

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

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. 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. 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. 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 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. 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. 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. 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. 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. Free assistance for unresolved IRS problems.
- University of Minnesota Extension, Anoka County** (763) 324-3495
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. Mon-Fri 8 am-5 pm. Call for appointments & fees. Budget counseling, credit counseling and housing counseling.