

SARASOTA AREA FAMILY RESOURCES

Abuse, Neglect and/or Exploitation of Children and Vulnerable Adults

The Florida Abuse Hotline accepts reports 24 hours a day and 7 days a week of known or suspected child abuse, neglect, or abandonment and reports of known or suspected abuse, neglect, or exploitation of a vulnerable adult. To make a report you can –

- report online at <https://reportabuse.myflfamilies.com/s/>
- call 1-800-962-2873
- Florida Relay 711 or TTY 800-955-8771
- fax your report to 800-914-0004

If you suspect or know of a child or vulnerable adult in immediate danger, call 911.

Clothes/Furniture

American Red Cross- 941-379-9300 / www.redcross.org
Mothers Helping Mothers 941-953-7572 / www.mhmsarasota.com
Salvation Army – 941-964-5557 / www.salvationarmyflorida.org/sarasota/
Salvation Army Sarasota – Thrift Store 941-952-0349
SPARCC Treasure Chest 941-953-7800 / <https://www.sparcc.net/treasure-chest/>
St. Vincent De Paul – Thrift Shop 941-444-9343 / www.svdpsarasota.org
Venice Area Pregnancy Care 941-485-1776 / www.vapcc.org

Education

Sarasota County School Board 941-927-9000 / www.sarasotacountyschools.net
Florida Department of Education 1-850-245-0505 / www.fldoe.org
Division of Early Learning 1-866-357-3239 / <http://www.fldoe.org/schools/early-learning>
Adult and Community Enrichment Center 941-361-6590 / www.sarasotacountyschools.net/schools/ace/
Children First 941-953-3877 / www.childrenfirst.net
Community Haven 941-355-8808 / www.communityhaven.org
Teen Parent Program 941-423-8558 /
<https://www.sarasotacountyschools.net/page/teen-parent-program/>
Girls Inc. 941-366-6646 / www.girlsincsrq.org
Forty Carrots Family Center 941-365-7716 / www.fortycarrots.com
Literacy Council of Sarasota 941-955-0421 / www.sarasotaliteracy.org
Literacy Volunteers of South Sarasota County 941-861-1352 (Venice); 941-861-1320 (North Port) /
www.literacychangeslives.org
The Florida Center for Early Childhood 941-371-8820 / www.thefloridacenter.org
Sarasota County Library System <https://www.sarasotacountylibraries.org/>
Triad Alternative School <https://www.sarasotacountyschools.net/triad>
Schoolhouse Link 941-923-6100 / <https://sccfl.org/schoolhouselink/>

Emergency Food

All Faiths Food Bank 941-379-6333 / www.allfaithsfoodbank.org
Mayor's Feed the Hungry www.mayorsfeedthehungry.org
American Red Cross- 941-379-9300 / www.redcross.org
Salvation Army – 941-364-8845 / www.salvationarmyflorida.org/sarasota
Department of Children and Families Food for Florida <https://www.myflfamilies.com/services/public-assistance>

Englewood Helping Hand 941-474-5864 / www.Englewoodhelpinghand.org
South County Food Pantry 941-408-2911 / www.southcountyfoodpantry.com
United Way 2-1-1 Food Pantry Referral Program: 211 / www.211suncoastcares.org
USDA Commodity Distribution www.usda.gov/topics/food-and-nutrition/food-distribution
WIC Program – Sarasota County Health Department 941-861-2929 (North County); 941-861-3336 (South County) / <http://sarasota.floridahealth.gov/programs-and-services/clinical-and-nutrition-services/wic/index.html>

Emergency Shelter

Salvation Army Center of Hope: 941-953-1046
SPARCC – Safe Place Area Rape Crisis Center HOTLINE: 1-800-799-SAFE or 941-365-1976
SPARCC Admin office: 941-365-0208 / www.sparcc.net
Resurrection House-Day Shelter for Homeless 941-365-3759
<https://www.resurrectionhousesarasota.org/>
United Way 2-1-1 / www.211suncoastcares.org
Family Haven Emergency Shelter- Harvest House: Call 2-1-1 / <https://harvesthousecenters.org/>

Additional Homeless Agencies and Resources

Catholic Charities 941-485-6264 / <https://catholiccharitiesdov.org/>
Harvest House 941-953-3154 / <https://harvesthousecenters.org/>
Jewish Family and Children Services 941-366-2224 / www.jfcs-cares.org
Schoolhouse Link 941-923-6100 / <https://sccfl.org/schoolhouselink/>
Family Promise Sarasota 941-952-1800 / www.familypromise.org/

Employment

Community Haven 941-355-8808 / www.communityhaven.org
Goodwill Manasota 941-355-2721 / <http://www.experiencegoodwill.org/jobs/>
Career Source Suncoast Workforce 941-358-4200 / www.careersourcesuncoast.com
Suncoast Center for Independent Living – Employment for the Disabled 941-351-9545
<https://www.scil4u.org/>
Wage and Hour Division 1-866-487-9243 / <https://www.dol.gov/whd/>
Women’s Resource Center 941-256-9721 / <https://www.mywrc.org/>
Workers Compensation – Florida <http://www.myfloridacfo.com/Division/wc/>

Faith Based Support Services

Catholic Charities 941-355-4680 / <https://catholiccharitiesdov.org/>
Church of the Palms 941-924-1323 / www.churchofthepalms.org
First Presbyterian Church 941-955-8119 / www.firstpressarasota.org
Harvest Tabernacle 941-953-3559 / www.harvesttab.com
St. Nathaniel’s Church 941-426-2520 <https://stnathaniels.dioswfl.org/>
St. Paul Lutheran Church 941-955-6479 / www.stpaulsarasota.org

Financial Assistance

United Way 2-1-1

Catholic Charities 941-355-4680 / <https://catholiccharitiesdov.org/>

Consumer Credit Counseling Service 1-800-431-8157

ACCESS Florida – DCF 850-300-4323 <https://www.myflorida.com/accessflorida/>

Second Chance- Last Opportunity 941-360-8660 / <http://secondchancelastopportunity.org/>

North Port Social Services 941-429-7000 / <https://www.northportfl.gov/>

Government

Department of Revenue/ Child Support Enforcement / <https://childsupport.floridarevenue.com/>

Drivers Licenses - Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles 850-617-2000 /

<https://www.flhsmv.gov/locations/sarasota/>

Immigration and Naturalization Service 1-800-375-5283 www.uscis.gov

Internal Revenue Service – Sarasota office 941-378-6448 / www.irs.gov

Social Security Administration Office 1-800-772-1213 / www.ssa.gov

Vital Records – Sarasota County Health Department 941-861-2810 /

<http://sarasota.floridahealth.gov/certificates/birth/index.html>

Halfway Houses

Harvest House 941-953-3154 /

<https://harvesthousecenters.org/>

Lightshare 941-732-6837/ <https://lightsharewellness.org/>

Step House (Men only) 941-488-1897

Legal Services

Gulf Coast Legal Services 941-366-1746 / www.gulfcoastlegal.org

Legal Aid Manasota 941-366-0038 / www.legalaidofmanasota.org

M.A.D.D Mothers Against Drunk Driving www.madd.org

Victim Assistance (Sarasota Police Department) 941-316-1199 / www.sarasotapd.org

Medical Services

All Children’s Hospital Sarasota: 941-927-8805 / <https://www.hopkinsallchildrens.org/home>

Children’s Medical Services 941-361-6250 / <https://www.cms-kids.com/>

Epilepsy Services of Southwest FL 941-953-5988 / www.epilepsy-services.org

Healthy Start Coalition of Sarasota 941-373-7070 / www.healthystartsarasota.org

Planned Parenthood Sarasota 941-953-4060 / www.plannedparenthood.org

Sarasota Memorial Hospital 941-917-9000 / www.smh.com
The Tampa Shriners Hospital for Children – Sahib Shriners 813-972-2250 /
<http://www.sahibshrine.org/hospitals/>

Mental Health

National Alliance on Mental Health Illness Sarasota Manatee: 941-444-3428
<https://namisarasotamanatee.org/>
SPARCC Admin office: 941-365-0208 / www.sparcc.net
Sarasota Coalition Substance Abuse, Inc. (SCoSA) 941-928-4435 www.scosa.org
Sarasota Vet Center 941-927-8285 /
<https://www.va.gov/sarasota-vet-center/>
Women’s Resource Center 941-256-9721 / <https://www.mywrc.org/>
Sarasota Memorial Hospital Behavioral Health 941-917-7760 / <https://www.smh.com/behavioralhealth>
CBH Crisis Support Services 941-639-8300
Lightshare 941-732-6837/ <https://lightsharewellness.org/>
Jewish Family & Children Services 941-366-2224 /
<https://jfcs-cares.org/mental-health-and-counseling/>
The Florida Center 941-371-8820 / www.thefloridacenter.org

Other Services

American Red Cross- 941-379-9300 / www.redcross.org
Animal Rescue Coalition 941-957-1955 / www.arcsrq.org
Friends of the Selby Public Library 941-861-1140 / www.selbylibraryfriends.org
Human Relations Board for City of Sarasota 941-263-6299 /
<https://www.sarasotafl.gov/government/human-resources/human-relations-board>
St. Francis Animal Rescue 941-492-6200 / www.stfrancisarfl.org

Sarasota County Health Resources

Sarasota County Health Department 941-861-2900 / <http://sarasota.floridahealth.gov/>
North Port Health Center 941-861-3820 / <http://sarasota.floridahealth.gov/locations/north-port.html>
Florida KidCare 1-888-540-5437 / <https://floridakidcare.org/>
Healthy Start 941-373-7070 / <http://healthystartsarasota.org/>

Services for Children and Adolescents

4-H Youth Program 941-861-5000 / <https://www.scgov.net/government/uf-ifas-extension-and-sustainability/youth-development>
Big Brothers/Big Sisters of the Suncoast 941-331-4376 / <https://www.bbbssun.org/>
Sarasota Libraries: <https://www.sarasotacountylibraries.org/>
Boys & Girls Clubs of Sarasota County 941-366-3911 / <https://www.bgcsarasota.com/>
Boy Scouts of America <http://www.scouting.org/>
Children First 941-953-3877 / www.childrenfirst.net
Girls Inc. 941-366-6646 / www.girlsincsrq.org
Girl Scouts of Gulfcoast Florida Inc. 941-921-5358 / www.gsgcf.org
Jewish Family & Children Services 941-366-2224 / <https://jfcs-cares.org/>
Salvation Army Pathway of Hope 941-954-4673 /
<https://salvationarmyflorida.org/sarasota/#ways-we-help>
The Florida Center 941-371-8820 / www.thefloridacenter.org

Special Needs

Early Steps Evaluation Call Center 1-800-218-0001 / <https://www.floridahealth.gov/programs-and-services/childrens-health/early-steps/index.html>
Florida Diagnostic & Learning Resources Systems (FDLRS) 1-386-312-2265 / www.fdlrs.org
Sarasota County School Board Child Find/FDLRS 941-927-9000
<https://suncoast.fdlrs.org/child-find>
The Florida Center 941-371-8820 / www.thefloridacenter.org Community Haven- Selby
941-355-8808 <http://communityhaven.org/>
Family Network on Disabilities 727-523-1130 or 800-825-5736 / <http://fndusa.org/>

Support Groups

Alcoholic Anonymous (AA) Sarasota/Manatee 941-351-4818; Hotline: 941-951-6810 / <http://www.aasrq.org/>
Alzheimer's Association – Florida Gulf Coast Chapter 24 Hour Helpline: 1-800-272-3900 / <https://www.alz.org/flgulfcoast/>
American Cancer Society Helpline: 800-227-2345 / <https://www.cancer.org/>
American Heart Association (800) 242-8721 / <https://www.heart.org/>
Sarasota Memorial Support Groups 941-917-7777 / <https://www.smh.com/Contact-Us/Support-Group-Listings>
Children First 941-953-3877 / <http://www.childrenfirst.net/>
Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation <https://www.jdrf.org/>
National Suicide Prevention Lifeline: 988 / <https://suicidepreventionlifeline.org/>

Telephone Information and Referral Services

Florida Alliance of Information and Referral Services / www.flairs.org
United Way 2-1-1: Call 211 or 211.org
Hope Florida: 850-300-HOPE

Transportation

Breeze Bus Routes 941-861-5000 / <https://www.scgov.net/government/breeze-transit/breeze-routes>
FISH – 941-474-8802 <http://fishofnorthport.org/need-a-ride.html>

Youth Shelters

Sarasota Youth Shelter 941-955-5596 / <https://sccfl.org/youthshelter/>
Schoolhouse Link 941-923-6100 / <https://sccfl.org/schoolhouselink/>