This compilation of resources is not intended to be a full and complete list of services that may be available to you in the Dowagiac area. Many of the organizations listed here were taken from free community service publications. The Ferris State University has no fiscal or referral arrangement with any third-party organizations listed.

**Title IX (Sexual Assault) Compliance**

Ferris State Title IX Coordinator – All Campus Locations
Title IX (Sexual Assault) Compliance
Ferris State University Title IX Coordinator
Kaitlin Zies, Title IX Coordinator
KaitlinZies@ferris.edu
(231) 591-2088
www.ferris.edu/title-ix

Southwestern Michigan College Title IX Coordinator
Brent Brewer, Chief of Staff (Title IX Coordinator)
Bbrewer01@swmich.edu
(269) 782-1276
https://www.swmich.edu/security/sexual-responsibility
Lyndon Parrish, Student Conduct and Community Standards Coordinator (Title IX Administrator)
I Parrish@swmich.edu
(269) 782-1321
https://www.swmich.edu/security/sexual-responsibility

**Public Safety/Law Enforcement**

Ferris Department of Public Safety
John Allen, Director of Public Safety
1319 Cramer Circle, Big Rapids, MI 49307
Emergencies: 911
Non-Emergency Contact: (231) 591-5000
Campus Crime Hotline: (231) 591-5900
www.ferris.edu/htmls/othersrv/campussafety

Southwestern Michigan College Campus Security
Denis Burns, Campus Security Coordinator
dburns01@swmich.edu
Emergencies: 911
Non-Emergency Contact: (269) 782-1234
SMC Security: (269) 783-2970
https://www.swmich.edu/campus-services/safety
Dowagiac Police Department
241 S. Front St., Dowagiac, MI 49047
Emergencies: 911
Administration: (269) 782-9743
After Hours: (269) 782-6689

Cass County Sheriff’s Office
321 N M-62 Hwy, Cassopolis, MI 49301
Emergencies: 911
(269) 445-2481
www.ccso.info

Food/Nutritional Support

United Way of Southwest Michigan
2015 Lakeview Avenue, Saint Joseph, MI 49085
(269) 982-1700 or Dial 2-1-1
https://www.uwsm.org/

Salvation Army – Niles
424 N. 15th Street, Niles, MI 49120
(269) 684-2660
https://centralusa.salvationarmy.org/niles/

Salvation Army - Benton Harbor
233 Michigan St., Benton Harbor, MI 49022
(269) 927-1353
https://centralusa.salvationarmy.org/bentonharbor

Feeding America West Michigan Food Bank, Benton Harbor
1488 East Empire Ave., Benton Harbor, MI 49022
(269) 926-2646
https://www.feedwm.org/wands/bentonharbor/
Provides food to local food pantries and hunger relief agencies for needy individuals in SW Michigan.

Decatur Human Services (Food Pantry)
102 South Phelps Street, Decatur, MI 49045
(269) 423-6474
http://www.decaturhumanservices.org/foodpantry.html

Southwest Michigan Community Action Agency
185 E. Main Street, Suite 303, Benton Harbor, MI 49022
(269) 925-9077 or (800) 334-7670
https://www.smcaa.com/
St. Paul’s Episcopal Church  
306 Courtland St., Dowagiac, MI 49047  
(269) 782-7033  
https://www.stpaulsdowagiac.com/  

Federated Covenant Church  
202 Center St., Dowagiac, MI 49047  
(269) 782-5656  
https://www.facebook.com/fedcovchurch/  

Housing/Shelter  

United Way of Southwest Michigan  
2015 Lakeview Avenue, Saint Joseph, MI 49085  
(269) 982-1700 or Dial 2-1-1  
https://www.uwsm.org/  

Salvation Army – Niles  
424 N. 15th Street, Niles, MI 49120  
(269) 684-2660  
https://centralusa.salvationarmy.org/niles/  

Salvation Army - Benton Harbor  
233 Michigan St., Benton Harbor, MI 49022  
(269) 927-1353  
https://centralusa.salvationarmy.org/bentonharbor  

Emergency Shelter Services, Inc. on Pipestone  
185 E. Main Street, Suite 103, Benton Harbor, MI 49022  
(269) 925-1131  
https://www.essberrien.org/  

Southwest Michigan Community Action Agency  
185 E. Main Street, Suite 303, Benton Harbor, MI 49022  
(269) 925-9077 or (800) 334-7670  
https://www.smcaa.com/  

Legal/Social Support  

United Way of Southwest Michigan  
2015 Lakeview Avenue, Saint Joseph, MI 49085  
(269) 982-1700 or Dial 2-1-1  
https://www.uwsm.org/  

Legal Aid of Western Michigan – St. Joseph Office  
901 Port St., St. Joseph, MI 49085  
(269) 983-6363
Medical Care/Hospitals/Urgent Care

Birkam Health Center & Pharmacy-FSU
1019 Campus Drive, Big Rapids, MI 49307
(231) 591-2614
http://ferris.edu/htmls/studentlife/hcenter/homepage.htm
The Birkam Health Center staff wishes to welcome students and families to the Health Center website. Ferris students and their families are eligible for medical care including evaluation and treatment for illness and injury anytime during the entire calendar year. Patients are seen on a walk-in and by appointment basis.

Borgess-Lee Memorial Hospital
420 W. High St., Dowagiac, MI 49047
(269) 782-8681
https://healthcare.ascension.org/Locations/Michigan/MIKAL/Dowagiac-Ascension-Borgess-Lee-Hospital

Lakeland Hospital
21 N. Saint Joseph Ave., Niles, MI 49120
(269) 262-5233
https://www.lakelandhealth.org/

Cass County Health Department
260 South Street, Lawrence, Mi 49064
(269) 621-3143
www.vbcassdhd.org

Southwestern Medical Clinic
2002 S. 11th St., Niles, MI 49120
(269) 687-0200
https://www.lakelandhealth.org/

MedNow – Non-Emergency Medical
(844) 322-7374
https://www.spectrumhealth.org/app/video-visits
Video visits cost no more than $45 and may be fully covered by your insurance plan!

Medical Care - Family Planning

Berrien County Health Department
2479 E. Napier Ave., Benton Harbor, MI 49022
(269) 926-7121
http://bchdmi.org/771/Family-Planning

Mental Health/Counseling
The Counseling Center staff builds on the foundation that personal counseling is a therapeutic and educational experience for students in their personal and academic growth. The Counseling Center also assists students who are experiencing more serious forms of stress and disruption to their normal functioning by utilizing a variety of therapeutic interventions. Prevention and educational aspects of a healthy lifestyle are emphasized throughout the counseling process as well as through programs targeted at significant topics for students.

Woodlands Behavioral Health Care (24-hours)
960 M-60 East, Cassopolis, MI 49034
Crisis Hotline: (269) 445-2451 or (800) 323-0335
www.woodlandsbhn.org

The ARK (Kalamazoo)
1441 South Westnedge, Kalamazoo, MI 49008
(269) 381-9800
http://ccdok.org/the-ark-shelter/

Elkhart United Way Info HELP line (24 hours)
601 CR 17, Elkart, IN 46515
(574) 295-1650 or 211
https://www.unitedwayec.org/get-help

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline
(800) 273-TALK (8255)
www.suicidepreventionlifeline.org

Substance Abuse

United Way of Southwest Michigan
2015 Lakeview Avenue, Saint Joseph, MI 49085
(269) 982-1700 or Dial 2-1-1
https://www.uwsm.org/

Woodlands Behavioral Health Care (24-hours)
960 M-60 East, Cassopolis, MI 49034
Crisis Hotline: (269) 445-2451 or (800) 323-0335
www.woodlandsbhn.org

Southwest Michigan Area Narcotics Anonymous
(800) 230-4085
www.michigan-na.org/sw_michigan
Western Michigan Area Assembly Alcoholics Anonymous
(800) 837-4247
www.wmaa34.com

Narcotics Anonymous (NA)
(877) 338-1188
https://www.na.org/

Sexual Assault/Domestic Violence/Harassment

United Way of Southwest Michigan
2015 Lakeview Avenue, Saint Joseph, MI 49085
(269) 982-1700 or Dial 2-1-1
https://www.uwsm.org/

Domestic and Sexual Abuse Services (24 hours)
Crisis Hotline: (800) 828-2023
(269) 278-5122
dasasinfo@dasasmi.org
www.dasasmi.org

Child and Family Services Safe Shelter (Benton Harbor)
2450 S. M-139, Benton Harbor, MI 49022
Crisis Hotline: (269) 925-9500
(269) 925-1725
https://www.theavenue.ngo/

National Domestic Violence Hotline
(800) 779-7233
https://www.thehotline.org/

National Sexual Assault Hotline
(800) 656-4673
https://www.rainn.org/about-national-sexual-assault-telephone-hotline

Women's Information Services, Inc. (WISE)
24 Hour Sexual Violence Crisis Hotline: (800) 374-9473
https://wiseagainstviolence.org/

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