

Petal Family Resource Directory



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Quick Reference Guide

To report child abuse:

Call MS Centralized Intake - Child Abuse Hotline
1-800-222-8000

Fire Department:

Dial 9 -1-1 for emergencies.
601-705-0908
102 Fairchild Drive
Petal, MS 39465

Forrest General OnCall

601-288-4445

Petal School Clinic (SEMRHI)

601-450-2144
36 Panther Stadium Drive
Petal, MS 39465

Poison Control

1-800-222-1222

Police Department

Dial 9 -1 - 1 for emergencies.
601-544-5331
128 W. 8th Avenue
Petal, MS 39465

Need help?**Call Mississippi 2-1-1**

Dial 211
www.211ms.com

2-1-1 connects people with local community resources like emergency food, clothing, housing, job services, and counseling. Phone service available Monday - Friday 7:00 am - 6:00 p m. Website available 24 hours.

Petal School District Center for Families and Children

201 West Central Avenue
Petal, MS 39465
601-584-4704

The Center for Families and Children is a place for all families, with resources that can help any parent feel better equipped for the daily challenges of family life. We offer a coordinated cluster of community resources and services in an accessible “one-stop” family support center.

Services available include:

- EXCEL BY 5 Community Partner
- Lending Library
- First Steps - MS Department of Health
- Head Start and Early Head Start
- Home Bound Services
- Parents as Teachers
- Early Care and Education
- Resource and Referral Center - MS State
- Big Brothers/Big Sisters
- Computer Lab
- Community Workroom
- Social Work Services
- Medicaid/CHIP application assistance
- Developmental Screener—Ages & Stages Questionnaire



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Abuse/Neglect

To report child abuse:

MS Centralized Intake
Child Abuse Hotline
1-800-222-8000
www.msabusehotline.mdhs.ms.gov

Domestic Abuse Family Shelter

601-582-2102 (crisis line)
www.domesticabusefamilyshelter.org

Provides a 24-hour crisis line and 24-hour shelter (at no charge) for women and their children who are victims of domestic violence. Nonresidential counseling services are provided for victims and domestic violence intervention classes are available for abusers.

Shafer Center for Crisis Intervention

601-264-7777
507 N. 37th Avenue
Hattiesburg, MS 39401
www.thshafercenter.info

Serves all survivors of sexual violence and co-victims of violent death, including homicide and suicide, at any point following their experience through direct services, advocacy, education, training and activism.

Alcohol/Drug Abuse - Support

Al-Anon (for family members and friends of alcoholics)

601-270-9872

Alcoholics Anonymous

601-544-5666 for meeting information.

Narcotics Anonymous

<http://www.i59area.org/meeting-schedule>

Pine Grove Behavioral Health and Addiction Services

1-888-574-HOPE (4673)
www.pinegrovetreatment.com

Childcare - Licensed Centers

Part Time Programs:

Asbury Playschool
601-582-4686
1331 Highway 42
Petal, MS 39465

Carterville Christian School
601-545-1010
1115 Carterville Road
Petal, MS 39465

Full Time Programs:

C.H. Johnson Head Start & Early Head Start
601-544-4195
201 West Central Ave.
Petal, MS 39465

Mimi's Playhouse
601-584-6107
439 Old Corinth Road
Petal, MS 39465

Oasis Training Center
601-583-4045
153 Sheeplo Loop
Petal, MS 39465

Play School Childcare
601-544-4018
108 Valley Drive
Petal, MS 39465

After School/Summer Care

Main Street Station
601-544-0810
105 Valley Drive
Petal, MS 39465

Oasis Training Center
601-583-4045
153 Sheeplo Loop
Petal, MS 39465

Petal Family YMCA
601-583-9399
547 Hillcrest Loop
Petal, MS 39465

Assistance

NACCRRRA—National Association of Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies
www.naccrra.com
Provides a list of child care centers across the country.

Child Care Certificate Program – MDHS
1-800-877-7882

Provides assistance with child care tuition.

City of Petal

City of Petal—Departments
www.cityofpetal.com

Petal Chamber of Commerce
601-583-3306
www.petalchamber.com

City Hall
601-545-1776
119 West 8th Avenue

**Building Department/
Code Enforcement**
601-544-6048

Civic Center
601-582-2672
714 South Main Street

Fire Department
601-705-0908
102 Fairchild Drive

Judicial Department
601-582-5351
127 West 8th Avenue

Police Department
601-544-5331
128 West 8th Avenue

Recreation Department
601-554-5440
605 Hillcrest Loop

Sanitation Department
601-325-4815

Street Department
601-325-7015

Water Department
601-544-6981

Counseling/Mental Health

Community Counseling and Assessment Clinic

601-266-4601
USM Owens McQuagge Hall
Room 213 [www.usm.edu/
counselingpsy/clinic.html](http://www.usm.edu/counselingpsy/clinic.html)

Student-run clinic offers psychology assessment services, individual family therapy. Includes anger management and parenting young children. Operates on a sliding fee scale.

Family Network Partnership

601-554-3448
208 Alcorn Avenue
Hattiesburg, MS 39401

Family counseling center that provides treatment for clients, ages birth – 18. Self-pay or Medicaid/ CHIP Insurance.

MS Children's Home Services

1-800-388-6247
Hattiesburg, MS
www.mchscares.org

Provides a continuum of care for children and families including foster care, intensive in-home services (MYPAC), and a shelter for children ages 10-18.

MS Youth Programs Around the Clock (MYPAC)

601-264-7079
120 Plaza Drive
Hattiesburg, MS 39402

Home & community based program that provides treatment for youth with Serious Emotional Disturbance (SED) with same level of care as residential treatment.

Pine Belt Mental Health

601-544-4641
103 South 19th Avenue
Hattiesburg, MS 39401
www.pbmhr.com

Child and Adolescent Services
601-582-1111

Community mental health agency offers counseling and day treatment services. This number is available as a crisis line 24/7.

Pine Grove Behavioral Health

1-888-574-HOPE (4673)
2255 Broadway Drive
Hattiesburg, MS 39401
[www.pinegrovetreatment.
com](http://www.pinegrovetreatment.com)

Behavioral health and addiction services. Inpatient, outpatient, and residential treatment.

Shafer Center for Crisis Intervention

601-264-7777
507 N. 37th Avenue
Hattiesburg, MS 39401
www.thshafercenter.info

Serves all survivors of sexual violence and co-victims of violent death, including homicide and suicide, at any point following their experience through direct services, advocacy, education, training and activism.

Sycamore Tree Counseling

601-545-2442
207 3rd Avenue
Hattiesburg, MS 39401
www.sycamoretreecounseling.com

Individual, marriage, and family therapy. Accepts Medicaid for children.

South MS Psychiatric Services

601-288-8050
1 Lincoln Parkway
Suite 202
Hattiesburg, MS

Offers adult, child, and adolescent psychiatry.

USM Clinic for Family Therapy

601-266-5475
3502 Morningside Drive
Hattiesburg, MS 39401

Provides counseling for individuals, couples, family problems, and parenting issues. Fees based on a sliding scale.

Will's Way

601-255-5264
20 Parkway Blvd.
Hattiesburg, MS 39401
www.willswaybehavioral.com

A pediatric psychology practice that offers behavioral consultation and treatment for at-risk children and their families. ADHD, sleep problems, communication deficits, toileting issues, tantrums, self-injury, aggression, Autism, and developmental disorders.

Your Family Clinic

Daniel T. Moore, Ph.D.
Tom Welsh, Ph.D.
601-544-8935
601-408-7203
514 Old Richton Road
Petal, MS 39465
www.yourfamilyclinic.com

Psychologists accepting Medicaid and private insurance.

Education

Youth Challenge Program @ Camp Shelby

1-800-507-6253

www.ngycp.org

5 month residential military
program for ages 16-18.

GED prep classes - PRCC

601-554-5551

Education – College

Jones County Junior College

601-477-4000

900 South Court Street

Ellisville, MS 39437

www.jcjc.edu

Pearl River Community College

601-403-1000

101 Highway 11 North

Poplarville, MS 39470

www.prcc.edu

PRCC Forrest County Campus

601-554-5555

5448 Highway 49

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

www.prcc.edu

University of Southern MS

118 College Drive

Hattiesburg, MS 39406

601-266-1000

www.usm.edu

William Carey University

498 Tuscan Avenue

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

601-318-6051

www.wmcarey.edu

Education – Head Start

Head Start (Main Office)

601-545-8110

100 West Front Street

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

Head Start & Early Head Start

(Petal Center)

601-544-4195

201 West Central Ave.

Petal, MS 39465

HS: Ages 3-5

EHS: Ages infant - 3

Education - Preschool

Petal Pre-K Class

601-554-7244

Petal Primary School

60 Herrington Road

Petal, MS 39465

Education – Private Schools

The 3-D School and Evaluation Center

601-450-3333

120 S. George Street

Petal, MS 39465

www.The3DSchool.org

Specializing in the
identification and
education of students
with Dyslexia.

Education – Public Schools

Petal School District

Central Office

601-545-3002
115 Highway 42
Petal, MS 39465

Petal Primary School

601-554-7244
60 Herrington Road
Petal, MS 39465
Grades K, 1, 2

Petal Elementary School

601-582-7454
1179 Highway 42
Petal, MS 39465
Grades 3, 4

Upper Elementary School

601-584-7660
400 Hillcrest Loop
Petal, MS 39465
Grades 5, 6

Petal Middle School

601-584-6301
203 Hwy 42
Petal, MS 39465
Grades 7, 8

Petal High School

601-583-3538
1145 Highway 42
Petal, MS 39465
Grades 9, 10, 11, 12

Center for Families and Children

601-584-4704
201 West Central Avenue
Petal, MS 39465

Parents as Teachers program,
resource library, community
agency referral, day-care/Head
Start partnership, community
workroom with Ellison cutter
and dies, laminating machine,
parenting information.

Alternative School

601-584-4717
106 Central Avenue
Petal, MS 39465

Special Services Office

601-582-4247
617 South Main Street
Petal, MS 39465

Education – Special Needs

**The 3-D School and
Evaluation Center**

601-450-3333
120 S. George Street
Petal, MS 39465
www.The3DSchool.org

Specializes in the
identification and
education of students
with Dyslexia.

**Petal School District –
Preschool class for the
Developmentally Delayed**

601-582-4247
Petal, MS 39465

Provides pre-k class for
children ages 3-5 with
developmental delays and a
special education ruling.

**The Children’s Center for
Communication and
Development**

601-266-5222
J.B. George Building 109
118 College Drive, #5092
Hattiesburg, MS 39406
[www.usm.edu/early-
intervention-childrens](http://www.usm.edu/early-intervention-childrens)

Provides early intervention
services in all developmental
areas.

**DuBard School of Language
Disorders**

601-266-5223
118 College Drive #10035
Hattiesburg, MS 39406
www.usm.edu/dubard

Serves children with severe
speech-language disorders
and/or hearing impairments.

Employment Assistance

Christian Women's Job Corps

601-325-7276
Petal, MS 39465

Free 10 week program that provides classes for women to help equip them for life and employment.

Mississippi Department of Employment Security

www.mdes.ms.gov

State website to help Mississippians get jobs. File for unemployment at this site.

PrideStaff Hattiesburg

601-582-8881
5910 US Hwy 49, Suite 5
Hattiesburg, MS 39401

A staffing service and employment agency.

Vocation Rehabilitation

601-545-5619

Assists people with disabilities return to gainful employment. evaluations, medical services, training, counseling, guidance, and job placement are provided. Career and job counseling provided for special education students in junior and senior years.

WIN Job Center

601-584-1202
1911 Arcadia Street
Hattiesburg, MS 39401

Provides job training and placement.

Family Services

Camp Shelby Family Assistance Center

601-558-2405; 601-558-2284

Center for Families and Children

601-584-4704

201 West Central Avenue

Petal, MS 39465

Parents as Teachers program, resource library, community agency referral, day-care/Head Start partnership, community workroom with Ellison cutter and dies, laminating machine, parenting information.

Social Security Office

1-866-331-2186

1911 Broadway Drive

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

Supplemental Security Income (SSI) for adults and children with disabilities. Survivor's benefits for children who have lost a parent.

Food

Breadbasket

601-584-7574

Three days of food to those in the Hattiesburg/Petal area needing emergency assistance. Various churches sponsor. Schedule changes weekly. Call to get church/location.

Christian Services, Inc.

601-582-5683
301 East Second Street
Hattiesburg, MS 39401
www.christianserve.org

Free lunch M-F at 12pm & 12:30pm, thrift store, used furniture, Benevolence program, men's drug and alcohol rehab program, and One Harvest food distribution once a month (groceries sold at discounted prices)
Call to make appointment
Fridays at 11:00 am.

Food Truck in Petal at Petal United Methodist Church:
418 South Main Street
Monday-Friday at 11:30 am

Edwards Street Food Pantry

601-544-6149
1904 Edwards Street
Hattiesburg, MS 39401

SNAP (food stamps)

601-554-4350
1604 W. Pine St
Hattiesburg, MS 39401

Petal Children's Task Force

601-255-5578
314 S. George Street
Petal, MS 39465
Hours: 9 - 4 pm Mon - Fri

Offers emergency food boxes to residents of Petal.

Petal Senior Center

601-705-0837
712 South Main Street
Petal, MS 39465

Mon - Fri 8:30am - 4:30pm
Lunch for senior citizens
Mon-Fri 11:00 - 12:00 p.m.
*Serves breakfast on Thursdays.

Women, Infants, Children (WIC)

Forrest County Health Dept

601-583-0291
5008 Highway 42
Hattiesburg, MS 39401
www.msdh.state.ms.us

Supplemental nutrition program that provides food for children up to age 5 and pregnant moms.

Health Services

Health - General

Care for Yourself Program For- rest County Health Dept.

601-583-0291
5008 Highway 42
Hattiesburg, MS 39401
www.msdh.ms.gov/care

Extended Medicaid coverage
offering medical exam,
education, limited lab
services, follow up visits,
and birth control methods.

Children's Medical Program

1-800-844-0898
Jackson, MS 39215

Medical assistance for
middle to low income
families of children with
special health care needs.
Apply at local health
department.

First Steps

601-584-4704
201 W. Central Avenue
Petal, MS 39465
Contact: Vivian Phongam

Provides free identification,
evaluation, and services for
infants and toddlers with
developmental delays.

If you suspect that your child may have a disability, call:

MS Dept. of Health—First Steps
601-584-4704 (birth-36 mo)
Petal Schools Special Services
601-582-4247 (ages 3-5 years)

Forrest County Health Dept.

601-583-0291
5008 Highway 42
Hattiesburg, MS 39401

Immunizations, WIC,
pregnancy testing, etc.

Forrest General OnCall

1-800-844-4445

A registered nurse offers
answers to medical
questions. 2-10 pm/ 7 days per
week. Health Information
Library available 24/7.

Poison Control

1-800-222-1222

Health—Breastfeeding

Forrest County Health Dept.

601-583-0291
5008 Highway 42
Hattiesburg, MS 39401

Breastfeeding support from
WIC program.

La Leche League

1-877-LA-LECHE
(525-3243)

Group meets the 2nd
Wednesday of each month
at 10:30 am.

Health—Dental

**Hattiesburg Community
Dental Center (SEMRHI)**

601-583-4800
68 Old Airport Road
Hattiesburg, MS 39401
8-6 Mon-Thu, 8-12 Fri

Comprehensive Dental
Examinations, Sedative
Fillings, Fluoride Treatments,
Ultrasonic Cleanings,
Periodontal Treatment,
Extractions, Complete X-Rays,
Oral Cancer Screens, RCT.
Sliding scale fees.

**Pearl River Comm. College
Dental Hygiene Clinic**

601-554-5509
5448 Hwy 49 S
Hattiesburg, MS 39401

Exams, x-rays, cleaning,
sealants, fluoride treatments,
oral cancer screenings. \$25
for adults, \$20 for children.

Health—Hospitals/Clinics
(See also Local Clinics page)

Forrest General Hospital

Info: 601-288-7000
ER: 601-288-2100
6051 U.S. Highway 49
Hattiesburg, MS 39404
www.forrestgeneral.com

Merit Health - Wesley

Info: 601-268-8000
ER: 601-268-8193
5001 Hardy Street
Hattiesburg, MS 39402
www.wesley.com

**Southeast Mississippi Rural
Health Initiative (SEMRHI)**

601-544-7500
66 Old Airport Road
Hattiesburg, MS 39401
Mon - Sat 8:00 - 5:00
Sliding scale fees.
www.semrhi.com

**Minor Care Clinic
(SEMRHI)**

601-450-3030
222 S. 27th Ave.
Hattiesburg, MS 39401
12:00 pm - 8:00 pm daily
Sliding Scale fees.
Insurance not required.

**Women's Health Center
(SEMRHI)**

601-544-4550
62 Old Airport Road
Hattiesburg, MS 39401

Services for women
including an OB/GYN clinic.
Accepts all insurance
including Medicaid.
Insurance not required.
Sliding scale fees.
Mon - Fri, 8:00 - 5:00

Health—Insurance

Health Help Mississippi
601-264-8686

A non-profit organization that offers free health advice and coverage options.

**Medicaid/CHIPS
(Children’s Health
Insurance Program)**

**Hattiesburg Regional
Medicaid Office**
601-264-5386
6971 Lincoln Road Extension
Hattiesburg, MS 39402

Health insurance for low income families.
Mon - Fri 7:30—5:30

**Southeast Mississippi Rural
Health Initiative (SEMRHI)**

Pharmacy Assistance
601-544-4163
62 Old Airport Road
Hattiesburg, MS 39401

Only prescriptions written by doctors and nurse practitioners of any of the 14 sites of SEMRHI may be filled.

Mon - Fri 9:00 - 6:00
Saturday 9:00 - 1:00

Health—Pharmacy

**FamilyWize—Prescription
Drug Savings Card**

Help for those with:

- no prescription insurance.
- with insurance coverage that does not cover all medicines.

www.familywize.com

This card info may be used.
Card #: FM700
Group ID: FM700
BIN: 610194
PCN: FW
Expires 12/31/2020

Health—Vision

Lion’s Club of Mississippi

601-583-9698
601-466-5967
(leave message)

Provides assistance with the purchase of eye glasses.

Salvation Army

5670 Hwy 49
Hattiesburg, MS 39401
601-544-3684

Eyeglasses program.

Health - Local Clinics

Dentists

Barbara Mauldin, DMD

601-583-8726
108 N. Main Street
Petal, MS 39465

C.L. Jones, DDS

601-583-3380
223 N. Main Street
Petal, MS 39465

Petal Family Dentistry

601-584-9481
139 S. Main Street
Petal, MS 39465

Reynolds Family Dental Clinic

601-450-3371
1336 Hwy 42
Petal, MS 39465

Terrace Hill Dental Center

601-336-5018
1126 Evelyn Gandy Parkway
Petal, MS 39465

Granberry-Henderson

Orthodontics
601-583-5500
10 Professional Pkwy
Petal, MS 39465

Braces by Nicholson

601-545-9999
209 Old Richton Road
Petal, MS 39465

Dermatology

Pine Belt Dermatology & Skin Cancer Clinic

601-336-5626
201 S. Main Street, Petal

Optometry

Moreno Eye Care

601-450-3937
598 Hwy 42

Physicians

Central Family Clinic

601-336-4387
126 W. Central Avenue
Petal, MS 39465

Petal Family Practice Clinic

601-544-7404
50 Parkway Lane
Petal, MS 39465

Petal School Clinic (SEMRHI)

601 - 450-2144
36 Panther Stadium Drive
Petal, MS 39465

Medical Center of Petal

601-582-7755
111 Morris Street
Petal, MS 39465

Wesley Primary Care

601-584-4309
1146 Evelyn Gandy Parkway
Petal, MS 39465

After Hours Clinic/Urgent Care

Petal Family Practice Clinic

601-544-7404
50 Parkway Lane
Petal, MS 39465

Petal Urgent Care

601-336-5393
100 Eastbrook Drive #30
Petal, MS 39465

Housing Assistance

Domestic Abuse Family Shelter

601-582-2102 (crisis line)
www.domesticabusefamilyshelter.org

Provides a 24-hour crisis line and 24-hour shelter (at no charge) for women and their children who are victims of domestic violence. Nonresidential counseling services are provided for victims and domestic violence intervention classes are available for abusers.

The Fieldhouse for the Homeless

601-336-4055
5712 Hwy 49 South
Hattiesburg, MS 39401
www.fieldhouseforthehomeless.com

Provides services for homeless individuals and families.

Hattiesburg Area Habitat for Humanity

601-582-4663
www.hattiesburghabitat.org

Helps families build affordable, decent housing through a partnership between families in need and individuals, businesses, churches, and others with necessary resources.

Home of Your Own

601-266-5163

Provides assistance with obtaining home ownership to families/individuals with disabilities.

Homes of Hope for Children

601-450-1188
6652 Hwy 98
Suite 2
Hattiesburg, MS 39402
www.hohfc.org

Homes of Hope houses children in a residential setting. Counseling is provided to both the children and their families.

Housing Alternatives of Hattiesburg

601-544-9140
Cloverleaf Mall
P.O. Box 1030
Hattiesburg, MS 39401

Helps individuals and families in the Pine Belt region become homeowners.

Housing Authority of the City of Hattiesburg

601-583-1881
208 Gordon Street
Hattiesburg, MS 39401

Offers public housing programs (all properties in Hattiesburg) based upon income.

Lighthouse Rescue Mission

601-544-2169
204 Eupora Street
Hattiesburg, MS 39401
www.lighthouse rescue mission.org

Provides housing for homeless women and children. (Boys allowed if under 14 years.)

227 Place

601-296-6472
209 South 29th Avenue
Hattiesburg, MS 39401

Provides supportive housing for homeless women and their children under age 12. Women must be either fleeing domestic violence, have a history of drug use/addiction, or have a history of mental health disorders.

Shelter for All

601-266-5163

Assists homeless individuals with disabilities to locate transitional or permanent housing and achieve self sufficiency.

Salvation Army

601-544-4350
5670 US Hwy 49
Hattiesburg, MS 39403

Provides temporary shelter.

Section 8

601-582-7664

Provides federal housing assistance for low income, elderly, and the disabled.

South Mississippi Children's Center

1-800-635-9056
www.mchscares.org

Provides emergency shelter for abused, neglected, and homeless youth ages 10-17. The center also runs Project Safe Place, an outreach program for youth in crisis.

Housing Repair

Carpenter's Helper

601-582-3330
629 N. Main Street
Hattiesburg, MS 39401
www.carpentershelper.net

Provides basic home repair for individuals who lack the resources or physical or mental abilities to correct problems themselves. Includes widows, widowers, disabled, or disadvantaged.

Recover, Rebuild, Restore South MS (R3SM)

601-544-5115
301 Buschman Street
Hattiesburg, MS 39401
www.r3sm.org

Coordinates recovery services for people who have unmet needs due to the occurrence of a disaster. Includes home repair.

Legal Assistance

Mississippi Center for Legal Services Corp.

1-800-498-1804
111 East Front Street
Hattiesburg, MS 39401
www.mslegalservices.org
www.mclsc.com

Legal assistance for low income individuals.

Mississippi Volunteer Lawyer Project

601-960-9577
www.mvlp.net

Provides legal assistance and advocacy to disadvantaged people throughout Mississippi.

Social Security Administration

Supplemental Security Income- SSI Administration
1-866-331-2186

Libraries

The Library of Hattiesburg, Petal, and Forrest County

www.hpfc.lib.ms.us

Hattiesburg:

601- 582-4461

329 Hardy Street

Hattiesburg, MS 39401

Mon—Thu 8:00—8:00

Fri—Sat 10:00—4:00

Petal:

601-584-7610

714 South Main Street

Petal, MS 39465

Mon - Fri 9:00 - 6:00

Sat 9:00 - 1:00

Center for Families and Children

601-584-4704

201 West Central Avenue

Petal, MS 39465

Mon/Wed/Thu 8:00 - 4:30

Tue 8:00 - 6:00

Fri 8:00 - 3:30

Check-out room for Petal residents. Educational toys, games, books, parent resources.

Parks and Recreation

Emma D. Hill Park

McInnis Street

Hinton Park

601-554-5440

Located behind Civic Center on South Main Street. Offers a playground, walking track, pavilion, four covered picnic areas and restroom facilities.

Petal Optimist Park

124 Radke Drive
Petal, MS 39465

Privately owned by Petal Optimist Club. Operates Dixie Youth Baseball.

Petal Recreation Department

601-554-5440

Oversees parks and recreational activities for the city.

Petal River Park

786 US Hwy 11
Petal, MS 39465

Robert E. Russell Sports Complex

601-544-6060

Located on Hillcrest Loop. Offers ball fields with concession stands and restroom facilities, a walking track, two tennis courts, a playground and a skate park.

Barrontown Community Center

Call 601-544-3641 to rent.

Leeville Community Center

Call 601-544-3641 to rent.

Sunrise Community Center

Call 601-544-3641 to rent.

Paul B. Johnson State Park

601-582-7721
319 Geiger Lake Road
Hattiesburg, MS 39401

YMCA

601-583-9399
547 Hillcrest Loop
Petal, MS 39465

Hattiesburg Zoo at Kamper Park

601-545-4576
107 S. 17th Avenue
Hattiesburg, MS 39401
www.zoohattiesburg.com

Pregnancy/Childbirth

Bethany Christian Services and Crisis Pregnancy Center

601-264-4984
#7 Professional Pkwy, St. 10
Hattiesburg, MS 39401

Provides free pregnancy testing, counseling, adoption assistance.

Forrest County Health Department

5008 Hwy 42
Hattiesburg, MS 39401
601-583-0291

Provides pregnancy testing, lactation assistance, and WIC.

La Leche League

1-877-LA-LECHE
(525-3243)

Offers breastfeeding support and education. Group meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 10:30 am.

Pregnancy Choices of Hattiesburg

601-264-2181
216 S. 27th Avenue
Hattiesburg, MS 39401
www.pcofhattiesburg.org

Offering medical services and education so that each individual faced with an unplanned pregnancy can make informed decisions.

Women, Infants, Children

(WIC) Forrest County Health Dept.
(601) 583-0291
5008 Highway 42
Hattiesburg, MS 39401

Supplemental nutrition program that provides food for children up to age five and pregnant moms.

Women's Health Center – Hattiesburg Family Health

66 Old Airport Road
Hattiesburg, MS 39401
(601) 544-4550

Full range of obstetric and gynecological services – pelvic exam, urine screen, pregnancy testing, birth control information.

Senior Services

Petal AARP chapter

601-582-4825
137 West 4th Avenue
Petal, MS 39465

Petal Bus for the Elderly/Disabled

601-325-4813

Provides transportation for senior citizens/disabled persons.

Petal Senior Center

601-705-0837
712 South Main Street
Petal, MS 39465

Mon - Fri 8:30 - 4:30

Offers recreational activities and meals for senior citizens.

YMCA

601-583-9399
547 Hillcrest Loop
Petal, MS 39465

Social Services

American Red Cross

601-582-8151
606 Hutchinson Avenue
Hattiesburg, MS 39401

Offers disaster relief.

Catholic Social and Community Services

1-855-847-0555
2707 McInnis Loop
Hattiesburg, MS 39402

Offers utility assistance,
clothes closet, pregnancy
testing, HIV/AIDS testing and
support groups, infant/
maternity programs, parenting
and adoption info and
counseling.

Christian Services, Inc.

601-582-5683
301 East Second Street
Hattiesburg, MS 39401
www.christianserve.org

Offers free lunch M-F at 12pm
and 12:30pm, thrift store used
clothing/ furniture, benevolence
program (help with utilities,
medicines), men's drug and
alcohol rehab program.

Call to make appt Fridays at
11:00 am.

Department of Human Services – Family and Children’s Services Forrest County

601-554-4354
1604 West Pine Street
Hattiesburg, MS 39401
www.mdhs.state.ms.us

Mia Ministries - Women’s Crisis Recovery

601-270-2647

Biblical counseling, abortion
recovery program, clothes clos-
et, food pantry, referral ser-
vices.

Pearl River Valley Opportunity (PRVO)

601-544-1394
714 Williams Street
Hattiesburg, MS 39401
www.prvoinc.org

Offers utility/rental
assistance, weatherization,
energy assistance programs,
offers senior citizens help,
Patient Assistance,
commodities. Complete
pre-application online @
[https://
virtualroma.mdhs.ms.gov](https://virtualroma.mdhs.ms.gov)

Petal Children’s Task Force

601-255-5578
314 S. George Street
Petal, MS 39465
Hours: 9 - 4 pm Mon- Fri

Offers holiday assistance, food, help with utilities, eyeglasses/exams, school supplies, uniforms, etc. to families with children in Petal Schools.

**Pine Belt Association for Families –
Relative as Parents Program**

601-582-0909
607 McSwain Street
Hattiesburg, MS 39401
www.paffpetal.com

Provides services to grandparents raising grandchildren. Services include support groups, in home services, respite, tutoring, summer camp, and more.

Salvation Army

601-544-3684
5670 U.S. Highway 49
Hattiesburg, MS 39403

Provides help with utilities, shelter, and crisis needs. Call to make appointment Mondays @ 8:30 am.

St. Vincent de Paul

601-408-7392
114 Broadway Drive
Hattiesburg, MS 39401

Offers clothing, household items, medical assistance, transportation, and utility assistance. Call and leave message for volunteer.

Clothing closet open
Wednesdays from 9:30—5:30.

**Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF)/ SNAP
Department of Human Services
—Economic Assistance**

601-554-4350
1604 West Pine Street
Hattiesburg, MS 39401

Provides assistance to needy families with children up to age 18.

Special Needs

Association for Rights of Citizens with Developmental Challenges (ARC)

601-583-4251
65 Bonhomie Road
Hattiesburg, MS 39402
www.hattiesburgarc.com

Afternoon childcare, men's & ladies' respite, weekend at ARC, Mother's Day out, "Buddy" program, and other activities for individuals with intellectual disabilities.

Living Independence for Everyone (LIFE)

601-583-2108
710 Katie Avenue
Hattiesburg, MS
www.lifeofms.com

Provides information and referral, peer support, advocacy, skills training and transition assistance for individuals with disabilities. Also provides or coordinates equipment and supplies.

Mother's Day Out for Special Needs Preschoolers @ Trinity Episcopal Church Parish House

601-544-5257; 601-270-4481

Vocation Rehabilitation

601-545-5619

Assists people with disabilities return to gainful employment. evaluations, medical services, training, counseling, guidance, and job placement are provided. Career and job counseling provided for special education students in junior and senior years.

Transportation

Petal Bus for the Elderly/Disabled

601-325-4813

Medicaid Transportation

1-866-331-6006

Rides to non-emergency medical appointments for people who are on Medicaid. 3 day notice is required.

Utilities

Electricity

Dixie Electric

601-583-1131

Mississippi Power Company

601-545-4000

Natural Gas

CenterPoint Energy

1-800-371-5417

Waste and Garbage

Waste Pro

601-264-7888

Waste Management

601-268-1159

Water

Barrontown Utility Association

601-544-3553

Eastabuchie Utility Association

601-582-8959

Petal Water & Sewer Department

601-544-6981

Sunrise Utility Association

601-582-9354

Youth Services

Boy Scouts - Pine Burr Area Council

601-582-2326
1318 Hardy Street
Hattiesburg, MS 39401

Girl Scouts - Gulf Pines Council

601-582-1455
4700 Hardy Street, Suite L
Hattiesburg, MS 39402

Petal Youth Sports Association

601-310-4759
www.petalyouthsports.com

City of Petal - Recreation Department

601-554-5440

YMCA

601-583-9399
547 Hillcrest Loop
Petal, MS 39465

Concerned About Your Child's Development?

Your child's healthy growth and development is more than just physical...it's also about how he or she learns, speaks, moves and behaves. A delay in any of these areas could be a sign of a developmental concern. The good news is, the earlier it's recognized, the more you can do to help your child.

For children ages birth to 66 months, Petal residents can receive a **FREE** screening to determine their child's developmental progress.

Contact the Center for Families and Children
201 West Central Ave.
601-584-4704
or go online to
www.petalschools.com and
click on the Parent Tab to find the
Ages & Stages Questionnaire.



Excel By 5 is a community-based certification designed to improve a child's overall well-being by age five. Petal's Excel By 5 coalition is committed to provide support so that all Petal children enter school happy, healthy and ready to learn.

For more information, visit www.excelby5.com



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