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Food

Athens County Food Pantry

- What is it?
 - A pantry at Athens County JFS, distributing monthly food boxes.
- Eligibility
 - Have a household income **at or below** the maximum

Household Size	Weekly	Monthly	Yearly
1	\$561	\$2,430	\$29,160
2	\$758	\$3,287	\$39,440
3	\$957	\$4,144	\$49,720
4	\$1,154	\$5,000	\$60,000
5	\$1,352	\$5,857	\$70,280
6	\$1,550	\$6,714	\$80,560
7	\$1,747	\$7,570	\$90,940
8	\$1,945	\$8,427	\$101,120
9	\$2,143	\$9,284	\$111,400
Over 9	add \$198 (per each additional person) to \$2,143	add \$857 (per each additional person) to \$9,284	add \$10,280 (per each additional person) to \$111,400

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- Proof of current residence in Southeast Ohio including a piece of mail and a photo ID
- Contact Information
 - Phone: (740) 590-7051
 - Email: [Link to contact form](#)
 - Address: 13183 State Route 13, Millfield, OH 45761
 - Can you get there on the bus?: Yes, take Line 6

Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC)

- What is it?
 - Food assistance provided on an electronic benefits card
- Eligibility
 - Pregnant and breastfeeding women; women who recently had a baby; infants birth through 12 months; children age 1 to 5 years; who are:
 - Present at the clinic appointment, and provide proof of identity;
 - Residents of the State of Ohio; and
 - Determined by health professionals to be at medical/nutritional risk; and
 - Have a household income **at or below** the maximum:

Household Size	Weekly	Biweekly	Twice Monthly	Monthly	Annually
1	\$557	\$1,114	\$1,207	\$2,413	\$28,953
2	\$753	\$1,505	\$1,631	\$3,261	\$39,128
3	\$949	\$1,897	\$2,055	\$4,109	\$49,303
4	\$1,144	\$2,288	\$2,479	\$4,957	\$59,478
5	\$1,340	\$2,679	\$2,903	\$5,805	\$69,653
6	\$1,536	\$3,071	\$3,327	\$6,653	\$79,828
7	\$1,731	\$3,462	\$3,751	\$7,501	\$90,003
8	\$1,927	\$3,853	\$4,175	\$8,349	\$100,178

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- To apply, renew, check status, or make changes, contact Athens County WIC
 - Phone: (740) 677-4002
 - Email: WICAthensPerry@odh.ohio.gov
 - Address: 215 Columbus Road, Suite 106, Athens, OH 45701
 - Can you get there on the bus?: Yes, take Line 6

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)

- What is it?

- Food assistance provided on an electronic benefits card
- Eligibility
 - You must meet one of the following requirements:
 - You have current resources valued at \$2,250 or less (examples include savings and checking combined) or
 - You have current resources valued at \$3,500 or less (examples include savings and checking combined) **and** share your household with one of the following:
 - a person or persons age 60 and over, or
 - a person with a disability (a child, your spouse, a parent, or yourself).
 - You must have a household income **at or below** the maximum:

Household Size	Maximum Monthly Net Income
1	\$1,255
2	\$1,704
3	\$2,152
4	\$2,600
5	\$3,049
6	\$3,497
7	\$3,945
8	\$4,394
Over 8	add \$449 (per each additional person) to \$4,934

Effective 10/01/2024 - 09/30/2025. Households with elderly/disabled members have different eligibility requirements. You may be required to work to receive SNAP. Please contact JFS directly for more information.

- To apply, renew, check status, or make changes, you can:
 - Call **1-844-640-6446**
 - Go online to benefits.ohio.gov
 - Go through [Athens County Job and Family Services](#)
 - Phone: (740) 797-2523
 - E-mail: athensjfs@jfs.ohio.gov
 - Address: 13183 State Route 13, Millfield, OH 45761
 - Can I get there on the bus?: Yes, take Line 6

[Weekly Free Meals List](#)

- Second and last Sunday of each month
 - [Food Not Bombs](#) (vegan!)
 - 2 West Carpenter Street, Athens, OH 45701
 - Inclement weather location: 18 North College Street, Athens, OH 45701
 - 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM
 - fnbathens@gmail.com
- Monday
 - [Athens First United Methodist Church](#)
 - 2 South College Street, Athens, OH 45701
 - 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM
 - (740) 593-3977
- Tuesday
 - [Tavolino Restaurant](#)
 - 9 North Shafer Street, Athens, OH 45701
 - 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM
 - (740) 592-2004
 - [Athens Church of Christ](#)
 - 785 West Union Street, Athens, OH 45701
 - 5:30 PM - 6:15 PM
 - (740) 693-7414
 - Drive-through carryout only. Must call by 12:00 PM on Monday to reserve a meal.
- Wednesday
 - First Wednesday of each month: [Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd](#)
 - 64 University Terrace, Athens, OH 45702
 - 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM
 - (740) 593-6877
 - All other Wednesdays: [United Campus Ministry Center](#)
 - 18 North College Street, Athens, OH 45701
 - 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM
 - (740) 593-7301
- Thursday
 - [United Campus Ministry Center](#)
 - 18 North College Street, Athens, OH 45701
 - 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM

- (740) 593-7301
- Friday
 - [Good Works, Inc. Friday Night Life](#)
 - May - September: 7857 Luhrig Road, Athens, OH 45701
 - October - March: 3 North Plains Road, The Plains, OH 45780
 - Good Works provides transportation from Central Avenue in Athens and the Chauncey Library to and from Friday Night Life.
 - 4:30 PM - 7:30 PM
 - (740) 594-3339
- Saturday
 - [Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd](#)
 - 64 University Terrace, Athens, OH 45701
 - 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM
 - (740) 593-6877

[Federal Valley Resource Center Food Pantry](#)

- Our food pantry is an SEOH Tier III pantry and serves Athens County and its 6 surrounding counties:
 - Washington, Meigs, Vinton, Hocking, Perry, and Morgan.

● PO Box 18, 8225 St Rt 329, Stewart, OH 45778, US

● (740) 662-5605

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- Fridays 11:00am - 12:00pm, our food pantry is open to everyone, regardless of income.
- On the last Sunday of the month 12:30-1:30pm, our large choice food pantry offers canned goods, produce, meat, and hygiene products. It is intended for lower-income residents of Southeastern Ohio & requires participants to fill out a one-time form. *No income documents are required.*

Housing and Utilities

[Fair Housing Consortium](#)

- What is it?
 - A free service to prevent housing discrimination, assist community members in understanding their rights under housing laws, and to help with filing formal complaints.
- Eligibility
 - This service is offered to anyone in our community.
- Information
 - Phone: (740) 767-4500 or (800) 686-1093
 - [Landlord Tenant Law Book](#)
 - [Complaint form](#)

[Good Works Timothy House](#)

- What is it?
 - The Timothy House is a service of the faith-based organization Good Works that provides evening meals and nightly shelter to men, women, and families who are currently unhoused.
- Eligibility
 - The Timothy House is not an emergency shelter and will require a telephone interview with prospective clients. After the telephone interview, a face-to-face interview will be scheduled, usually within 24 hours.
- Information
 - Phone: (740) 594-3333
 - Email: email@good-works.net
 - The Timothy House is located on Central Avenue in the west end of Athens. Their address remains private. The Timothy House does not accept walk-on clients. Please call to inquire about services.

Good Works Hannah House

- What is it?
 - The Hannah House is a 3 to 24 month faith-based transitional housing program.
- Eligibility
 - Single men and women are eligible.
 - A 30-day stay at the Good Works Timothy House is required.
 - Exceptions may be made on a case-by-case basis
 - Employment in Athens County is required.
 - There is a \$200 per month program fee. The program also requires at least \$50 per month going into savings.
- Information
 - Phone: (740) 594-3336
 - Email: email@good-works.net

Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP)

- What is it?
 - A one-time benefit for those who are low-income and struggling to afford home heating bills.
- Eligibility
 - Families who live in federally subsidized housing where the heat is included in the rent are not eligible for HEAP.
 - You must have a household income **at or below** the maximum:

Household Size	Maximum Yearly Pre-Tax Income
1	\$27,388
2	\$37,013
3	\$46,638
4	\$56,263
5	\$65,888
6	\$75,513
7	\$85,138

8	\$94,763
Over 8	add \$9,625 (per each additional person) to \$94,763

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- Information
 - Phone: (740) 868-1908
 - [Link to apply online](#)
 - Walk-in and scheduled in-person appointments are accepted. You must bring the following:
 - Proof of citizenship such as a birth certificate, social security card, or voter registration card for all household members
 - Proof of gross income for the past 30 days for all household members
 - A copy of the current electric and gas bills
 - Proof of Disability if applicable
 - Disconnect notice if applicable
 - Address: 3 Cardaras Drive, Glouster, OH 45732
 - Can I get there on the bus?: No

[Integrated Services for Behavioral Health Homelessness Assistance](#)

- What is it?
 - Integrated Services operates from a housing-first model. ISBH provides assistance in finding and maintaining stable housing.
- Eligibility
 - ISBH works on each case individually. Please contact them to inquire about eligibility for services.
- Information
 - [Link to referral form](#)
 - Phone: (740) 594-6807
 - Email: info@isbh.org
 - Address: 11 Graham Drive, Athens, OH 45701
 - Can I get there on the bus?: Yes, take Line 2, 3, or 4
 -

[My Sister's Place](#)

- What is it?

- My Sister's Place provides outreach counseling, court advocacy, and shelter to those experiencing domestic and/or sexual violence.
- Eligibility
 - My Sister's Place works on each case individually. Please contact them to inquire about eligibility for services.
- Information
 - Phone: 1-800-443-3402
 - Email: info@mspathens.org
 - Address: To maintain safety of staff and clients, My Sister's Place keeps their address private.

Percentage of Income Payment Plan (PIPP)

- What is it?
 - Description
- Eligibility
 - You must receive your primary or secondary heat source from a company regulated by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO).
 - You must apply for all energy assistance programs for which you are eligible.
 - Utility must be in the name of an adult household member.
 - You must have a household income **at or below** the maximum:

Household Size	Maximum Yearly Pre-Tax Income
1	\$27,388
2	\$37,013
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8	\$94,763
Over 8	add \$9,625 (per each additional person) to \$94,763

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- Information
 - Phone: (740) 868-1908
 - Address: 3 Cardaras Drive, Glouster, OH 45732
 - Can I get there on the bus?: No
 - [Link to apply online](#)

Section 8 Housing Vouchers (HUD)

- What is it?
 - The Section 8 Housing Voucher Program allows you to find housing in the private rental market and receive financial assistance. If you receive a voucher, your portion of the rent will usually be 30% of your income. Your landlord will receive a voucher for the rest of the unit's rent.
- Eligibility
 - Generally, you must have an annual household income that is below 50% of the area median income. However, this may vary. Contact the Athens Metropolitan Housing Authority for more eligibility information. Units must pass inspections by the Housing Authority.
- Information
 - Phone: (740) 592-4481
 - Email: office@athensmha.org
 - Address: 10 Hope Drive, Athens, OH 45701
 - Can I get there on the bus?: Yes, take Line 2, 3, or 4

Sojourners Housing Programs and Emergency Youth Shelters

- What is it?
 - Sojourner's operates emergency youth shelters, Bridges programs for young people transitioning out of foster care, and case management to improve stability in housing in Athens, Chillicothe, Gallipolis, McArthur, and Wellston.
- Eligibility
 - Sojourners' housing programs can assist runaway/unhoused young people transitioning out of foster care who are up to 24 years old.
- Information
 - Phone: (877) 496-8531 (toll free) or (740) 596-1117
 - Email: [Link to contact form](#), outreach@sojournerscare.net

- [Link to referral forms](#)

Government Assistance

[Athens County Job and Family Services](#) (JFS)

- What is it?
 - The Athens County Department of Job and Family Services is a state agency that operates food assistance, cash assistance, medical care, child care assistance, child support enforcement, adult protective services, senior citizen guardian, disability assistance, prevention/retention/contingency, transportation services, and reentry services programs in Athens County.
- Eligibility
 - Eligibility varies by program. Please contact JFS directly or find a listed program on this document to determine eligibility for a particular program or service. JFS can also work with residents of Athens County to find which programs will be the best fit for them.
- Information
 - Phone: (800) 762-3775 (toll free) or (740) 797-2523
 - Email: athensjfs@jfs.ohio.gov
 - Address: 13183 State Route 13, Millfield, OH 45761
 - Can I get there on the bus?: Yes, take Line 6

[Ohio Works First](#) (OWF)

- What is it?
 - Ohio Works First (OWF) is the financial assistance portion of the state's Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) program. It provides cash benefits to eligible families for up to 36 months.
- Eligibility
 - The OWF program requires completing an application and an in-person interview.
 - There must be a child or a woman 6+ months pregnant in the home. A child's home must be with a parent, specified relative, custodian or legal guardian.

- Liquid and non-liquid resources do not impact OWF eligibility.
- Verification of age, citizenship, and identity must be completed before any individual is eligible to be included in the assistance group.
- Participants in the Ohio Works First program may be required to participate in a Work Experience Program (WEP).
- Information
 - [Link to online application](#)
 - Phone: (800) 762-3775 (toll free) or (740) 797-2523
 - Email: athensjfs@jfs.ohio.gov
 - Address: 13183 State Route 13, Millfield, OH 45761
 - Can I get there on the bus?: Yes, take Line 6

[Social Security Disability Insurance \(SSDI\)](#)

- What is it?
 - SSDI is a program funded by payroll taxes that supplies individuals with disabilities preventing them from working or limiting them in work, as well as individuals who are blind, with monthly payments.
- Eligibility
 - Most of the time, you must have been working for at least 5 of the last 10 years to qualify for Disability. If you are under 24, this requirement may be lower.
 - Your disability must limit you from earning income above Substantial Gainful Activity (SGA), which is currently (07/08/2025) \$1,620 per month, or \$2,700 per month if you are blind, for one year or more.
 - To meet requirements to be considered blind, you must have a central visual acuity for distance of 20/200 or less in your better eye with use of a correcting lens and/or a visual field limitation in your better eye, such that the widest diameter of the visual field subtends an angle no greater than 20 degrees.
 - After you submit an application and are determined to be making income under SGA, your application will be sent to Disability Determination Services (DDS), who will determine if you meet the disability requirements. They may require you to fill out more forms and/or have an examination done by a physician.
 - You may also be required to attend a court hearing where a judge will determine whether or not you meet requirements for SSDI benefits.
- Information
 - [Apply online](#)

- Local office phone: (877) 840-7683
- Local office address: 743A E State St, Athens, OH 45701
- Can I get there on the bus?: Yes, take Line 2, 3, or 4

Unemployment Benefits

- What is it?
 - Unemployment benefits are paid weekly to workers who are currently unemployed through no fault of their own. These payments, which are 50% of your income up to the maximum, are provided for a total of 20 to 26 weeks per benefit year. You must report all weekly income, including payments other than wages. In certain cases, the entire amount may be deducted from your benefits.
 - Statutory maximums:

Qualifying Dependents	Weekly Maximum Benefit
0	\$600
1-2	\$728
3+	\$810

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- Eligibility
 - You must be able to work, be actively seeking suitable work, be able to regularly update JFS on your search, and be able to participate in other programs as JFS requires.
 - You must be a US citizen or documented immigrant with a current visa or permanent residency card. You must have been a US citizen or authorized to work in the US at the time you were earning wages for your claim.
 - You must have worked at least 20 weeks and earned an average weekly wage of at least \$338 in the 12 to 18 months before filing an application.
 - You must have become unemployed for a non-disqualifying reason.
 - Disqualifying reasons include:
 - You quit work without just cause or have been discharged for just cause in connection with your work.
 - The unemployment is due to a labor dispute other than a lockout, unless an exception applies.

- You have been given a disciplinary layoff for misconduct in connection with your work.
- You have refused without good cause to accept an offer of suitable work.
- You quit work to marry or because of marital, parental, filial, or other domestic obligations.
- You became unemployed by reason of commitment to any correctional institution.
- You became unemployed because of dishonesty in connection with any base period work.
- Generally, you are not considered to have just cause to quit unless you have pursued all other available options before quitting, including requesting accommodations from an employer or issuing a complaint to a regulatory agency. You may have just cause to quit if you quit due to a medical condition, sexual harassment, or breach of an employment contract.
 - “Just causes” include:
 - Leaving for military service.
 - Being a relocated military spouse (specified conditions apply).
 - Separating from employment pursuant to a labor-management contract or agreement, or pursuant to an established employer policy, that permits you, because of lack of work, to accept a separation from employment.
 - Separating to accept a recall from a prior employer or with respect to concurrent employment that had substantially less favorable conditions to the prior employment.
 - Having been issued a definite layoff date, and before the layoff date, quitting to accept other employment.
- Information
 - [Link to apply online](#)
 - Phone: (877) 644-6562
 - In-person application is not available

Employment

[Career Connections](#)

- What is it?
 - Career Connections is an agency that matches those looking for work with companies seeking to fill temporary or permanent positions. Career Connections may also offer some benefits to those who find work through them.
- Eligibility
 - Anyone who is looking for work may apply to this program. Please contact Career Connections directly for questions pertaining to eligibility.
- Information
 - [Apply online](#)
 - Phone: (740) 594-4941
 - Email: info@careerconnections.info
 - Address: 449 East State Street, Athens, OH 45701
 - Can I get there on the bus?: Yes, take Line 2 or 3

[HAPCAP Subsidized Employment Program](#)

- What is it?
 - Year-round, this program helps people ages 18 and older to get work experience while earning an income. In addition to providing employment experience, CCMEP works with participants to help them overcome barriers to self-sufficiency.
 - In the summer, program participants ages 14 and older can be placed at worksites all over Athens county. HAPCAP pays their wages (\$12.50/hour as of October 2024).
- Eligibility
 - Eligibility is determined at Ohio Means Jobs, and participants are referred to CCMEP from there.
 - Year-round, prospective participants must be 18 and older. In the summer, participants must be 14 and older.
- Information
 - Phone: (740) 767-1074
 - Email: scott.fisher@hapcap.org

Ohio Means Jobs

- What is it?
 - Ohio Means Jobs is a service of the Ohio state government that provides free services to those seeking employment.
- Eligibility
 - Ohio Means Jobs provides services to all Athens County residents seeking professional development and/or employment.
- Information
 - Phone: (750) 797-1405 or (877) 351-0405
 - Email: ohiomeansjobsathenscounty@jfs.ohio.gov
 - Address: 10 West Washington Street, Nelsonville, Ohio 45764
 - Can I get there on the bus?: Yes, take Line 7N

Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities

- What is it?
 - OOD is an agency that matches those with disabilities looking for work with companies seeking to fill temporary or permanent positions.
- Eligibility
 - Anyone who is disabled and looking for work or working may apply to this program. Please contact OOD directly for questions pertaining to eligibility.
- Information
 - 86 Columbus Rd Suite 104; Athens, OH 45701
 - 740-592-4411

Transportation

Athens On-Demand Transit

- What is it?
 - Athens On-Demand Transit provides one-way door-to-door rides within Athens County, scheduled at least 24 hours in advance. Please remember that all scheduled rides are one-way, so you must schedule another ride if you need transportation back.
- Eligibility
 - The Athens On-Demand Transit is free to community members until April 2026 due to an Amerihealth Caritas grant!
- Information

- Phone: (740) 597-2404
- Email: info@athenspublictransit.org

Athens Public Transit

- What is it?
 - Athens Public Transit is a bus system that transports passengers throughout Athens County. Buses currently run only on weekdays. See the website for information on current route changes.
- Eligibility
 - Anyone can ride the bus with a pass or with a paid fare. See the below table for pricing. These prices are reduced by 50% for those with a reduced fare ID.
 - Children ages 10 and under may ride for free with an accompanying adult.
 - Single-ride, day, and 30-ride passes can be purchased on the bus. 60-day, 120-day, and annual passes must be purchased with cash or check and a photo ID at the utilities window in Athens City Hall at 8 East Washington Street.

Pass	Price
Single Ride	\$1
Day	\$3
30 Ride	\$25
60 Day	\$40
120 Day	\$80 (\$15 for ages 11-17)
Annual	\$140 (\$40 for ages 11-17)

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- Information
 - [Rider Guide](#) (bus routes and schedules)
 - [Trip Planner](#) (find the best bus for your trip)
 - Phone: (740) 592-2727
 - Email: info@athenspublictransit.org

GoBus

- What is it?
 - GoBus provides transportation daily from Athens to Cleveland, Columbus, and Cincinnati.
- Eligibility
 - GoBus is not limited to any certain population. Pricing varies based on what trip is booked. Please see GoBus' website for more information.
- Information
 - Phone: (740) 767-4500 (HAPCAP GoBus coordinator) or 1-888-95-GOBUS
 - Email: gobus@hapcap.org
 - Address: There are two GoBus stations in Athens.
 - Community Center: 701 East State Street, Athens, OH 45701
 - Can I get there on the bus?: Yes, take Lines 2, 3, or 4
 - Baker University Center: Lower Baker Center, Oxbow Trail, Athens, OH 45701
 - Can I get there on the bus?: Yes, take Lines 2, 3, 5, 6, 7a, or 7n, get off at the Mulberry Baker Center Bus Hub, enter Baker Center, and go downstairs and outside to the GoBus station.

Medical and Dental Care

Athens City/County Health Department

- What is it?
 - The Athens City/County Health Department is a government agency that works to promote public health in Athens County. The ACCHD also provides birth/death certificates, immunization records, health education, and public health nursing services including help with breastfeeding, car seats, safe infant sleep, harm reduction, vaccinations, genetic counseling, and the postpartum period.
- Eligibility
 - Any resident of Athens County is within the jurisdiction of the Athens City/County Health Department.

- Information
 - Phone: (740) 592-4431 or 1-800-945-6447
 - Address: 278 West Union Street, Athens, OH 45701
 - Can I get there on the bus?: Yes, take Line 4 or 6

[Equitas Health](#)

- What is it?
 - Equitas Health Athens offers assistance with finding mental health counseling, HIV/AIDS advocacy, getting on and staying on PrEP (Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis, a daily pill that prevents HIV), HIV testing, and group peer support.
- Eligibility
 - Equitas' Athens office provides services for those at risk of or living with HIV or AIDS in Athens, Belmont, Coshocton, Gallia, Guernsey, Hocking, Jackson, Lawrence, Meigs, Monroe, Morgan, Muskingum, Noble, Perry, Pike, Ross, Scioto, Vinton, and Washington counties.
- Information
 - Phone: (740) 331-4165
 - Address: 8 West Stimson Avenue, Suite 101, Athens, OH 45701
 - Can I get there on the bus?: Yes, take Lines 2, 3, 4, 6, 7A, or 7N

[Heritage Community Clinic](#)

- What is it?
 - Heritage Community Clinic provides low-cost and free healthcare to children and adults in the community. They also offer Family Navigation to assist pregnant patients in planning for a successful birth. Heritage Community Clinic also has a mobile clinic that makes scheduled stops around the community - check out their website to see if there is one near you soon!
- Eligibility
 - Heritage Community Clinic mainly serves the uninsured and underinsured. Please contact them directly to inquire about eligibility.
 - Family Navigation: this program is available to Medicaid-eligible pregnant patients.
- Information
 - Phone: (740) 593-2432

- Address: 16 West Green Drive, Athens, OH 45701
- Can I get there on the bus?: Yes, take Line 7A and get off at the Convocation Center. Turn onto West Green Drive and take the path between James Hall and Grosvenor Hall. Heritage Community Clinic will be on the left.

Medicaid

- What is it?
 - Medicaid is a government health insurance program available to those who
- Eligibility
 - You must be a United States citizen or meet Medicaid citizenship requirements.
 - You must have or be able to get a Social Security number.
 - You must be an Ohio resident.
 - You must meet financial requirements.
 - Even if you are not sure that you or your family will qualify for coverage, you should still apply. [Job and Family Services](#) can assist you in determining eligibility and applying.
- Information
 - Phone: (800) 762-3775 (toll free) or (740) 797-2523
 - Email: athensjfs@jfs.ohio.gov
 - Address: 13183 State Route 13, Millfield, OH 45761
 - Can I get there on the bus?: Yes, take Line 6

Medicare

- What is it?
 - Medicare is a federal health insurance program for those aged 65 and older, some young people with disabilities, and people with end-stage renal disease.
- Eligibility
 - In general, Medicare is for people aged 65 or older.
 - If you're under age 65, you may be eligible for Medicare if you have [permanent kidney failure](#) or if you receive Disability benefits. Supplemental Security Income (SSI) does not qualify you for Medicare on its own. Even if you receive SSI, you must meet one of the other requirements to qualify.

- You may be able to get Medicare earlier if you have a disability, End-Stage Renal Disease (permanent kidney failure that requires dialysis or transplant), or Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS, also called Lou Gehrig's disease).
- Some plans have an associated premium and some do not.
- See [this website](#) for more information on how to apply.
- Information
 - [Sign up online](#)
 - Phone: 1-800-772-1213

Planned Parenthood

- What is it?
 - This Planned Parenthood office offers birth control (which can be filled in the office instead of at the pharmacy), emergency contraception (morning-after pill), gender-affirming (transgender) care, HIV services, pregnancy testing and planning, STD testing and treatment, care for sexual and reproductive concerns, vaccinations, wellness care, and preventive care. Many of these services are also available through Telehealth, and the office accepts walk-ins. This office does not offer abortion services.
- Eligibility
 - Anyone is eligible for care at Planned Parenthood, whether they are insured or not. If you are uninsured, this office will work with you to find care that fits your budget and/or set up a payment plan. You may qualify for financial assistance - call to determine eligibility.
- Information
 - Phone: (740) 593-6979
 - Address: 416 West Union Street, Athens, OH 45701
 - Can I get there on the bus?: Yes, take Line 6

Rising Suns Pharmacy

- What is it?
 - Rising Suns is a nonprofit pharmacy that assists uninsured and underinsured members of the community in managing their medications. Rising Suns is a repository pharmacy, meaning they accept medication donations, mostly from nursing facilities.

- Eligibility
 - Be prepared to provide proof of monthly/yearly income, the list of medications you are currently taking, your insurance status, the current cost of your medications (pharmacy receipts recommended), and potentially more information.
 - Rising Suns does not carry narcotics, controlled medications, gabapentin, or specialty medications. There is a [formulary page](#) you may review to determine medication availability.
- Information
 - Phone: (740) 447-5025
 - Email: info.risingsunspharmacy@gmail.com
 - Address: 16 West Green Drive, 078 Grosvenor Hall, Athens, OH 45701
 - Can I get there on the bus?: Yes, take Lines 2, 3, or 4

Psychiatric Care and Counseling

[Appalachian Behavioral Healthcare](#)

- What is it?
 - Appalachian Behavioral Healthcare is a psychiatric hospital in Athens run by the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services.
- Eligibility
 - ABH provides inpatient care to acutely mentally ill adults from the region. They do not take walk-ins, patients must be referred by another hospital or a healthcare professional.
 - Visiting patients is limited. Please visit [this website](#) for more information on visits.
- Information
 - Phone: (740) 594-5000
 - Address: 100 Hospital Drive, Athens, OH 45701
 - Can I get there on the bus?: Yes, take Line 6

[Hopewell](#)

- What is it?
 - Hopewell Health Centers provide affordable integrated behavioral, primary, and dental healthcare in southeastern Ohio.

- Eligibility
 - Anyone can make an appointment. Hopewell accepts a variety of public and private insurance plans and offers sliding scale options.
- Information
 - Note: HHC has case aides who may be able to provide transportation for behavioral health care.
 - Athens Behavioral Health & Primary Care Clinic
 - Phone: (740) 592-3091
 - Address: 90 Hospital Drive, Athens, OH 45701
 - Can I get there on the bus?: Yes, take Line 6
 - Coolville Primary Care Clinic
 - Phone: (740) 846-0008
 - Address: 25716 Wilson Street, Coolville, OH 45723
 - Can I get there on the bus?: No
 - Nelsonville Dental & Primary Care Clinic
 - Phone: (740) 797-2352 (primary care), (740) 797-9819 (dental)
 - Address: 1950 Mount St. Marys Drive, Nelsonville, OH 45764
 - Can I get there on the bus?: Yes, take Line 7N
 - Respite Adult Crisis Program
 - Phone: (740) 593-5164
 - Address: 7976 Dairy Lane, Athens, OH 45701
 - Can I get there on the bus?: No
 - Lancer Care Clinic
 - Phone: (740) 662-0541
 - Address: 8461 State Route 144, Stewart, OH 45778
 - Can I get there on the bus?: No

[Integrated Services for Behavioral Health](#)

- What is it?
 - Integrated Services is an agency that provides case management, counseling, psychiatry, SUD services and homelessness assistance.
- Eligibility
 - Description
- Information
 - Athens County Office
 - Phone: (740) 594-6807
 - Address: 11 Graham Drive, Athens, OH 45701
 - Can I get there on the bus?: Yes, take Line 2 or 3

- Charles Place - Psychiatry and Counseling
 - Phone: (855) 472-4633
 - Address: 5 Charles Street, Suite 101, Athens, OH 45701
 - Can I get there on the bus?: Yes, take Line 2 or 3

[PATH Behavioral Healthcare](#)

- What is it?
 - PATH Behavioral Healthcare offers behavioral health assessment, evaluation, individual therapy, family therapy, case management, group therapy, psychiatric support, nursing services, medication management, medication assessment, and care coordination.
- Eligibility
 - PATH offers services to all ages and schedules based on the client's availability. Please contact PATH directly to inquire about costs of care.
- Information
 - Phone: (740) 764-4529
 - Address: 306 West Union Street, Athens, OH 45701
 - Can I get there on the bus?: Yes, take Line 6

SUD (Addiction) Recovery Services

[Ohio Citizen Advocates for Addiction Recovery](#)

- OCAAR fights barriers to recovery, supports recovery services at every stage of the disease, educates the public to reduce stigma, shares best practices with peer supporters, builds and fosters communities for those in recovery, and educates legislators on what is needed.
- As the only 501 (c)(3) nonprofit peer run advocacy organization in the state of Ohio, our staff, Board, and volunteers are dedicated to creating social change in Ohio.

[Recovery Connections of Southeast Ohio](#)

- What is it?
 - non-clinical support for individuals seeking recovery solutions

Faces and Voices of Recovery

- Recovery programs that do not use the 12 Step method.

Harm Reduction Clinic

- What is it?
 - The Athens City/County Health Department holds a Harm Reduction Clinic every Wednesday from 12:30 pm to 3 pm. They offer a one-for-one syringe exchange (up to 30 syringes), naloxone distribution and training, Hepatitis A/B immunizations, access to an Opioid Navigator, and peer counseling services.
- Eligibility
 - Anyone who is interested in this program may participate.
- Information
 - Phone: (740) 592-4431 or 1-800-945-6447
 - Address: 278 West Union Street, Athens, OH 45701
 - Can I get there on the bus?: Yes, take Line 4 or 6

Health and Recovery Services (HRS)

- What is it?
 - Health and Recovery Services is an agency providing treatment for mental illness and substance use disorders, including medication-assisted treatment and withdrawal monitoring. HRS also offers case management, screening, referrals, psychotherapy, and crisis services.
- Eligibility
 - HRS offers services to anyone in the area in need of treatment for mental illness or SUD. No one will be denied access to services due to inability to pay. There is a discounted/sliding fee schedule available based on family size and income.
- Information
 - Phone: (740) 592-6720
 - Address: 224 Columbus Road, Athens, OH 45701
 - Can I get there on the bus?: Yes, take Line 6

John W. Clem: Briggs House

- What is it?
 - The Briggs House is a “Level I Recovery House for men who have abstained from drugs and alcohol for at least 6 months. It is a peer-run, democratically run residential facility.”
- Eligibility
 - Applicants must:
 - “have a minimum of 6 months [of] continuous abstinence from alcohol and/or drugs.
 - have a minimum of 3 months of continuous employment and appropriate finances to cover costs of rent, utilities, food, clothing, supplies, personal items, and entertainment.
 - demonstrate a commitment to recovery.
 - demonstrate a commitment to assisting other men in recovery with support and encouragement.
 - demonstrate a commitment to sharing in all aspects of communal and cooperative living with a group of men in recovery.
 - be recommended for approval by the Executive Director of the John W. Clem Recovery House organization.
 - receive a consensus or majority vote of the residents of Briggs House (those living at the house at the time of application).
 - have read the resident handbook and demonstrate that they understand its contents.”
- Information
 - Phone: (740)-593-3797
 - Email: info@clemhouse.org
 - Address: 8044 Dairy Lane, Athens, OH 45701

John W. Clem House

- What is it?
 - John W. Clem House is a “Level III Recovery House that provides up to 10 adult men a structured program and safe haven to assist them in their efforts to recover from drug and alcohol dependency.”
- Eligibility
 - Individuals interested in the program must complete an interview and discussion of the rules and expectations before intake and admission.
- Information

- Phone: (740)-593-3797
- Email: info@clemhouse.org
- Address: 8044 Dairy Lane, Athens, OH 45701

Mike's Bridge House

- What is it?
 - Mike's Bridge House is a men's recovery house serving individuals who identify with both substance use disorder and a co-occurring mental health diagnosis. Mike's Bridge House is not a 12-step program, as it opts for a more mental health-based approach, but it does require 3 recovery meetings a week.
- Eligibility
 - Mike's Bridge House is a Level 2 recovery house that serves men identifying with substance use disorder and a co-occurring mental health diagnosis, with priority given to those from Athens, Hocking, or Vinton County. Individuals are expected to be 60 days sober, and they will be expected to receive services such as AOD Counseling, case management, and potentially psychiatry if needed. Mike's Bridge House's rent is 30% of the resident's monthly income, with a maximum of \$400. SSI and SSDI are accepted.
- Information
 - Phone: (740) 594-7337
 - Email: craig@thegpathens.com
 - Address: 34 West Washington Street, Athens, OH 45701
 - Can I get there on the bus? Yes; Line 2,3, 6, 7A, 7 N, Summit, Courtyard

Pinnacle

- What is it?
 - Pinnacle Athens Treatment Services is an outpatient treatment center providing counseling and medication assisted treatment for adults with Substance Use Disorder.
- Eligibility
 - Pinnacle accepts most commercial insurances, Medicaid, Medicare Advantage, self-pay, and some out-of-network insurances. Pinnacle also offers specialized services for pregnant patients.
- Information

- Phone: (740) 274-4246
- Address: 8978 United Lane, Suite 102, Athens, OH 45701
- Can I get there on the bus?: Yes, Line 7a

[Rural Women's Recovery Program](#)

- What is it?
 - Rural Women's Recovery Program is a women's residential Substance Use Disorder treatment center offered by Health and Recovery Services.
- Eligibility
 - Rural Women's accepts most insurance plans, including Medicaid. Women may be asked to complete detox before entering. Children under the age of 2 may stay with their mother at Rural Women's if she has legal custody.
- Information
 - Phone: (866) 594-6510
 - Rural Women's Recovery Program keeps their address private. Please contact them directly to inquire.

[Serenity Grove](#)

- What is it?
 - Serenity Grove is a Level 2 recovery house for women with a Substance Use Disorder.
- Eligibility
 - Residents must have completed an inpatient treatment program and/or have at least 30 days sober.
- Information
 - [Link to contact form](#)

Advocacy and Community

[Athens Photographic Project](#)

- What is it?
 - Athens Photographic Project is a community of artists in recovery that use photography to express themselves. They offer a 30-week photography program for adults during the academic year, a 10-week photography program for teens during the summer, and more advanced classes for

those who have completed initial programs. APP provides these classes, mentoring, supplies, and a loaned digital SLR camera at no cost to eligible community members in Athens, Hocking, and Vinton counties.

- Eligibility
 - To enroll, ask a member of your behavioral health team to contact APP to schedule a studio tour and meeting with the director and a mentor. After the tour, you will schedule an intake and assessment meeting. Once you are accepted to the program, you will be informed of your start date.
- Information
 - Phone: (740) 818-3624
 - Email: info@athensphotoproject.org
 - Address: 434 West Union Street, Athens, OH 45701
 - Can I get there on the bus?: Yes, take Line 6

[Legal Aid of Southeast and Central Ohio](#)

- What is it?
 - LASCO provides free non-criminal legal assistance and holds legal clinics in the community.
- Eligibility
 - LASCO provides assistance to low-income residents, seniors, and veterans in Southeast and Central Ohio. Please apply directly with LASCO to see if you are eligible. Help is free to those who qualify. More information on eligibility and the types of cases LASCO takes is available on their [application page](#).
- Information (Athens office)
 - Phone: 1-888-246-4420 (toll free) or (740) 594-3558
 - Email: athens@lasco.org
 - Address: 964 East State Street, Athens, Ohio 45701
 - Can I get there on the bus?: Yes, take Line 2, 3, or 4

[My Sister's Place](#)

- What is it?
 - My Sister's Place provides outreach counseling, court advocacy, and shelter to those experiencing domestic and/or sexual violence.
- Eligibility
 - My Sister's Place works on each case individually. Please contact them to inquire about eligibility for services.
- Information

- Phone: 1-800-443-3402
- Email: info@mspathens.org
- Address: To maintain safety of staff and clients, My Sister's Place keeps their address private.

Sojourner's Resiliency Center

- What is it?
 - Sojourner's Resiliency Center provides a calm, safe place for young people to relax, study, connect with local resources, attend recreational activities, learn valuable life skills, access laundry and shower facilities, and seek community.
- Eligibility
 - Sojourner's Resiliency Center is open to those in the community ages 12 to 21.
- Information
 - Phone: (740) 592-2440
 - Email: sojorcathens@gmail.com
 - Address: 5 North Shafer Street, Athens, OH 45701
 - Can I get there on the bus?: Yes, take Line 6

Survivor Advocacy Outreach Program

- What is it?
 - Survivor Advocacy Outreach Program (SAOP) provides support, accompaniment in legal, workplace, medical, and Title IX matters; linkage services, service coordination, and filing assistance to survivors and co-survivors of sexual violence and abuse, stalking, and intimate partner abuse.
- Eligibility
 - All survivors and co-survivors in Athens, Hocking, Morgan, Perry, and Vinton counties are eligible for SAOP services.
- Information
 - 24 Hour Crisis Hotline: (740) 591-4266
 - Address (main office): 145 Columbus Road, Suite 201, Athens, OH 45701
 - [Link to contact form](#)

[The Gathering Place](#)

- What is it?
 - The Gathering Place is a nonresidential community peer support program for adults who have experienced trauma, mental illness, addiction or other mental health issues. The Gathering Place offers supportive groups, events, education, meals, showers, laundry facilities, linkage services, and a safe place to be.
- Eligibility
 - Participation at The Gathering Place is open to any person with a mental health condition or co-occurring substance use disorder who has a sincere interest in working toward recovery.
- Information
 - Phone: (740) 594-7337
 - Address: 7 North Congress Street, Athens, OH 45701
 - Email: gatheringplace45701@gmail.com
 - Can I get there on the bus? Yes, take Line 2, 3, 6, 7A, 7 N, Summit, or Courtyard

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