

PARENT'S GUIDE to Howard County

Resources and Information from
Infancy through the Teen Years



2025
Howard County
Office of Children and Families



FROM THE DESK OF
Calvin Ball, Howard County Executive

Dear Residents,

Welcome to the 2025 Howard County Parents Guide, a comprehensive resource created with Howard County parents, grandparents 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 local resources which support our families, including more than 22,545 children aged five and under.

Whether you need to find childcare options, locate County services or identify family supports, the Guide is a great place to learn about the multitude of services in Howard County to help your children live their best lives. OCF provides a multitude of parent education opportunities including virtual workshops, in-person programs 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 ask questions about 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 the many reasons Howard County remains 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,



Calvin Ball
Howard County Executive

Howard County
Office of Children and Families

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- Aging and Independence
- Children and Families
- Community Partnerships
- Disability Services
- Human Trafficking Prevention
- The Local Children’s Board
- Veterans and Military Families



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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.





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Welcome to the 2025 edition of the Howard County Parents' Guide.

Did you know that there are approximately 1,825 days between a child's birth and when they enter kindergarten? Every day, our DCRS team works to improve the lives of individuals and families across Howard County, because we know that a strong family and vibrant community contribute to the health and well-being of our children, from the very beginning.

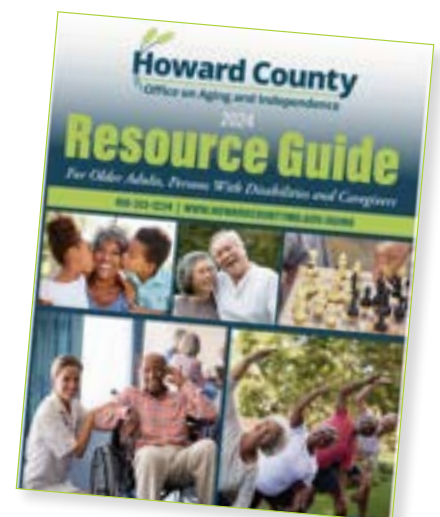
Our Office of Children and Families (OCF) created this annual Parents Guide to make it easier for parents, caregivers and others to access local services to help the 22,545 young children residing here to live their best lives. Whether you are looking for a child care provider, behavioral health support, or a fun activity for you and your kids to do together, this guide is for you!

Through OCF and our Family Support Center, we are committed to ensuring Howard County children and those who care for them have what they need to learn and thrive. Our knowledgeable and caring staff are here for you, to answer your questions, address your needs, and support your family on this journey. Stay in touch and get the latest news by subscribing to our monthly Parent Pages at bit.ly/HoCoSubscribe.

**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

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

Parent Referral Line

LOCATE: Child Care

877-261-0060

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

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

FAMILY CHILD CARE HOMES

Howard County Family Child Care Association

301-776-4841

www.hcfcca.com

Parent Referral Line

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

aupairinfo@aifs.com

Matches au pairs with families.

Cultural Care Au Pair

443-285-1109

aupair@culturalcare.com

www.dpopp.aupairnews.com

Au pair services.

The Nanny Network

410-321-1566

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>



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

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

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.

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

Providing childcare since 1994 with small group size and individualized attention in an environment of supporting development, independence and preparation for school readiness.

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

A Christ-centered, Seventh-day Adventist school. 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

Bethany Learning Center

3030 Bethany Lane, Ellicott City

410-461-3393

mfaulkner@yourbethany.org

<https://yourbethany.org/>

Ages served: 6 weeks to 12 years

We provide a safe, loving Christian environment for all children to receive developmentally appropriate learning experiences and endless opportunities to learn, explore and develop relationships.

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 and a Christ-centered curriculum.

Bet Yeladim Preschool

8910 Route 108, Suite D, Columbia 21045

410-997-7378

info@betyeladim.org

www.betyeladim.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.

Bird of Paradise Bilingual Childcare

3280 Halcyon Court, Ellicott City 21043

Bopbilingualchildcare@gmail.com

240-278-5174

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.Bloomingbudslc@gmail.com

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
www.brookfieldchristianschool.com

Brookfield Christian School — COLUMBIA (NEW)

5890 Cedar Lane, Columbia 21045
410-740-7115
bcscedarlane@gmail.com
www.brookfieldchristianschool.com

Brookfield Christian School — MAPLE LAWN

11830 West Market Place, Fulton 20759
301-362-3580
bcsmapplelawn@gmail.com
www.brookfieldchristianschool.com

Building Blocks Family Daycare

5770 Sweetwind Place, Columbia 21045
gizmoslight63@gmail.com
443-851-6767
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
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
<https://www.celebree.com/ellcott-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

Children & Company Cooperative Preschool

5355 Phelps Luck Drive, Columbia 21045
443-741-2436
membership@childrenandcompany.org
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
<https://childrensmagnet.com/ellcott-city/>
Ages served: 2 to 4 years

Children's Magnet Montessori School — ELKRIDGE

6135 Old Washington Road, Elkrige 21075
elkrige@childrensmagnet.com
410-220-3792

Children's Manor Montessori School — COLUMBIA

9008 Red Branch Road, Columbia 21045
410-730-3100
columbia@childrensmanor.com
<https://childrensmagnet.com/columbia/>

Christ Centered Childcare

9510 Mellow Court, Laurel 20723
khintercessor@verizon.net
Offering before and after school care for Hammond Elementary.
Summer care also available.

Christ Memorial Christian Preschool

10600 Shaker Drive, Columbia 21046
410-997-8011
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
www.christinesfamilydaycare.com

Ages served: 6 months to 6 years

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

Early Care and Education Programs

Clarksville Daycare

6911 Westcott Place, Clarksville 21029
clarksvilleydaycare@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

www.columbiaacademy.com

Ages served: Transitional Kindergarten to 8th 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

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

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

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

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

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

<https://columbiamontessori.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

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.

We are here when you need us.

- BGE Assistance
- Business Clothing
- Counseling Services
- Disability Services
- Employment Assistance
- Eviction Prevention
- 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



Howard County

MultiService Center

Office of Community Partnerships

Department of Community Resources and Services

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

The MSC is accessible via the RTA Bus PURPLE Route

Early Care and Education Programs

Community of Families in Nature (CFIN)

8000 Harriet Tubman Lane
Columbia, MD 21044
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.

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 4 years

CLMLC II provides a comprehensive STEAM-oriented program that includes supplementary tutoring sessions and intellectually stimulating classes. Hours 7:30 AM to 9:30 PM.



East Columbia Preschool

6800 Cradlerock Way, Columbia 21045
410-290-9166

info@eastcolumbiapreschool.com

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

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

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

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.



Fairlane Family Child Care LLC

1029 Thunderbird Drive, Woodbine 21797

info@FairlaneFamilyChildCare.com

410-412-4007

www.FairlaneFamilyChildCare.com

Ages served: infant to school age

Providing age-appropriate lesson plans and activities based on each child's needs to enhance cognitive, language and social skills. We use the Tadpoles App to send daily reports, pictures and videos.

First Lutheran Preschool

3604 Chatham Road, Ellicott City 21043
410-465-5977

flcpreschool@firstlutheranec.org

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 Dive, Elkridge 21075
410-379-8200

firststartparent@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.

Early Care and Education Programs



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.

Glenelg Country School

12793 Folly Quarter Road, Ellicott City 21042
410-531-8600

admission@glenelg.org

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

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

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

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

gracechildcarecenter1@gmail.com

www.gracechurchchildcare.org

Ages served: Infant to 12 years

Providing a safe, secure and challenging learning environment where all children can feel safe, while promoting their individual social, emotional, moral, 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

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

Ages served: 6 weeks to 6 years

Green Mountain Family Child Care Center

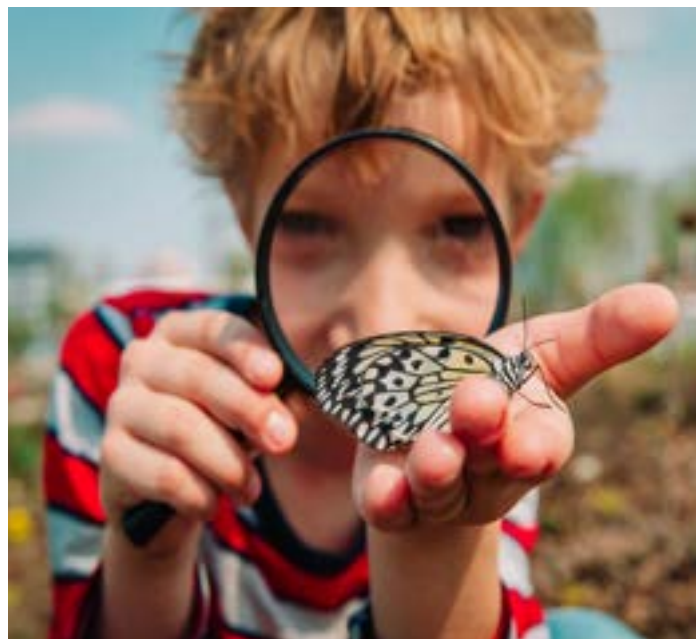
10395 Green Mountain Circle, Columbia 21045

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
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
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
<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
<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.

WE LOVE HEARING FROM THE PARENTS WE SERVE...

“ 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! ”

HOWARD COUNTY RECREATION AND PARKS

RECREATIONAL LICENSED CHILD CARE (RLC)

7120 Oakland Mills Road, Columbia 21046

Contact Stephanie Wise at swise@howardcountymd.gov
410-313-4712

Early Learning Center (ELC)

410-313-3706

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, Ducketts 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

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.



idea lab kids Howard County

8980 Old Annapolis Road, Suites E-F, Columbia 21045
443-542-2242

hoco@idealabkids.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

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.

Early Care and Education Programs



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
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
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 5th 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
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.

Kiddie Mundo Spanish Immersion Learning Center

8995 Lambskin Lane, Columbia 21045
410-740-9800
info@kiddiemundoeducation.com
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
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
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, Clarksville 21029
410-531-3858
Kidstimeout@gmail.com

<https://kidstimeout1.com/>

Ages served: 2 to 4 years

School-age and preschool summer camp, early learning program, before and after care services, and no school days.

Kim's Family Child Care

2506 McKenzie Road, Ellicott City 21042
kmp litt@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
<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

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
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
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
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
<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.

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@littleeggschildcare.com
<http://littleeggschildcare.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.

Early Care and Education Programs

Little Scholar's Playhouse Too

7000 New Colony Boulevard, Elkridge 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 Elliotts 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 Eliots Oak Road, Columbia 21044

lns.columbia@gmail.com

<https://www.lnscolumbia.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, Elkridge 21075

443-927-8777

magicmindscamp@gmail.com

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.

Mothers Touch Child Care

14900 Belle Ami Drive, Laurel, 20707

Ages served: infants to 5 years

240-335-2439

dcs91756@hotmail.com

Over 10 years of care in my home; a loving and safe environment that's just like home.

Mt. Hebron Nursery School

2330 Mt. Hebron Drive, Ellicott City 21042

410-461-2773

amyschroeder@mthebronnursery.org

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

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.



N

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

Ages served: 2 to 4 years

Loving care just like Mom.

Neighbor Family Day Care

6216 Briar Court, Elkridge 21075

pebbles510@verizon.net

410-300-4914

Ages served: 0 to 8 years

A licensed childcare provider with 35 years of experience.

Northcrest Montessori

12345 Wake Forest Road, Suite J, Clarksville 21029

410-690-4890

admissions@northcrestmontessori.com

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 21045

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.



O

Our Lady of Perpetual Help School (OLPH)

4801 Ilchester Road, Ellicott City 21043

410-744-4251

admissions@olphschool.org

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.

P

Pallotti Early Learning Center at St. Mary of the Mills

800 Main Street, Laurel MD 20707

pelcdirector@stmaryofthemills.org

301-776-6471

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

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 Ones Learning & Outreach, Inc.

5501 Edmondson Avenue, Baltimore 21229

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

410-200-9898

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, Marriotts Ridge, Oakland Mills, Reservoir, and River Hill

410-888-9040

Enrollment@psecdp.org

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.

Early Care and Education Programs

R

Robinson Nature Center Early Childhood Outdoor Classes

6692 Cedar Lane, Columbia 21044

410-313-0400

esaleiro@howardcountymd.gov

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@rbcn.org

<https://rbcn.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

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

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

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@stlouisparrish.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.

St. Michael Preschool

1125 St. Michaels Road, Mount Airy 21771

240-437-3669

mawton@smpschurch.org

www.smpschurch.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

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.

T

Teaching, Learning, Caring

Ellicott City 21043

410-303-0954

MissLaurie@teachinglearningcaring.com

www.teachinglearningcaring.com

Ages served: 2 to 4 years

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

Temple Isaiah Preschool

12200 Scaggsville Road, Fulton 20759

301-317-1101

meredith@templeisaiah.org

<https://templeisaiah.org/learning/preschool/>

Ages served: 2 to 5 years; plus, a parent-toddler program for 1 to 2 ½ year-olds

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

Find us @HoCoCommunity



The Goddard School Columbia

10220 Old Columbia Road, Suite A, Columbia 21046
410-531-1511

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

www.goddardschool.com/baltimore/ellcott-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

<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

Ages served: Pre-K through 6th 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

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.

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

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

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

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

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

Ages served: 3 to 13 years

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

Early Care and Education Programs

U

United Way Family Center at Columbia

7115 Columbia Gateway, Columbia 21046

667-351-5160

sharon.buttari@uwcm.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.

W

Wilde Lake Children's Nursery

10518 Marble Faun Lane, Columbia 21044

410-997-4856

info@wlcn.net

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 8th 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.

Y

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.

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 • 410-313-CARE (2273)



Leading Maryland's
Family Support Centers



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

Howard Community College

10901 Little Patuxent Parkway, Columbia 21044
443-518-1000
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/
Homeschooling information and services.

Islamic Leadership Institute of America

3290 Pine Orchard Lane, Ellicott City 21042
240-765-7151
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
<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
A member association providing services for home educators.

MENTORING

A-OK Mentoring

443-895-2457
www.aokmentor.org
Volunteer-driven mentoring and tutoring service.

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Maryland

410-243-4000
info@biglittle.org
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. Camp registrations begin in January and February.

Columbia Association School Age Services (CA SAS)

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 40.

TUTORS and ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS

For additional options, call your local school guidance office.

A-1 Evaluation and Tutoring

410-644-8828
www.overcomelearningproblems.com

Abrakadoodle Art

410-381-5566
mdaley@abrakadoodle.com
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
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
www.bestbrains.com

Brain Train America

8850 Stanford Boulevard, Suite 1800, Columbia 21045
410-750-2133
info@braintrainamerica.com
www.braintrainamerica.com

Bright Spot, Inc.

9715 Riverside Circle, Ellicott City 21042
410-465-6856
office@brightspotinc.com
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 16.

Kumon

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

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

Mathnasium

8827 Centre Park Drive, Suite F, Columbia 21045

410-219-0542

columbiamd@mathnasium.com

www.mathnasium.com/columbiamd

Reading Town

9011 Chevrolet Drive, Ellicott City 21042

410-465-5465

<http://ellicottcity.readingtowntown.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

<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

www.spidersmart.com/ellicott-city

Sylvan Learning Center

8801 Centre Park Drive, Suite 5, Columbia 21045

410-656-8358

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.

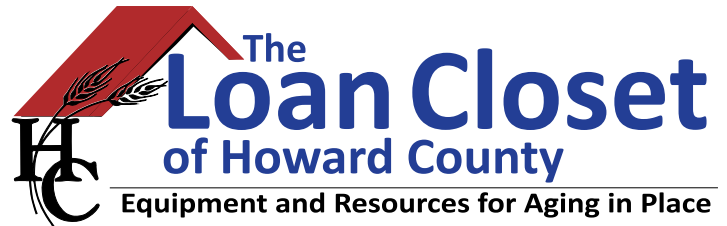


Howard County
Office of the Local Children's Board

9830 Patuxent Woods Drive, Columbia 21046

www.howardcountymd.gov/OLCB

For questions or additional information,
 email The Local Children's Board at lcb@howardcountymd.gov



Howard County residents are able to receive durable medical equipment at no cost. We also ask you to consider donating items back to The Loan Closet of Howard County when no longer needed. There are two convenient ways to make returns and donations:

1) ALPHA RIDGE LANDFILL LOAN CLOSET SHED

2350 Marriottsville Road, Marriottsville 21104
Open Monday through Saturday 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

2) THE LOAN CLOSET LOADING DOCK

Located in rear of our equipment distribution site (address below).
Donations and returns: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. BY APPOINTMENT ONLY.



410-313-0363 (VOICE/RELAY)
7125 Riverwood Drive, Suite D1, Columbia 21046

www.howardcountymd.gov/loancloset

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
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 at Children and Families at 410-313-1940 (voice/relay) or children@howardcountymd.gov.

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

<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://hopeworksofhc.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

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

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

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

www.baltimoretcf.com

Support group for grieving parents and caregivers.

SAILS (Stillborn and Infant Loss Support)

410-941-9061

sailsmaryland@gmail.com

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 much more.

La Leche League of Maryland

443-424-3733

llofcolumbia@gmail.com

www.llofmd-de-dc.org

Support and advocacy for breastfeeding.

WIC Program (Women, Infant and Children)

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

www.betterbedrest.org

Support for women with high-risk pregnancies.

Bradley Method

800-423-2397

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

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

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

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

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 or 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

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

<http://www.dlir.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

<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

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

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@adoptionssupport.org

www.adoptionssupport.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

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

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

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

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 Service Program (CARE Center)

- 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 • www.howardcountymd.gov/children

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, 4th floor, Baltimore 21204
410-296-0232
info@dyslexiaida.org
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

Howard County Lawyer Referral Service

410-313-3853

Legal Aid Bureau

3451 Court House Drive, Ellicott City 21043
410-480-1057
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
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

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

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

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

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 20.

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

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 23.

Family Support Center

Howard County Office of Children and Families

9790 Patuxent Woods Drive, Columbia 21046

410-313-2273

children@howardcountymd.gov

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 23.

The Jacaranda Center for Family and Youth Development

410-978-1859

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

<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 Local Children's Board

9830 Patuxent Woods Drive, Columbia 21046

410-313-6552

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 23.

■ Safety Information

KISS (Kids in Safety Seats)

201 West Preston Street, 4th floor, Baltimore 21201

800-370-SEAT (7328)

MDH.kiss@maryland.gov

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

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

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

www.dcmetrodads.com

Provides support to stay-at-home dads.

Howard County Dads

443-910-0882

josh@howardcountydads.com

www.instagram.com/howardcountydads

www.facebook.com/howardcountydads

Support network for dads in Howard County.

Mocha Moms of Howard County

hocomochas@gmail.com

www.mochamoms.org

Support and advocacy for moms of color.

MOMS Club (Moms Offering Moms Support)

support@momsclub.org

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

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

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

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

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American Diabetes Association

2002 Clipper Park Road, Suite 110, Baltimore 21211
410-265-0075 or 800-342-2383

ADAMD@diabetes.org

www.diabetes.org

Autism Society of Maryland (AUSOM)

9770 Patuxent Woods Drive, Suite 308, Columbia 21046
410-290-3466

info@autismsocietymd.org

<https://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

Brain Injury Association of Maryland

2200 Kernan Drive, Baltimore 21207

410-448-2924

www.biamd.org

BrightStar Care

7060 Oakland Mills Road, Suite P, Columbia 21046

410-910-9425

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

<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

<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

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

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

Community Services for Autistic Adults and Children (CSAAC)

240-912-2220

www.csaac.org

Cystic Fibrosis Foundation

10626 York Road, Suite A, Cockeysville 21030

410-628-0795

maryland@cff.org

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

Down Syndrome Resource Network of Howard County

410-730-0638

Family Support and Resource Center

Howard County Public School System

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SPECIAL NEEDS PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

The Feingold Association

800-321-3287 or 631-369-9340

help@feingold.org

www.feingold.org

Services for parents whose children are chemical-sensitive.

Friendship Circle

770 Howes Lane, Columbia 21044

443-280-0340

friendshipcircle@chabadclarksville.org

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

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 Intervention Services

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 screening for eligible children.

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

www.jdrf.org

Kennedy Krieger Institute

Behavioral Psychology Outpatient Programs

9810 Patuxent Woods Drive, Suite C, Columbia 21046

443-923-9400

www.kennedykrieger.org

Clinical services for children with emotional and behavioral difficulties.

The Loan Closet of Howard County

Howard County DCRS, Office on Disability Services

7125 Riverwood Drive, Suite D1, Columbia 21046

410-313-0363

loancloset@howardcountymd.gov

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

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

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

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

www.msd.edu

Maryland Speech, Language and Hearing Association

410-239-7770

office@mdslha.org

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

Mental illness advocacy, research, programs and services.

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.”

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

The Parents' Place of Maryland

801 Cromwell Park Drive, Suite 103, Glen Burnie 21061
410-768-9100
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
www.pathfindersforautism.org

Project ACT (All Children Together) Abilities Network

8503 LaSalle Road, Towson 21286
410-828-7700
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

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
Verbal Beginnings provides Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) therapy to children ages two to 18 diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD).

WE LOVE HEARING FROM THE PARENTS WE SERVE...

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

90% OF BRAIN GROWTH HAPPENS BY AGE FIVE



The Basics

Howard County

- FREE
- INTERACTIVE
- 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

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

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

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

Howard County Office of Children and Families

Child Care Resource Center

9830 Patuxent Woods Drive, Columbia 21046
410-313-1442
children@howardcountymd.gov
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

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
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
<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 18.

■ Dentists and Orthodontists Referral Service

Howard County Dental Association

410-635-0703
howardcountydental@gmail.com
www.howardcountydentalassociation.com

■ Developmental Screening and Early Intervention Services

Behavior & Developmental Pediatrics Division

University of Maryland Medical Center
737 West Lombard Street, 1st 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 23.

Howard County Early Intervention Services

See page 26.

Kennedy Krieger Institute Behavioral Psychology

Outpatient Programs

See page 26.

Parents As Teachers Program/Health Families Howard County Howard County Office of Children and Families

See page 23.

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

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

Patient First

5900 Cedar Lane, Columbia 21044

443-718-4067

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

Righttime Care Center

6334 Cedar Lane, Columbia 21044

888-808-6483

www.myrighttime.com

■ Immunizations

Howard County Health Department

See page 28.



■ Medical Referral Services

American Speech, Language, and Hearing Association

800-638-8255

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

www.medchi.org/

■ Substance Abuse

Alano Club

9231 Rumsey Road, Columbia 21045

410-997-2288

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

<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

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

www.howardcountymd.gov/gethelp

Behavioral health resources and referrals.

Serenity Center

9650 Basket Ring Road, Columbia 21045

410-884-6088

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

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

Roger Carter Community Center

3000 Milltowne Drive, Ellicott City 21043
410-313-2764
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

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
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

Girl Scouts of Central Maryland

4806 Seton Drive, Baltimore 21215
410-358-9711
www.gscm.org

Islamic Leadership Institute of America

See page 17.

University of Maryland Extension 4-H Youth Development

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

PARKS, RECREATION AND LEISURE

■ Special Needs and Therapeutic Services

Center for Social Change, Inc.
6600 Amberton Drive, Elkridge 21075
410-579-6789
info@centerforsocialchange.org
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 42.

Howard County Youth Program
410-461-7694
www.hcyp.org
Baseball, softball, basketball programs/leagues.

Maryland School for the Deaf
See page 26.

Special Olympics Maryland, Howard County
8970 Route 108, Suite A-1, Columbia 21045
410-740-0500
www.somdhc.org

Therapeutic and Recreational Riding Center
3750 Shady Lane, Glenwood 21738
410-489-5100
www.trrcmd.org

■ Sports

BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL

Columbia Baseball League
410-313-4705
bwyman@howardcountymd.gov
<https://www.hcyp.org/>

Elkridge Youth Organization
EYOPresident@yahoo.com
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

Savage Boys and Girls Club
<https://www.savagebgc.org/Default.aspx?tabid=1914580>

Western Howard County Baseball/Softball
410-313-4706
<https://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
www.hyba.org

i9 Sports
443-485-4202
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 30.

CAMPING

Camping at Patapsco Valley State Park
See page 30.

CHEERLEADING

AllPro Gymnastics and Cheer Academy
6685 Santa Barbara Road, Suite D, Elkridge 21075
410-379-5439
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
See full page ad on page 42.



PARKS, RECREATION AND LEISURE

FOOTBALL

Howard County Department of Recreation and Parks

See full page ad on page 42.

GOLF

Columbia Association Hobbits Glen Golf Club

11130 Willowbottom Drive, Columbia 21044

410-730-5980

www.hobbitsglengolfclub.com

Columbia Association Sports Park

5453 Harpers Farm Road, Columbia 21044

410-715-3054

www.columbiaassociation.org/facilities/sports-parks/

Fairway Hills Golf Club

5100 Columbia Road, Columbia 21044

410-730-1112

www.fairwayhillsgolfclub.com

First Tee, Fairway Hills Golf Club

5100 Columbia Road, Columbia 21044

410-730-1114

thefirsttee@columbiaassociation.org

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

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

Monster Mini Golf

<https://monsterminigolf.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

www.turfvalley.com

Waverly Woods Golf Club

2100 Warwick Way, Marriottsville 21104

410-313-9182

proshop@waverlywoods.com

www.waverlywoods.com

HOCKEY

Howard Huskies Hockey Club

Info@HowardHuskie.org

www.howardhuskies.org

HORSEBACK RIDING

Columbia Horse Center

10400 Gorman Road, Laurel 20723

301-776-5850

ride@columbiahorsecenter.com

www.columbiahorsecenter.com

Therapeutic and Recreational Riding Center, Inc.

See page 31.

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

www.kangarookids.org

LACROSSE

Howard County Lacrosse Program

410-313-7275

www.hclacrosse.com

ROLLER SKATING

Laurel Roller Skating Center

9890 Brewers Court, Laurel, 20723

301-725-8070

laurelskatingcenter@verizon.net

www.laurelskatingcenter.com

Supreme Sports Club

7080 Deepage Drive, Columbia 21045

410-381-5355

www.columbiaassociation.com

RUNNING

Girls on The Run

9150 Rumsey Road, Suite A7, Columbia 21045

443-583-7740

info@gotrcentralmd.org

www.gotrcentralmd.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

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

www.sackick.com

Soccer Shots

312 Marshall Avenue, Suite 1000, Laurel 20707

202-957-8252

www.soccershots.org/howardcounty

PARKS, RECREATION AND LEISURE

Thunder Soccer Club

443-741-2486
administrator@thundersoccerclub.org
www.thundersoccerclub.org

Volleyball House & Soccer Arena

5635 Furnace Avenue, Elkridge 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

SWIMMING

Atholton Swim Club

6731 Seneca Drive, Columbia 21046
410-964-0068
Atholtonswimclub.webmaster@gmail.com
<https://atholtonswimclub.com/>

Columbia Association Pools

410-312-6332
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

Goldfish Swim School

9315 Snowden River Parkway, Columbia 21046
410-983-3003
swimcolumbia@goldfishss.com
<https://www.goldfishswimschool.com/columbia/>

Hammond Park Pool

8034 Helmart Drive, Laurel 20723
301-725-1300
HammondParkPool@swimhammond.org
www.swimhammond.org

Kids First Swim Schools

7351 Assateague Drive, Suite 394, Jessup 20794
443-755-0111
www.kidsfirstswimschools.com/locations/columbia

MarTar Swim School

103 Century Drive, Mt Airy 21771
410-799-8887
martarawimming@comcast.net
www.martarswimming.com

Roger Carter Community Center

3000 Milltowne Drive, Ellicott City 21043
410-313-2764
www.howardcountymd.gov/rccc

Watermont Swim Club

5819 Bellanca Drive, Elkridge 21075
410-599-6149
watermont@gmail.com
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
<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
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
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

WRESTLING

Vipers Wrestling

(formerly Howard County Wrestling Program)
7120 Oakland Mills Road, Columbia 21046
410-313-4637
www.leaguelineup.com/howardcountywrestling



Community Action Council
of Howard County

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

Head Start & 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 (ECE) Program that offers Head Start and MSDE Prekindergarten services to provide whole-family support. Full-day, full-year programming 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
- Weatherization Assistance

Scan QR Code to learn more about our programs.

SCAN ME!



cac-hc.org | 410-313-6440



Find Resources For:

- Access to Care
- Education
- Employment
- Food
- Health
- Housing
- Transportation
- And More!

CAREAPP is FREE and easy to use!



Visit FindHCResources.org



Scan our QR Code



Download our App:
CAREAPP Howard County



410-313-6300 | hchealth.org

■ 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

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

<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 17.

The Jacaranda Center for Family and Youth Development

410-978-1859

info@thejacarandacenter.org

<http://thejacarandacenter.org>

Jewish Federation of Howard County

See page 23.

Junior Achievement

10711 Red Run Boulevard, #110, Owings Mills 21117

443-394-7211

info@jama.org

www.jama.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

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 30.

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

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

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

<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

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 21.

Howard Community College Counseling and Career Services

See page 21.

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 (CARE Center)

Howard County Office of Children and Families

See ad on page 25.

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 29.

Howard Commuter Solutions

3430 Court House Drive, Ellicott City 21043
410-313-3130

transportation@howardcountymd.gov

www.howardcommutersolutions.com

Howard County Department of Fire and Rescue Services

See page 28.

Howard County – Maryland Department of Social Services

9780 Patuxent Woods Drive, Columbia 21046

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

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

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

Mediation & Conflict Resolution Center of Howard County

9770 Patuxent Woods Drive, Building #100, Columbia 21046
443-518-7693

info@mcrchoward.org

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

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

www.transitrt.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

<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

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

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

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

Community-based services for individuals and families.

FISH of Howard County

410-964-8660

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

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

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

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

Owns 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/>

Owns, 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

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 19.

CARE APP -Howard County Health Department

<https://findhcreources.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

Resources, information and advocacy for low-income families and immigrants.

Child Find — National Runaway Hotline

800-786-2929

information@childfindofamerica.org

ChildHelp—National Child Abuse Hotline

800-422-4453

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 37.

Hearing and Speech Helpline

800-638-8255

HopeWorks

See page 20.

Howard County Office of ADA Coordination

HoCo Department of Community Resources and Services

See page 26.

Howard County Health Department

See page 28.

Jewish Information and Referral Service

101 West Mt. Royal Avenue, Baltimore 21201

410-466-9200

information@associated.org

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

Kidline

410-461-1833

United Way-sponsored telephone counseling for youngsters during afterschool hours.

KISS (Kids in Safety Seats)

See page 24.

Maryland Poison Center

800-222-1222

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.nationalchildsafetycouncil.org

National Human Trafficking Resource Center

888-373-7888

help@humantraffickinghotline.org

www.humantraffickinghotline.org/

Springboard Community Services

Howard County Office

10451 Twin Rivers Road, Suite 100, Columbia 21044

410-997-3557

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

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

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

www.acy.org

Advocacy and program improvement.

Maryland Family Network

1001 Eastern Avenue, 2nd floor, Baltimore 21202

410-659-7701

info@marylandfamilynetwork.org

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

www.madd.org

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

443-718-0474

pflagmd@gmail.com

www.pflagmd.org

Voices for Children

8358 Main Street, 2nd floor, Ellicott City 21043

410-740-0933

info@voicesforchildren.org

www.voicesforchildren.org

Advocacy for abused and neglected children.

■ **Volunteer Opportunities**

A-OK Mentoring

See page 17.

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

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 37.

Howard County, Maryland

George Howard Building

3430 Court House Drive, Ellicott City 21043

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 23.

Rebuilding Together

8775 Centre Park Drive, Suite #519, Columbia 21045

410-381-3338

info@rebuildingtogetherhowardcounty.org

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

www.uwcm.org

The Volunteer Center Serving Howard County

6310 Hillside Court, Columbia 21046

410-715-3172

info@volunteerhoward.org



Programs, services and referrals to ensure everyone in the community has the opportunity to

GROW, THRIVE and LIVE with DIGNITY.

How can our offices serve **YOU** today?

- 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 Community Resources Campus
 9830 Patuxent Woods Drive, Columbia 21046
 410-313-6400 (VOICE/RELAY)

EMAIL — communityresources@howardcountymd.gov
 WEBSITE — howardcountymd.gov/communityresources
 PODCAST — howardcountymd.gov/HoCoCommunityChat



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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

www.howardcountymd.gov/children



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- Language
- Lifelong Learning
- Music & Theater Arts
- Nature
- Park Ranger Programs
- Science, Tech & LEGO®
- Sports
- Therapeutic Recreation & Accommodation Services
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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

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

