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## *Vocational Rehabilitation Resource Guide*

### *Kokomo Office*

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*Serving Cass, Fulton, Howard, Miami, Tipton, and White Counties*

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# Career Planning Resources

## Work One Offices

West Central Region: Cass, Howard, Miami, Tipton Counties

- Most offices are open Monday through Friday 8:00a.m. - 4:30p.m.
- Free Resume Building and Interview tips. Free assistance with job searches and networking.
- <http://www.in.gov/dwd/workonewestcentral>

## Howard County

1. Gilead House 8 week “Aiming for Success Pre-Employment Program.”
  - 406 East Sycamore St. Kokomo, IN 46901
  - Phone: (765) 865-9427
  - Classes held every Wednesday from 3:00p.m-4:00p.m.
  - NEW Clients: Please show up 1hr. prior to class for paperwork.
  - 8 week class on resume building, interviewing skills, assistance with job applications.
  - Handicap Accessible entrance located in the back if the facility.
2. Kokomo Howard County Public Library Job Center
  - Main Campus: 220 N. Union St. Kokomo, IN 46901
  - Phone: (765) 457-3242
  - Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday 9:00a.m.-8:00p.m
  - Friday through Saturday 9:00a.m.-5:30p.m., Sunday 2:00p.m.-5:30p.m.
  - Various Free Computer Class
  - <https://www.khcpl.org/job-center>
3. Kokomo Urban Outreach’s Job Club
  - Trinity United Methodist Church 1701 S. Locke St. Kokomo, IN 46902.
  - Phone: (765) 457-1983 ask for Stacy or Deanna.
  - Classes held every Friday at 12:00p.m. in the basement. Location is currently not handicap accessible.
  - Free lunch provided. You must register prior to coming!
  - Anyone is welcome to come. However, most job placement resources are geared towards Howard County.
  - One on one job coaching, resume building, computer lab available to fill out job applications, interview clothing assistance, and job placement assistance.
  - <http://www.kokomourbanoutreach.org>

## White County

1. White County Adult Education Resources
  - 315 N. Illinois St. Monticello, IN 47960
  - Phone: (765) 476-2920 or (574) 583-5158
  - Contact Trish
  - Monday-Tuesday 10:00a.m.-1:00p.m. & Wednesday- Thursday from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m.
  - Programs focus on academic, job training, and career development.
  - Participants must be White County residence and at least 16years old.
  - <http://www.laralafayette.org/services>

## Community Resources

### Cass County

1. Cass County Area Five Agency on Aging & Community Services
  - 1801 Smith Street Logansport, IN 46947
  - Phone: (574) 722-4451
  - <http://www.areafive.com>
2. Cass County Division of Family Resources
  - 1 Cass City Center, Ste. 301 Logansport, IN 46947-3141
  - Telephone/Fax Number: 800-403-0864
  - Office Hours: Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
  - Medicaid & HIP Applications, SNAP/TANF, and IMPACT Medicaid and HIP applications, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP,) Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF\*,) and IMPACT\* program
  - TANF provides financial assistance to help pay for food, shelter, utilities, and expenses other than medical.
  - Indiana Manpower and Comprehensive Training (IMPACT) provides services designed to help recipients of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Achieve economic self-sufficiency through:
    - Education
    - Training
    - Job search
    - Job placement activities
3. Cass County Transit and the County on Aging
  - 115 S. Sixth St. Logansport, IN 46947
  - Phone: (574) 722-2828 or (574)722-2424
  - Rural and City Routes
  - <http://casstransit.com>

4. Logansport Housing Authority Section 8 Housing
  - Phone: (574) 753-4666
  - 1805 Smith St. Logansport 46947
  - Monday-Thursday 9am-3pm
5. Logansport Emmaus Shelter
  - 805 Spencer Street Logansport, IN
  - Phone: (574)739-0107
  - Emergency Shelter for men, women, and families.
6. Logansport Salvation Army
  - 418 S. Fourth St. Logansport, IN 46970
  - Phone: (574) 722-1979
  - Emergency Shelter, Financial Assistance, Food & Nutrition Programs.

### Fulton County

1. Fulton County Area Five Agency on Aging & Community
  - 401 E. 9th St. Rochester, IN 46975
  - Phone: (574) 233-8699
  - <http://www.areafive.com>
2. Fulton County Division of Family Resources
  - 1519 Main Street Rochester, IN 46975
  - Telephone/Fax Number: 800-403-0864
  - Office Hours: Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
  - Medicaid & HIP Applications, SNAP/TANF, and IMPACT Medicaid and HIP applications, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP,) Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF\*,) and IMPACT\* program
  - TANF provides financial assistance to help pay for food, shelter, utilities, and expenses other than medical.
  - Indiana Manpower and Comprehensive Training (IMPACT) provides services designed to help recipients of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Achieve economic self-sufficiency through:
    - i. Education
    - ii. Training
    - iii. Job search
    - iv. Job placement activities
3. Fulton County Community Center/ Transportation
  - 625 Pontiac St. Rochester, IN
  - Phone: Transportation (574) 233-4213 or Center (574) 233-6953 • Emergency Financial Assistance • <http://www.fultoncountycommunitycenter.com>

### Howard County

1. Howard County Area Five Agency on Aging and Community
  - 126 W. Walnut Kokomo, IN 46901
  - Phone:(765) 454-5562
  - <http://www.areafive.com>

2. Howard County Division of Family Resources
  - 114 West Jackson Street Kokomo, IN 46901-4529
  - Telephone/Fax Number: 800-403-0864 • Office Hours: Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
  - Medicaid & HIP Applications, SNAP/TANF, and IMPACT Medicaid and HIP applications, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP,) Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF\*,) and IMPACT\* program
  - TANF provides financial assistance to help pay for food, shelter, utilities, and expenses other than medical.
  - Indiana Manpower and Comprehensive Training (IMPACT) provides services designed to help recipients of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Achieve economic self-sufficiency through:
    - i. Education
    - ii. Training
    - iii. Job search
    - iv. Job placement activities
3. Family Service Association of Howard County
  - 618 S. Main St. Kokomo, IN 46901
  - Phone: (765) 457-9313
  - Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 8:30a.m.-5:00p.m., Friday 8:30a.m.-3:00p.m.
  - Offers an umbrella of programs and serves geared towards strengthening families.
  - Community Partner Program- Serves families with children 0-18years residing in Fulton, Cass, Howard, Miami, and Wabash Counties. Program is equipped to aide with housing crises, utility assistance, ongoing transportation problems that put employment and/or schooling at risk.
  - <http://fsahc.org/programs>
4. Kokomo Housing Authorities & Section 8 Housing
  - 210 East Taylor Street Kokomo, IN 46903
  - Phone: (765) 459-3162
  - Office Hours: 8:00a.m. - 4:00p.m.
  - <http://www.kokomoha.org>
5. Kokomo Rescue Mission
  - 321 W. Mulberry St. Kokomo, IN
  - Phone: (765) 456-3838
  - Open Arms Women Shelter & Men's Shelter
  - <http://www.kokomorescuemission.org>
6. Coordinated Assistance Ministries INC.
  - 210 N. Market Kokomo, IN 46903 (Will be moving to 625 N. Union St., Kokomo, IN 46901)
  - Phone: (765) 452-8963
  - Drop in Shelter, Bill Hudson Project Shelter, Family Hope Center, Representative Payee Program, and the Serena House.
  - Serves Cass, Howard, Miami, and Tipton County Residents.

7. Kokomo Salvation Army
  - 1101 S. Waugh St. Kokomo, IN
  - Phone: (765) 456-3846
  - Emergency Financial Assistance
8. City Line Trolley
  - 209 S. Union St. Kokomo, IN 46901
  - Free Transportation Services offered Monday-Friday 6:30a.m.-7:00p.m
  - [http://www.cityofkokomo.org/residents/public\\_transportation\\_city\\_line\\_trolley.php](http://www.cityofkokomo.org/residents/public_transportation_city_line_trolley.php)
9. Spirit of Kokomo Bus
  - Phone: (765) 456-7556
  - Transportation for Seniors 60 and over and people with disabilities residing in the city limits of Kokomo
  - <http://kokomompo.com>
10. Howard County Connect – (Transportation – Howard County Area ONLY)
  - Phone: (765) 431-1874 – Must call 1 hour in advance of required pick up time to schedule your ride
  - Hours:
    - Monday – Friday: 6:00 PM – 11:30 PM
    - Saturday and Sunday: 7:00 AM – 7:00 PM
  - When you call be prepared to provide:
    - Rider’s name
    - Pick up location
    - Requested pick up time
    - Destination (Must be in Howard County)
  - Rides to/from work, grocery store or other essential places after Trolley hours OR from a medical appointment after the Spirit of Kokomo hours.
11. United Way Howard of Howard County 2-1-1
  - 210 W. Walnut St. Kokomo, IN 46901
  - Phone: (765) 868-4133 or (765) 457-6691
  - Office Hours: Monday through Friday 8:00a.m. - 4:30p.m.
  - <http://www.referweb.net/uwhc> (Referral Search Engine)

Miami County

1. Miami County Area Five Agency on Aging and Community
  - 661 E. Main Street Peru, IN 46970
  - Phone: (765) 472-0713
  - <http://www.areafive.com>

2. Miami County Division of Family Resources
  - 14 South Wabash Street Peru, IN 46970-2209
  - Telephone/Fax Number: 800-403-0864
  - Office Hours: Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
  - Medicaid & HIP Applications, SNAP/TANF, and IMPACT Medicaid and HIP applications, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP,) Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF\*,) and IMPACT\* program
  - TANF provides financial assistance to help pay for food, shelter, utilities, and expenses other than medical.
  - Indiana Manpower and Comprehensive Training (IMPACT) provides services designed to help recipients of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Achieve economic self-sufficiency through:
    - i. Education
    - ii. Training
    - iii. Job search
    - iv. Job placement activities
3. Peru Housing Authority
  - (765) 473-6601
4. Miami County Helping Hands
  - 176 North Broadway Peru, IN 46970
  - Phone: (765) 472- 1875
  - Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday, and Fridays from 9:00a.m.-12:00p.m.
  - Assistance with groceries, rent, and utilities for Miami County residents.
  - <http://www.ahelpinghandnow.org>
5. Miami County YMCA Transportation
  - 34 E. 6th St. Peru, IN 46970
  - Phone: (765) 472-6028 opt. 1 or (765) 472-1979

### Tipton County

1. Tipton County Area Five Agency on Aging and Community
  - 314 W. Jefferson St. Suite C Tipton, IN 46072
  - Phone: (765) 675-4746
  - <http://www.areafive.com>

2. Tipton County Division of Family Resources
  - 701 East Jefferson Street, Suite 2 Tipton, IN 46072-1460
  - Telephone/Fax Number: 800-403-0864
  - Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
  - Medicaid & HIP Applications, SNAP/TANF, and IMPACT Medicaid and HIP applications, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP,) Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF\*,) and IMPACT\* program
  - TANF provides financial assistance to help pay for food, shelter, utilities, and expenses other than medical.
  - Indiana Manpower and Comprehensive Training (IMPACT) provides services designed to help recipients of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Achieve economic self-sufficiency through:
    - i. Education
    - ii. Training
    - iii. Job search
    - iv. Job placement activities
3. Tipton CAM Coordinated Assistant Ministries
  - 202 South West Street Tipton, IN
  - Phone: Contact Gwen Wilburn (317) 385-0775
  - Drop in shelter. Assistance for the homeless residing in Tipton County.
  - Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00a.m.-4:30p.m.
4. Tipton County Salvation Army
  - 215 E. Adams St. Tipton, IN
  - Phone: (765) 675-6217
  - Emergency Financial Assistance

#### White County

1. White County Salvation Army
  - 116 E. Marion St. Monticello, IN
  - Phone: (574) 583-6048 or (574)583-9848
  - Emergency Financial Assistance.

### Local Food & Clothing Pantries

#### Cass County

1. Emmaus Mission Food Pantry
  - 19 West Richardville, Logansport, IN 46947
  - Phone: (574) 753-3500
  - Must live in Cass County.
  - Limited to once a month.
  - Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9am-1pm, Wednesday 4pm-6pm



2. Trinity Episcopal Church of Logansport
  - 319 7th Street Logansport, IN 46947
  - Phone:(574) 753-2733
  - Hours: 2nd & 4th Wednesday of each month from 3:00p.m.-5:30p.m.

### Fulton County

#### United We Stand Ministries of Akron (Akron Church of God)

- 301 South West Street Akron, IN
- Phone: (574) 893-4121
- Must live in Tippecanoe Valley School District.
- Hours: Thursday's 2:00p.m-5:00p.m.

### Howard County

1. Crossroads Community Church Pantry
  - 4254 S. Country Rd. 00EW Highway 31
  - Phone: (765) 453-4626
  - Must Reside in Howard, Miami, or Tipton County
  - Hours: 3rd Saturday of the month. 9:00a.m.-11:30a.m.
2. Jerome Christian Church
  - 9535 East County Rd 100 South Greentown, IN
  - Phone: (765) 628-3126
  - Must live in Eastern Howard School District
  - Hours: 1st & 2nd Tuesday of the month. 12:30p.m.-2:00p.m.
3. Kokomo Urban Outreach
  - Phone: (765) 457-1983
  - Must show valid photo I.D. and reside in Howard County. • Participants may obtain food once a month.
  - <http://www.kokomourbanoutreach.org>
  - Several Location Sites and Times. Call for the most current information. 1. 1708 Home Avenue "Kokomo Urban Outreach" – Monday Noon-3:00p.m., Wednesday 9:00a.m.-noon, and Thursday 4:00p.m.-6:00p.m. 2. 1300 S. Courtland Ave. "Reformation Faith Ministries"-1st Wednesday of the month. Noon-1:00p.m. 3. 1030 N. Purdum St. "Carver Center" -2ndWednesday of the month. Noon1:00p.m. 4. 4508 East County Rd. 200 South "Kokomo Regency"-3rd Wednesday of the month. Noon-1:00p.m. 5. 300 W. Center Rd. "Pine Valley Community" -4th Wednesday of the month. Noon-1:00p.m.
4. New Hope Church
  - 346 South County Rd. 00EW off of Highway 31
  - Phone: (765) 453-1566
  - Serving Howard County and surrounding areas.
  - Hours: 1st Tuesday of the month from 10:00a.m.-2:00p.m.

## Miami County

1. Bunker Hill United Methodist Church
  - 100 East Broadway Bunker Hill, IN
  - Phone: (765) 689-7517
  - Must live in Bunker Hill.
  - Hours: 2nd Saturday of each month. 8:00a.m.-10:00a.m.
2. Food Finder's Mobile Pantry Parkview United Methodist Church
  - 1785 S. State Rd. 19 Peru, IN 46970
  - Phone: (765)471-0062
  - <http://www.food-finders.org>
  - Schedule by appointment.

## Tipton County

### Rock Prairie Baptist Church

- 421 Ash Street Tipton, IN 46072
- Phone: (765) 675-4588
- Must live in Tipton County.
- Hours: 3rd Monday of each month from 6:00p.m.-7:30p.m.

## White County

### 1. White County Food Pantry

- 1856 Francis Street Monticello, IN
- Phone: (574) 583-2232
- Must reside in White County or Adams/Jefferson Township of Carroll County.
- Hours: Mondays Noon-3:15p.m., 5:45p.m.-7:30p.m.

### 2. Monon Food Bank at First Baptist Church

- 408 North Arch Street Monon, IN 47959
- Phone: (219) 253-6312
- Must Reside in North White School Corporations
- Hours: 3rd Tuesday of each month. 9:00a.m.-11:00a.m.

## Assistive Technology, Services for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, and Vision assistance Services

1. Indiana Lions' Club
  - 8780 Purdue Rd. Indianapolis, IN 46268
  - Phone: (317) 824-1024 Fax: (317) 824-9608
  - Office Hours: 10:00a.m. - 3:00p.m.
  - Email: [indylion@indianalions.org](mailto:indylion@indianalions.org)
  - Indiana Lions Eye Bank- Assistance with glasses and eye exams. <http://www.iletb.org>
  - Indiana Lions Speech and Hearing, INC. Loaner Hearing Aids and scholarship programs. <http://www.indylionsspeechhearing.org>
2. Hear Now Starkey Hearing Foundation
  - Phone: 1 (800) 328-8602 or email [Hearnow@starkey.com](mailto:Hearnow@starkey.com)
  - Hear Now serves low income individuals, of any age, who permanently reside in the US that have no other resources to acquire hearing aids. Anyone having any benefit for hearing aids, in part or total, through VA, an insurance plan, Medicaid, a state or any other program, may not qualify for Hear Now service, but they are encouraged to call to discuss their individual situation.
  - As a financially based program Hear Now considers income and assets for all those in the household.
  - There is an application processing fee of \$125 per hearing requested. When an application is approved, aids are given to the applicant at no additional cost.
  - The hearing aids provided are Behind the Ear models and are new. Custom hearing aids are not provided by Hear Now.
3. The Hearing Aid Assistance Program of Indiana (for children 5-21)
  - Easter Seals Crossroads building in Indianapolis 4740 Kingsway Drive Suite 33 Indianapolis, In. 46205
  - Phone: 1 (317) 828-0211
  - E-mail: [info@haapindiana.org](mailto:info@haapindiana.org)
4. The Hike Fund, Inc C/O International Center for Job's Daughters
  - 233 W. 6th Street Papillion, NE 68046
  - Phone: (402) 592-7987
  - Assistance with hearing aid for participants under the age of 21years old.
  - <https://thehikefund.org>
  - <https://jobsdaughtersinternational.org/about-jdi/>
5. Relay Indiana (InTRAC) a free service that provides full telecommunications accessibility to people who are deaf, hard of hearing, or speech impaired. This service allows users with special telecommunication devices to communicate with standard users through specially trained Relay Operators. InTRAC also provides free, loaned equipment to those who qualify.
  - Phone 317-334-1413 or 1-877-446-8722
  - E-mail [info@relayindiana.com](mailto:info@relayindiana.com)
  - Website [www.relayindiana.com](http://www.relayindiana.com)

6. Audient (Alliance for Accessible Hearing Care)
  - 1 (866) 956-5400
  - Website <http://www.audientalliance.org/patient/php>
7. Better Hearing Institute
  - Financial Assistance for Hearing Aids
  - Phone 1 (800) 327-9355
  - [http://www.betterhearing.org/pdfs/e-Guides/Financial\\_Assistance\\_For\\_Hearing\\_Aids.pdf](http://www.betterhearing.org/pdfs/e-Guides/Financial_Assistance_For_Hearing_Aids.pdf)
8. Foundation for Sight & Sound
  - The Foundation for Sight & Sound has partnered with EarQ Group to provide hearing aids to individuals with limited financial resources-Help America Hear (HAH) Program • P.O. Box 1245 Smithtown, NY 11787
  - Phone: 1 (631)366-3461
  - Website: <http://www.helpamericahear.org>
9. Knights of Columbus
  - 470 Washington Street, Suite #6 P.O. Box 194 Norwood, MA 02062
  - Phone: 1 (781)551-0628
  - Fax: 1 (781)551-0490
10. Miracle Ear Children's Foundation
  - P.O. Box 59261 Minneapolis, MN 55459
  - Phone: 1 (800) 234-5422
  - Fax: 1 (763)268-4295
  - Website: [www.miracle-ear.com](http://www.miracle-ear.com)
11. Advanced Hearing Tech, Inc.- free hearing test
  - 3091 E. 98th Street, Suite 135 Indianapolis, IN 46280
  - Phone: 1 (371) 843-9001
12. Military Audiology Association –RACHAP/RHAPP
  - <http://militaryaudiology.org/site/aids/>
13. Travelers Protective Association of America Scholarship Trust for the Deaf and Near Deaf
  - 3755 Lindell Blvd. St. Louis, MO 63108-3476
  - Phone: 1(314) 371-0533
  - Fax: 1 (314)371-0537
  - <http://www.tpahq.org/scholarshiptrust.html>
14. Resource directory has various resources for Deaf and Hard of Hearing services
  - [www.dhhs.in.gov](http://www.dhhs.in.gov)
15. Community Service or Civil Organizations (Check online for your updated local organization contact)
  - Civitan International: [www.civitaninternational.com](http://www.civitaninternational.com)
  - Kiwanis International: [www.kiwanisct.com](http://www.kiwanisct.com)
  - Pilot International: [www.pilotinternational.org](http://www.pilotinternational.org)
  - Quota International : [www.quota.org](http://www.quota.org)
  - Rotary International: [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org) • Sertoma International: [www.sertoma.org](http://www.sertoma.org)
16. Optimist Indiana
  - Communication Contest for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing.
  - <http://www.optimistindiana.org>

17. CareCredit and Starkey SoundChoice
  - 901 East Cerritos Avenue Anaheim, CA 92805
  - Phone: 1 (800)839-9078
  - [www.carecredit.com](http://www.carecredit.com)
18. Easterseals Crossroads Low Interest Bank Loans for People with Disabilities
  - 4740 Kingsway Dr. Indianapolis, IN 46205
  - Phone: 1 (888) 466-1314 or 1 (317) 466-2013.
  - To qualify you must be an Indiana resident with a documented disability over the age of 18 years old. A legal guardian may apply for individuals under the age of 18 years old.
  - Low interest loan amounts ranging in \$500.00-\$35,000.00.
  - Loans available for purchasing adaptive vehicles, braille equipment, hearing aids, mobility aids, and many more
  - <http://www.eastersealstech.com>

## Online Resources

1. Disability Resources: <http://indianapop.org/>
2. Connect2Help 211: <http://www.connect2help211.org/>
3. National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped: <http://www.loc.gov/nls/> 4.
4. Prescription Assistance: <http://www.needymeds.org/>
5. Bills Assistance: [http://www.needhelppayingbills.com/html/indiana\\_assistance\\_programs.html](http://www.needhelppayingbills.com/html/indiana_assistance_programs.html)