

# USING EXISTING SERVICE NETWORKS IN MACOMB COUNTY



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[MHSCB.MCCMH.NET](http://MHSCB.MCCMH.NET) UNDER THE "DOCUMENTS" LINK,  
NEAR THE BOTTOM OF THE PAGE.

# RESOURCE DIRECTORY



<b>NAME</b>	The Right Connection Resource Directory
<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	The Right Connection is a user-friendly directory of free, low-cost and unique human services for Macomb County individuals and families.
<b>WEB ADDRESS</b>	The directory is available online at: <a href="http://connection.misd.net">http://connection.misd.net</a>

**Use “The Right Connection” resource directory to:**

- **Locate free, low-cost or unique services for individuals.**
- **Identify potential speakers by the subject matter.**

# WELL-BEING BULLETIN BOARD



<b>NAME</b>	Commonwealth Bulletin Board
<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	Commonwealth is a free community well-being bulletin board which allows users to find activities, resources, support and belonging in Macomb, Wayne, Oakland and St. Clair Counties.
<b>TO USE</b>	<p><a href="http://www.micommonwealth.com">www.micommonwealth.com</a></p> <p>For more information, contact Amy Smolski, Macomb County Community Mental Health, (586) 954-9817 or <a href="mailto:amy.smolski@mccmh.net">amy.smolski@mccmh.net</a></p>

**Use the “Commonwealth” site to:**

- **Post flyers on events sponsored by your agency.**
- **Suggest the site to individuals and families who may want to attend any of the various events.**

# ONLINE COMMUNITY



<b>NAME</b>	Google email group
<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	This <b>free</b> Google email group allows users to post the needs of clients. Other members respond to the email request and help to identify potential resources.
<b>TO JOIN</b>	<p>Send your name and email address to Karen Pfaff at <a href="mailto:K.A.Kierpaul@gmail.com">K.A.Kierpaul@gmail.com</a></p> <p>To become a member of this group you must have G-mail or a Google account. After you are a member, send your questions to <a href="mailto:macombresources@googlegroups.com">macombresources@googlegroups.com</a></p>

## **Use the Macomb Google group to:**

- **To ask other professionals about where to find resources or services for an individual or family in Macomb County when you cannot find one.**

# ONLINE COMMUNITY



<b>NAME</b>	Metro Region Google email group
<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	This <b>free</b> metro region Google email group is directly associated with the MICommonwealth website and is for persons interested in Metro Region Networking. Members share events, activities and announcements that contribute to the well-being of the community. Flyers emailed to the group are also posted to the Commonwealth site. Many events on the website are reciprocally shared with the Macomb Google group (page 4).
<b>TO JOIN</b>	To use the email function, you must join the MICommonwealth website. To join, send an email request to: <a href="mailto:amy.smolski@mccmh.net">amy.smolski@mccmh.net</a>

## **Use the Metro Region Google group to:**

- **Ask other professionals about where to find resources or services for an individual or family in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb Counties when you cannot find one.**

# ONLINE COMMUNITY



<b>NAME</b>	Project Amos email group
<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	Project Amos is a <b>free</b> email group provided by Trinity Lutheran Church in Utica which sends out email messages to members about donated items (usually free) available for the needy in the community.
<b>TO JOIN</b>	Send an email request with the words "Project Amos" in the subject line to: Rachel Gehm at <a href="mailto:rgehm26@gmail.com">rgehm26@gmail.com</a>

## **Use the "Project Amos" e-mail group to:**

- **Learn about items (usually furniture or appliances, medical equipment, etc.) that individuals or families may have for free if they pick it up. The Project Amos group only links the donor with the person who wants the items.**
- **Refer a donor to the website to have their item/s listed.**

# EVENTS BULLETIN BOARD



<b>NAME</b>	Make Macomb Your Home Upcoming Events calendar of events
<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	This free website promotes the many positive characteristics which make Macomb County one of Michigan's fastest growing counties This site includes an "Upcoming Events" calendar.
<b>TO USE</b>	Send information to Nick Posavetz at <a href="mailto:posavetz@macombgov.org">posavetz@macombgov.org</a>

**Use the "Make Macomb Your Home" online calendar of events to:**

- **Post flyers on events sponsored by your agency.**

# EVENTS BULLETIN BOARD



<b>NAME</b>	Upcoming Diversity Events in Macomb County
<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	A listing of upcoming events on cultural diversity in Macomb County.
<b>TO USE</b>	Send information to Michelle Penilton at <a href="mailto:Michelle.Penilton@macombgov.org">Michelle.Penilton@macombgov.org</a>

**Use the “One Macomb” online calendar of events to:**

- **Post flyers on cultural diversity events sponsored by your agency.**



# INTER-AGENCY TRAINING



<b>NAME</b>	Traveling Tours
<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<p>Sponsored by the Macomb County Human Services Coordinating Body (HSCB), Traveling Tours provides a <b>free</b> opportunity for Macomb County human service staff to learn about services for individuals and families through onsite visits to Macomb County human service or human-service related sites.</p> <p>Some of the tours offer <b>free</b> Substance Abuse contact hours.</p> <p>Traveling Tours is offered annually in the spring.</p>
<b>SCHEDULE</b>	<p>Information on Traveling Tours is posted at <a href="http://mhscb.mccmh.net/TrainingEvents.aspx">http://mhscb.mccmh.net/TrainingEvents.aspx</a></p>

**Attend “Traveling Tours” to:**

- **Learn about Macomb County services through an onsite visit.**
- **Promote your agency services as a Traveling Tour site.**

# INTER-AGENCY TRAINING



<b>NAME</b>	Information Exchange
<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<p>Sponsored by the Macomb County Human Services Coordinating Body (HSCB), Information Exchange provides a <b>free</b> opportunity for Macomb County human service staff to learn about services for Individuals and families through agency displays and breakout sessions on health and human services.</p> <p>Some of the breakout session offer <b>free</b> Substance Abuse contact hours.</p> <p>Information Exchange is offered annually in the fall.</p>
<b>SCHEDULE</b>	Information on Information Exchange is posted at: <a href="http://mhscb.mccmh.net/Events.aspx">http://mhscb.mccmh.net/Events.aspx</a>

## **Attend “Information Exchange” to:**

- **Learn about Macomb County services through visits to agency displays and breakout sessions on services.**
- **Set up an agency display to promote your agency services.**

# MACOMB COUNTY COMMITTEES



**NAME** Macomb County Committees

**DESCRIPTION** A listing of Macomb County health and human service committees, their contact person, contact information, website, purpose, meeting schedule (time and location).

**WEBSITE** <https://sites.google.com/site/mciacweb/documents>  
then scroll down to “Macomb County Committees.”

**Use the list of “Macomb County Committees” to:**

- **Learn about what Committees are active in a particular topic area you are interested in.**
- **Join a Committee.**
- **Schedule a speaker from a Committee on that topic area.**

# MACOMB COUNTY NEWSLETTERS



<b>NAME</b>	Macomb County Newsletter Directory
<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	A listing of Macomb County health and human service committees, their contact person, contact information, website, purpose, meeting schedule (time and location).
<b>WEBPAGE</b>	<a href="https://sites.google.com/site/mciacweb/documents">https://sites.google.com/site/mciacweb/documents</a> then scroll down to “Newsletter Directory.”

## **Use the “Newsletter Directory” to:**

- **Submit articles to relevant newsletters about services or events sponsored by your agency, if that agency permits outside articles.**
- **Suggest a newsletter to an individual or family when the topic is related to their issue, *e.g., an individual has been diagnosed with Lupus***

# MACOMB COUNTY WEBSITES

Department of Health and Human Services	<a href="http://www.michigan.gov/dhs">http://www.michigan.gov/dhs</a>
Department of Veteran Services	<a href="http://vets.macombgov.org/">http://vets.macombgov.org/</a>
Early On Macomb - helps children aged birth - 36 mos. re: developmental delays	<a href="http://www.misd.net/earlyon/">http://www.misd.net/earlyon/</a>
Great Start Macomb - for families with children aged 0 - 8	<a href="http://www.greatstartmacomb.org/">http://www.greatstartmacomb.org/</a>
Macomb Children's Healthcare Access Program	<a href="http://www.macombchap.org/">http://www.macombchap.org/</a>
Macomb County Community Mental Health	<a href="http://www.mccmh.net/">http://www.mccmh.net/</a>
Macomb Community Action	<a href="http://mca.macombgov.org/MCA-Home">http://mca.macombgov.org/MCA-Home</a>
Macomb County Health Department	<a href="http://www.macombcountymi.gov/publichealth/">http://www.macombcountymi.gov/publichealth/</a>
Macomb County Suicide Prevention Coalition	<a href="http://mcspc.org/">http://mcspc.org/</a>
Macomb Homeless Coalition	<a href="https://www.facebook.com/MacombHomelessCoalition">https://www.facebook.com/MacombHomelessCoalition</a>
Macomb Intermediate School District	<a href="http://www.misd.net/">http://www.misd.net/</a>
Macomb Veteran's Action Collaborative (MVAC)	<a href="http://vets.macombgov.org/Vets-MacombVeteransActionCollaborative">http://vets.macombgov.org/Vets-MacombVeteransActionCollaborative</a>
Martha T. Berry Medical Care Facility	<a href="http://mtb.macombgov.org/">http://mtb.macombgov.org/</a>
Michigan Works!	<a href="http://michiganworks.org/">http://michiganworks.org/</a>
Michigan Rehabilitation Services	<a href="http://www.michigan.gov/mrs">www.michigan.gov/mrs</a>
MSU Extension	<a href="http://msue.macombgov.org/MSUE-Home">http://msue.macombgov.org/MSUE-Home</a>
Office of Senior Services, a department of Macomb Community Action	<a href="http://mca.macombgov.org/MCA-Seniors">http://mca.macombgov.org/MCA-Seniors</a>
One Macomb	<a href="http://diversity.macombgov.org/Diversity-About">http://diversity.macombgov.org/Diversity-About</a>

# REGIONAL AND NATIONAL RESOURCES

**2-1-1** provides free referrals to programs in Wayne, Oakland, Macomb, Washtenaw, Monroe and Lapeer counties. There are three ways to learn about services:

Dial 2-1-1 and talk directly to a 2-1-1 service representative.

Live chat - To live chat with a 2-1-1 service representative, visit <https://unitedwaysem.org/2-1-1/>, then scroll down. The “Live Chat” feature is under the “Get Connected Now” title. Then click on "Live Chat."

Or, click on (<http://www.referweb.net/UWSE/>) to access more than 30,000 different statewide programs and services.

If you experience problems dialing 2-1-1, dial (800) 552-1183.

**Julie’s List** (<http://julieslist.homestead.com/>) A free online directory listing of services in Wayne Oakland, Macomb, Washtenaw, Monroe and Lenawee counties.

**AuntBertha.com** - A web platform that provides access to comprehensive, localized listings with hundreds of programs in every zip code in the United States.

- **Use Regional Resources to locate services in and outside of Macomb County.**