](mailto:info@rbcbn.org)

<https://rbcbn.org/>

Ages served: 2 to 4 years

A cooperative part-day nursery program. Morning classes are two hours and 15 minutes; afternoon classes are two and a half hours. Children must reach entering age for each class by September 1.

## S

### **Shining Stars Learning Center**

9535 Whiskey Bottom Road, Laurel 20723

301-498-5285

[raymhicks@hotmail.com](mailto:raymhicks@hotmail.com)

[www.starslearningcenter.com](http://www.starslearningcenter.com)

Ages served: 6 weeks to 13 years

Providing high-quality child care in our community for over 15 years, putting safety first to protect our families and staff.

### **St. Alphonsus Preschool**

10800 Old Court Road, Woodstock 21163

410-461-2168

[preschool@stalchurch.org](mailto:preschool@stalchurch.org)

[www.stalpreschool.com](http://www.stalpreschool.com)

Ages served: 2 to 6 years

Preschool and kindergarten programs, flexible schedules and after care available, in a loving and caring learning environment.

### **St. Augustine Catholic Preschool**

5990 Old Washington Road, Elkridge 21075

[jross@staug-md.org](mailto:jross@staug-md.org)

410-796-3040

<https://staug-md.org/>

Ages served: infants to 4 years

A quality learning experience that incorporates fun in a safe and loving environment.

### **St. Louis Early Learning Center**

12500 Clarksville Pike, Clarksville 21209

410-531-6664

[stlouisschool@stlouisparish.org](mailto:stlouisschool@stlouisparish.org)

<https://www.slsmd.org/>

Ages served: 4 to 5 years

Designed to encourage the spiritual, cognitive, social, emotional, and physical development of your child.

# Early Care and Education Programs

## St. Michael Preschool

1125 St. Michaels Road, Mount Airy 21771

240-437-3669

[mlawton@smchurch.org](mailto:mlawton@smchurch.org)

[www.smchurch.org](http://www.smchurch.org)

Ages served: 3 to 4 years

A licensed child care center operating as a ministry of St. Michael Church. We offer part- and full-time programs.

## St. Peter's Episcopal School

3695 Rogers Avenue, Ellicott City 21043

410-461-7283

[director@stpeterspreschool.org](mailto:director@stpeterspreschool.org)

[www.stpeterspreschool.org](http://www.stpeterspreschool.org)

Ages served: 2 to 5 years

We are a Christian, play-based program where every teacher knows every student. We emphasize outdoor play, social-emotional development, self-regulation, and self-help skills.

## Stemtree of Columbia

8640 Guilford Road, Ste B70, Columbia 21797

240-708-4929

[Columbia@stemtree.com](mailto:Columbia@stemtree.com)

[www.stemtree.com/columbia](http://www.stemtree.com/columbia)

Ages served: 5 to 12 years

Tutoring center that includes coding robotics, electrical engineering science and math programs. Before and after school care is available.



## Teaching, Learning, Caring

Ellicott City 21043

410-303-0954

[MissLaurie@teachinglearningcaring.com](mailto:MissLaurie@teachinglearningcaring.com)

[www.teachinglearningcaring.com](http://www.teachinglearningcaring.com)

Ages served: 2 to 4 years

Providing quality, trusted childcare services since 1994. Nationally Accredited Program NAFCC Credentialled & MD Excels highest levels. Mixed age groups.

## Temple Isaiah Preschool

12200 Scaggsville Road, Fulton 20759

301-317-1101

[meredith@templeisaiah.org](mailto:meredith@templeisaiah.org)

[https://templeisaiah.org/learning/preschool/](http://templeisaiah.org/learning/preschool/)

Ages served: 2 to 5 years; plus, a parent-toddler program for 1 to 2 1/2 year-olds

Temple Isaiah welcomes children of all backgrounds to play, learn, and grow in our hands-on, experiential, safe, and nurturing environment.

## The Daycare and Preschool at Garrison Forest

300 Garrison Forest Road, Owings Mills 21117

410-363-6077

[damitaclarkrobinson@gfs.org](mailto:damitaclarkrobinson@gfs.org)

<https://www.gfs.org/academics/early-childhood-education/daycare>

Ages served: 6 weeks to 24 months

A loving, safe and nurturing environment for our youngest learners to grow! Our one-on-one interactions ensure individualized focus on developmentally-appropriate, social/emotional and cognitive goals.

## The Goddard School Columbia

10220 Old Columbia Road, Suite A, Columbia 21046

410-531-1511

[Columbia2MD@goddardschools.com](mailto:Columbia2MD@goddardschools.com)

<https://www.goddardschool.com/schools/md/columbia/columbia>

Ages served: 0 to 2 years

An MSDE-accredited program providing quality education that inspires children to learn and grow. Our environment is fun, safe and nurturing. We also offer a summer program for school age children.

## The Goddard School of Ellicott City

5633 Waterloo Road, Ellicott City 21043

410-730-1500

[dellicottcitymd@goddardschools.com](mailto:dellicottcitymd@goddardschools.com)

[www.goddardschool.com/baltimore/ellicott-city-waterloo-road-md](http://www.goddardschool.com/baltimore/ellicott-city-waterloo-road-md)

Ages served: Birth to 6 years

NAEYC-accredited educational preschool where children will become confident learners who are ready for kindergarten and a lifetime of learning.

## The Goddard School in Marriottsville

2200 Brighton Run Court, Marriottsville 21104

410-442-2122

[marriottsvillemd@goddardschools.com](mailto:marriottsvillemd@goddardschools.com)

<https://www.goddardschool.com/baltimore/marriottsville-brighton-run-court-md>

Ages served: 6 weeks to 6 years

Making health and safety our top priority, and offering full-time and before and after care programs. Committed that each child benefits from all interactions with our high-quality, education team.

## The Kids' Connection

5355 Phelps Luck Drive, Columbia 21045

410-992-6820

[brightbeginnings@aol.com](mailto:brightbeginnings@aol.com)

Ages served: Pre-K through 6<sup>th</sup> grade

Offering quality, affordable before- and after-school care and full-day virtual learning and summer camp care.

## The Okinawan Karate Dojo

4900 Waterloo Road, Ellicott City 21043

443-574-8999

[info@okinawankaratedojo.com](mailto:info@okinawankaratedojo.com)

[OKDKarate.com](http://OKDKarate.com)

Ages served: 5+ years

After school program with transportation from area schools. Hosting summer and school's out camps in a beautiful facility with experienced and engaging staff.

# Early Care and Education Programs

## The Young School

Caring for children since 1987, we aim to inspire a lifelong love of learning by providing a thoughtful, nurturing environment for children and are influenced by the RIE & Reggio Emilia Philosophies.

### The Young School – KING'S CONTRIVANCE

8310 Guilford Road, Columbia 21046

410-498-6647

jessica@youngschool.com

[www.youngschool.com](http://www.youngschool.com)

Ages served: 6 weeks to 5 years

### The Young School AT KENDALL RIDGE

8251 Tamar Drive, Columbia 21045

410-498-8932

tonigary@youngschool.com

[www.youngschool.com](http://www.youngschool.com)

Ages served: 8 weeks to 5 years

### The Young School AT ELLICOTT CITY

3240 Bethany Lane, Ellicott City 21042

410-724-1278

lesliewesley@youngschool.com

[www.youngschool.com](http://www.youngschool.com)

Ages served: 8 weeks to 5 years

### Tree of Life Early Learning Center

11200 Scaggsville Road, #121, Laurel 20723

240-294-6071

treeoflifeelc@gmail.com

[www.treeoflifeelc.com](http://www.treeoflifeelc.com)

Ages served: 6 weeks to 5 years

Our mission is for every single child to experience a love for God, along with a love for learning, in a safe and healthy environment, that will prepare youngsters for grade school.

### Trinity School

4985 Ilchester Road, Ellicott City 21043

410-744-1524

admissions@trinityschoolmd.org

[www.trinityschoolmd.org](http://www.trinityschoolmd.org)

Ages served: 3 to 13 years

A Catholic, independent school serving 3-year-old preschool through 8<sup>th</sup> grade. We have a strong curriculum, nurturing environment, holistic learning. We teach skills for life.



### United Way Family Center at Columbia

7115 Columbia Gateway, Columbia 21046

667-351-5160

sharon.buttarji@uwcml.org

Ages served: infant to 4 years

A holistic approach to providing high-quality child care and early childhood education. Maryland Child Care Scholarship accepted.



### Wilde Lake Children's Nursery

10518 Marble Faun Lane, Columbia 21044

410-997-4856

info@wlcn.net

[www.wlcn.net](http://www.wlcn.net)

Ages served: 2 to 4 years

A cooperative preschool offering play-based programs, providing students an educational exposure to language arts, music, mathematics, social development, and science.

### Wincopia Home Montessori

9908 Loch Less Lane, Laurel 20723

443-280-1239

info@wincopiahomemontessori.com

<https://wincopiahomemontessori.com/>

Offers Montessori curriculum for ages 3 to 5 years.

### World Champion Martial Arts Center/

### World Champion Learning Center

9105-J All Saints Road, Laurel 20723

301-725-2121

welovemasterlee@gmail.com

<http://welovemasterlee.com/>

Ages served: Kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> grade

Before and after school care, all day school's out, summer, and spring camps. Transportation provided (full and half day) for martial arts classes.



### Your Journey Nursery & Preschool

3070 Route 97, Glenwood 21738

240-394-6311

yourjourneydaycare@gmail.com

<https://yourjourneydoula.com/nurseryandpreschool>

Ages served: 2 to 12 years

A stimulating, inclusive and dynamic environment to prepare your children for kindergarten and beyond.



# THE CARE LINE

## for Howard County Families

- Assistance finding child care.  
LOCATE Child Care  
Child Care Scholarship (CCS)
- Extended family and guardian resources.
- Food access, housing and other needs.
- Guidance with parenting.
- Mental and emotional health support.
- Special needs resources.
- Home visiting.



**410-313-CARE (2273)**  
VOICE/RELAY

[children@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:children@howardcountymd.gov)  
[www.howardcountymd.gov/children](http://www.howardcountymd.gov/children)

This **FREE SERVICE** is provided by the Howard County Department of Community Resources and Services and its Office of Children and Families.

If you need this information in an alternative format, contact the Office of Children and Families at 410-313-1940 (voice/relay) or [children@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:children@howardcountymd.gov).

## Parenting little ones is hard. **WE CAN HELP.**

The Howard County Family Support Center is **OPEN** to assist you!

9790 Patuxent Woods Drive, Columbia 21046

► Attention parents of young children:  
Come learn and play together!

EXPLORE  
the Possibilities!



**Howard County**  
Office of Children and Families  
Family Support Center

[children@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:children@howardcountymd.gov) • 410-313-CARE (2273)

**MARYLAND  
FAMILY  
NETWORK**  
Leading Maryland's  
Family Support Centers

# Other Educational Resources

## PUBLIC EDUCATION

For a listing of private, accredited, learning facilities, visit the Maryland Public School website at <http://marylandpublicschools.org/about/Pages/DEE/NPSA/Nonpublic-Schools-Types.aspx>

### Howard County Public School System

10910 Route 108, Ellicott City 21043

410-313-6600

[www.hcpss.org](http://www.hcpss.org)

### Howard Community College

10901 Little Patuxent Parkway, Columbia 21044

443-518-1000

[www.howardcc.edu](http://www.howardcc.edu)

## HOME SCHOOLING RESOURCES

Families may choose to home educate their children in Maryland as long as they file an official notice of intent with their school board 15 days before beginning.

### Howard County Public School System

#### Department of Special Education and Student Services

410-313-6792

[www.hcpss.org/parents/home-school/](http://www.hcpss.org/parents/home-school/)

Homeschooling information and services.

### Islamic Leadership Institute of America

3290 Pine Orchard Lane, Ellicott City 21042

240-765-7151

[www.islamicleadership.org](http://www.islamicleadership.org)

Offers leadership certifications, clubs, internships, tutoring and homeschooling, mentoring, coaching, counseling and capacity-building projects

### Maryland Association of Christian Home Educators

301-607-4284

[info@machemd.org](mailto:info@machemd.org)

<http://www.machemd.org/>

We are support services for Christian home educators.

### Maryland Home Education Association

9085 Flamepool Way, Columbia 21045

410-730-0073

[www.mhea.com](http://www.mhea.com)

A member association providing services for home educators.

## MENTORING

### A-OK Mentoring

443-895-2457

[www.aokmentor.org](http://www.aokmentor.org)

Volunteer-driven mentoring and tutoring service.

### Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Maryland

410-243-4000

[info@biglittle.org](mailto:info@biglittle.org)

[www.biglittle.org](http://www.biglittle.org)

Providing mentor-based, one-on-one relationships for children facing adversity.

## SUMMER CAMPS

Various camp guides are available. To request a copy, contact the Howard County Office of Children and Families CARE Line at 410-313-CARE (2273) or email [children@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:children@howardcountymd.gov). Camp registrations begin in January and February.

### Columbia Association School Age Services (CA SAS)

[www.columbiaassociation.org](http://www.columbiaassociation.org)

### Howard Community College Kids on Campus

443-518-4110

<https://www.howardcc.edu/programs-courses/continuing-education/courses/kids-on-campus/>

Our Summer Youth Camp is a year-round enrichment education opportunity for youth seven to 17 years of age.

### Howard County Recreation and Parks

See listings beginning page 30 and full-page ad page 41.

## TUTORS and ENRICHMENT

For additional options, call your local school guidance office.

### A-1 Evaluation and Tutoring

410-644-8828

[www.overcomlearningproblems.com](http://www.overcomlearningproblems.com)

### Abrakadoodle Art

410-381-5566

[mdaley@abrakadoodle.com](mailto:mdaley@abrakadoodle.com)

[www.abrakadoodle.com/md04](http://www.abrakadoodle.com/md04)

Abrakadoodle is a mobile children's art education company. We work with children from ages 2-12 years old providing art enrichment.

### Aristotle Circle

2831 Country Lane, Ellicott City 21042

800-467-0895

[www.aristotlecircle.com](http://www.aristotlecircle.com)

In-home tutoring by trained Howard County high school students.

### Best Brains

8455 Baltimore National Pike, Suite E, Ellicott City 21043

410-698-1700

[ellicottcity@bestbrains.com](mailto:ellicottcity@bestbrains.com)

[www.bestbrains.com](http://www.bestbrains.com)

### Brain Train America

8850 Stanford Boulevard, Suite 1800, Columbia 21045

410-750-2133

[info@braintrainamerica.com](mailto:info@braintrainamerica.com)

[www.braintrainamerica.com](http://www.braintrainamerica.com)

### Bright Spot, Inc.

9715 Riverside Circle, Ellicott City 21042

410-465-6856

[office@brightspotinc.com](mailto:office@brightspotinc.com)

[www.brightspotinc.com](http://www.brightspotinc.com)

### Club Z! Tutoring of Columbia

443-280-6083

<https://clubztutoring.com/columbia-md/>

In-home/online tutoring; test prep services to students of all ages.

### Huntington Learning Center

8890 Centre Park Drive, Suite 200, Columbia 21045  
410-740-5577  
<https://huntingtonhelps.com/center/columbia>

### Islamic Leadership Institute of America

See page 18.

### Kumon

[www.kumon.com](http://www.kumon.com)

The proven Kumon method can help your child build a lifetime of math and reading success.

#### Kumon Clarksville

410-997-2617

#### Kumon Elkridge

410-799-6933

#### Kumon Ellicott City/Normandy

240-351-7125

### Love to Learn and Tutor

602-332-2490

[lovetolearnandtutor@gmail.com](mailto:lovetolearnandtutor@gmail.com)

<https://www.lovetolearnandtutor.com/>

### Mathnasium

8827 Centre Park Drive, Suite F, Columbia 21045  
410-219-0542

[columbiamd@mathnasium.com](mailto:columbiamd@mathnasium.com)

[www.mathnasium.com/columbiamd](http://www.mathnasium.com/columbiamd)

### Reading Town

9011 Chevrolet Drive, Ellicott City 21042  
410-465-5465  
<http://ellicottcity.readingtowm.com/>

### ReadyKids Tutoring

410-531-1005

Early childhood education tutoring

### Sensory Station

9150 Rumsey Road, Suite A-3, Columbia 21045  
443-917-2177

[contactus@thesensorystation.com](mailto:contactus@thesensorystation.com)

<http://thesensorystation.com/>

Early childhood enrichment program for ages three to 11 that focuses on reading, writing and the senses.

### Spider Smart Learning Centers

9256 Bendix Road, Suite 101, Columbia 21045  
443-864-5070

[spidersmartho@gmail.com](mailto:spidersmartho@gmail.com)

[www.spidersmart.com/ellicott-city](http://www.spidersmart.com/ellicott-city)

### Sylvan Learning Center

8801 Centre Park Drive, Suite 5, Columbia 21045  
410-656-8358  
[www.sylvanlearning.com](http://www.sylvanlearning.com)

# Howard County Youth Behavioral Health ROAD MAP

A resource for families, health practitioners, school-based professionals, service providers, and other affiliates to provide accessible and comprehensive information to better navigate youth behavioral health supports in Howard County. Behavioral health is used to describe not only ways of promoting well-being by preventing or intervening in mental illness such as depression or anxiety, but also as an aim of preventing or intervening in substance use or other addictions.

Learn where your child is on the road to health and well-being and the resources available for you and your child.



 **Howard County**  
Office of the Local Children's Board

9830 Patuxent Woods Drive, Columbia 21046  
[www.howardcountymd.gov/OLCB](http://www.howardcountymd.gov/OLCB)

For questions or additional information,  
email The Local Children's Board at [lcb@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:lcb@howardcountymd.gov)

# Child Care Resource Center & Infant Early Childhood Mental Health Support Services

Supporting Howard County's Early Childhood System  
So All Children Can Reach Their Full Potential



**FREE RESOURCES and STRATEGIES** to support  
Early Childhood Education programs, and educators,  
young children, and their families.

## Child Care Resource Center – Early Childhood Education Support Services

- Professional Development
- Program Enhancement and Improvement
- Tier 1 Environmental Program Assessment
- Business Development
- Family Engagement
- Resource and Referral

## IECMH Support Services Program

- Behavior Consultations (Tier 2 and Tier 3 Services)
- Classroom Observations
- One-on-one coaching and mentoring to address challenging behaviors (tantrums, aggression, non-compliance, socially withdrawn)
- Professional Development and individualized educator support to develop and increase social emotional skills and build positive relationships

For additional information call 410-313-CARE (2273) VOICE/RELAY  
[children@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:children@howardcountymd.gov) • [www.howardcountymd.gov/children](http://www.howardcountymd.gov/children)

# COMMUNITY RESOURCES AND SUPPORT GROUPS

## ■ Abuse

### **Child Protective Services**

#### **Howard County Department of Social Services**

9780 Patuxent Woods Drive, Columbia 21046

[howco.dss@maryland.gov](mailto:howco.dss@maryland.gov)

<https://dhs.maryland.gov/local-offices/howard-county/>

410-872-4203

Child Protective Services assists people in economic need, provides preventive services and protects vulnerable children and adults.

### **HopeWorks**

9770 Patuxent Woods Drive, Suite 300, Columbia 21046

24-Hour Helpline

Domestic Violence: 410-997-2272 or 800-752-0191

Sexual Assault: 410-997-3292

<https://hopeworks.hfc.org/>

Provides intervention, outreach, educational workshops, community programs, youth leadership projects and systems advocacy.

### **Office of Human Trafficking Prevention, Howard County**

#### **Department of Community Resources and Services**

9830 Patuxent Woods Drive, Columbia 21046

410-313-6558

[www.howardcountymd.gov/ohtp](http://www.howardcountymd.gov/ohtp)

Our mission is to help prevent human trafficking in Howard County and beyond. If you are interested in learning about the work of the Human Trafficking Coordinating Council (HTPCC), or how you can join the fight against sexual and labor trafficking, call 410-313-6558.

### **The Listening Place**

Child Advocacy Center

2850 North Ridge Road, Ellicott City 21043

410-313-2630

A place where partner agencies can come together to interview abuse victims in a safe child-friendly environment.

## ■ Bereavement

### **The Bereaved Parents of the USA— Howard County**

First Presbyterian Church of Howard County

9325 Presbyterian Circle, Columbia 21045

410-321-7053

[www.bereavedparentsusa.org](http://www.bereavedparentsusa.org)

Support group for parents who have lost a child.

### **Center for Infant and Child Loss**

410-706-5062 or 800-808-7437

[caring@infantandchildloss.org](mailto:caring@infantandchildloss.org)

[www.infantandchildloss.org](http://www.infantandchildloss.org)

Counseling, education and support services.

### **The Compassionate Friends of Patapsco Valley**

9120 Frederick Road, Ellicott City 21042

410-356-3374

[info@BaltimoreTCF.com](mailto:info@BaltimoreTCF.com)

[www.baltimoretcf.com](http://www.baltimoretcf.com)

Support group for grieving parents and caregivers.

### **SAILS (Stillborn and Infant Loss Support)**

410-941-9061

[sailsmaryland@gmail.com](mailto:sailsmaryland@gmail.com)

[www.bornintosilence.org](http://www.bornintosilence.org)

SAILS is dedicated to helping those who have lost their child by letting them know that they are not alone.

## ■ Breastfeeding Support

### **Johns Hopkins Howard County Medical Center – Childbirth and Parent Education Programs**

5755 Cedar Lane, Columbia 21044

410-740-7601

<https://events.hcgh.hopkinsmedicine.org/child-parent/>

Breastfeeding support group, childbirth and new parent education, health and wellness screenings, CPR, First Aid, and more.

### **La Leche League of Maryland**

443-424-3733

[llofcolumbia@gmail.com](mailto:llofcolumbia@gmail.com)

[www.llofmd-de-dc.org](http://www.llofmd-de-dc.org)

Support and advocacy for breastfeeding.

### **WIC Program (Women, Infant and Children)**

[howardwic@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:howardwic@howardcountymd.gov)

<https://www.howardcountymd.gov/Departments/Health/Women-Infants-Children-WIC>

Nutrition education program that provides healthy supplemental food and services to pregnant women, new mothers, infants, and children under the age of five.

### **Columbia Health Center**

8930 Standford Boulevard, Columbia 21045

410-313-7510

### **North Laurel Health Center**

9411 Whiskey Bottom Road, Laurel 20723

410-313-0630

## ■ Childbirth Education

### **Better BedRest**

410-740-7662

[info@betterbedrest.org](mailto:info@betterbedrest.org)

[www.betterbedrest.org](http://www.betterbedrest.org)

Support for women with high-risk pregnancies.

### **Bradley Method**

800-423-2397

[www.bradleybirth.com](http://www.bradleybirth.com)

Natural birthing methods.

### **Columbia Pregnancy Center**

8945 Guilford Road, Suite 130, Columbia 21046

410-730-3223 or 24/7 Talk Line call 800-712-HELP (4357)

[www.columbia-babies.org](http://www.columbia-babies.org)

Prenatal care, family planning and other women's health services.

Your child's early years are filled with important stages as they grow, learn and develop.

# TRACK THESE MILESTONES!



## THREE MONTHS

- Lifts head and chest when lying on stomach.
- Moves arms and legs easily.
- Startles at loud noises.
- Quiets to familiar voice or touch.



## SIX MONTHS

- Rolls over in both directions.
- Coos, babbles, squeals, laughs.
- Uses hands and mouth to explore the world.
- Transfers objects from hand to hand.

## NINE MONTHS

- Sits well without support.
- Creeps or crawls.
- Responds to own name.
- Shows feelings (smiling, crying, pointing).



## 12 MONTHS

- Pulls to stand, walks holding onto furniture.
- Uses simple gestures, like shaking head "no" or waving "bye-bye."
- Says "mama" and "dada."
- Moves objects in and out of containers.



## 18 MONTHS

- Walks alone; begins to run.
- Says three or more single words.
- Scribbles with a crayon or pencil.
- Shows interest in other children.

## TWO YEARS

- Walks up and down stairs holding on.
- Points to things or pictures when named.
- Uses two or three words together.
- Builds towers of four or more blocks.



## THREE YEARS

- Builds with blocks; may build a tower of six.
- Uses three-word sentences.
- Plays make-believe (dolls, animals, people).
- Does puzzles with three or four pieces.

## FOUR YEARS

- Tells stories and recalls parts of stories.
- Plays cooperatively with other children.
- Copies simple shapes.
- Follows instructions with two or three steps.



## FIVE YEARS

- Hops; may be able to skip.
- Speaks clearly in sentences of five+ words.
- Counts 10 or more objects.
- Draws a person with at least six body parts.



# COMMUNITY RESOURCES AND SUPPORT GROUPS

## **Johns Hopkins Howard County Medical Center – Childbirth and Parent Education Programs**

See contact information on pg. 21 under Breastfeeding Support.

## **Lamaze/ASPO Childbirth Education**

202-367-1128

[info@lamaze.org](mailto:info@lamaze.org)

[www.lamaze.org](http://www.lamaze.org)

Lamaze seeks to help build confidence and ensure support during pregnancy and birth.

## **Planned Parenthood of Maryland**

Baltimore Health Center

330 North Howard Street, Baltimore 21201

410-576-1414

<https://www.plannedparenthood.org/health-center/maryland/baltimore/21201/baltimore-city-health-center-3292-90620>

Family planning agency that provides high-quality, affordable reproductive health care for women, men and teens.

## **Divorced and Single Parents**

### **Catholic Single Again Council of Baltimore**

410-302-0754

[CatholicSingleAgainCouncil@gmail.com](mailto:CatholicSingleAgainCouncil@gmail.com)

[www.archbalt.org/single-again-catholics-looking-to-find-place-in-church/](http://www.archbalt.org/single-again-catholics-looking-to-find-place-in-church/)

Advocate for the needs of the separated, divorced, or widowed.

### **National Family Resiliency Center**

10632 Little Patuxent Parkway, Columbia 21044

410-740-9553

[www.divorceabc.com](http://www.divorceabc.com) or [www.nfrchelp.org](http://www.nfrchelp.org)

Counseling and educational programs for children and adults to help cope, heal and navigate through divorce and other family transitions.

### **National Stepfamily Resource Center**

[www.stepfamilies.info](http://www.stepfamilies.info)

Links family science research on stepfamilies and best practices in work with couples and children.

## **Employment**

### **Columbia Workforce Center**

7161 Columbia Gateway Drive, Suite D, Columbia 21046

410-290-2600

[Columbia@dhr.state.md.us](mailto:Columbia@dhr.state.md.us)

<http://www.dllr.state.md.us/county/howard/>

Services for adults and teens.

### **Howard Community College**

Counseling & Career Services

10901 Little Patuxent Parkway, Columbia 21044

443-518-1340

[ccs@howardcc.edu](mailto:ccs@howardcc.edu)

<https://www.howardcc.edu/services-support/career-services/>

## **Foster Care and Adoption**

### **Adoptions Together**

2505 Lord Baltimore Drive, Baltimore 21244

410-869-0620

[info@adoptionstogether.org](mailto:info@adoptionstogether.org)

[www.adoptionstogether.org](http://www.adoptionstogether.org)

Adoption resources, information, support and counseling.

### **Building Families for Children**

7161-A Columbia Gateway Drive, Columbia 21046

410-872-1050

[www.buildingfamiliesforchildren.org](http://www.buildingfamiliesforchildren.org)

Services include treatment foster care, transitional housing and comprehensive family services.

### **Catholic Charities**

320 Cathedral Street, Baltimore 21201

667-600-2411

<https://www.catholiccharities-md.org/services/adoption-international-adoption/families@cc-md.org>

Assists with the home study process, communication with foreign adoption agencies and provides support through wait times.

### **Center for Adoption Support and Education (C.A.S.E.)**

4000 Blackburn Lane, Suite 260, Burtonsville 20866

301-476-8525

[caseadopt@adoptionsupport.org](mailto:caseadopt@adoptionsupport.org)

[www.adoptionsupport.org](http://www.adoptionsupport.org)

Empowers foster and adoptive families while promoting adoption awareness and sensitivity.

### **Howard County – Department of Social Services**

See page 21.

### **KidsPeace**

7125 Thomas Edison Drive, Suite 225, Columbia 21046

410-964-9329 or 877-266-8460 (toll free)

[www.kidspeace.org](http://www.kidspeace.org)

Therapeutic foster care, teen mother and baby foster care.

### **National Adoption Center**

1500 Walnut Street, Suite 701, Philadelphia, PA 19102

800-To-Adopt 800-862-3678

[nac@adopt.org](mailto:nac@adopt.org)

[www.adopt.org](http://www.adopt.org)

Committed to finding a permanent loving family for children in foster care.

## **Learning Disabilities**

### **CHADD (Children of Attention Deficit Disorder) of Greater Baltimore**

Howard County Branch of Greater Baltimore

9770 Patuxent Woods Drive, Suite 100, Columbia 21046

410-458-6500

[www.chadd-mc.org](http://www.chadd-mc.org)

Bringing together children and adults with AD/HD, educators, and healthcare professionals.

# COMMUNITY RESOURCES AND SUPPORT GROUPS

**Family Support and Resource Center**  
**Howard County Public School System**  
5451 Beaverkill Road, Columbia 21044  
410-313-7161

<https://www.hcpss.org/special-education/family-resources/>  
Provides services to families of children with special needs including workshops, IEP assistance, newsletters, a lending library, facilitation of parent support groups and service referrals.

## Special Needs Kids Information

<http://www.specialneedskidsinfo.com>

Information, training and support services.

## The International Dyslexia Association

40 York Road, 4<sup>th</sup> floor, Baltimore 21204  
410-296-0232  
[info@dyslexiaida.org](mailto:info@dyslexiaida.org)  
[www.dyslexiaida.org/](http://www.dyslexiaida.org/)

## Legal Issues

### Family Court Services Coordinator

Howard County Circuit Court  
410-313-2225

Answers procedural or general questions regarding family law cases.

### Family Law Hotline

800-845-8550  
[admin@wlcmd.org](mailto:admin@wlcmd.org)

### Howard County Lawyer Referral Service

410-313-3853

### Legal Aid Bureau

3451 Court House Drive, Ellicott City 21043  
410-480-1057  
[www.mdlab.org](http://www.mdlab.org)

Free or low-cost civil legal services to low-income individuals throughout Maryland.



## ■ New Parent Support Groups

### Family Options

### Howard County Health Department

410-313- 5816  
[askhealth@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:askhealth@howardcountymd.gov)  
[www.howardcountymd.gov/Departments/Health](http://www.howardcountymd.gov/Departments/Health)  
Teen parenting program for 19 years or younger, first time pregnant or parenting teen. Provides home visits, group meetings and case management services.

### Healthy Families Howard County®

### Howard County Office of Children and Families

9830 Patuxent Woods Drive, Columbia 21046  
410-313-1940

[children@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:children@howardcountymd.gov)  
[www.howardcountymd.gov/homevisiting](http://www.howardcountymd.gov/homevisiting)

Healthy Families Howard County® is part of a nationwide initiative. This free and voluntary program provides eligible parents living in Howard County with family-centered, strength-based home visiting services. Program goals include promoting positive parent-child relationships, child health, development, social-emotional well-being and safety, school readiness and family self-sufficiency. Ages served: prenatal to five years; call for eligibility requirements.

### Jewish Federation of Howard County

10630 Little Patuxent Parkway, Suite 400, Columbia 21044  
410-730-4976  
[info@jewishhowardcounty.org](mailto:info@jewishhowardcounty.org)  
[www.jewishhowardcounty.org](http://www.jewishhowardcounty.org)

Connecting with Jewish Federation is a simple way to get involved in Jewish life through Shabbat Tots, teen programs, volunteer opportunities and more.

### Parents As Teachers

### Howard County Office of Children and Families

9830 Patuxent Woods Drive, Columbia 21046  
410-313-1940  
[children@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:children@howardcountymd.gov)  
[www.howardcountymd.gov/homevisiting](http://www.howardcountymd.gov/homevisiting)  
A home visiting program designed for parents with children birth to five years; call for eligibility requirements.

## ■ Parenting Issues, Information and Classes

### The ARC of Howard County

11735 Homewood Road, Ellicott City 21042  
410-730-0638  
[www.archoward.org](http://www.archoward.org)

Employment, family and individual support, day programs, and more for children and adults with special needs

### Building Families for Children

See page 22.

### The CARE Line

### Howard County Office of Children and Families

See ad on page 17.

# COMMUNITY RESOURCES AND SUPPORT GROUPS

## Family Programs

### Howard County Office of Children and Families

9830 Patuxent Woods Drive, Columbia 21046

410-313-1440

[children@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:children@howardcountymd.gov)

[www.howardcountymd.gov/family-institute](http://www.howardcountymd.gov/family-institute)

Workshops and information on topics such as child development, school readiness, positive discipline, and adolescent issues.

## Family Options

See page 24.

## Family Support Center

### Howard County Office of Children and Families

9790 Patuxent Woods Drive, Columbia 21046

410-313-2273

[children@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:children@howardcountymd.gov)

[www.howardcountymd.gov/children](http://www.howardcountymd.gov/children)

Community-based preventive programs for parents, caregivers and their children ages birth to five.

## Healthy Families Howard County™

### Howard County Office of Children and Families

See page 24.

## The Jacaranda Center for Family and Youth Development

410-978-1859

[www.thejacarandacenter.org](http://www.thejacarandacenter.org)

Provides family strengthening and youth development through workshops and classes, support groups and teen camps.

## Judy Center at Cradlerock Elementary School

6700 Cradlerock Way, Columbia 21045

410-313-8224

<https://judycenter.hcpss.org/>

Parenting program on child development and support for parents as their child's first teacher (birth to age five). Serves the Cradlerock catchment area only.

## Kinship Navigator Services

Howard County Department of Social Services

9780 Patuxent Woods Drive, Columbia 21046

410-872-8843

[howco.dss@maryland.gov](mailto:howco.dss@maryland.gov)

<http://dhr.maryland.gov/foster-care/kinship-care/>

Supports kinship caregivers caring for minor relatives, assists in linking to resources, offers a support group and other services.

## The Local Care Team (LCT)

### Howard County Office of the Local Children's Board

9830 Patuxent Woods Drive, Columbia 21046

410-313-6552

[lct@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:lct@howardcountymd.gov)

<https://www.howardcountymd.gov/OLCB>

An inter-agency council designed to provide resources and support to families who need to access services for a child with intensive needs. Families and their advocates can self-refer to the LCT for assistance.

## Parents As Teachers Program

### Howard County Office of Children and Families

See page 24.

## Safety Information

### KISS (Kids in Safety Seats)

201 West Preston Street, 4<sup>th</sup> floor, Baltimore 21201

800-370-SEAT (7328)

[MDH.kiss@maryland.gov](mailto:MDH.kiss@maryland.gov)

[www.mdkiss.org](http://www.mdkiss.org)

Promotes child safety seat awareness and usage.

### Safe Kids Coalition

6751 Columbia Gateway Drive, Suite 400, Columbia 21046

410-313-6090

[safekids@howardcountymd.org](mailto:safekids@howardcountymd.org)

[www.safekids.org](http://www.safekids.org)

Safety-based programming awareness.

## Sexuality

### PFLAG (Parents, Families, and Friends of Lesbians and Gays)

443-280-9047

<https://www.pflaghoco.org/>

## Supporting Parents

### Columbia Area Mothers of Multiples

[www.camom.net](http://www.camom.net)

Support network for parents of twins, triplets, or higher order multiples.

### DC Metro Dads

#### (MD, Northern VA, DC—Chapter of Daddyshome, Inc)

1-703-799-2904

[fleetsuper@msn.com](mailto:fleetsuper@msn.com)

[www.dcmetrodads.com](http://www.dcmetrodads.com)

Provides support to stay-at-home dads.

### Howard County Dads

443-910-0882

[josh@howardcountydads.com](mailto:josh@howardcountydads.com)

[www.instagram.com/howardcountydads](http://www.instagram.com/howardcountydads)

[www.facebook.com/howardcountydads](http://www.facebook.com/howardcountydads)

Support network for dads in Howard County.

### Mocha Moms of Howard County

[hocomochas@gmail.com](mailto:hocomochas@gmail.com)

[www.mochamoms.org](http://www.mochamoms.org)

Support and advocacy for moms of color.

### MOMS Club (Moms Offering Moms Support)

[support@momsclub.org](mailto:support@momsclub.org)

[www.momsclub.org](http://www.momsclub.org)

Support group that understands the special needs of an at-home mother. Please visit the website to find a local chapter.

### Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS/MOPPETS)

[www.mops.org/groups/cpc](http://www.mops.org/groups/cpc)

MOPS and MOPPETS is all about meeting the needs of expectant mothers, mothers of preschoolers and mothers of school-aged kids.

### PATH—Parents At Home

[www.meetup.com/Parents-at-home-PATH](http://www.meetup.com/Parents-at-home-PATH)

PATH (Parents-At-Home) is a parents' group that organizes social functions for kid play and adult conversation.

# SPECIAL NEEDS PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

## Abilities Network

8503 LaSalle Road, Towson 21286  
410-828-7700  
[www.abilitiesnetwork.org](http://www.abilitiesnetwork.org)

Programs support children, adults, families and seniors in services who are affected by a diagnosed disability, lack of environmental supports, low-socioeconomic levels, and limited knowledge about resources and/or the capacity to access them.

## The ARC of Howard County

See page 24.

## American Diabetes Association

2002 Clipper Park Road, Suite 110, Baltimore 21211  
410-265-0075 or 800-342-2383  
[ADAMD@diabetes.org](mailto:ADAMD@diabetes.org)  
[www.diabetes.org](http://www.diabetes.org)

## Autism Society of Maryland (AUSOM)

9770 Patuxent Woods Drive, Suite 308, Columbia 21046

410-290-3466

[info@autismsocietymd.org](mailto:info@autismsocietymd.org)

[https://autismsocietymd.org/](http://autismsocietymd.org/)

Serves individuals on the autism spectrum, their families and communities with information, support and advocacy; by promoting awareness; and by working to improve the quality of and access to services and educational opportunities.

## Asthma and Allergy Foundation

410-484-2054 or 800-727-8462  
[www.aafa.org](http://www.aafa.org)

## Brain Injury Association of Maryland

2200 Kernan Drive, Baltimore 21207  
410-448-2924  
[www.biamd.org](http://www.biamd.org)

## BrightStar Care

7060 Oakland Mills Road, Suite P, Columbia 21046  
410-910-9425  
[www.brightstar.com](http://www.brightstar.com)

We provide home services, skilled nursing and other personal care.

## Camp Attaway

8640 Guilford Road, Suite 220, Columbia 21046  
410-730-2633  
[moreinfo@campattaway.org](mailto:moreinfo@campattaway.org)  
<http://campattaway.org/>

A summer day camp for children with emotional and behavioral disorders, offering a variety of activities for safe, therapeutic, and fun-filled days for children, as well as weekly support and education group for parents.

## Camp Inclusion

443-398-8537  
[info@campinclusion.org](mailto:info@campinclusion.org)  
<http://www.campinclusion.org/>

We are a summer day camp for any student with or without a cognitive, social or physical disability.

## Center for Autism Services, Science and Innovation (CASSI™)

### Kennedy Krieger Institute

9800 Patuxent Woods Drive, Suite G, Columbia 21046

<https://www.kennedykrieger.org/locations/center-autism-and-related-disorders-columbia>

Ages served: 2 to 4 years

CASSI™ is a multifaceted, interdisciplinary program serving children, families and professionals in the autism community. It combines clinical services, research and training programs to unlock the potential autistic children and teens, enrich their life experiences, empower parents and promote the well-being of families through evidence-based practices.

## Early Childhood Mental Health Support Services Program (CARE Center)

### Howard County Office of Children and Families

9830 Patuxent Woods Drive, Columbia 21046

410-313-CARE (2273)

[children@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:children@howardcountymd.gov)

[www.howardcountymd.gov/children](http://www.howardcountymd.gov/children)

Individual- and program-wide behavioral consultation, coaching, technical assistance, referrals, training, and parent education.

## Casey Cares Foundation

3918 Vero Road, Baltimore 21227  
443-568-0064

[www.caseycaresfoundation.org](http://www.caseycaresfoundation.org)

Heartwarming and uplifting programs with a special touch for critically ill children across Maryland.

## Crohn's and Colitis Foundation of America

### Maryland/Delaware Chapter

1777 Reisterstown Road, Suite 206, Pikesville 21208  
443-276-0861 • HELPLINE: 888-694-8872  
[www.ccfa.org](http://www.ccfa.org)

## Community Services for Autistic Adults and Children (CSAAC)

240-912-2220  
[www.csaac.org](http://www.csaac.org)

## Cystic Fibrosis Foundation

10626 York Road, Suite A, Cockeysville 21030  
410-628-0795  
[maryland@cff.org](mailto:maryland@cff.org)  
[www.cff.org/Maryland/](http://www.cff.org/Maryland/)

## Disability Rights Maryland

(formerly Maryland Disability Law Center)  
1500 Union Avenue, Suite 2000, Baltimore 21211  
410-727-6325  
[www.disabilityrightsmd.org](http://www.disabilityrightsmd.org)

## Down Syndrome Resource Network of Howard County

410-730-0638

## Family Support and Resource Center

Howard County Public School System  
See page 24.

# SPECIAL NEEDS PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

## The Feingold Association

800-321-3287 or 631-369-9340

[help@feingold.org](mailto:help@feingold.org)

[www.feingold.org](http://www.feingold.org)

Services for parents whose children are chemical-sensitive.

## Friendship Circle

770 Howes Lane, Columbia 21044

443-280-0340

[friendshipcircle@chabadclarksville.org](mailto:friendshipcircle@chabadclarksville.org)

[www.friendshipcirclehc.org](http://www.friendshipcirclehc.org)

Jewish support services for children with autism/other special needs.

## Howard County Office of ADA Coordination

### Department of Community Resources and Services

9830 Patuxent Woods Drive, Columbia 21046

410-313-6402

[www.howardcountymd.gov/ada](http://www.howardcountymd.gov/ada)

Providing technical assistance to county government to ensure that county government complies with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and provides informal guidance to the public on accessibility issues.

## Howard County Early Childhood Special Education

### Howard County Public School System

410-313-7017 — Infants & Toddlers Program (children under 3 years)

410-313-7046 — Child Find for children 3 to 5 years

<https://www.hcpss.org/special-education/early-intervention/>

The HCPSS provides free developmental screenings.

## Howard County Public School System

### Special Education and Student Services

10910 Route 108, Ellicott City 21042

410-313-5661

<https://www.hcpss.org/special-education/services/>

## Juvenile Diabetes Foundation, Maryland Chapter

891 Elkridge Landing Road, Suite 150, Linthicum 21090

410-636-8080

[maryland1@jdrf.org](mailto:maryland1@jdrf.org)

[www.jdrf.org](http://www.jdrf.org)

## Kennedy Krieger Institute

### Behavioral Psychology Outpatient Programs

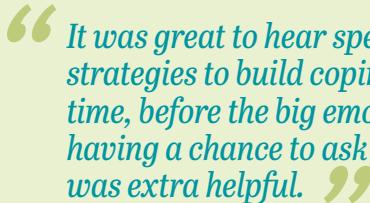
9810 Patuxent Woods Drive, Suite C, Columbia 21046

443-923-9400

[www.kennedykrieger.org](http://www.kennedykrieger.org)

Clinical services for children with emotional and behavioral difficulties.

WE LOVE HEARING FROM THE PARENTS WE SERVE...

 *It was great to hear specific examples and strategies to build coping skills ahead of time, before the big emotions occur. And having a chance to ask specific questions was extra helpful.*

## The Loan Closet of Howard County

### Howard County DCRS, Office of Disability Services

7125 Riverwood Drive, Suite D1, Columbia 21046

410-313-0363

[loancloset@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:loancloset@howardcountymd.gov)

[www.howardcountymd.gov/LoanCloset](http://www.howardcountymd.gov/LoanCloset)

Providing refurbished equipment and resources for older adults, caregivers, children and adults with disabilities to improve their quality of life. Free durable medical equipment for Aging in Place; donations are accepted (monetary and gently used medical equipment).

## Maryland Access Point (MAP)

### Howard County Office on Aging and Independence

9830 Patuxent Woods Drive, Columbia 21046

410-313-1234

[map@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:map@howardcountymd.gov)

[www.howardcountymd.gov/MAP](http://www.howardcountymd.gov/MAP)

An Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) designed to assist those with a disability, persons over 50 and older or caregivers to obtain information regarding community resources or help with long term care support planning

## Maryland Coalition of Families

10632 Little Patuxent Parkway, Suite 119, Columbia 21044

410-730-8267 or 888-607-3637

[info@mdcoalition.org](mailto:info@mdcoalition.org)

[www.mdcoalition.org](http://www.mdcoalition.org)

MCF connects, supports and empowers families who have family experiencing behavioral health challenges.

## The Maryland School for the Blind

3501 Taylor Avenue, Nottingham 21236

410-444-5000

[info@mdschblind.org](mailto:info@mdschblind.org)

[www.mdschblind.org](http://www.mdschblind.org)

Information/support for parents of blind and partially sighted children.

## Maryland School for the Deaf, Columbia Campus

8169 Old Montgomery Road, Ellicott City 21043

410-696-7449

[columbia@msd.edu](mailto:columbia@msd.edu)

[www.msd.edu](http://www.msd.edu)

## Maryland Speech, Language and Hearing Association

410-239-7770

[office@mdslha.org](mailto:office@mdslha.org)

[www.mDSLHA.org](http://www.mDSLHA.org)

## Maryland State Department of Education

### Special Education Division

200 West Baltimore Street, Baltimore 21201

410-767-0238

<http://marylandpublicschools.org/programs/pages/special-education/index.aspx>

## NAMI — The National Alliance on Mental Illness

10630 Little Patuxent Parkway, Suite 475, Columbia 21044

410-884-8691 or 877-878-2371 (warm line)

[www.namimd.org](http://www.namimd.org)

Mental illness advocacy, research, programs and services.

# SPECIAL NEEDS PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

**National Organization of Parents of Blind Children**  
200 East Wells Street, Jernigan Place, Baltimore 21230  
410-659-9314  
[www.nfb.org](http://www.nfb.org)

**The Parents' Place of Maryland**  
801 Cromwell Park Drive, Suite 103, Glen Burnie 21061  
410-768-9100  
[www.ppm.org](http://www.ppm.org)  
Provides information to families of children with all disabilities and special health care needs.

**Pathfinders for Autism**  
235 Schilling Circle, Suite 103, Hunt Valley 21031  
Helpline: 866-806-8400 or 443-330-5341 or 5370  
[info@pathfindersautism.org](mailto:info@pathfindersautism.org)  
[www.pathfindersforautism.org](http://www.pathfindersforautism.org)

**Project ACT (All Children Together) Abilities Network**  
8503 LaSalle Road, Towson 21286  
410-828-7700  
[www.abilitiesnetwork.org](http://www.abilitiesnetwork.org)  
On-site training for child care staff; individualized child observations and support planning, coaching and mentoring; family support; resource and referral; and, access to individualized services.

**Sickle Cell Disease Association of America**  
7240 Parkway Drive, Suite 180, Hanover 21076  
410-528-1555 or 800-421-8453  
[www.sicklecelldisease.org](http://www.sicklecelldisease.org)

**United Cerebral Palsy National**  
1825 K Street NW, Suite 600, Washington, DC 20006  
202-776-0406 or 800-872-5827  
<http://ucp.org/>

**Verbal Beginnings**  
7090 Samuel Morse Drive, Columbia 21046  
888-344-5988  
[www.verbalbeginnings.com](http://www.verbalbeginnings.com)  
Verbal Beginnings provides Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) therapy to children ages two to 18 diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD).

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*“Our family has greatly benefitted from the Office of Children and Families programs and services. Thank you! ”*

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Howard County

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- EASY-TO-USE



 **Maximize Love | Manage Stress**  
 **Talk, Sing and Point**  
 **Count, Group and Compare**  
 **Explore through Movement & Play**  
 **Read and Discuss Stories**



  
**Launch Into Learning**  
TALK ◦ PLAY ◦ SING ◦ READ ◦ EXPLORE  
An early learning initiative supported by the Howard County Early Childhood Advisory Council

  
**Howard County**  
Office of Children and Families

[www.howardcountymd.gov/the-basics](http://www.howardcountymd.gov/the-basics)

# HEALTH AND WELLNESS PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

## Howard County Health Department

Ascend One Building  
8930 Stanford Boulevard, Columbia 21045  
410-313-6300  
askhealth@howardcountymd.gov  
[www.howardcountymd.gov/health](https://www.howardcountymd.gov/health)

## Maryland Children's Health Insurance Program (MCHIP)

### Howard County Health Department

Ascend One Building  
8930 Stanford Boulevard, Columbia 21045  
410-313-6300  
askhealth@howardcountymd.gov  
<https://www.howardcountymd.gov/health/maryland-childrens-health-program-mchip>  
Low-cost health insurance for families who meet income eligibility guidelines.

## ■ Counseling and Mental Health

See Directory of Behavioral Health Services in Howard County at  
<https://www.howardcountymd.gov/health/behavioral-health>

### American Red Cross of Central Maryland

4800 Mt. Hope Drive, Baltimore 21215  
410-624-2000  
[www.redcross.org/gcr](http://www.redcross.org/gcr)

### Crisis Assistance Lifeline: TEXT OR CALL: 988

Suicide Prevention. Provides 24/7, free and confidential support for people in distress, prevention and crisis resources for you or your loved ones, and best practices for professionals in the United States.

### Howard County Department of Fire and Rescue Services

2201 Warwick Way, Marriottsville 21104  
410-313-6000  
[www.howardcountymd.gov/fire-and-rescue-services](https://www.howardcountymd.gov/fire-and-rescue-services)

## Howard County Office of Children and Families Child Care Resource Center

9830 Patuxent Woods Drive, Columbia 21046  
410-313-1442  
[children@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:children@howardcountymd.gov)  
[www.howardcountymd.gov/children](http://www.howardcountymd.gov/children)  
Training classes for parents and child care professionals; assistance finding licensed child care programs; community outreach and other services.

### Howard Community College

10901 Little Patuxent Parkway, HR 100, Columbia 21044  
443-518-4981  
[www.howardcc.edu](http://www.howardcc.edu)

## Johns Hopkins Howard County Medical Center The Medical Pavilion at Howard County

10710 Charter Drive, Suite G050 Columbia 21044  
<https://www.hopkinsmedicine.org/johns-hopkins-howard-county/services/psychiatry>

## Local Health Improvement Coalition -

### Mental Health Resources

<https://www.hclhic.org/healthy/mental-health>

## Sheppard Pratt - Psychiatric Urgent Care

7220 Discovery Drive, Elkridge 21075  
410-938-5302  
[www.sheppardpratt.org](http://www.sheppardpratt.org)

Psychiatric Urgent Care specially designed for people who need an immediate psychiatric assessment and a referral to an appropriate level of psychiatric care.

## The Youth Behavioral Health Road Map

[lcb@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:lcb@howardcountymd.gov)  
<https://www.howardcountymd.gov/office-local-childrens-board/youth-behavioral-health>

A resource for families, health practitioners, school-based professionals, service providers, and other affiliates to provide accessible and comprehensive information to better navigate youth behavioral health supports in Howard County.

See ad on page 19.

## ■ Dentists and Orthodontists Referral Service

### Howard County Dental Association

410-635-0703  
[howardcountydental@gmail.com](mailto:howardcountydental@gmail.com)  
[www.howardcountydentalassociation.com](http://www.howardcountydentalassociation.com)

## ■ Developmental Screening and Early Intervention Services

### Behavior & Developmental Pediatrics Division

University of Maryland Medical Center  
737 West Lombard Street, 1<sup>st</sup> floor, Baltimore 21201  
410-706-2300

<https://www.umms.org/childrens/health-services/behavioral-developmental-pediatrics>

Identifying/managing development, learning and behavior disorders

### Family Support and Resource Center

### Howard County Public School System

See page 24.

### Howard County Early Childhood Special Education

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### Kennedy Krieger Institute Behavioral Psychology

### Outpatient Programs

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## Parents As Teachers Program/Healthy Families Howard County

### Howard County Office of Children and Families

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# HEALTH AND WELLNESS PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

## ■ Emergency Room/ Hospitals/Urgent Care

### AllCare of Maryland — Urgent Care Center

#### Columbia Location

8205 Snowden River Parkway, Columbia 21045

410-290-9990

AllcareOfMaryland@gmail.com

<https://allcarefamilymed.com/columbia-md>

#### Ellicott City Location

9396D Baltimore National Pike, Suite D, Ellicott City 21042

410-480-9110

[www.allcareofmd.com](http://www.allcareofmd.com)

### Johns Hopkins Howard County Medical Center

#### The Medical Pavilion at Howard County

5755 Cedar Lane, Columbia 21044

410-740-7601

<https://events.hcgh.hopkinsmedicine.org/>

### Ouch! Urgent Care

6020 Meadowridge Center Drive, Suite F, Elkridge 21075

443-776-3031

[www.ouchmd.com](http://www.ouchmd.com)

### Patient First

5900 Cedar Lane, Columbia 21044

443-718-4067

[www.patientfirst.com](http://www.patientfirst.com)

### PM Pediatrics

6630 Marie Curie Drive, Elkridge 21075

571-370-5437

<https://www.pmpediatrics.com/location/columbia/>

### Premier Health Express

9710 Patuxent Woods Drive, Suite 200, Columbia 21046

443-899-9525

[www.premierhealthexpress.com](http://www.premierhealthexpress.com)

### Righttime Care Center

6334 Cedar Lane, Columbia 21044

888-808-6483

[www.myrighttime.com](http://www.myrighttime.com)

## ■ Immunizations

### Howard County Health Department

See page 30.



## ■ Medical Referral Services

### American Speech, Language, and Hearing Association

800-638-8255

[www.asha.org](http://www.asha.org)

Speech pathologist and audiologist referrals.

### Johns Hopkins Howard County Medical Center

410-740-7750

<https://www.hopkinsmedicine.org/johns-hopkins-howard-county>

Physician referral website.

### MedChi, The Maryland State Medical Society

1211 Cathedral Street, Baltimore 21201

800-492-1056

[members@medchi.org](mailto:members@medchi.org)

[www.medchi.org/](http://www.medchi.org/)

## ■ Substance Abuse

### Alano Club

9231 Rumsey Road, Columbia 21045

410-997-2288

[www.thealanoclub.org](http://www.thealanoclub.org)

AA, Al-Anon and Alateen Meetings.

### Columbia Treatment Center

5570 Sterrett Place, Suite 205, Columbia 21044

410-730-1333

[ctc@columbia-treatment.com](mailto:ctc@columbia-treatment.com)

<https://www.columbia-treatment.com/>

Adolescent and young adult counseling and groups.

### HC DrugFree

5305 Village Center Drive, Columbia 21044

443-325-0040

[info@hcdrugfree.org](mailto:info@hcdrugfree.org)

[www.hcdrugfree.org](http://www.hcdrugfree.org)

Resources and education on prevention, treatment, recovery, and health and wellness to help county residents understand and address behavioral health (substance use and mental health) disorders.

### Howard County Health Department

Ascend One Building

8930 Stanford Boulevard, Columbia 21045

410-313-6202

[askhealth@hwoardcountymd.gov](mailto:askhealth@hwoardcountymd.gov)

[www.howardcountymd.gov/gethelp](http://www.howardcountymd.gov/gethelp)

Behavioral health resources and referrals.

### Serenity Center

9650 Basket Ring Road, Columbia 21045

410-884-6088

[mail@serenitycenter.org](mailto:mail@serenitycenter.org)

<https://theserenitycentercolumbia.org/>

A meeting place for 12-step groups.

# PARKS, RECREATION AND LEISURE

## ■ Local Parks and Recreation Centers

### **Alpha Ridge Park**

11685 Frederick Road/MD 99, Marriottsville 21104  
410-313-4700

### **Blandair Regional Park**

5750 Oakland Mills Road, Columbia 21045  
410-313-4700

### **Columbia Dog Park**

5901 Rivendell Lane, Columbia 21044  
410-312-6330  
Open.Space@ColumbiaAssociation.org  
<https://www.columbiaassociation.org/facilities/columbia-dog-park/>

### **Cedar Lane Park East**

10745 Route 108, Columbia 21044  
410-313-4700

### **Cedar Lane Park West**

5081 Cedar Lane, Columbia 21044  
410-313-4700

### **Centennial Park**

10000 Route 108, Ellicott City 21042  
410-313-7271 or 7256

### **Gary J. Arthur Community Center at Glenwood**

2400 Route 97, Cooksville 21723  
410-313-4840

### **Kiwanis-Wallas Park Recreation Center**

3300 Norbets Way, Ellicott City 21042  
410-313-2637

### **Lake Elkhorn Park**

7200 Dockside Lane, Columbia 21046  
410-715-3161

[www.columbiaassociation.com](https://www.columbiaassociation.com)

### **Meadowbrook Park**

5001 Meadowbrook Lane, Ellicott City 21043  
410-313-4700

### **Patapsco Valley State Park**

8020 Baltimore National Pike, Catonsville 21228  
<https://dnr.maryland.gov/publiclands/Pages/central/patapsco.aspx>

#### **West Entrance**

6105 Rockburn Branch Road, Elkridge 21075  
410-461-5005  
[www.dnr.state.md.us](https://www.dnr.state.md.us)

### **Roger Carter Community Center**

3000 Milltowne Drive, Ellicott City 21043  
410-313-2764  
[www.howardcountymd.gov/rccc](https://www.howardcountymd.gov/rccc)

### **Savage Park**

8400 Fair Street, Savage 20763  
410-313-4700

### **Schooley Mill Park**

12975 Hall Shop Road, Highland 21029  
410-313-4700

### **Western Regional Park**

14800 Carrs Mill Road, Woodbine 21723  
410-313-4700

### **Wilde Lake Park**

Columbia Association  
10002 Hyla Brook Road, Columbia 21044  
410-715-3000  
<https://www.columbiaassociation.org/?s=wilde+lake+park>

### **Worthington Dog Park and Off-Leash Area**

8170 Hillsborough Road, Ellicott City 21043  
410-313-4700

## ■ Nature Centers

### **Howard County Conservancy**

10520 Old Frederick Road, Woodstock 21163  
410-465-8877  
[www.hcconservancy.org](http://www.hcconservancy.org)

### **Robinson Nature Center**

6692 Cedar Lane, Columbia 21042  
410-313-0400  
<https://www.howardcountymd.gov/Departments/Recreation-and-Parks/Facilities/Robinson-Nature-Center>

## ■ Parent/Child Play Programs

### **Howard County Department of Recreation and Parks**

See page 9.

### **Howard County Library System**

[www.hclibrary.org](http://www.hclibrary.org)  
Educational classes and enriching experiences for all ages/interests.

## ■ Scouting and Other Youth Organizations

### **Boy Scouts of America, Baltimore Area Council**

701 Wyman Park Drive, Baltimore 21211  
443-573-2500  
[www.baltimorebsa.org](http://www.baltimorebsa.org)

### **Girl Scouts of Central Maryland**

4806 Seton Drive, Baltimore 21215  
410-358-9711  
[www.gscm.org](http://www.gscm.org)

### **Islamic Leadership Institute of America**

See page 18.

### **University of Maryland Extension 4-H Youth Development**

3300 North Ridge Road, Suite 240, Ellicott City 21043  
410-313-2707  
[ckulp@ymd.edu](mailto:ckulp@ymd.edu)  
<https://extension.umd.edu/programs/4-h-youth-development>  
Agriculture and natural resources clubs and programs.

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## ■ Special Needs and Therapeutic Services

### Center for Social Change, Inc.

6600 Amberton Drive, Elkhridge 21075

410-579-6789

[info@centerforsocialchange.org](mailto:info@centerforsocialchange.org)

[www.centerforsocialchange.org](http://www.centerforsocialchange.org)

A therapeutic integrated program for school-age persons with autism.

### Howard County Department of Recreation and Parks

See full page ad on page 41.

### Howard County Youth Program

410-461-7694

[www.hcyp.org](http://www.hcyp.org)

Baseball, softball, basketball programs/leagues.

### Maryland School for the Deaf

See page 27.

### Special Olympics Maryland, Howard County

8970 Route 108, Suite A-1, Columbia 21045

410-740-0500

[www.somdhc.org](http://www.somdhc.org)

### Therapeutic and Recreational Riding Center

3750 Shady Lane, Glenwood 21738

410-489-5100

[www.trrcmd.org](http://www.trrcmd.org)

## ■ Sports

### BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL

#### Columbia Baseball League

410-313-4705

[bwymann@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:bwymann@howardcountymd.gov)

[https://www.hcyp.org/](http://www.hcyp.org/)

#### Elkhridge Youth Organization

[EYOPresident@yahoo.com](mailto:EYOPresident@yahoo.com)

[www.eyosports.org](http://www.eyosports.org)

Basketball, baseball, soccer, softball, tennis.

#### Howard County Youth Program

See this page above.

#### Laurel Boys and Girls Club

701 Montgomery Street, Laurel 20707

301-604-5242

[www.laurelboysandgirlsclub.org](http://www.laurelboysandgirlsclub.org)

#### Savage Boys and Girls Club

[https://www.savagebgc.org/Default.aspx?tabid=1914580](http://www.savagebgc.org/Default.aspx?tabid=1914580)

#### Western Howard County Baseball/Softball

410-313-4706

[https://www.leaguelineup.com/welcome.asp?url=whcsports](http://www.leaguelineup.com/welcome.asp?url=whcsports)

### BASKETBALL

#### Howard County Youth Program

See this page at left.

#### Howard Youth Basketball Association

410-461-7694

[hyba@hyba.org](mailto:hyba@hyba.org)

[www.hyba.org](http://www.hyba.org)

#### i9 Sports

443-485-4202

[leagueoffice201@i9sports.com](mailto:leagueoffice201@i9sports.com)

<https://www.i9sports.com/>

Youth sports league for ages three to 17 years.

#### Laurel Boys and Girls Club

See this page at left.

### BOATING

#### Centennial Park Lake

410-313-7303

Boat rentals

#### Patapsco Valley State Park

See page 31.

### CAMPING

#### Camping at Patapsco Valley State Park

See page 31.

### CHEERLEADING

#### AllPro Gymnastics and Cheer Academy

6685 Santa Barbara Road, Suite D, Elkhridge 21075

410-379-5439

[www.allprogymnasticsandcheer.com](http://www.allprogymnasticsandcheer.com)

#### Laurel Boys and Girls Club

See this page at left.

### FISHING

Fishing is permitted from the shores of Howard County lakes.

A license is required for ages 16 and up. For licensing information visit the Maryland Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) at <https://dnr.maryland.gov/Fisheries/Pages/default.aspx>

#### Fishing Classes

#### Howard County Department of Recreation and Parks

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## FOOTBALL

### Howard County Department of Recreation and Parks

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## GOLF

### Columbia Association Hobbits Glen Golf Club

11130 Willowbottom Drive, Columbia 21044

410-730-5980

[www.hobbitsglengolfclub.com](http://www.hobbitsglengolfclub.com)

### Columbia Association Sports Park

5453 Harpers Farm Road, Columbia 21044

410-715-3054

[www.columbiaassociation.org/facilities/sports-parks/](http://www.columbiaassociation.org/facilities/sports-parks/)

### Fairway Hills Golf Club

5100 Columbia Road, Columbia 21044

410-730-1112

[www.fairwayhillsgolfclub.com](http://www.fairwayhillsgolfclub.com)

### First Tee, Fairway Hills Golf Club

5100 Columbia Road, Columbia 21044

410-730-1114

[thefirsttee@columbiaassociation.org](mailto:thefirsttee@columbiaassociation.org)

[https://www.firstteehowardcounty.org/](http://www.firstteehowardcounty.org/)

Emphasis on youth who otherwise may not have an opportunity to experience the game of golf.

### Monster Mini Golf

[https://monsterninigolf.com/columbia/](http://monsterninigolf.com/columbia/)

### Rocky Gorge 4 Seasons Golf Fairway

<http://www.rockygorgegolf.com/>

### Turf Valley Golf Course

2700 Turf Valley Road, Ellicott City 21042

410-465-1500

[visitus@turfvalley.com](mailto:visitus@turfvalley.com)

[www.turfvalley.com](http://www.turfvalley.com)

### Waverly Woods Golf Club

2100 Warwick Way, Marriottsville 21104

410-313-9182

[proshop@waverlywoods.com](mailto:proshop@waverlywoods.com)

[www.waverlywoods.com](http://www.waverlywoods.com)

## HOCKEY

### Howard Huskies Hockey Club

[Info@HowardHuskie.org](mailto:Info@HowardHuskie.org)

[www.howardhuskies.org](http://www.howardhuskies.org)

## HORSEBACK RIDING

### Columbia Horse Center

10400 Gorman Road, Laurel 20723

301-776-5850

[ride@columbiahorsecenter.com](mailto:ride@columbiahorsecenter.com)

[www.columbiahorsecenter.com](http://www.columbiahorsecenter.com)

### Therapeutic and Recreational Riding Center, Inc.

See page 32.

## ICE SKATING

### Columbia Ice Rink

5876 Thunderhill Road, Columbia 21045

410-730-0322

Public Session Hotline: 410-730-0321

<https://www.columbiaassociation.org/facilities/columbia-ice-rink/>

## JUMP ROPE

### Kangaroo Kids Precision Jump Rope Team

301-490-4995

[admincoordinator@kangarookids.org](mailto:admincoordinator@kangarookids.org)

[www.kangarookids.org](http://www.kangarookids.org)

## LACROSSE

### Howard County Lacrosse Program

410-313-7275

[www.hclacrosse.com](http://www.hclacrosse.com)

## ROLLER SKATING

### Laurel Roller Skating Center

9890 Brewers Court, Laurel, 20723

301-725-8070

[laurelskatingcenter@verizon.net](mailto:laurelskatingcenter@verizon.net)

[www.laurelskatingcenter.com](http://www.laurelskatingcenter.com)

### Supreme Sports Club

7080 Deepage Drive, Columbia 21045

410-381-5355

[www.columbiaassociation.com](http://www.columbiaassociation.com)

## RUNNING

### Girls on The Run

9150 Rumsey Road, Suite A7, Columbia 21045

443-583-7740

[info@gotcentralmd.org](mailto:info@gotcentralmd.org)

[www.gotcentralmd.org](http://www.gotcentralmd.org)

Program designed for girls to become independent thinkers, problem solvers and make healthy decisions while training for a 5k event.

### Howard County Striders

410-964-1998

[www.striders.net](http://www.striders.net)

## SOCCER

### Ellicott City Soccer Club

<https://ellicottcitysc.org/>

All levels of play from recreational teams to highest level and everything in between. Free Special Needs opportunity fall and spring.

### SAC—Soccer Association of Columbia

Lucido Fields at Covenant Park

4560 Centennial Lane, Ellicott City 21042

410-203-9590

[asksac@sac-hc.org](mailto:asksac@sac-hc.org)

[www.sackick.com](http://www.sackick.com)

### Soccer Shots

312 Marshall Avenue, Suite 1000, Laurel 20707

202-957-8252

[www.soccershots.org/howardcounty](http://www.soccershots.org/howardcounty)

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## Thunder Soccer Club

443-741-2486

[administrator@thundersoccerclub.org](mailto:administrator@thundersoccerclub.org)

[www.thundersoccerclub.org](http://www.thundersoccerclub.org)

## Volleyball House & Soccer Arena

5635 Furnace Avenue, Elkrige 21075

This location has been permanently closed due to residential construction. See VOLLEYBALL in column at right regarding a new state-of-the-art facility currently in the planning stages.

## Western Howard County Soccer

Recreation & Parks Fields: 410-313-4372

School Fields: 410-313-6827

[www.whcsoccer.org](http://www.whcsoccer.org)

## SWIMMING

### Atholton Swim Club

6731 Seneca Drive, Columbia 21046

410-964-0068

[Atholthonswimclub.webmaster@gmail.com](mailto:Atholthonswimclub.webmaster@gmail.com)

[https://atholtonswimclub.com/](http://atholtonswimclub.com/)

### Columbia Association Pools

410-312-6332

[www.columbiapools.org](http://www.columbiapools.org)

### Columbia Neighborhood Swim League

410-312-6332

<https://www.teamunify.com/Home.jsp?team=reccnsl>

### Forest Hill Swim and Tennis Club

4310 Columbia Road, Ellicott City 21042

Pool: 410-465-1386

Tennis: 410-461-2572

[www.fhstc.com](http://www.fhstc.com)

### Goldfish Swim School

9315 Snowden River Parkway, Columbia 21046

410-983-3003

[swimcolumbia@goldfishss.com](mailto:swimcolumbia@goldfishss.com)

[https://www.goldfishswimschool.com/columbia/](http://www.goldfishswimschool.com/columbia/)

### Hammond Park Pool

8034 Helmart Drive, Laurel 20723

301-725-1300

[HammondParkPool@swimhammond.org](mailto:HammondParkPool@swimhammond.org)

[www.swimhammond.org](http://www.swimhammond.org)

### Kids First Swim Schools

7351 Assateague Drive, Suite 394, Jessup 20794

443-755-0111

[www.kidsfirstswimschools.com/locations/columbia](http://www.kidsfirstswimschools.com/locations/columbia)

### MarTar Swim School

103 Century Drive, Mt Airy 21771

410-799-8887

[tara@martarawimming.com](mailto:tara@martarawimming.com)

[www.martarawimming.com](http://www.martarawimming.com)

## Roger Carter Community Center

3000 Milltowne Drive, Ellicott City 21043

410-313-2764

[www.howardcountymd.gov/rccc](http://www.howardcountymd.gov/rccc)

## Watermont Swim Club

5819 Bellanca Drive, Elkridge 21075

410-599-6149

[watermont@gmail.com](mailto:watermont@gmail.com)

[www.watermont.org](http://www.watermont.org)

## West Howard Swim Club

16131 Old Frederick Road, Mt. Airy 21771

410-489-7350

<https://westhowardswimclub.wordpress.com/>

## TENNIS/TABLE TENNIS

### Athletic Club (indoor)

5435 Beaverkill Road, Columbia 21044

410-730-6744

[Athletic.Club@ColumbiaAssociation.org](mailto:Athletic.Club@ColumbiaAssociation.org)

<https://www.columbiaassociation.org/facilities/fitness-clubs/columbia-athletic-club/>

### Circle D Tennis Club

15535 Carrs Mill Road, Woodbine 21797

410-489-6941

[info@circledfarm.com](mailto:info@circledfarm.com)

[www.circleDfarm.com](http://www.circleDfarm.com)

### Columbia Association Tennis Facilities

Columbia Athletic Club — 410-720-0149

Long Reach Tennis Club — 410-423-4120

Owen Brown Tennis Club — 410-381-7255

The Racquet Club at Hobbit's Glen — 410-730-6601

Wilde Lake Tennis Club — 443-871-0198

<https://www.columbiaassociation.org/facilities/tennis/>

### Forest Hill Swim and Tennis Club

See this page at left.

### Howard County Table Tennis Club

9221 Rumsey Road, Columbia 21045

443-583-4520

[info@hctt-md.com](mailto:info@hctt-md.com)

[www.hctt-md.com](http://www.hctt-md.com)

## VOLLEYBALL

A new state-of-the-art facility is currently in the planning stages and will be constructed at a site yet-to-be-determined.

To stay informed and/or to add your contact information to the mailing list for updates, go to: [www.vbhouse2.com](http://www.vbhouse2.com)

## WRESTLING

### Vipers Wrestling

(formerly Howard County Wrestling Program)

7120 Oakland Mills Road, Columbia 21046

410-313-4637

[www.leaguelineup.com/howardcountywrestling](http://www.leaguelineup.com/howardcountywrestling)

# TWEENS AND TEENS

## ■ Active in Community

### **Columbia Association Youth and Teen Center**

See page 6.

### **CA Middle School Advisory Committee (ages 11-13)**

### **CA Teen Advisory Committee (ages 13-19)**

410-992-3726

[CATeens@ColumbiaAssociation.org](mailto:CATeens@ColumbiaAssociation.org)

[www.columbiaassociation.org/board-committee/teen-middle-school-advisory-committee](http://www.columbiaassociation.org/board-committee/teen-middle-school-advisory-committee)

Middle school students and teens plan, organize and implement positive activities and various events for their peers.

### **Howard EcoWorks**

9770 Patuxent Woods Drive, Suite 309, Columbia 21046

443-518-7665

[HCecoworks@gmail.com](mailto:HCecoworks@gmail.com)

<http://www.howardecoworks.org/>

Employs county residents (16-26 yrs.) to build rain gardens and conservation landscapes that filter storm water runoff and alleviate flooding from pavement and other impervious surfaces. This program provides living wage jobs for young adults and helps the county meet federally-mandated stormwater management obligations.

### **Islamic Leadership Institute of America**

See page 18.

### **The Jacaranda Center for Family and Youth Development**

410-978-1859

[info@thejacarandacenter.org](mailto:info@thejacarandacenter.org)

<http://thejacarandacenter.org>

### **Jewish Federation of Howard County**

See page 24.

### **Junior Achievement**

10711 Red Run Boulevard, #110, Owings Mills 21117

443-394-7211

[info@jamaryland.org](mailto:info@jamaryland.org)

[www.jamaryland.org](http://www.jamaryland.org)

Offering K-12 programs giving young people the knowledge and skills they need to own their economic success, plan for their future, and make smart academic and economic choices.

### **Leadership U/Leadership Howard County**

6760 Alexander Bell Drive, Suite #260, Columbia 21046

410-730-4474, Ext. 115

[LHCInfo@LeadershipHC.org](mailto:LHCInfo@LeadershipHC.org)

[www.leadershiphc.org/content/leadership-u](http://www.leadershiphc.org/content/leadership-u)

Provides youth the opportunity to gain important leadership skills and first-hand experience participating in community service.

### **NAACP Youth Council**

Ridgely's Run Community Center

8400 Mission Road, Jessup 20794

443-280-1935

Sponsors health fairs, educational events, voter registration/awareness, economic empowerment and membership.

### **University of Maryland Extension 4-H Youth Development**

See page 31.

### **Voices for Change**

410-313-0039

<https://www.howardcountymd.gov/office-local-childrens-board>

Facebook: Howard County Voices for Change (V4C)

Twitter: HCV4C

With the support of adult mentors, students identify issues impacting their peers and work together to develop strategies to address them.

### **Youth Advisory Council**

Howard County Police Department

410-313-0275

<https://www.howardcountymd.gov/Departments/Police/Youth-Programs>

[HCPD-YAC@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:HCPD-YAC@howardcountymd.gov)

Provides youth with a safe and engaging environment to interact with local law enforcement. Students in grades eight to 12 can earn service hours, be a change agent in the community, attend educational or social field trips and gain or strengthen life skills such as leadership, public speaking and social skills.

### **Youth Development Coalition**

### **HoCo Department of Community Resources and Services**

9830 Patuxent Woods Drive, Columbia 21046

410-313-0221

[bbarnwell@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:bbarnwell@howardcountymd.gov)

Network of agencies collaborating to improve the continuum of programs and services available to children, youth and their families.

### **Youth Leadership Project**

HopeWorks

9770 Patuxent Woods Drive, Suite #300, Columbia 21046

410-997-0304 (Community Engagement Department)

[outreach@wearehopeworks.org](mailto:outreach@wearehopeworks.org)

<https://hopeworksofhc.org/youth-leadership-project/>

A service program dedicated to empowering teens 14 to 18 years old to engage with social justice issues, challenge systems of oppression and create healthy relationships.

## ■ Babysitting Classes

### **Howard County Recreation and Parks**

7120 Oakland Mills Road, Columbia 21046

410-313-7275

[www.howardcountymd.gov/rap](http://www.howardcountymd.gov/rap)

Emphasizes child development, safety, security, first aid, understanding, patience, and other necessary skills; and, includes intro to hands-only CPR and AED (does not include certifications). Registrants must be at least 11 years old by the first class. Certificate awarded upon completion.

## ■ Employment

### **Columbia Workforce Center**

See page 23.

### **Howard Community College Counseling and Career Services**

See page 23.



**Community Action Council  
of Howard County**

## EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

Early Head Start, Head Start, and MSDE Prekindergarten

### Our Mission:

*To diminish poverty and enable self-sufficiency for all Howard County individuals, families, and children in need.*

We operate an Early Childhood Education Program that offers Early Head Start, Head Start, and MSDE Prekindergarten services to provide whole-family support. Full-day, full-year, high-quality education is provided at five locations to prepare children socially, emotionally, and academically for kindergarten. The Two-generation (2Gen) approach is used to build whole-family well-being by working with children and adults to promote family stability and economic self-sufficiency. Before and after care services are also available.

### Our Programs:

-  Early Childhood Education
-  Energy Assistance
-  Food Assistance
-  Housing Assistance
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Scan our QR Code



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**CAREAPP Howard County**

# GOVERNMENT AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

## Association of Community Services of Howard County

9770 Patuxent Woods Drive, Suite #301, Columbia 21045

443-518-7704

<http://acshoco.org/>

Supports a dynamic network of over 100 member organizations through education, advocacy and connections.

## Early Childhood Mental Health Support Services Program

### Howard County Office of Children and Families

See ad on page 24.

## The CARE Line

### Howard County Office of Children and Families

See page 3.

## Greater Baltimore Urban League

9770 Patuxent Woods Drive, Suite #313, Columbia 21046

443-518-7680

<http://www.gbul.org/>

Provides youth empowerment for students in grades eight through 12. Program includes teambuilding, personal development and community leadership, college/career preparation, and more. An entrepreneurship program provides business workshops, seminars and counseling.

## HC DrugFree

See page 30.

## Howard Commuter Solutions

3430 Court House Drive, Ellicott City 21043

410-313-3130

[transportation@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:transportation@howardcountymd.gov)

[www.howardcommutersolutions.com](http://www.howardcommutersolutions.com)

## Howard County Department of Fire and Rescue Services

See page 29.

## Howard County – Maryland Department of Social Services

9780 Patuxent Woods Drive, Columbia 21046

[howco.dss@maryland.gov](mailto:howco.dss@maryland.gov)

<https://dhs.maryland.gov/local-offices/howard-county/>

410-872-8700

The Department of Human Services helps vulnerable residents buy healthy foods, pay energy bills and obtain medical assistance, as well as provide stable environments for at-risk children and adults.

## Howard County MultiService Center

### HoCo Department of Community Resources and Services

9900 Washington Boulevard, Suite I, Laurel 20723

410-313-0220 (voice/relay)

[mscinfo@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:mscinfo@howardcountymd.gov)

[www.howardcountymd.gov/msc](http://www.howardcountymd.gov/msc)

Access to human services and supports for becoming self-sufficient.

## Howard County Office of Human Rights and Equity

9820 Patuxent Woods Drive, Suite #237, Columbia 21046

410-313-6430

<https://www.howardcountymd.gov/Departments/County-Administration/Human-Rights>

## Howard County Office of Public Information

George Howard Building

3430 Court House Drive, Ellicott City 21043

410-313-3000

[www.howardcountymd.gov/public-information](http://www.howardcountymd.gov/public-information)

Information about county government services and programs; the Information & Referral Service responds to public inquiries and refers callers to appropriate agencies.

## Howard County Police

Northern Patrol District

3410 Court House Drive, Ellicott City 21043

410-313-3015

<https://www.howardcountymd.gov/Departments/Police2>

## Howard County Police

Southern Patrol District

11226 Scaggsville Road, Laurel 20723

410-313-3700

<https://www.howardcountymd.gov/Departments/Police2>

## Howard County Recycling

6751 Columbia Gateway Drive, Columbia 21046

410-313-6444

[help@howardcountyrecycles.org](mailto:help@howardcountyrecycles.org)

## Mediation & Conflict Resolution Center of Howard County

9770 Patuxent Woods Drive, Building #100, Columbia 21046

443-518-7693

[info@mcrchoward.org](mailto:info@mcrchoward.org)

[www.mcrchoward.org](http://www.mcrchoward.org)

Free mediation and conflict resolution services including group facilitation, restorative dialogue, restorative reflection, restorative circles, education and training.

## Office of Veterans and Military Families

### HoCo Department of Community Resources and Services

9830 Patuxent Woods Drive, Columbia 21046

410-313-0821

[veterans@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:veterans@howardcountymd.gov)

[www.howardcountymd.gov/veterans](http://www.howardcountymd.gov/veterans)

Provides guidance, information and access to Howard County veterans, military families, their dependents and survivors.



# GOVERNMENT AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

## RTA (Regional Transportation Agency)

8510 Corridor Road, Suite #110, Savage 20763

800-270-9553

[consumer@transitRTA.com](mailto:consumer@transitRTA.com)

[www.transitrtta.com](http://www.transitrtta.com)

Serves Howard, Anne Arundel and Northern Prince George's Counties, and City of Laurel. Local destinations and regional connections.

## ■ Animal Resources

### Howard County Animal Control Facility

8576 Davis Road, Columbia 21045

410-313-2780

[animalcontrol@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:animalcontrol@howardcountymd.gov)

<https://www.howardcountymd.gov/police/animal-control>

## ■ Consumer Information

### Howard County Office of Consumer Protection

9830 Patuxent Woods Drive, Columbia 21046

410-313-6420

[consumer@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:consumer@howardcountymd.gov)

[www.howardcountymd.gov/consumer](http://www.howardcountymd.gov/consumer)

Provides information on consumer issues, mediation, conciliation and investigation of consumer complaints. Landlord/tenant issues, licenses, door-to-door salespeople and trespass tow operators.

### Attorney General's Office

Consumer Protection Division

200 St. Paul Place, Baltimore 21202

410-576-6550

<https://www.marylandattorneygeneral.gov/Pages/CPD>

### Better Business Bureau of Greater Maryland

502 South Sharp Street, Suite #1200, Baltimore 21201

410-347-3990

[www.bbb.org/greater-maryland](http://www.bbb.org/greater-maryland)

Finds and recommends business, brands and charities.

### Consumer Credit Counseling Services of Maryland

6315 Hillside Court, Suite B, Columbia 21046

800-642-2227

[info@cccsmd.org](mailto:info@cccsmd.org)

[www.cccsmd.org](http://www.cccsmd.org)

Budget, credit and debt counseling and homebuyer workshops.

## ■ Financial/Food Assistance Programs

### CCS Central (Child Care Scholarship Program)

877-2770125

<https://earlychildhood.marylandpublicschools.org/child-care-providers/child-care-scholarship-program>

Financial assistance with child care costs to eligible working families.

### Coalition for Compassion

5885 Robert Oliver Place, Columbia 21045

410-997-2781

An interfaith outreach that provides financial assistance, food pantry, and a monthly community meal.

### Community Action Council

9820 Patuxent Woods Drive, Columbia 21046

410-313-6440

[www.cac-hc.org](http://www.cac-hc.org)

Community-based services for individuals and families.

### FISH of Howard County

410-964-8660

[www.fishhowardcounty.com](http://www.fishhowardcounty.com)

Financial assistance, food and referral services.

### Grassroots Crisis Intervention

8990 Old Annapolis Road, Suite A Columbia MD 21045

410-531-6006

**24-Hour -Crisis line: 410-531-6677**

**Suicide and Crisis Lifeline: call/chat/text to 988**

[info@grassrootscrisis.org](mailto:info@grassrootscrisis.org)

[www.grassrootscrisis.org](http://www.grassrootscrisis.org)

24-7 walk-in crisis assistance, outpatient substance use disorder services, and full mental health counseling and medication management to adults, homeless services, crisis stabilization, resources, adolescents and children via an Outpatient Mental Health Clinic (OMHC).

### Howard County Food Bank

9385 Gerwig Lane, Columbia 21045

410-313-6185.

<https://cac-hc.org/food-assistance/>

Perishable, non-perishable foods and supplies including diapers for low-income families and individuals in Howard County.

### Howard County WIC Program

Howard County Health Department

Ascend One Building

8930 Stanford Boulevard, Columbia 21045

410-313-6300

[askhealth@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:askhealth@howardcountymd.gov)

[www.howardcountymd.gov/health/women-infants-children-wic](http://www.howardcountymd.gov/health/women-infants-children-wic)

A federally-funded program that provides healthy foods and nutrition counseling for pregnant women, new mothers, infants and children under age five.

### MakingChange

9770 Patuxent Woods Drive, Suite 307, Columbia 21046

443-518-7647

<http://makingchangecenter.org/>

Provides financial education and asset building programs to empower people to control their money and change their lives.

### Maryland Medicaid Pharmacy Program

410-767-5800, Ext. 3 • 410 767-1455

Medical assistance, healthcare, family planning, Medicare Part D.

### Salvation Army

Howard County Service Center

3267 Pine Orchard Lane, Ellicott City 21042

443-656-3376

Emergency financial assistance, food and nutrition programs, seasonal services.

# GOVERNMENT AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

## ■ Housing

### **Bridges to Housing Stability**

9520 Berger Road, Suite #311, Columbia, MD 21046

410-312-5760

<http://bridges2hs.org/>

Provides case management to help homeless and near-homeless families attain and maintain housing stability and provides an affordable housing program for low-wage workers.

### **Heritage Housing Partners Corporation**

9770 Patuxent Woods Drive, Mail Stop #305, Columbia 21046

443-518-7685

[info@hhpcorp.org](mailto:info@hhpcorp.org)

<http://www.hhpcorp.org/>

Owes and manages group homes for disabled and mentally-challenged, and affordable housing for low-income senior citizens.

### **Howard County Housing Commission**

9770 Patuxent Woods Drive, Suite #100, Columbia 21046

443-518-7800

<http://www.househoward.org/>

Owes, manages and maintains residential properties, develops new affordable housing opportunities, and operates the Housing Choice Voucher Program.

## ■ Information Services and Hotlines

### **211 of Central Maryland**

1800 Washington Boulevard, Suite #340, Baltimore 21230

Call 211

[info@211MD.org](mailto:info@211MD.org)

[www.211md.org](http://www.211md.org)

A free, 24/7, confidential information and referrals to health and human services.

### **The CARE Line**

### **Howard County Office of Children and Families**

See ad on page 17.

### **CARE APP -Howard County Health Department**

<https://findhcresources.org/>

A free mobile application to find and connect with over 2,500 county programs for food, health, housing, transportation, education, employment assistance, and more.

### **CASA de Maryland**

Baltimore's Welcome & Worker Center

2224 East Fayette Street, Baltimore 21231

410-732-2694

[www.casademaryland.org](http://www.casademaryland.org)

Resources, information and advocacy for low-income families and immigrants.

### **Child Find — National Runaway Hotline**

800-786-2929

[information@childfindofamerica.org](mailto:information@childfindofamerica.org)

### **ChildHelp—National Child Abuse Hotline**

800-422-4453

[www.childhelpusa.org](http://www.childhelpusa.org)

Crisis prevention, information, literature, and referrals to services.

### **Department of Transportation Auto Safety Hotline**

Recall Information: 800-424-9393

Complaints: 888-327-4236

### **Grassroots Crisis Intervention Center**

See page 38.

### **Hearing and Speech Helpline**

800-638-8255

### **HopeWorks**

See page 21.

### **Howard County Office of ADA Coordination**

### **HoCo Department of Community Resources and Services**

See page 27.

### **Howard County Health Department**

See page 29.

### **Jewish Information and Referral Service**

101 West Mt. Royal Avenue, Baltimore 21201

410-466-9200

[information@associated.org](mailto:information@associated.org)

<http://www.jlinkbalt.org/>

### **Kidsline**

410-461-1833

United Way-sponsored telephone counseling for youngsters during afterschool hours.

### **KISS (Kids in Safety Seats)**

See page 25.

### **Maryland Poison Center**

800-222-1222

[www.mdpoison.com](http://www.mdpoison.com)

Education and information about poison prevention.

### **Maryland Youth Crisis Hotline**

800-422-0009

<https://www.help4mdyouth.org/faq/>

### **National Child Safety Council**

800-327-5107

[www.nationalchildscouncil.org](http://www.nationalchildscouncil.org)

### **National Human Trafficking Resource Center**

888-373-7888

[help@humantraffickinghotline.org](mailto:help@humantraffickinghotline.org)

[www.humantraffickinghotline.org/](http://www.humantraffickinghotline.org/)

### **Springboard Community Services**

Howard County Office

10451 Twin Rivers Road, Suite 100, Columbia 21044

410-997-3557

[www.springboardmd.org/](http://www.springboardmd.org/)

Serving families, children, and elders in Baltimore and the surrounding counties with social services focused on prevention, intervention, counseling, and advocacy.

# GOVERNMENT AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

## **The Luminus Center for New Americans (formerly FIRN)**

10400 Little Patuxent Parkway, Suite 450, Columbia 21044  
410-992-1923

Laurel location — MultiService Center  
9900 Washington Boulevard, Suite I, Laurel 20723  
410-880-5917  
[info@beluminus.org](mailto:info@beluminus.org)  
[www.beluminus.org](http://www.beluminus.org)

Career development, health care navigators, immigration counseling, information and referral, literacy program, minority outreach and technical assistance, language connection, and interpreting services.

## ■ Libraries

### **Howard County Library System Administrative Branch**

9411 Frederick Road, Ellicott City 21042  
410-313-7750  
[www.hclibrary.org](http://www.hclibrary.org)

#### **Central Library**

10375 Little Patuxent Parkway, Columbia 21044  
410-313-7800

#### **East Columbia Library**

6600 Cradlerock Way, Columbia 21045  
410-313-7700

#### **Elkridge Branch Library**

6540 Washington Boulevard, Elkridge 21075  
410-313-5077

#### **Glenwood Branch Library**

2350 Route 97, Cooksville 21723  
410-313-5577

#### **Miller Branch Library**

9421 Frederick Road, Ellicott City 21042  
410-313-1950

#### **Savage Branch Library**

9525 Durness Lane, Laurel 20723  
410-313-0760

## ■ Lobbying and Advocacy Groups

### **Advocates for Children and Youth**

1 N. Charles Street, Suite #2400, Baltimore 21201  
410-547-9200  
[info@acy.org](mailto:info@acy.org)  
[www.acy.org](http://www.acy.org)

Advocacy and program improvement.

### **Maryland Family Network**

1001 Eastern Avenue, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, Baltimore 21202  
410-659-7701  
[info@marylandfamilynetwork.org](mailto:info@marylandfamilynetwork.org)  
[www.marylandfamilynetwork.org](http://www.marylandfamilynetwork.org)

Ensures that all young children and their families have the resources to learn and succeed.

### **Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD)**

6325 Woodside Court, Suite #110, Columbia 21046  
410-964-5757 or 800-446-6233  
[md.state@madd.org](mailto:md.state@madd.org)  
[www.madd.org](http://www.madd.org)

### **PFLAG (Parents, Families, and Friends of Lesbians and Gays)**

443-718-0474  
[pflagmd@gmail.com](mailto:pflagmd@gmail.com)  
[www.pflagmd.org](http://www.pflagmd.org)

### **Voices for Children**

8358 Main Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, Ellicott City 21043  
410-740-0933  
[info@voicesforchildren.org](mailto:info@voicesforchildren.org)  
[www.voicesforchildren.org](http://www.voicesforchildren.org)

Advocacy for abused and neglected children.

## ■ Volunteer Opportunities

### **A-OK Mentoring**

See page 18.

### **FIRN (Foreign Born Information and Referral Network)**

Now The Luminus Center for New Americans; see top left, this page.

### **Food on the 15th**

[foodonthe15th@gmail.com](mailto:foodonthe15th@gmail.com)  
Opportunities for students of all ages to collect, sort, bag, and deliver free non-perishable groceries to low-income senior citizens.

### **Howard County Food Bank**

See page 38.

### **Howard County, Maryland**

George Howard Building  
3430 Court House Drive, Ellicott City 21043  
[www.hocovolunteer.org](http://www.hocovolunteer.org)

Volunteer opportunities listed on this site are for Howard County Government departments, offices and agencies only.

### **Jewish Federation of Howard County**

See page 24.

### **Rebuilding Together**

8775 Centre Park Drive, Suite #519, Columbia 21045  
410-381-3338  
[info@rebuildingtogetherhowardcounty.org](mailto:info@rebuildingtogetherhowardcounty.org)  
[www.rebuildingtogetherhowardcounty.org](http://www.rebuildingtogetherhowardcounty.org)  
Home repair and rehabilitation for low income, elderly, disabled homeowners.

### **United Way Volunteer Referral Line**

1800 Washington Boulevard, Suite #340, Baltimore 21230  
410-547-8000  
[volunteer@uwcm.org](mailto:volunteer@uwcm.org)  
[www.uwcm.org](http://www.uwcm.org)

### **The Volunteer Center Serving Howard County**

6310 Hillside Court, Columbia 21046  
410-715-3172  
[info@volunteerhoward.org](mailto:info@volunteerhoward.org)



# Howard County

## Recreation & Parks

# Choose your fun!



- Adventure & Outdoors
- Child Care
- Chess
- Circus & Magic
- Cooking
- Crafts & Fine Arts
- Dance

- Drop-in Programs
- Enrichment
- Fitness
- Home School
- Language
- Lifelong Learning
- Music & Theater Arts

- Nature
- Park Ranger Programs
- Science, Tech & LEGO®
- Sports
- Therapeutic Recreation & Accommodation Services
- Trips & Tours
- Volunteer Opportunities



410-313-7275 | [www.HowardCountyMD.gov/rap](http://www.HowardCountyMD.gov/rap) | 7120 Oakland Mills Road, Columbia, MD 21046



WE LOVE HEARING FROM THE PARENTS WE SERVE...

**“** *Thank you so much for all the information for the past months. I have been passing what I've learned to my relatives with older toddlers. Your team has made so much of a difference in my life so I'm hoping my word-of-mouth will help others. Thank you! **”***

## Are you expecting? Are you parenting a child under age 5?



Free, home-visiting programs for families to receive information on child development; engage in educational activities with your child; and offer community resources.

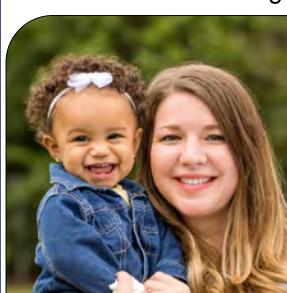
Participants are also invited to attend group events and meet families from around the community.

**For more information or to set up an appointment, contact us today.**

**410-313-1940 (VOICE/RELAY)**

[children@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:children@howardcountymd.gov)

[www.howardcountymd.gov/children](http://www.howardcountymd.gov/children)





A reuse center of durable medical equipment for persons of all ages.

## ► REFERRALS AND APPOINTMENTS

ALL equipment requires a medical referral from a health care professional (MD, NP, OT, PA, or PT).

Once your referral is received, staff will contact you to set up an appointment.

The medical referral form can be found at [www.howardcountymd.gov/loancloset](http://www.howardcountymd.gov/loancloset).

On-site appointments for equipment pick-up are made between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Howard County residents, along with county employees and their families, are eligible to receive equipment from The Loan Closet.

## ► DONATIONS AND RETURNS

We accept and appreciate donations of gently-used equipment, which can be received at

Alpha Ridge Landfill & Recycling Center\*  
2350 Marriottsville Rd., Marriottsville 21104  
Mon. – Sat. • 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

OR

7125 Riverwood Drive, Suite D1\*\*  
Mon. – Fri. • 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

\* Open to Howard County residents only.

\*\* At the REAR DOOR of facility only.

## VISIT OUR SHOWROOM!

7125 Riverwood Drive, Suite D1  
Columbia, MD 21046

EMAIL [loancloset@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:loancloset@howardcountymd.gov)

PHONE 410-313-0363 (VOICE/RELAY)

FAX 410-313-0369 (FAX)

## ► COMMUNITY PARTNERS

- Rebuilding Together of Howard County
- Equipment Connections for Children
- Maryland High-Tech Assistive Technology Reuse Center (MATR)

## ► ACCEPTED EQUIPMENT

The Loan Closet is a one-of-a-kind resource for donated medical equipment for those who cannot afford these items or have a short-term need. It accepts and provides:

► Bedside commodes.	► Shower chairs.
► Canes.	► Sit-to-stand.
► Geri-chairs.	► Tub transfer benches.
► Mechanical lifts.	► Walkers.
► Rollators.	► Wheelchairs.

## ► EQUIPMENT WE CANNOT ACCEPT

- Anything that is broken.
- Anything that is rusted.
- Anything with missing pieces.
- Anything containing mercury.
- Boots and braces.
- CPAP machines.
- Electrical equipment.
- Hospital beds and mattresses.
- Medical supplies.
- Oxygen tanks.
- Prescription medications.



## NOTES

Programs, services and referrals to ensure  
everyone in the community has the opportunity to  
**GROW, THRIVE and LIVE with DIGNITY.**



9830 Patuxent Woods Drive, Columbia 21046

410-313-6400 (VOICE/RELAY)

EMAIL – [communityresources@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:communityresources@howardcountymd.gov)

WEBSITE – [howardcountymd.gov/communityresources](http://howardcountymd.gov/communityresources)

**How can we  
serve **YOU**  
today?**

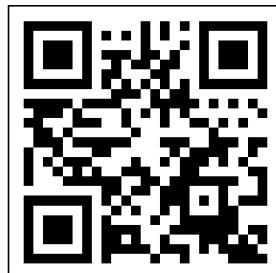
Find us @HoCoCommunity



## **DCRS**

encompasses the  
following offices:

- ADA Coordination
- Aging and Independence
- Children and Families
- Community Partnerships
- Disability Services
- Human Trafficking Prevention
- The Local Children's Board
- Veterans and Military Families





# Howard County

## Office of Children and Families

9830 Patuxent Woods Drive, Columbia, MD 21046

TEL 410-313-1940 (voice/relay)

FAX 410-313-1430

[www.howardcountymd.gov/children](http://www.howardcountymd.gov/children)

**As part of the Department of Community Resources and Services, the Office of Children and Families' purpose is to support the early childhood system so that children can reach their full potential.**

We do this by supporting families; training/mentoring/coaching early childhood professionals; providing expert consultation on early childhood issues; creating synergies among early childhood stakeholders; aligning and maximizing resources; and implementing evidence-based programming.

Find us on Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/HoCoCommunity>. We post updates on training classes, upcoming events and reminders about parent workshops on the Department of Community Resources and Services (DCRS) Facebook page.

You will also find posts from DCRS' seven additional offices, including:

Office of ADA Coordination

Office on Aging and Independence

Office of Community Partnerships

Office of Disability Services

Office of Human Trafficking Prevention

Office of the Local Children's Board

Office of Veterans and Military Families

