MISSISSIPPI RESOURCE GUIDE

Resources for safety, stability, and everyday needs

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NEED HELP RIGHT NOW?

Immediate danger or medical emergency: 911

Mississippi Coalition Against Domestic Violence: 1-800-898-3234

National Domestic Violence Hotline: 1-800-799-SAFE (7233) | Text START to 88788

Community information and referrals: 211

Mental health or emotional crisis: Call or text 988

Before You Search Online

If you think someone may be monitoring your phone, computer, location, email, or browsing activity, consider using a safer device or account when looking for help. The National Domestic Violence Hotline also offers digital-safety information and confidential support.

How to Use This Guide

Start with the section that matches your most urgent need. Many programs have eligibility requirements, limited funding, waitlists, or changing hours. Call before traveling whenever possible. If you are unsure where to begin, dial 211 or contact a domestic violence advocate.

This guide is for educational and referral purposes. Inclusion does not guarantee eligibility, funding, availability, or services.

1. Domestic Violence, Safety & Emergency Shelter

For safety reasons, this guide lists crisis lines and service locations rather than confidential shelter addresses. Call the program directly for intake and availability.

Mississippi Coalition Against Domestic Violence (MCADV)

Statewide coalition that connects survivors with domestic violence programs, shelter, advocacy, and support throughout Mississippi.

Phone: 1-800-898-3234 | Local: 601-981-9196

MCADV website

Program	Crisis line
House of Grace - Southaven	662-342-1432
S.A.F.E., Inc. - Tupelo	1-800-527-7233
Safe Haven, Inc. - Columbus	1-800-890-6040
Angel Wings Outreach Center - Mendenhall	1-866-847-5802
The Center for Violence Prevention - Pearl	1-800-266-4198
Haven House Family Shelter - Vicksburg	1-800-898-0860
Catholic Charities Victim Services - Jackson	1-800-273-9012 or 601-366-0222
Care Lodge - Meridian	601-693-4673
Domestic Abuse Family Shelter - Laurel	1-800-649-1092
Gulf Coast Center for Nonviolence - Biloxi / Pascagoula	Jane's House: 1-800-800-1396 | Adrienne's House: 228-762-8267

National Domestic Violence Hotline

Free, confidential support, safety planning, and local-resource connections 24/7.

Phone: 1-800-799-SAFE (7233)

Text "START" to 88788

Get help online

2. Housing, Rent & Homelessness

Mississippi Home Corporation - HOME-ARP

HOME-ARP serves qualifying populations that include people fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking. Assistance may include supportive services, tenant-based rental assistance, non-congregate shelter, and affordable housing.

HOME-ARP information & agency map

HUD Mississippi Housing Resources

Find public housing authorities, Housing Choice Voucher information, affordable-housing resources, homelessness help, eviction resources, and HUD-approved housing counselors.

Phone: Housing Counseling: 800-569-4287 | Public Housing: 800-955-2232

HUD Mississippi

HUD Find Shelter Tool

Search by location for shelters, food pantries, health clinics, clothing, and homelessness resources.

Find Shelter

Mississippi 211

Statewide community information and referral service. Use 211 for local housing, rent, utilities, food, transportation, health, and other community services.

Phone: Dial 211

211 locator

Important Housing Note

Housing assistance changes quickly. Waitlists may open and close, and some programs accept referrals only through local agencies. Call before assuming funds or units are available.

3. Food, Utilities & Basic Needs

Mississippi Food Network

Search by ZIP code for partner food pantries and emergency food assistance across much of Mississippi.

Phone: 601-353-7286

Find food

Feeding the Gulf Coast - Mississippi

Food pantries, mobile distributions, child meal sites, and other food resources for Gulf Coast communities.

Phone: Resource Line: 888-704-3663 | Mississippi Branch: 228-896-6979

Find a pantry

Mid-South Food Bank

ZIP-code food locator and mobile pantry information for north Mississippi and the Mid-South service area.

Find food

LIHEAP - Mississippi Department of Human Services

Energy assistance for eligible households through local Community Action Agencies, subject to funding availability.

Phone: 800-421-0762

LIHEAP & county agencies

4. Financial & Family Assistance

SNAP - Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program

Monthly food benefits for eligible Mississippi households. Applications and county-office information are available through MDHS.

Phone: 800-948-3050

SNAP information

TANF - Temporary Assistance for Needy Families

Cash assistance and employment-related support for eligible families with children. Program requirements apply.

Phone: 800-948-3050

TANF information

Mississippi WIC

Nutrition assistance, healthy-food benefits, breastfeeding support, and referrals for eligible pregnant, breastfeeding, postpartum women, infants, and children under age 5.

Phone: 1-800-338-6747

WIC information

Child Care Payment Program (CCPP)

Child-care tuition assistance for eligible Mississippi families. Application access can depend on current program capacity, waitlists, and exception categories.

Phone: 800-877-7882

Child care assistance

Mississippi Crime Victim Compensation Division

May provide financial assistance to eligible victims of crime. State victim-assistance materials identify potentially covered expenses such as counseling, medical costs, lost wages, transportation, and domestic-violence relocation and temporary housing. Eligibility and documentation requirements apply.

Phone: 601-359-3680

Crime Victim Compensation

Mississippi Attorney General - Address Confidentiality Program

For eligible people who relocate because of domestic violence, sexual abuse, or stalking, the program can provide a substitute mailing address for certain public and government uses.

Phone: Bureau of Victim Assistance: 800-829-6766

Victim services guide

5. Legal Help, Protection & Documents

Mississippi Center for Legal Services

Free civil legal assistance for eligible low-income residents in its central and southern Mississippi service area. Matters can include family, housing, employment, health, public benefits, and other civil issues.

Phone: Statewide Intake: 1-800-498-1804

Legal services

Mississippi Volunteer Lawyers Project

Statewide pro bono legal assistance for qualifying Mississippians in civil matters, including family and housing issues.

Phone: 601-960-9577

MVLP

Domestic Abuse Protection Orders

A domestic violence advocate or civil legal-aid provider can help explain protection-order options, filing procedures, safety considerations, and available representation. Court forms and requirements may vary by situation.

Mississippi legal-aid resources

Mississippi Birth Certificates - Vital Records

Certified birth certificates can be requested from the Mississippi State Department of Health. Fees and identification requirements apply.

Phone: 601-206-8200

Vital Records

Replacement Mississippi Driver License or ID

The Mississippi Driver Service Bureau offers duplicate driver licenses and identification cards. The current duplicate fee is $11; in-person service is required for immediate replacement.

Duplicate license / ID

If Legal Safety Is Part of the Issue

Consider speaking with a domestic violence advocate before filing or serving legal documents if doing so could affect your safety. Survivor-centered safety planning can include court dates, addresses, child exchanges, transportation, and technology concerns.

6. Health, Mental Health, Transportation & Employment

Mississippi Medicaid

Health coverage for qualifying Mississippi residents, including eligible children, pregnant women, low-income parents/caretakers, older adults, and people with disabilities.

Phone: 800-421-2408

Apply for Medicaid

Medicaid Non-Emergency Medical Transportation

Eligible Medicaid members who do not have another way to reach covered medically necessary appointments may qualify for transportation. Reservation numbers depend on the member's plan.

Phone: Magnolia: 1-888-889-0605 | Molina: 1-888-597-1206 | TrueCare: 1-833-230-2050 | Fee-for-Service/ModivCare: 1-866-331-6004

Transportation information

Mississippi Department of Mental Health

Statewide information and referral helpline plus certified-provider resources. Mobile Crisis Response Teams are available across Mississippi.

Phone: DMH Helpline: 1-877-210-8513

For crisis or emotional support, call or text 988.

Mental health resources

Mississippi WIN Job Centers

Job placement, job and skills training, career counseling, veterans services, and referrals to other workforce resources. Locations serve communities across Mississippi.

Find a WIN Job Center

Mississippi Department of Human Services County Offices

County offices can help residents connect with SNAP, TANF, child care, and related state programs.

Phone: SNAP/TANF: 800-948-3050 | Community Services: 800-421-0762

MDHS contacts & county offices

7. Where Do I Start?

If this is what you need...	A good place to start
I need somewhere safe tonight.	Call a domestic violence program through MCADV at 1-800-898-3234. If you are in immediate danger, call 911.
I need help finding rent, housing, or shelter.	Start with Mississippi 211 and the Mississippi Home Corporation HOME-ARP agency map. HUD Mississippi also lists local housing authorities and homelessness resources.
I need food.	Use Mississippi Food Network, Feeding the Gulf Coast, or Mid-South Food Bank ZIP-code locators. You can also apply for SNAP through MDHS.
My electricity or gas may be disconnected.	Contact LIHEAP through MDHS at 800-421-0762 and ask for the Community Action Agency serving your county.
I need money because of a crime or domestic violence.	Ask about Mississippi Crime Victim Compensation. A domestic violence advocate can also help identify other local assistance.
I need legal help.	Call Mississippi Center for Legal Services at 1-800-498-1804 or Mississippi Volunteer Lawyers Project at 601-960-9577.
I need child care.	Contact the Child Care Payment Program at 800-877-7882. Availability and waitlist rules can change.
I need health insurance.	Call Mississippi Medicaid at 800-421-2408 or apply through Access MS.
I need a ride to a Medicaid medical appointment.	Call the transportation number for your Medicaid health plan listed in this guide.
I need a job or job training.	Find your nearest Mississippi WIN Job Center.
I don't know what I need yet.	Dial 211 or speak with a domestic violence advocate. You do not have to solve every need at once.

A Note From Our 3 Memorial Foundation

Safety and stability can involve many different pieces - housing, food, transportation, employment, child care, health care, legal support, financial resources, and people you can trust. The resource that helps with one piece may make the next step more manageable.

Programs, funding, hours, eligibility rules, shelter capacity, waitlists, and phone numbers can change. We recommend calling before traveling and confirming current availability directly with the provider.

Verification & Maintenance

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