

Social Services/Support Groups **(Summit, Medina, Wayne Counties)**

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Below are just a few of the thousands of social services and support groups available. If you have questions or would like information about other services not listed, contact one of the Information and Referral Services listed below for your county. (Prepared by Prince of Peace Church; for corrections/updates call Prince of Peace: 330-825-9543)

General Information & Referral Services(I & R Services):

Summit County: Info Line 211 or 330-376-6660; Web site:<http://www.211summit.org/>

Medina County: 211 or <https://www.211oh.org/>

Wayne/Holmes Counties: 211 or <https://www.211oh.org/>

Stark County 211 or web site: www.uwstark.org/content/need-help;

Hospital Social Service Departments: for questions about local support groups and services, your local hospital social service department can be a great resource.

Specialized Crisis Intervention/Suicide Hot Line

Summit County ADM Board 330-434-9144 or 1-800-273-8255(National)

Medina County-ADAMH Board; Crisis & Behavioral Health Helpline: 330-725-9195

Wayne County-Counseling Center of Wayne and Holmes Counties, 330-264-9029

Specialized Youth Crisis Intervention Hot Line

Summit: Akron Children's Hospital (PIRC) 330-543-7472 or toll-free 1-866-443-7472

Medina: Village Network, 330-264-3232; ADAMH Board; Crisis & Behavioral Health Helpline: 330-725-9195

Wayne: Counseling Center of Wayne and Holmes Counties, Wooster; 330-264-9029 or 1-877-264-9029

Basic Needs(Employment/ Food/Financial/Foreclosures/Medical)

Emergency Food Banks, WIC(Women, Infants, Children supplemental food program), Employment, Financial Help, Foreclosures, Free Medical Clinics, etc. contact your local Information and Referral Agency in your county listed above. Your parish St. Vincent de Paul Society may also be of help.

The Department of Jobs and Family Services in your County may be of assistance with employment and other emergency needs:

Summit: 330.643.8200; www.summitdjfs.org

Medina: 330.722.9300 (1.800.783.5070); www.mcjfs.us

Wayne: 330.287.5800; 877.612.5800; www.wayneohio.org

Aging/Alzheimer's

Area Agency on Aging: Uniontown. Covers Summit, Wayne, Portage and Stark Counties; Call 1.800.421.7277; web page: www.dhad.org

Western Reserve Area Agency on Aging: Cleveland; Call 216.621.0303 or 1.800.626.7277. Covers Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake, Lorain and Medina counties. Web site: www.psa10a.org

EastOhio Area Chapter-Alzheimers Association: www.alz.org/eastohio; . Call 800.272.3900 for more information. Serves East Ohio.

Alcohol and Drug

AA for Summit, Medina and Wayne Counties: 330.253.8181;

www.akronaa.org. For Medina County www.medinaaa.com/

Alanon: friends/family support; www.afg-akron.org; 330.645.1165

Alateen-recovery program for young people; web page:

www.al-anon.alateen.org/

ADM Board: 330.762.3500; ADM Crisis Center: 330-996-7730;

www.admboard.org

Bereavement(also check I & R Services in your County)

Bereavement support groups provide an opportunity to learn about the grief process, share the feelings of loss in a safe environment, and spend special time with others who have experienced a similar loss.

Holy Cross Cemetery, 100 Waterloo Road, Akron, Ohio 44319; (216) 641-7575 ext. 7

Visiting Nurse Association, Akron, 330.745.1601; www.vnsa.com

Caregiver's Support

Direction Home-Area Agency on Aging: Uniontown. Covers Summit, Wayne, Portage and Stark Counties; Call 1.800.421.7277; web page: www.dhad.org

Western Reserve Area Agency on Aging: Cleveland; Call 216.621.0303 or 1.800.626.7277. Covers Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake, Lorain and Medina counties. Web site: www.psa10a.org

VantAGE Aging (formerly Mature Services): Akron; 330.253.4597; vantageaging.org/; multi service agency working with adults.

Catholic Charities Community Services/Summit County(formerly CYO): Adult Day Care Program, 812 Biruta Ave., Akron, Ohio 44307; Support group meets the last Wednesday of the month. Call 330.762.2000 and ask for the social worker.

Cancer Support Groups

American Cancer Society: 1.800.227.2345; www.cancer.org

Stewart's Caring Place: 330.836.1772; www.stewartscaringplace.org; provides emotional, social, physical and spiritual support.

Also: Check with Social Service Departments at local hospitals.

Embrace Clinic of Barberton a Christian, charitable organization whose primary objective is to assist those concerned about pregnancy. 330-825-1900. Web: <https://embraceccc.org/>

Counseling Agencies(also check I & R Services in your County)

Summit County:

-Portage Path Behavioral Health (330) 253-3100; www.portagepath.org

-Catholic Charities Community Services/Summit County; 330.762.2961;

-Greenleaf Family Center, Akron, Ohio 44304; 330.376.9494;

-Emerge Ministries, Akron (330) 867-5603

Medina County:

-Catholic Charities Services of Medina County, 4210 North Jefferson St. Suite A, Medina OH 44256; 330.723.9615

-Northland Counseling Services, 246 Northland Drive, Medina, Ohio 44256; 330.725.9191.

Wayne County:

-Catholic Charities Services of Wayne County, 521 Beall Ave., Wooster, Ohio 44691; 330.262.7836

-Counseling Center of Wayne and Holmes Counties, Wooster; 330.264.9029;

Divorced/Separated(also check I & R Services in your County)

Diocesan Catholic Charities, Department of Marriage and Family; present phone: 216-334-2900; to move to Secretariat for Parish Life and Development.

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church Local Ongoing Support Group: The Divorced, Separated & Widowed Catholics (DSWC) meet to share experiences and to support each other in the group. Contact: Sue Fulmer, 330-554-5626

Disability Services (also check I & R Services in your County)

United Disability Services: Akron, 330.762.9755. Web site:

www.udsakron.org; Help to those with disabilities and their caregivers.

Summit Board of Developmental Disabilities Board 330.634.8000;

provides comprehensive services to people with developmental disabilities. Web site: www.summitdd.org

Domestic Violence (also check I & R Services in your County)

Victim Assistance Program: provides 24-hour crisis intervention, advocacy, and education to victims of crime and trauma and the professional community who serves this population; 330.376.0040.

Summit and Medina Counties: Battered Women's Shelter; Hotline Summit: 1.888.395.4357; Medina: 1.877.414.1344;

Wayne County: OneEighty: offers comprehensive and compassionate services for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault; 1.800.686.1122

Elizabeth Ministry-Elizabeth Ministry: Women supporting women during the joys and sorrows of pregnancy, birth, adoption, miscarriage, infertility, or losing a child; Barberton-Wadsworth-Doylestown Area; Sherri Shaffer 330.334.7659.

Employment Services-Group Support

Check with your local Information and Referral Service

Gambling Problems:

Ohio Lottery Problem Gambling Hotline: 1-800-589-9966

National Gambling Hotline: 1-800-522-4700

Gam-Anon: www.gam-anon.org

Gay and Lesbian Catholics

Support/Prayer Group for Gay and Lesbian Catholics: please call Sister Rita Mary Harwood at 1.800.869.6525, ext. 3500 or go to <https://www.dioceseofcleveland.org/offices/parish-life/gay-lesbian-family-ministry>.

Mental Health(check I & R Services in your County and Specialized Crisis Intervention Hot Line on page 1)

Veterans Service Commissions-information on financial services for veterans is available:

Summit County: 330.643.2830; Medina County: 330.722.9368; Wayne County: 330.345.6638