

# TRI-COUNTY OPPORTUNITIES COUNCIL

Community Action Agency



*Serving the 9 Counties of Bureau, Carroll, LaSalle, Lee, Marshall, Ogle, Putnam, Stark, and Whiteside Illinois*

# RESOURCE BOOK

## Bureau/Putnam County

Tri-County Opportunities Council

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*Building opportunities to transform communities.*



# Tri-County Opportunities Council

## *Mission Statement*

*Tri-County Opportunities Council will investigate the impact of poverty throughout our nine county service area and will work, in partnership with individuals, families and communities to provide opportunities that supports movement towards stability and self-sufficiency.*



### **Community Services Block Grant Program (CSBG)**

- Provides comprehensive needs assessments, information and referrals and numerous case management programs to eligible customers to obtain self-sufficiency for employment, youth, education, housing, medical, and emergency needs.
- Offers various housing programs to those facing homelessness or on the verge of becoming homeless. In addition, case management is provided to ensure housing is affordable and sustained to prevent future homelessness.
- Annually awards educational scholarships to income-eligible service area residents attending an Illinois institution of higher learning.
- Bureau County Food Pantry – provides food to meet meal gaps to families residing in Bureau County.

### **Foster Grandparent Program**

- Provides meaningful volunteer opportunities for those in the lower income range who are 55 years old and older.
- Offers supportive person-to-person services to at-risk children with special or exceptional needs in reading, math, spelling, art and other constructive projects.

### **Head Start/Early Head Start Program**

- The EHS/HS programs are federal programs that provides comprehensive early childhood education, health, nutrition, and parent engagement services to children from birth to 5 years of age, expectant mothers, and their families.
- The program's services and resources are designed to foster stable family relationships, heighten family resiliency, enhance children's physical and emotional well-being, and establish an environment to develop skills toward school readiness and a love of life-long learning.
- Families must meet the eligibility criteria established by the federal government.

## **Low-Income Energy Assistance (LIHEAP)**

- LIHEAP – makes a one-time payment to the utility company, bills must be in the name of the person applying.
- LIHEAP Furnace Program – Repair or replace furnaces to homeowners who are current on their mortgage and taxes and be within the LIHEAP guidelines.
- PIPP – The Percentage of Income Payment Plan (PIPP) is designed to help client's pay their own bill with a manageable budget bill. Eligibility for this program included being within the LIHEAP guidelines and must have a participating utility company, such as, Ameren, Com-Ed, and Nicor.
- Com-Ed Hardship – helps households that may be having a hardship crisis situation. Income guidelines are 200% of poverty level.
- Neighbor to Neighbor – helps households with utility assistance. Income guidelines are 300% of poverty level.

## **Illinois Home Weatherization Program**

- Make homes more energy efficient, provide safe heating equipment, if needed, replace furnace, and provide clients with safety equipment.

## **Rental Housing**

- Provides decent, safe and affordable housing to low-income clients.

## **TRI-COUNTY OPPORTUNITIES COUNCIL OFFICES:**

### Main Office

405 Emmons Avenue  
Rock Falls, IL 61071  
PH: 815-625-7830  
PH: 1-800-323-5434

### LaSalle Office

308 N. 30th Road  
LaSalle, IL 61301  
CSBG: 815-224-0028  
CSBG: 815-224-3939  
LIHEAP: 815-223-2333  
HEAD START: 815-224-2533  
HEAD START: 815-220-1602  
HEAD START: 815-220-1603

### Princeton Office

1019 N. Main Street  
Princeton, IL 61356  
Food Pantry/CSBG: 815-875-6064  
LIHEAP: 815-879-6035

### Office Hours

8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.  
Monday-Friday

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## BASIC NEEDS

### **Dream Center Peoria**

714 Hamilton Blvd.  
Peoria, IL 61603  
PH: (309)676-3000  
<https://www.dreamcenterpeoria.org>

*Monday-Friday 9:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.*

### **Evangelical Covenant Church**

24 N. Main Street  
Princeton, IL 61356  
PH: 815/875-2124  
<http://eccprinceton.org/>

*Provides general assistance.*

### **Pass the Love**

118 S. Main Street  
Walnut, IL 61376

*Gently-used Clothing, household items, small furniture.  
Wednesday & Friday 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.; Saturday  
10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.*

### **Tabitha's Hands**

Church of the Nazarene  
30 N. 6<sup>th</sup> Street  
Princeton, IL 61356  
PH: 815/643-2571 or 815-875-1900

*Donates large furniture and appliances to needy families*

### **The Closet**

2026 N. Main Street  
Princeton, IL 61356  
PH: (815)875-3145

*Shopping Hours: Thursday, Saturday 10:00 a.m. – 4 p.m.;  
Donation Hours: Thursday-Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.;  
Voucher Days: Preferred Scheduled Appointments with  
Manager (She is there Tuesday-Saturday 9:00 a.m.-4 p.m.)*

### **Upscale Resale Shop**

214 W. St. Paul Street  
Spring Valley, IL 61362  
PH: 815/664-2414  
<http://www.freedomhouseillinois.org/upscale-resale.html>

*Hours: Monday - Saturday 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.*

## CHILD CARE

### **SAL Child Care Connection**

3425 N. Dries Lane  
Peoria, IL 61604  
PH: 309/686-3750

*Assisting families in finding and paying for day care services. Serves Bureau, LaSalle, Marshall, Stark and Putnam counties.*

### **Zearing Child Enrichment Center**

633 Masonic Drive  
Princeton, IL 61356  
PH: 815/875-2335  
[www.zcec.org](http://www.zcec.org)

*Offers developmentally appropriate programs for children 6 months to 12 years of age.*

## DISABILITIES

### **BMP Tri-County Special Education**

526 Bureau Valley Parkway  
Princeton, IL 61356  
PH: 815/875-2645  
[www.bmpspeced.com](http://www.bmpspeced.com)

*Provides special education services for students 3-21 years of age with special needs.*

### **Child & Family Connections**

525 Bureau Valley Parkway, Suite E  
Princeton, IL 61356  
PH: 815/879-0073

*Provides families with children birth to five years' free developmental screenings, child development information, community resources, public awareness, family events, family support groups.*

### **Gateway Center**

406 S. Gosse Blvd.  
Princeton, IL 61356  
PH: 815/875-4548  
[www.gateway-services.org](http://www.gateway-services.org)

*Provides services to adults and children with disabilities and their families in Bureau, Marshall and Putnam counties.*

## **Illinois Valley Center for Independent Living**

18 Gunia Drive Unit 1  
LaSalle, IL 61301  
PH: 815/224-3126  
[www.ivcil.com](http://www.ivcil.com)

*Assists persons with disabilities and families in Bureau, LaSalle, Marshall, Putnam and Stark counties.*

## **Jack Mabley Developmental Center**

1120 Washington Ave.  
Dixon, IL 61021  
PH: 815/288-8300

*Serves those with developmental disabilities with meaningful job opportunities.*

## **Personal Mobility**

7611 N. Harker Drive  
Peoria, IL 61615  
PH: 217/441-8331  
[www.personalmobilityinc.com](http://www.personalmobilityinc.com)

*Home accessibility devices: elevators, wheelchair lifts, roll-in showers, overhead lift systems, automatic door openers, ramp systems, stair lifts, etc.*

## **EDUCATION**

### **Illinois Valley Community College**

815 N. Orlando Smith St.  
Oglesby, IL 61348  
PH: 815/224-2720  
[www.ivcc.edu/adulted](http://www.ivcc.edu/adulted)

*Provides one-to-one tutoring to adults with trained volunteers located throughout IVCC's district.*

## **EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE**

### **American Red Cross**

Bureau County Chapter  
435 S. Main Street  
Princeton, IL 61356  
PH: 815/875-2077 – 815/879-2231

## **EMPLOYMENT**

### **B.E.S.T. (Business Employment Skills Team)**

225 E. Backbone Road  
Princeton, IL 61356  
PH: 815/872-0255  
[www.best-inc.org](http://www.best-inc.org)

*Provides job assessments, goal setting, labor market information, college assistance, job search and placement, work experience, job training.*

## **FOOD**

### **Bureau County Food Pantry**

1019 N. Main Street  
Princeton, IL 61356  
PH: 815/875-6064  
[www.tcochelps.org](http://www.tcochelps.org)

### **Hall Township Food Pantry**

500 N. Terry Street  
Spring Valley, IL 61362  
PH: 815/663-2085

*Monthly food baskets; Personal care items; Income eligibility is based on 185% of the federal poverty guidelines.*

### **Project Success of Eastern Bureau County**

500 N. Terry Street  
Spring Valley, IL 61362  
PH: 815/663-2085

*Food Pantry for residents of Bureau County*

### **Putnam County Food Pantry**

103 W. Church Street  
Granville, IL 61326  
PH: 815/339-6480

### **United Church of Christ**

103 Church Street  
Granville, IL 61326  
PH: 815/339-2305



### **Western Bureau County Food Pantry**

123 S. Main Street  
Sheffield, IL 61361  
PH: 630/664-5303

*Provides monthly food baskets to families in service area, as well as seasonal assistance with items such as spring cleaning baskets, fall baking baskets, school supplies, holiday food baskets, and Christmas help.*

## **HEALTH**

### **All Star Dental**

1261 N. Lake Street  
Aurora, IL 60506  
PH: 630/801-0002  
<http://www.allstardentalclinic.com/>

2239 W. Jefferson  
Joliet, IL 60435  
PH: 815/207-4442

### **Bureau County Dental Health Department**

526 Bureau Valley Parkway A  
Princeton, IL 61356  
PH: 815/872-1927  
[www.bchealthdepartment.org](http://www.bchealthdepartment.org)

### **Bureau County Health Department**

526 Bureau Valley Parkway  
Princeton, IL 61356  
PH: 815/872-5091  
[www.bchealthdepartment.org](http://www.bchealthdepartment.org)

### **Bureau County Health & Wellness Clinic**

500 Elm Place  
Princeton, IL 61356  
PH: 815/879-8794

*Primary medical clinic must provide proof of income and be uninsured and low-income to qualify for clinic services.*

### **Cornerstone Community Wellness**

302 N. Mason Street  
Sheffield, IL 61361  
PH: 815/454-8020  
[www.cwell.org](http://www.cwell.org)

### **Dental Dreams**

6215 E. State Street  
Rockford, IL 61102  
PH: 815/399-7777  
<http://www.dentaldreams.org/>

350 N. Clark Street  
Chicago, IL 60654  
PH: 312/274-0308

*Accepts the Illinois Medical Card and other insurance plans.*

### **Dental Experts**

Malcolm Pediatric Dentistry  
163 Cadillac Court, Suite 3  
Belvidere, IL 61008  
PH: 815/544-0909  
<http://mpd4kids.com/>

*Accepts the Illinois Medical Card and other insurance.*

### **Department of Human Services**

225 E. Backbone Road, #2  
Princeton, IL 61356  
PH: 815/875-1134  
[www.dhs.state.il.us](http://www.dhs.state.il.us)

### **Familia Dental**

1403 W. Glenn Ave.  
Peoria, IL 61614  
PH: 309/692-4721  
[www.familiadental.com](http://www.familiadental.com)

### **Hygienic Institute Community Health Center**

2970 Chartres Street  
LaSalle, IL 61301  
PH: 815/223-0196  
[www.thehygienicinstitute.org](http://www.thehygienicinstitute.org)

*Offers health care for the entire family; Monday-Friday 7:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.*

### **Putnam County Health Department**

220 E. High Street  
Hennepin, IL 61327  
PH: 815/925-7326  
<http://www.bchealthdepartment.org/>

### **St. Margaret's Hospital**

600 E. First Street  
Spring Valley, IL 61362  
PH: 815/664-1132  
[www.aboutsmh.org](http://www.aboutsmh.org)

## HOUSING

### **Bureau County Housing Authority**

415 W. Erie Street  
Spring Valley, IL 61362  
PH: 815/664-4888

444 S. Church Street  
Princeton, IL 61356  
PH: 815/879-8106

### **Freedom House**

440 Elm Place  
Princeton, IL 61356  
PH: 815/872-0087  
HOTLINE: 800/474-6031

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

*Provides a safe and free haven for victim of domestic and sexual violence and their children in Bureau, Henry, Marshall, Putnam and Stark counties.*

### **Habitat for Humanity**

628 Columbus St, Suite 405  
Ottawa, IL 61350  
PH: 815/434-2041

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

*Partnering with low-income families that qualify, to help them become new home owners. Serves families in Bureau, LaSalle and Putnam counties.*

### **Professional Property Management, LLC**

400-413 E. Florence  
Oglesby, IL 61348  
PH: 815/883-9499

*Provides subsidized housing*

### **USDA Rural Development**

Single Family Housing Repair Loans & Grants  
USDA Service Center  
312 E. Backbone Road, Suite B  
Princeton, IL 61356  
(815) 875-8732 ext. 4

<https://www.rd.usda.gov/il>

*Provides loans to very-low-income homeowners to repair, improve or modernize their homes or grants to elderly very-low-income homeowners to remove health and safety hazards.*

## LEGAL SERVICES

### **13<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit Probation & Court Services**

#### **Department**

700 S. Main Street  
Princeton, IL 61356  
PH: 815/872-8951

### **Bureau County State Attorney**

700 S. Main Street  
Princeton, IL 61356  
PH: 815/879-4941

### **Prairie State Legal Services, Inc.**

1021 Clinton Street  
Ottawa, IL 61350  
PH: 815/434-5903

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

*Represents low-income clients (based on income guidelines) in preventing domestic violence, unlawful evictions, preserving their homes, obtaining and maintaining Medicaid, SSI and Social Security benefits, keeping custody of children and resolving other problems that involve basic needs.*

## MENTAL HEALTH

### **Allied Counseling Group**

146 Gooding Street  
LaSalle, IL 61301  
PH: 815/224-4522

### **Catholic Charities**

815 2<sup>nd</sup> Street  
LaSalle, IL 61301  
PH: 815/223-4007

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

*Provides individual and family counseling.*

### **North Central Behavioral Health Systems**

526 S. Bureau Valley Parkway  
Princeton, IL 61356  
PH: 815/875-4458

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

*Provides mental health and addictions services for individuals and families.*

## RESOURCES

### **Bureau County United Way**

618 N. Main Street  
Princeton, IL 61356  
PH: 815/872-0821

### **Bureau County Genealogical**

629 S. Main Street  
Princeton, IL 61356  
PH: 815/879-3133  
<http://www.genealogytrails.com/ill/bureau/>

### **Ladd Public Library**

125 N. Main Ave  
Ladd, IL 61329  
PH: 815/894-3254  
<http://laddlibrary.com/>

### **Princeton Public Library**

698 E. Peru Street  
Princeton, IL 61356  
PH: 815/875-1331  
<http://princetonpl.org/PPL/Home/Home.html>

### **Putnam County Library**

214 S. McCoy Street  
Granville, IL 61326  
PH: 815/339-2038

### **Raymond A Sapp Memorial Library**

103 E. Main Street  
Wyanet, IL 61379  
PH: 815/699-2342  
<http://www.raymondasaplibrary.4t.com/>

### **Shelby Township Library**

101 Depot Street  
DePue, IL 61322  
PH: 815/447-2660

### **Spring Valley Public Library**

215 E. Cleveland Street  
Spring Valley, IL 61362  
PH: 815/663-4741  
<http://richardmautinolibrary.com/>

### **Tiskilwa Library**

119 E. Main Street  
Tiskilwa, IL 61368  
PH: 815/646-4511  
<http://www.tisklib.org/>

### **Walnut Public Library**

101 Heaton Street  
Walnut, IL 61376  
PH: 815/379-2159

## SENIOR OUTREACH

### **Angels Private Care, Ltd.**

122 E. Dakota Street  
Spring Valley, IL 61362  
PH: 815/664-2626  
<http://angelsprivatecare.net/index.htm>

*Provides home care, personal care, household care, laundry, etc.*

### **Bureau County Senior Center**

16 W. Marion Street  
Princeton, IL 61356  
PH: 815/879-3981  
<http://www.bcseniorcenter.com/>

*Provides information and assistance, outreach, legal assistance, senior health insurance program, income tax services, transportation, community meals, activities.*

### **Bureau Valley Volunteer Hospice**

530 Park Avenue East  
Princeton, IL 61356  
PH: 815/876-3375

*Provides a free program of supportive care for the terminally ill and their families, which addresses physical, psychological, social and spiritual needs.*

### **In-Home Care VNA**

33 W. Crown Plaza  
Princeton, IL 61356  
PH: 815/875-4114  
<http://www.inhomecarevna.com/>

*Provides professional health care in the home. The agency serves residents of Illinois in the following counties: Bureau, Putnam, Stark, Marshall, LaSalle, Lee and Northern Peoria.*

### **PrairieLand Home Care**

409 E. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street  
Spring Valley, IL 61362  
PH: 815/663-2229

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

*Provides in-home care to patients at home in LaSalle, Bureau, Putnam and Marshall counties in Illinois.*

### **Presbyterian Ministries Shopping Service**

First Presbyterian Church of Princeton  
320 Park Avenue  
Princeton, IL 61356  
PH: 815/875-1306

<http://1stpresprinceton.com/index.html>

*Provides a shopper to shop to a grocery store, post office, bank, etc. for you from a list that is created. The shopper will return receipts from the items purchased.*

### **Putnam County Community Center**

128 First Street  
Standard, IL 61363  
PH: 815/339-2711

*Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Provides assistance to seniors 60 and older in the Putnam County area.*

### **Western Illinois Area Agency on Aging**

729 34<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Rock Island, IL 61201  
PH: 309/793-6800

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

*Provides funding to senior centers and adult protective services; advocacy, aging, community care in-home services, family caregiver support, grandparents raising children, information and assistance, legal assistance, senior health assistance and benefits access, senior health insurance program, senior Medicare.*

## **SUBSTANCE ABUSE**

### **Alcoholics Anonymous of Northern Illinois**

Hotline: 1-800-452-7990

[www.aa-nia.org](http://www.aa-nia.org)

### **Esther House**

6847 N. Allen Road  
Peoria, IL 61614  
PH: 309/676-3000

### **Rosecrance Treatment Center**

3815 Harrison Ave.  
Rockford, IL 61108  
PH: 815/391-1000

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

*Substance abuse treatment center dedicated to providing help, hope and recovery to adolescents, adults and families.*

## **TOWNSHIPS/CITY OFFICIALS**

### **Granville Township**

212 S. McCoy Street  
Granville, IL 61326  
PH: 815-339-2480

### **Princeton Area Chamber of Commerce**

435 S. Main Street  
Princeton, IL 61356  
PH: 815/875-2616

[www.princeton-il.com](http://www.princeton-il.com)

### **Walnut Police Department**

114 Jackson Street  
Walnut, IL 61376  
PH: 815/379-9000

## **TRANSPORTATION**

### **Bureau Area Rural Transit Services (B.A.R.T.)**

406 S. Gosse  
Princeton, IL 61356  
PH: 815/875-4548

### **Illinois Valley City Cab**

306 3<sup>rd</sup> Street  
LaSalle, IL 61301  
PH: 815/830-1818

*Medical transportation, call for an appointment.*

# YOUTH SERVICES

## **Bureau County IL Extension Office**

850 Thompson Street  
Princeton, IL 61356  
PH: 815/875-2878

*Offers programs of 4H Development, Community Agriculture, Community and Economic Development, Consumer Economics, Environmental and Energy Stewardship, Family Life, Horticulture, Leadership and Local Government, and Nutrition/Wellness.*

## **LaSalle County Youth Service Bureau**

1702 ½ W. Peru Street  
Princeton, IL 61356  
PH: 815/872-2119  
[www.ysbiv.org](http://www.ysbiv.org)

*Responds to the needs of children and youth through a variety of programs to enhance the quality of life for all children, youth and families.*

## **YMCA**

300 Walnut St.  
Peru, IL 61354  
PH: 815/223-7904  
<http://www.ivymca.com/>