

# The Wareham Community Resource Guide 2008



**Wareham Community Partnerships for Children  
Parent Child Home Program**  
Minot Forest School  
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Wareham, MA 02571

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# I HEALTH

## A. Counseling / Mental Health

1. BMC HealthNet Plan  
1 Merrill's Wharf  
New Bedford, MA 02740

1-508-990-2439

BMC HealthNet Plan is a 501(c) (3) status managed care organization providing coverage to MassHealth (Medicaid) and Commonwealth Care members. Founded in 1997 by Boston Medical Center, the Plan contracts with providers and hospital systems throughout Massachusetts to deliver care to over 200,000 low income members.

2. Bayview Associates, Wareham-a program of South Shore Mental Health  
215 Sandwich Rd.  
Wareham, MA 02571

508-295-3600

A not-for-profit outpatient mental health clinic with counselors who serve children, adults, couples, and families. Therapists are experienced in treating the full spectrum of emotional and mental health issues including depression, anxiety, phobias, relationship conflicts, substance abuse, reactions to trauma, grieving, issues of aging and major mental illness. Payment: Most insurance plans are accepted including HMO's, MassHealth, Medicare, and many commercial issuers. Reduced fees are available for eligible individuals. Hours are by appointment, five days a week, and evening appointments are available.

3. Child & Family Services, Inc.  
1061 Pleasant St.  
New Bedford, MA 02740

1-508-996-8572

Provides an emergency mental health clinic, counseling, educational testing, ADD groups, substance abuse treatment and a full range of mental health services to people of all ages living in Greater New Bedford, Greater Fall River and Cape Cod.

4. Cove Counseling Association  
110 Long Pond Rd.  
Plymouth, MA 02360

508-746-8004

Provides counseling for individuals, couples and families.

5. Crisis Response Team  
118 Long Pond Rd. Suite 100  
Plymouth, MA 02360

1-800-469-9888

Provides 24-hour crisis intervention for behavioral health.

6. Gosnold-Thorne Center
- 301 Dr. Julius Kelley Lane, Pocasset, MA 02559 1-800-930-0006
  - Falmouth, MA 02360 1-508-540-6550

Our mission is to excel in all aspects of chemical dependency and mental health treatment; to serve men, women and children affected by these illnesses; and to promote lasting recovery.

7. High Point Treatment Center
- 1233 State Rd., Plymouth, MA. 02360 508-224-7701
  - 10 Kilburn St., New Bedford, MA 02741 1-508-996-6000

This professional training program offers community counseling services for people who are affected either directly or indirectly by substance abuse, co-dependency and related issues.

8. Key Program, Inc  
102 Charge Pond Rd.  
Wareham, MA 02571 1-508-675-0686

Behavioral treatment residence for boys ages 12-18

9. Massachusetts Department of Mental Health  
40 Industrial Park Rd.  
Plymouth, MA 02360 508-732-3000

Provides case management for individuals with severe and persistent mental illness.

10. Mass. Rehabilitation Commission
- 888 Purchase St., New Bedford, MA 02740 (covering all Wareham) 1-508-993-6255
  - 40 Industrial Park Rd., Plymouth, MA 02360 508-747-5922

Provides counseling, employment and vocational training for the handicap/ disabled.

11. Mashpee Mental Health Services, Inc.  
48 Marion Rd.  
Wareham, MA 02571 1-800-919-5488

Provides quality multi-specialty behavioral health care to individuals and families across the life span.

12. Parents Helping Parents/Parental Stress Line  
108 Water St.  
Watertown, MA 02472 1-800-882-1250

Telephone counseling and referrals to confidential support groups in Massachusetts for parents and caregivers.

13. Psychology Associates  
114 High St., Wareham, MA 02571 508-295-2699  
323 Court St., Plymouth, MA 02360 508-747-2718

Provides complete mental health services to all ages: children, adolescent and adults. Accepts most health insurance, including MassHealth.

14. South Bay Mental Health Ctr.  
50 Aldrin Rd.  
Plymouth, MA 02360 508-830-0000

Provides out patient therapy, home visits, individual, family / group therapy and counseling.

15. Southcoast Hospitals Clinical Social Work Services  
Tobey Hospital  
43 High St.  
Wareham, MA 02571 508-295-0880

Provides assessment, counseling and referral services to assist patients with mental health issues, substance abuse, neglect/abuse situations and to help with situations that may develop as a result of their hospitalization.

16. Plymouth Counseling Center  
225 Water St.  
Plymouth, MA 02360 508-747-6302

Outpatient mental health clinic

17. Sippican Counseling  
191 Main St.  
Wareham, MA 02571 508-291-2007

Provides practical solutions for couples, individuals and families experiencing conflict

18. Tri-Town Counseling  
19 County Rd  
Mattapoisett, MA 508-758-3754

Provides assessment, counseling and referrals to all ages. Accepts some insurances.

## **B. Medical Services**

1. American Cancer Society  
Brockton, MA 02301-all services are handled out of this location. 1-800-ACS-2345

Provides information 24 hours a day to recently diagnosed patients; provides information on services in your area, free literature and financial assistance. Will help with medical treatment and equipment that is not covered by insurance and will provide area screening at low or no cost.

2. American Diabetes Association  
1701 North Beauregard St.  
Alexandria, VA 22311 1-800-342-2383

Provides free information on Diabetes, gives referrals on education and doctors, and raises money for research.

3. Community Nurses and Hospice Care, Inc.  
62 Centre St.  
Fairhaven, MA. 02719 1-508-992-6278

Home care for terminally ill patients and support for families, skilled nursing and rehabilitation services and home health aides. Also offering private duty

4. Cranberry Hospice  
36 Cordage Park Circle, Suite 26  
Plymouth, MA. 02360 508-746-0215

Provides end of life care and bereavement groups

5. Gateway Adult Day Health Center  
2621 Cranberry Hwy, Suite 3.  
Wareham, MA 02571 508-291-3232

Adult Day health program designed to serve individuals, 18 years through seniors, who need a medically supervised environment in which to maintain or regain their independent functioning.

6. Jordan Hospital  
275 Sandwich St.  
Plymouth, MA. 02360 508-746-2000

7. National Multiple Sclerosis Society (SE Mass Chapter)  
3119 Cranberry Hwy. Unit 5  
East Wareham, MA 02538 508-759-0402

Provides information and referrals, educational programs and counseling groups for persons afflicted by multiple sclerosis.

8. Oncology Clinic-Health Support Groups  
Jordan Hospital  
275 Sandwich Rd.  
Plymouth, MA 02360 508-830-2391

9. St. Luke's Hospital  
• A Division of Southcoast Hospital Groups  
• Physician Referral  
101 Page St.  
New Bedford, MA 02740 1-508-997-1515

10. Southcoast Home Care  
200 Mill Rd.  
Fairhaven, MA 02719 1-508-984-0200

Provides home health aid, rehabilitation therapy, bereavement groups and hospice services.

11. Southcoast Mobile Van  
C/o Charlton Hospital  
363 Highland Ave.  
Fall River, MA 02720 1-508-957-7423

Provides blood pressure, and cholesterol, vision and pregnancy screening, teen clinics, children immunization as well as vaccines, health education services and medical referrals. Schedule changes on a monthly basis. Adult td, tetanus and pneumococcal-pneumonia vaccines.

12. Health Trax Fitness & Wellness Center  
250 Faunce Corner Rd.  
North Dartmouth, MA 02747 1-508-999-6200

Programs include support groups, education programs, exercise and fitness programs, health screenings, children's program, nutrition and diet programs and recreation. A community calendar is mailed out every two months. Registration is required.

13. Tobey Hospital-A Div. of Southcoast Hospital Groups  
43 High St.  
Wareham, MA 02571 508-295-0880

14. Visiting Nurses Association of Cape Cod  
Mobile Health Link  
434 Dennis Route 134, Suite D-3  
South Dennis, MA 02660 1-888-557-9994

Travels throughout Cape Cod to link under served individuals and families in need with health education and preventative screening services. Visiting Wareham once a month

15. Wareham Pediatrics  
53 Marion Rd  
Wareham, MA 02571 508-295-8622

## **C. Nutrition**

### **1. Area Churches United to End Hunger**

Free meals provided at the following locations:

St. Peters on the Canal Church, 165 Main St., Buzzards Bay, MA	508-759-5641
Onset Four Square Church, 301 Onset Ave., Onset, MA	508-291-1595
Church of the Good Shepherd, 74 High St., Wareham, MA	508-295-2840
First Congregational Church, 11 Gibbs Ave., Wareham, MA	508-295-1630

Schedule of meals posted in the Wareham Courier and at the Wareham Free Library.

### **2. Community Resources Network**

75 High St.

Wareham, MA 02571

508-295-0080

The CRN responds to the pressing needs of food and utilities as well as information and referrals for local families. Not a walk-in service.

### **3. Family Pantry**

65 Redbrook Rd.

Wareham, MA 02571

508-759-5245

Provides food for people in need. Open Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, 10:00 am to noon.  
One visit per month.

### **4. First Congregational Church**

11 Gibbs Ave.

Wareham, Ma. 02571

508-295-1630

Provides packaged food and canned items. Open to the public 9:00 to 12:00, 5 days a week

### **5. Good Shepherd Table**

Church of the Good Shepherd

74 High St.

Wareham, MA 02571

508-295-2840

Provides hot meals one night a week on Thursdays at 5 pm.

### **6. W.I.C. (Women, Infant & Children)**

- 106 Main St. Wareham, Suite 5, Wareham, MA 02571 508-295-0056
- 5 Castle St. Plymouth, MA 02360 508-747-4933
- 874 Purchase St., New Bedford, MA 02740 1-508-997-1500

Provides counseling on prenatal, postpartum and child health, information on eating habits during pregnancy and breastfeeding; referrals to doctors, health centers and clinics, dentists, and programs such as food stamps, Mass Health, Children's Medical Security Plan, daycare and fuel assistance. Provides supplemental foods.

## **D. Substance Abuse/ Drugs/ Alcohol**

1. AA/Alcohol Anonymous

St Anthony's Church, 22 Barstow St., Mattapoisett, MA 02739

First Congregational Church, 11 Gibbs Ave., Wareham, MA 02571

Support groups for families and teens of alcohol and drug abuse. Meeting times and places may change. Refer to Website for more information.

2. Al-Anon/Alateen

57 East Main St. Suite 109

Westborough, MA 01581

1-888-4Al-Anon

1-508-366-0556

Support group for family members (Al-Anon) and teens (Alateen) living with alcoholism in the family. Contact them for a booklet with area meetings, places and times

3. AA (Alcoholics Anonymous)

368 Congress St

Boston, MA 02210

1-617-426-9444

Call for schedule of local meetings.

4. Gosnold Treatment Center/ Cape Cod Alcoholism Intervention & Rehabilitation Center

200 Ter Heun Drive

PO Box 929

Falmouth, MA 02540

1-508-540-6550

A Detox and Rehabilitation Center- 2 week intensified program includes individual counseling and group therapy; also sets up after-care services

5. Habit Management Inc.

3086 Cranberry Hwy.

East Wareham, MA 02538

508-295-7990

HMI is a substance abuse treatment organization that provides outpatient services to communities in need, in a manner which respects an individual's worth and recognizes their desire to improve their lives

6. High Point Treatment Center

1233 State Rd.

Plymouth, MA 02360-5133

508-224-7701

Professional training program allows the community counseling services for people who suffer either directly or indirectly with alcoholism, addictions, co-dependency and related issues.

7. Narcotics Anonymous of Eastern Mass 1-866-624-3578

8. Mass Substance Helpline 1-800-327-5050

Provides information and referral as well as treatment options.

9. New Bedford Council on Addiction  
234 Earle St.  
New Bedford, MA 02740 1-508-992-7788

Provides information and referral as well as treatment options.

10. PAACA – Positive Action Against Chemical Addiction  
360 Coggeshall St.  
New Bedford, MA 02746 1-508-997-9051

A non-profit, community – based United Way agency dedicated to the prevention and treatment of substance abuse. Information, referrals & counseling support groups. HIV/HEPC case management, youth programs, housing, transportation and food programs.

11. Phoenix House  
5 Madison Ave. 1-800-662-4357  
Springfield, MA 01105 1-413-733-2178

Information and referral to drug and treatment options; referrals to programs of self-help and family support. This is a Nation-Wide Crisis Center trained in crisis intervention when necessary.

12. Statewide Substance Abuse Information & Education Hotline  
• Al-Anon 1-508-366-0556  
• Alateen Information Center 1-781-843-5300

Provides support for family members affected by alcoholism or other substance abuse.

## **E. Abuse & Neglect**

1. Child Help USA (24 hrs) 1-800-422-4453  
Hotline for parents who abuse children.
2. DOVE/ Hotline (24 hrs) 1-617-471-1234  
Crisis Intervention Shelter for women who have been abused and/or are homeless or in hiding.
3. DOVE/Youth Hotline (24 hrs) 1-617-773-4878  
Crisis Intervention Shelter for women who have been abused and/or are homeless or in hiding.
4. Emerge (for males who abuse) 1-617-547-9879  
Counseling, information and referral center for men who have verbally, mentally and /or physically abused someone.
5. Mass. Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children  
206 Breeds Hill Rd.  
Hyannis, MA 02601 1-800-272-9722  
Family counseling center with offices in Falmouth, Hyannis, Orleans and Provincetown.
6. National Runaway Switchboard 1-800-621-4000  
1-800 RUN-AWAY  
Intervention for teens that have or are thinking about running away.
7. New Bedford Women's Center  
405 County St. (24 hour hotline) 1-508-999-6636  
New Bedford, MA 02740 1-508-996-3343  
Center for sexual assault and trauma victims and for children who witness domestic violence.
8. Parents Helping Parents  
(formerly Parents Anonymous) 1-800-882-1250  
A mutual support group of parents who assist other parents to deal with their children; weekly support groups are offered. Call for nearest location.
9. Psychology Associates  
71 Court St., Plymouth, MA 02360 508-747-2718  
114 High St., Wareham, MA 02571 508-295-2699  
Provides complete mental health services to all ages: children, adolescents and adults.

10. South Shore Women's Resource Center  
P.O. Box 6237  
North Plymouth, MA 02362

1- 508-746-2664

Assists victims of domestic violence in the home, school, and as part of teen dates. Provides education and support. Please call for locations.

11. Woman's Place Crisis Center (24 hrs)

1-508-588-8255

Provides services and counseling for children, adults, women and the elderly who have encountered domestic or sexual assaults.

## **F. Disability**

1. Access for Community Enhancement Services  
P.O. Box 50837  
New Bedford, MA 02745

1-508-997-3244

Provides social and recreational activities for adults with disabled children, including monthly dances. Also provides information and advocacy

2. Better Community Living  
384 County St.  
New Bedford, MA 02740

1-508-999-4300

A non-profit organization that provides residential, community, vocational, individual, and family support groups to adults and children with developmental disabilities and their families.

3. Brain Injury Association of Greater New Bedford  
3119 Cranberry Hwy. Suite 5 F  
East Wareham, MA 02538

508-743-0333

888-508-0333

A private, nonprofit organization that provide information, resources, support groups and informal counseling to brain injury survivors and their families.

4. Family Connections  
56 Bridge St.  
Fairhaven, MA 02719

1-508-999-0077

A non-profit organization that works with families with children or adults with disabilities.

5. Mass. Office on Disabilities  
1 Ashburton Place  
Boston, MA 02108

1-617-727-7440

1-800-322-2020

Components of client services including answering questions in regard to disabilities, rights, benefits, training, and discrimination. Also works with local commissions and gives referrals. All information is confidential.

6. National Dissemination Center for Children with Disabilities  
P.O. Box 1492  
Washington, DC 20013-1492

1-800-695-0285

Referral and information clearinghouse for disability information focusing on Special Education. Printed information and information in Spanish

7. National Multiple Sclerosis Society (SE Mass Chapter)  
3119 Cranberry Hwy. Unit 5  
East Wareham, MA 02538

508-759-0402

Provides information and referrals, educational programs and counseling groups for persons afflicted by multiple sclerosis.

8. Southeast Center for Independent Living, Inc  
66 Troy Street, 1<sup>st</sup> floor, Fall River, MA 02720  
800 Purchase Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor, New Bedford, MA 02740

508-679-9210

An independent living center that works with people with disabilities. Our services are free to anyone with a disability. We provide the 4 core services of advocacy, skills training, peer counseling, information and referral. We also work with youth ages 14-22 to help them transition into adulthood(TAP program) and work with transitioning people from facilities back into the community with support services.(TICL program.) We can also help with communication assistance, adaptive equipment; provide resources for home and vehicle modifications. We have a monthly support group as well as computer classes in our Fall River office.

9. Wareham Commission on Disability  
Multi Service Center  
48 Marion Rd.  
Wareham, MA 02571

508-291-3100 ext. 6513

Provides support and information for individuals with disabilities in the town of Wareham.

## **II Education**

### **A. Pregnant/ Parenting & Family Support**

1. **Birthright of New Bedford**  
398 County St. 1-508-996-6744  
New Bedford, MA 02740 National Emergency Hotline 1-800-550-4900

An organization that helps women who think they may be pregnant or are pregnant. Provides friendship and emotional support, free pregnancy testing, maternity and baby clothes. We also give information and referrals to help clients meet legal, medical, financial, and housing needs.

2. **Cape Cod Healthy Families  
Young Parent Program**  
155 Katherine Lee Bates Rd  
Falmouth, MA 02540 1-508-540-2968

Provides newborn home services and provides services to Cape area (Bourne and Buzzards Bay) families with pregnant and parenting adolescents 20 years with a child less than 3 years old. Provides support information, educational advocacy and some transportation to medical appointments.

3. **Cape Cod Healthy Families  
Young Parent Services**  
155 Katherine Lee Bates Rd  
Falmouth, MA 02540 1-508-540-2968

Provides case management and referrals for young parents under 23 who do not meet the requirements of the Young Parents Program.

4. **Early Intervention Partnership Program and EI Partnership**  
389 County St.  
New Bedford, MA 02740 1-508-997-1570

A home visiting program for high-risk pregnant women. The program consists of a maternal/child health nurse, a mental health specialist and a community health worker.

5. **Greater New Bedford Community Health Center**  
874 Purchase St.  
New Bedford, MA 02740 1-508-992-6553

Our mission is to provide services and programs that improve the health of individuals and the community. Our highly qualified health care staff includes physicians, nurse practitioners, a physician assistant, nurses, and a full support staff consisting of laboratory technicians, radiology technicians, medical assistants, nutritionists, and social workers.

6. **Kennedy-Donovan Center / Healthy Families**  
389 County St.  
New Bedford, MA 02740 1-508-997-1570

Serves children birth to 36 months who are faced with developmental, physical and behavioral challenges; conducts parent training and support groups.

7. **New Bedford Family Planning**  
651 Orchard St. Suite 11  
New Bedford, MA 02744 1-508-984-5333

Offers educational programs for schools, community groups and agencies. All services are provided by licensed physicians, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, nurses, and a professionally trained counseling staff.

8. **New Bedford Healthy Families**  
389 County St.  
New Bedford, MA 02740 1-508-997-1570

Provides support information, educational information, home visits, referrals, and supports groups for expecting parents under 21 years of age and parents of children under the age of 1.

9. **Plymouth Family Planning**  
123-1 Camelot Drive  
Plymouth, MA 02360 508-746-8353

Provides gynecological examinations for women of all ages, which include pap smears and screening for all STDs. Provides counseling on all birth control methods, HIV and AIDS counseling, testing and education, pregnancy testing, optional counseling and referrals. Provides clinic for men on Monday evenings: STD screenings, HIV counseling and testing, workshops and groups. All visits strictly confidential. Sliding fee scale.

10. **Schwartz Center for Children**  
1 Posa Place  
N. Dartmouth, MA 02747 1-508-996-3391

Early Intervention program for children from birth to 3 years.

11. **Wareham Family Planning**  
106 Main St. Suite 7  
Wareham, MA 02571 508-295-0383

Provides gynecological examinations for women of all ages, which include pap smears and screening for all STDs. Provides counseling on all birth control methods, HIV and AIDS counseling, testing and education, pregnancy testing, optional counseling and referrals. Provides clinic for men on Monday evenings: STD screenings, HIV counseling and testing, workshops and groups. All visits strictly confidential. Sliding fee scale.

## **B. Early Education & Care**

1. ABC Early Learning  
21 Sandwich Rd  
Wareham, MA. 02571

508-295-1734

Voted Best Child Care 2003. Provides developmental education and care to children from birth to age 14 in center-based preschool and the Decas and Minot School Age Programs. Funding from the United Way of Greater New Bedford, Wareham's Tobey Will, Office of Child Services and Wareham Community Partnerships for Children help to provide subsidies for eligible families. Hot meals provided with WDA funding. Accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children.

2. Best Friends Preschool  
10 Windsor Dr.  
Wareham, MA 02571

508-291-0812

Best Friends Preschool is open Monday through Friday from 7am to 6 pm. We offer full day, half day, and all year programs for children 2.0 - 5 yrs of age and before and after school care for children 6-7 yrs of age. Our facility has state of the art security, complete with finger printing entry and cameras in the classrooms. Our curriculum is based on the Mass Dept. of Education Guidelines for Preschool to prepare the children for the challenges they will face in kindergarten and beyond. Best Friends Preschool is accredited by the National Association Academy of Early Childhood Programs and is a member of the Wareham Community Partnerships for Children.

3. Educational Surrogate Parent Program  
P. O. Box 1184  
Westboro, MA 01581

1-508-792-7679

Volunteers supporting the educational rights of children with special needs who are in the custody of the state or their parents are unknown or unavailable. Training workshops scheduled periodically.

4. Family Literacy Consortium/ MA. Dept of Education

1-800-447-8844 ext. 546

This is a statewide initiative with the mission of forging effective partnerships among state and community organizations and other interested parties to expand and strengthen family literacy.

5. Harvest Preschool  
48 Marion Rd.  
Multi-Service Center  
Wareham, MA 02571

508- 291-3130

Harvest Preschool is a developmentally appropriate preschool for children ages 3 and 4 years. Located in the Multi-Service Center and affiliated with the Senior Services/Social Services/Wareham Recreation Department. We nurture young minds with activities such as art, music, language, and PLAY! We welcome you to come and visit our bright and cheery classrooms. Financial assistance is available.

6. **Head Start/Cape Cod Child Development**  
314 Onset Ave  
Onset, MA 02558

1-800-974-8860

Head Start provides a comprehensive early childhood education and support services to income eligible families with children ages 3 to 5 years old.

7. **Homeschooling Resources**

508-295-2343 ext.1012

Complete resource guide at the Wareham Free Library Reference Desk

8. **Leaps & Bounds Learning Center, Inc.**  
9 Cedar St.  
Wareham, MA 02571

508-273-440

Where learning is fun! We offer half day & full day preschool, infant and toddler care, before and after school care. Highly qualified and caring staff, excellent curriculum, competitive pricing. Conveniently located near Tobey Hospital. Accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children.

9. **Little People's College**  
4 Swan Ln.  
Wareham, MA 02571

508-291-7488

1-508-992-4805

Early childhood education and care for children ages 1 month to 11 years. Open 6:30 - 5:30, flexible schedules, part days & full days, before/after school. Accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children.

10. **MA Child Care Resource and Referral Network**

1-617-547-1063 ext. 72

Providing parents with referrals to licensed child care providers, information on child care options and on how to select care that meets their needs. Customized services are available for families with children with disabilities. Caregivers and community members providing resource and referral information.

11. **P.A.C.E. / Child Care Works**  
105 William St.  
New Bedford, MA 02740

1-800-338-1717

Resource and referral information organization for childcare. Helps with cost of childcare, and individuals who are transitioning from welfare to work with day care costs. Provides training to child care providers.

**12. Parent Child Home Program**

**Minot Forest School**

**63 Minot Ave.**

**Wareham, MA 02571**

**508-291-3555 ext. 166**

The Parent Child Home Program is a home-based parenting, early literacy, and school readiness program. It is designed to help strengthen verbal interactions and educational play between parents and their young children. PCHP services families with children 16 to 30 months old and up until pre-kindergarten year. This is a grant from the Department of Early Education and Care to the Wareham Public Schools.

**13. Wareham Community Partnerships for Children**

**Minot Forest School**

**63 Minot Ave.**

**Wareham, MA 02571**

**508-291-3547**

The Wareham Community Partnerships for Children provides quality programs and services for young children (birth through age 8 and their families). Provides tuition subsidies for preschool child care, accreditation support, community outreach, parent and staff workshops, and promotes family literacy. Anyone interested in a tuition subsidy should call for eligibility criteria. This is a grant from the Department of Early Education and Care to the Wareham Public Schools

## **B. Family Child Care**

Providers service young children, birth to school age, in small groups of 6-10 in their home setting. Adult to child ratio is 1 to 5.

1. ABC Learning Center  
21 Sandwich Rd  
Wareham, MA 02571 508-295-1734

Contact directly for additional family day care options.

2. Building Blocks  
Texiera, Diana  
7 Forest Way  
Wareham, MA 02571 508-295-4611
3. Bunny Patch  
Wells, Sue  
P.O. Box 86  
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Wareham, MA 02571 508-295-1453
6. Little Steps  
Glass, Tammy  
10 Trout Farm Way  
West Wareham, MA 02576 508-295-9764
7. Mattos, Karen  
7 Hazel St.  
Wareham, MA 02571 508-295-5737

## **D. Special Education**

1. Baird Center  
Great Outlook Way  
Plymouth, MA 02360 508-224-8041

Residential treatment facility for adolescent boys ages 10 –17. Special needs school, clinical, residential and day component

2. The Integrated Preschools at East  
East Wareham School  
27 Depot St.  
East Wareham, MA 02538 508-291-3586

This program serves children ages 3-5 years old. Half the children have special education needs and more than half the children (peer models) demonstrate age appropriate skills in all areas of development. Peer models follow an application process and need to provide their own transportation.

3. Kennedy-Donovan School  
19 Hawthorne St.  
New Bedford, MA 02740 1-508-992-4756

A developmental day school for children and adolescents ages 3 – 22 years of age whose health, cognitive, physical, social, emotional, and /or behavioral disabilities require intensive multi-disciplinary services.

4. Schwartz Center for Children  
1 Posa Place  
N. Dartmouth, MA 02747 1-508-996-3391

Provides a Pediatric Outreach Program (group based therapy services) for children 3-7, Early Intervention program for children from birth to 3 years, Private Day Program for children ages 3 years to 22 years, full day services for the full year; and Contract Services which deliver therapy services out to surrounding schools.

## **E. Adult Education**

1. MA Adult Literacy Hotline  
Massachusetts Department of Education

1-800-447-8844  
1-617-482-9485 ext. 479

Information and referrals on adult learners of English as a second language, GED, family literacy, support groups and citizenship classes.

2. Bridgewater State College  
131 Summer St.  
Bridgewater, MA 02325
3. Bristol Community College  
777 Elsbree St.  
Fall River, MA 02720
4. Cape Cod Community College  
2240 Iyanough Rd.  
West Barnstable, MA 02668
5. Curry College  
20 North Park Ave.  
Plymouth, MA 02360
6. MA Family Literacy Consortium

1-508-697-1200

1-508-678-2811

1-508-362-2131

508-747-2424

1-800-447-8844 ext. 546

This is a statewide initiative with the mission of forging effective partnerships among state and community organizations and other interested parties to expand and strengthen family literacy.

7. FIRST Steps

1-413-528-9311

Referrals to home visiting programs for parenting education and support, child health and development screening and other services.

8. New Directions Southcoast, Inc  
1213 Purchase St.  
New Bedford, MA 02740

1-508-979-1616

Services include assessments, GED preparation, basic skills upgrading skill training and certification, workshops and job search assistance.

9. Newbury College  
129 Fisher Ave.  
Brookline, MA 02445 1-617-730-7007

10. Parenting Teen Program  
181 Hillman St.  
New Bedford, MA 02744 1-508-999-3500

Alternative high school for pregnant and parenting teenagers; also offers GED classes with supportive services.

11. Quincy College  
36 Cordage Park  
Suite #228  
Plymouth, MA 02360 1-508-747-0400

12. Reading Partners  
Wareham Free Library  
59 Marion Rd.  
Wareham, MA 02571 508-295-2343 ext. 1018

Confidential free one to one tutoring for basic reading, life skills, job skills, etc. to adults and out of school youths over age 16. GED preparation & ESOL (English for speakers of other languages). Financial literacy.

13. SABES  
System for Adult Education Support  
Bristol Community College  
777 Elsbree St.  
Fall River, MA 02720 1-508-678-2811

Helps counselors, administrators, teachers, job developers, support staff, and volunteer coordinators develop their skills and the quality of their programs through staff and program development.

14. Sandwich Community School  
365 Quaker Meetinghouse Road  
East Sandwich, MA 02537 1-508-888-5300

Enrichment classes for youth and adults, including computer and swimming.

15. Southcoast Learning Network  
5 Dover St.  
New Bedford, MA 02740

1-508-997-4304

Enrichment classes for adults offered through SE Mass.

16. Teri College Access  
700 Boylston St.  
Boston, MA 02116

1-617-536-0200

Information and advice on higher education, career opportunities, and sources of financial aid.

17. UMass Dartmouth Professional and Continuing Education  
800 Purchase St.  
New Bedford, MA 02740

1-508-990-1251

Division of Continuing Education of UMass Dartmouth includes vocational and educational programs for children and adults.

18. Wareham Adult Education  
Wareham High School  
7 Viking Dr.  
Wareham, MA 02571

508-291-3510 x 735

Offers GED exams and high school diploma courses. Open to adults from other towns.

## **F. Employment and Training**

1. MA Rehabilitation Commission & Dept of Transitional Assistance  
77 High School Rd. Ext.  
Hyannis, MA 02601

1-508-862-6600

Helps find jobs, gives referrals to places of training and ways to update skills and/or helps choose new careers.

2. Teri College Access

1-617-536-0200

Information and advice on educational and career opportunities and sources of financial aid.

3. Wareham Career Center  
My Turn, Inc  
Multi Service Center  
48 Marion Rd  
Wareham, MA 02571

508-291-7062

Helps find jobs, gives referrals to places of training and ways to update skills and/or helps choose new career and meet with career counselors.

4. YouthBuild New Bedford Program  
58 Crapo St.  
New Bedford, MA 02740

1-508-984-3558

Education/ training program for young people 16 to 24 years. Participants combine academic study with hands on training in carpentry and plumbing skills.

### **III Social Services**

#### **A. Legal Services**

1. Committee for Public Council Services/  
Public Defenders Division  
47 N. Second St. 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
New Bedford, MA 02740

1-508-997-3301

Provides defense for indigent clients in criminal cases in Bristol County.

2. Dial- A- Lawyer

1-617-338-0610

Free legal advice – First Wednesday of each month- Sponsored by Mass. Bar Association. Call between 6 -8 pm.

3. New Center for Legal Advocacy  
18 Main St. Ext.  
Plymouth, MA 02360

1-800-585-4933  
508-746-2777

Provides legal services for low-income families.

4. Plymouth Law Library/Trail Court Libraries  
52 Obery St.  
Plymouth, MA 02360

508-747-4796

Open Monday through Friday, 8:30 am to 4:30 pm, for legal library resources and services.

5. The Lawyer Referrals Mass. Bar Association

1-800-392-6164

This number can refer you to a lawyer.

6. Manfred Wiegandt  
268 Main St.  
Wareham, MA 02571

508-295-7361

Specializes in immigration law.

## **B. Family Assistance/ Fuel Assistance**

1. Community Resources Network  
75 High St.  
Wareham, MA 02571

508-295-0080

The CRN responds to the pressing needs of food and utilities as well as information and referrals for local families. Not a walk-in service.

2. Wareham Seniors and Social Services  
Wareham Multi Service Center  
54 Marion Rd.  
Wareham, MA 02571

508-291-3130

Program provides "Meals on Wheels," fuel assistance, legal assistance, reduced price lunches, recreational activities, field trips and medical screening. Volunteers are welcomed.

3. Dept. of Transitional Assistance  
West Rodney French Blvd., New Bedford, MA 02740  
48 Marion Rd, Wareham, MA 02358 (Wednesdays-PM)

508-961-2100

508-291-3100

Assists people with financial problems, food stamps, cash assistance, medical benefits and childcare based on their income and need. Wareham office is staffed Wednesdays from 1:30 to 4:30 pm.

4. Good Neighbor Energy Fund

1-800-334-3047

Helps local families obtain fuel and/ or utility assistance. Program operates until funds are depleted. Apply in December.

5. P.A.C.E./Child Care Works  
105 William St.  
New Bedford, MA 02740-5626

1-800-338-1717

A non-profit organization dedicated to helping people in need, especially low income families.

6. Dick Melloni Youth Foundation  
7 Peter Cooper Drive  
Wareham, MA 02571  
[www.dmyf.org](http://www.dmyf.org)

A non-profit organization that develops and maintains charitable programs centered on child education, health, and welfare. The goal of this foundation is to provide educational, health and general support for children in the town of Wareham and its surrounding communities in southeastern Massachusetts. Contact by accessing website.

7. South Shore Community Action Council, Inc.  
265 South Meadow Rd.  
Plymouth, MA 02360

508-747-7575

Provides fuel assistance to eligible residents of Wareham and homeless services to all of Plymouth County including Wareham, Marion and Rochester.

8. WomenAde of Wareham  
P.O. Box 803  
Onset, MA 02558  
[womenadeofwareham@yahoo.com](mailto:womenadeofwareham@yahoo.com)

508-759-6954

Assist Wareham area individuals and families with financial assistance, typically covering needs not met by other local assistance. Prefers referrals from local service providers.

## **C. Housing / Shelters**

1. Community Care Services  
Housing Assistance Program  
275 North St  
New Bedford, MA 1-508-961-2097

2. CEDA (Community and Economic Development Authority)  
505 Main St.  
Wareham, MA 02571 508-295-9344 ext. 13

Housing Rehabilitation Program for low and moderate-income household. Septic Betterment program. Gatra Bus Passes.

3. Habitat for Humanity  
191 Main St.  
Wareham, MA 02571 508-273-0225

4. Massachusetts Coalition for the Homeless  
15 Bubier St  
Lynn, MA 01901 1-781-595-7574

A donation-assistance program, which provides furniture, household goods, legal assistance for housing for the needy extending throughout Massachusetts

5. Massachusetts Commission against Discrimination  
1 Ashburton Place, Room 601  
Boston, MA 02108 1-617-727-3990

Provide assistance to victims of discrimination; offers a Discrimination Training Program to assist in local businesses.

6. New Bedford Housing Authority  
134 South Second St.  
New Bedford, MA 02740 1-508-997-4800

Provides affordable housing for low income and elderly families.

7. Plymouth Housing Authority  
69 Allerton St.  
P.O.Box 3537  
Plymouth, MA 02361 508-746-2105

Provides affordable housing for low income and elderly families.

8. **Turning Point Day Resource Center**  
**(Wareham Area Committee for the Homeless)**  
P O Box 486  
6 Rogers Ave.  
Wareham, MA 02571

508-291-0535

Provide continuous resources to local, state and federal aid. Referrals to resources in local and surrounding communities, free local telephone service and mailing address to locate housing and/or employment, permanent housing search, classes, GED tutoring, literacy support, friendly counselors, chapel for daily prayer, nurse, Baby Point Program (supplies for babies)

9. **Wareham Housing Authority**  
**Agawan Village**  
57 Sandwich Rd. Unit 51  
Wareham, MA 02571

508-295-8031

Oversees subsidized housing for elderly and handicapped individuals for Agawan Village and Redwood Park. Takes application for family housing at Cranberry Manor and Depot Crossing on behalf of the South Shore Housing Authority.

## **D. Support Groups**

1. Al-Anon 1-888-4AL-ANON  
Ala-teen  
[www.al-anon.org](http://www.al-anon.org)

Provides support for family members affected by alcoholism or other substance abuse. Contact for area meeting times and places

2. AA/Alcoholics Anonymous 1-617-426-9444  
[www.alcoholics-anonymous.org](http://www.alcoholics-anonymous.org)

A fellowship of men and women who share their experience, strength and hope with each other that they may solve their common problem and help others to recover from alcoholism.

3. American Red Cross  
999 Rockdale Ave.  
New Bedford, MA 02740 1-508-996-8286

Provides disaster relief, clothing, food pantry, housing and household goods.

4. Bi Polar Support Group  
Wareham Free Library  
54 Marion Rd.  
Wareham, MA 02571 508-295-3286

Meetings held the first Wednesday of each month

5. Church of the Good Shepherd  
74 High St.  
Wareham, MA 02571 508-295-2480

Various support group meetings held at the church.

6. Family TIES of MA 1-800-905-TIES

Support for families of children with special needs.

7. Family Child Care Support Group 508-291-3555 x 166

A support group for family child care providers of young children. Funded through the Community Partnerships for Children grant. Meets the last Thursday of each month at 7:00 pm

8. Foster Grandparents Program of Coastline Elderly Services, Inc.  
1646 Purchase St.  
New Bedford, MA 02740 1-508-999-6400 ext.198

Program for income eligible seniors (60+) to volunteer to work 20 hours a week with children in a supervised setting.

9. GLYS (Gay & Lesbian Youth Support)  
Div. of Health Care of Southeastern MA.  
942 West Chestnut St.  
Brockton, MA 02301 1-800-530-2770 ext. 221

A state -wide project, which provides training for monthly support groups, youth centers, information on harassment and health care in surrounding towns and schools.

10. Grandparents Raising Grandchildren/Wareham Senior & Social Services  
54 Marion Rd.  
Wareham, MA 02571 508-291-3100 ext. 3130

Support groups for grandparents raising their grandchildren

11. Mass. Adult Literacy Hotline 1-800-447-8844

Information and referrals for adult learners for English as a second language, General Education Development Certification (GED), family literacy & support groups and citizenship classes.

12. Community Support Project  
Wareham High School  
4 Viking Dr.  
Wareham, MA 02571 508-291-3588

Meets the needs of foster children and their families within the school system. Provides training for personnel regarding foster care, observations of children, training and home based consultation for foster parents.

13. 7 Hills Behavioral Health Inc.  
Gifford St.  
New Bedford, MA 02744 1-800-891-3126

CHHS provides substance abuse and mental health counseling to individuals, families and adolescents affected by these issues.

14. Wareham Congregational Church  
11 Gibbs Ave.  
Wareham, MA 02571 508-295-1630

Various support group meetings held at the church.

## **E. Community Services/Transportation**

1. Community Resource Network  
75 High St.  
P.O. Box 550  
Wareham, MA 02571

508-295-0080

The CRN responds to the immediate needs of local families by providing them with food certificates, rent & utilities, as well as providing information and referrals to local agencies. Not a walk-in service.

2. CEDA (Community and Economic Development Authority)  
Town of Wareham  
505 Main St  
Wareham, MA 02571

508-295-9344 x 13

Public transportation, trolley passes for seniors, the disabled, students and low-income families

3. GATRA Bus Line  
Taunton, MA 02780

508-295-8343

GATRA transit services include fixed-route bus service, paratransit (Dial-A-Ride) service for people with disabilities and senior citizens, Medicaid and Human Service transportation, commuter rail, wheelchair accessible buses and bicycling. Drivers are trained to operate the lifts and accommodate people with disabilities. Service animals are always welcomed. Maps and schedules are available on the bus, and at various locations throughout the area.

4. The Family Pantry, Damien's Place  
Damien's Family Food Pantry  
65 Redbrook Rd.  
Wareham, MA 02571

508-759-5245

Provides food for people in need once a month. Open Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, 10:00 to noon. One visit per month.

5. United Way of Greater New Bedford  
P.O. Box 7823  
New Bedford, MA 02742

1-508-994-9625

A non-profit agency, which raises money to help the community.

6. Wareham Community Services Collaborative  
C/o Wareham Free Library  
59 Marion Rd.  
Wareham, MA 02571

508-295-2343 x1012

A monthly meeting of social service providers networking to enhance programs and services for Wareham Citizens

7. WomenAde of Wareham, Inc.  
P.O. Box 803  
Onset, MA 02558  
[womenadeofwareham@yahoo.com](mailto:womenadeofwareham@yahoo.com)

508-759-6954

Assist Wareham area individuals and families with financial assistance, typically covering needs not met by other local assistance. Prefers referrals from local service providers.

## **F. Recreation**

1. Boy Scouts of America- Narragansett Council 1-508-402-7060
2. Girl Scout Council of Southeastern MA  
111 Grove St.  
Middleboro, MA 02346 1-800-242-0925

Referrals to girl scout troops in the Wareham area.

3. Cape Cod Children's Museum  
577 Great Neck Road South  
Mashpee, MA 02649 508-539-8788

Offers educational programs that enhance the teachings of preschools, elementary schools, and other children's organizations with fun and engaging hands-on learning. Programs meet the Massachusetts Curriculum Framework Guidelines.

4. Cape Cod Museum of Natural History  
869 Route 6A  
Brewster, MA 02631 1-508-896-3867
5. Green Briar Nature Center & Jam Kitchen  
6 Discovery Hill Road  
East Sandwich, MA 02537 1-508-888-6870

Located on the shores of Smiling Pool and adjacent to the famous Briar Patch of Thornton Burgess's stories, Green Briar offers interpreted nature trails and a spectacular wild flower garden. Natural history programs for children and adults are offered year-round and include classes, field trips, guided walks, and workshops on the natural sciences. Outreach programs to area schools and other institutions are also an important part of Green Briar's services to the community.

6. New Bedford Art Museum  
608 Pleasant St.  
New Bedford, MA 02570 1-508-961-3072
7. New Bedford Fire Museum  
51 Bedford St.  
New Bedford, MA 02570 1-508-992-2162

Open July 7<sup>h</sup> through September 4<sup>h</sup>.

8. **New Bedford Whaling Museum**  
 18 Johnny Cake Hill  
 New Bedford, MA 02740 1-508-997-0046
9. **Pilgrim Hall Museum**  
 75 Court St.  
 Plymouth, MA 02360 508-746-1620
10. **Plimouth Plantation/Mayflower II**  
 P. O. Box 1620  
 137 Warren Ave.  
 Plymouth, MA 02362 508-746-1622
11. **Porter Thermometer Museum**  
 P.O. Box 944  
 Onset, MA 02558 508-295-5504

Over 5,000 thermometers adorn the walls of this museum, which is free to the public. Offers traveling lectures and tours of the facility. Call for appointments.

12. **Thornton Burgess Museum**  
 4 Water Street (Route 130) 508-888-4668  
 Sandwich, MA 02563 508-888-6870

Thornton Burgess, renowned children's author of Peter Rabbit and his animal friends. This museum features artifacts, personal and professional memorabilia related to his work, as well as a puppet theater that visitors can participate in, using the characters found in his books.

13. **Wareham Boys & Girls Club**  
 5 Viking Drive  
 Wareham, MA 02571 508-295-5400

An affordable option for the children of working parents providing after school activities including school in-service days and a week camp. Limited scholarship assistance available.

14. **Wareham Free Library**  
 59 Marion Rd.  
 Wareham, MA 02571 508-295-2343

Provides story times and other activities as well as information on town recreational sites and programs.

15. Wareham Recreation Department  
54 Marion Rd.  
Wareham, MA 02571

508-291-3159

Wareham Recreation offers affordable classes to preschoolers, youth, adults, and seniors. Classes run in eight-week sessions. You can find the perfect class for yourself during the week; arts & crafts, aerobics, karate, swim lessons, tennis, cooking classes, and of course our popular special events. Financial Assistance is available.

16. Wareham Historical Society  
Wareham, MA 02571

508-295-6839

Offers tours of the historical building of Wareham during July and August. Call for a tour schedule. The Historic Society will lead you on an educational tour of The Fearing Tavern Museum, the One Room Schoolhouse, The Chapel, The Old Methodist Meetinghouse and The Captain John Kendrick Maritime Museum. Monthly meetings are opened to the public and offer entertaining guest speakers, refreshments and social opportunities.

17. YMCA -Southcoast

- Gleason Family YMCA,  
33 Charge Pond Road, Wareham, MA 02571 508-295-9622
- Mattapoisett YMCA,  
38 Reservation Road, Mattapoisett, MA 02739 1-508-758-4203
- New Bedford YMCA,  
25 South Water St., New Bedford, MA 02740 1-508-997-0734
- Dartmouth YMCA,  
276 Gulf Road, Dartmouth, MA 02746 1-508-993-3361

The YMCA provides preschool and after school child care, summer camp and a variety of programs for youth, adults and seniors.

18. Old Colony YMCA of Plymouth/Camp Clark  
200 Hedges Pond Rd.  
Plymouth, MA 02360

508-833-4796

19. Old Colony YMCA - Middleboro Division  
Striar Campus/Camp Yomechas  
61 East Grove St.  
Middleboro, MA 02346

1-508-947-1390

## **Crisis Hotlines**

Alcohol & Drug Hotline 1-800-252-6465  
1-800-ALCOHOL

Child at Risk Hotline 1-800-792-5200

Takes reports of abuse after hours. Associated with the Department of Social Services.

Elder Abuse Hotline (24 Hrs) 1-800-922-2275

Takes after hour report and gives referrals.

AID Action Committee 1-800-235-2331  
1-617-536-7733

National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence Hope Line 1-800-622-2255

National Runaway Switchboard 1-800-RUNAWAY  
1-800-621-4000

Intervention for teens that have or are thinking about running away. Crisis line for youth ages 12- 18.

New Bedford Crisis Center 1-508-996-3154

Parents Helping Parents 1-800-882-1250

Parental Stress Hotline 1-800-632-8188

Poison Control & Prevention 1-800-682-9211

Samaritans (24 hrs) 1-617-247-0220

Samariteens (for teenagers) 1-800-252-8336  
1-617-247-8050

Samaritan's of Cape Cod 1-800-893-9900  
1-508-548-8900

Women's Place Crisis Center Hotline 1-508-588-TALK