

# FINANCIAL

## Assistance & Counseling

### Financial Assistance

**Anoka County Child Support ..... (763) 324-2420**

Services include: locating non-custodial parents, establishing parentage, and establishing & enforcing support order (child support, medical support, child care contributions) and collections. 8 am-4:30 pm.

**Anoka County Economic Assistance Department**

Services include: SNAP (Food Support), cash assistance, & healthcare programs.

**Adults & Families With Children, Mon-Fri, 8 am-4:30 pm ..... (763) 422-7200**

**Eastern Service Center, Lexington, Mon-Fri, 8 am-4:30 pm ..... (763) 324-2210**

**Southern Anoka County Service Center, Mon-Fri, 8 am-4:30 pm..... (763) 324-2220**

**Bridge To Benefits ..... [www.bridgetobenefits.org](http://www.bridgetobenefits.org)**

Find out if you qualify for public programs that can help stretch your family budget. Info on how and where to apply, print applications, and learn more.

**CEAP Transportation Solutions ..... (763) 566-9600**

[www.ceap.org](http://www.ceap.org). For one & two parent families with dependent children. Must be current with monthly bills when applying for program, must be employed or in school (post GED or post high school) for 6+ months.

**Crisis Assistance, ACCAP ..... (763) 783-4747**

[www.accap.org](http://www.accap.org). Limited financial assistance to eligible residents of Anoka County, as funds are available.

**DWP (Diversionary Work Program)..... (763) 422-7200**

DWP is a short-term, work focused program for families applying for cash benefits. Contact your county of residence for more information and possible benefits.

**Energy Assistance, ACCAP ..... (763) 783-4712**

[www.accap.org](http://www.accap.org). Financial assistance with heating bills for income qualified households.

**Families in Safe Hands: Raising Relatives Children ..... (612) 879-5307**

A program of Lutheran Social Service of MN. Offers information & emotional support through support groups, referrals, recreation, and free phone consultation.

**Medicare Customer Service, [www.medicare.gov](http://www.medicare.gov) ..... 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227)**

**MFIP (Minnesota Family Investment Program) ..... (763) 422-7200**

MFIP benefits provide cash and food benefits to eligible applicants. Contact your county of residence for more information and possible benefits.

**Representative Payees ..... (763) 783-4707**

Provides money management for clients receiving government benefits and having trouble managing their finances. Call Senior Information Line for a list of Representative Payees.

- Salvation Army** ..... (763) 755-6873  
 Discretionary funds available in small amounts for emergencies that fall between the cracks of other social service programs, or used in conjunction with other agencies.
- Salvation Army HeatShare** ..... (763) 755-6873  
 Emergency program serving Anoka County residents to assist with heating emergencies. You must exhaust all other programs first.
- Social Security Administration (To apply)** ..... 1-800-772-1213  
**Social Security (Assists Anoka County clients with forms & questions)** ..... (763) 324-2424
- Telephone Assistance Plan**..... (651) 296-0406  
 Monthly discounts. Financial eligibility guidelines may apply. Contact your phone company for details.

## Financial Counseling & Education

- Consumer Credit Counseling Service/Family Means** ..... (651) 789-4014  
[www.familymeans.org](http://www.familymeans.org). Offers financial workshop, credit counseling, & education, pre-filing bankruptcy counseling, credit report review & pre-discharge bankruptcy education. Mon.-Fri. 8:00am-5:00pm. Evening Appointments.
- FAIM (Family Assets for Independence in Minnesota), ACCAP** ..... (763) 783-4851  
[www.accap.org](http://www.accap.org). Matches \$3 for every \$1 you save for 2 years with a maximum of \$960 of your savings. The total match of \$3840 can be used toward a down payment of your first home, to continue your education, or to start up a small business. Call for eligibility and program requirements.
- Financial Fitness, ACCAP** ..... (763) 783-4851  
[www.accap.org](http://www.accap.org). Gain personal finance knowledge in budgeting, debt reduction and asset building, credit usage, building a good credit rating, consumer protection, and financial institutions.
- Foreclosure Prevention, ACCAP**..... (763) 783-4880  
[www.accap.org](http://www.accap.org). Help for people facing default with their mortgage payments.
- Lutheran Social Service Financial Counseling** ..... 1-888-577-2227  
 Free financial counseling. Call for an appointment. Debt management program, fees may apply.
- Taxpayer Advocate Service of IRS** ..... (651) 312-7999  
[www.IRS.gov](http://www.IRS.gov). Free assistance for unresolved IRS problems.
- University of Minnesota Extension, Anoka County** ..... (763) 324-3495  
[www.extension.umn.edu/county/anoka](http://www.extension.umn.edu/county/anoka). Dollars into Sense class, offered on a monthly basis that covers basic budgeting. No charge.
- Village Financial Resource Center**..... 1-800-450-4019  
[www.helpwithmoney.org](http://www.helpwithmoney.org). Mon-Fri 8 am-5 pm. Call for appointments & fees. Budget counseling, credit counseling and housing counseling.