

SENIOR DIRECTORY



United Way Hernando - 211 Senior Directory Hernando

2023 - 2024

Our goal at United Way Hernando – 211 is to have a community that is connected and informed regarding health, mental health, crisis response and human service information.

> If you or someone you know needs help please call 211 or text your zip code to 898211.

Caring people are available 24 hours per day 7 days per week to provide help, hope and connection to community resources.

Organizations or companies that would like to be listed in the 211 database, please email our 211 Database Office at update@211tampabay.org

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Alzheimer's & Dementia Care/Caregiving/Respite

Alzheimer's Association Florida Gulf Coast

24-hour helpline providing emotional support. Caregiver/care receiver support groups, disease/disability information

Dementia Spotlight Foundation

Various forms of support for families and individuals facing the diagnoses of dementia or Alzheimer's, support groups, in person and online group meetings

Elder Options Caregiver Training and Support Education and resources for caregivers of individuals with dementia. Free in-person or online classes

Family Caregiver Alliance

Connecting caregivers to resources and services both in-person and online providing multiple tools to help navigate the complexities of caregiving

Florida Department of Elder Affairs Senior Housing

Senior housing information and referral via website search with information for assisted living facilities, adult family care homes, adult day care centers and nursing homes

(800) 445-8106

(850) 414-2000

(888) 695-1596

(800) 272-3900

(800) 262-2243

Mid Florida Community Services Senior Services

Offers a wide array of services to help seniors, their caregivers and their families

Project Safe Return Hernando Sheriff's Office

Helps first responders in search and rescue for at risk individuals who are prone to wander and/or getting lost. Register here hernandosheriff.org/applications/ProjectSafeReturn/

United States Department of Veteran Affairs, Caregiver Support Line

Veterans enrolled in the VA healthcare system and their caregivers can receive services including but not limited to; counseling with a social worker, monthly education calls, and a variety of support services. Some programs have financial assistance to assist with respite care for eligible applicants

United Way of Hernando Caregivers Support Group

On-going dementia care support groups for all caregivers caring for loved ones with Alzheimer's or dementia. In partnership with Dementia Spotlight Foundation

(352) 688-2026

(352) 754-6830

(352) 796-1426

(855) 260-3274

Disaster Resources

Disaster Preparedness

Center for Independent Living North Central Florida

Help with creating a disaster plan for those with a disability and guidance for inclusion on the special needs registry

FEMA, Ready.gov

A tool to help people prepare for and mitigate emergencies. Order free preparedness materials that make emergency planning easy and quick

FEMA, Ready.gov, Build a Kit

Tips and checklists to help people build an emergency kit that allows them to survive on their own for a few days

FEMA, National Flood

Insurance Program

Provides affordable flood insurance for property owners of private or public structures

Hernando County Emergency

Management

Find information such as evacuation zones and routes, special needs registration, preparation checklists, shelter locator and more

(800) 621-3362

(202) 646-2500

(800) 621-3362

(352) 754-4083

(352) 378-7474

Special Needs Registries

Center for Independent Living

North Central Florida

Guidance for inclusion on the special needs registry for those with a disability and help with

creating a disaster plan

Hernando County Special Needs Evacuation Assistance

Assistance for residents with medical, functional or special transportation needs in an emergency. Example: need oxygen, need electricity, need assistance with routine care, medication and more. Registration required. Service animals only – please make arrangements for pets

Crisis Response/Resources

211 - Hernando

Call 211 or text your zip code to 898211 for crisis intervention, health and community resources, financial or housing assistance

Hernando County Emergency ManagementShelter Information(352) 754-4083

Community storm shelters, evacuation information, disaster related animal shelters, special needs registry

(352) 378-7474

(352) 754-4083

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Crisis Response/After Disaster

American Red Cross Central Florida Tampa Bay Chapter

(813) 348-4820

Disaster related emergency supplies and assistance plus other forms of disaster relief

DisasterAssistance.gov

(800) 621-3362

Disaster claims information, FEMA disaster assistance online and via telephone

Endeavors, Disaster Case Management (813) 947-9952

Provides disaster case management to survivors who have unmet needs by connecting them with resources and services that can help, including creating a recovery plan that includes sustainable assistance for recovery

FEMA, Disaster Assistance

(202) 646-2500

(352) 796-1186 X 104

Assistance programs for individual citizens after disaster, online and via telephone

Salvation Army Hernando County Social Services

Emergency utility assistance for electric, gas or water bills, clothing vouchers and emergency food assistance

United Way of Hernando County

(352) 686-2026

Assesses unmet needs after a local disaster, provides and connects residents to support services focused through volunteer management, assistance services, short-term and long-term recovery efforts

Report Service Issues

(800) 228-8455
(800) 921-8101
(855) 222-0102
(877) 588-1010
(877) 832-6747
(352) 567-5133
(866) 745-3685

Hernando County Health Department	
Sanitary Nuisances	(352) 540-6812
Investigates alleged nuisance complaints	
ex: failing septic systems, sewage leaks, o	diseased
animals, fly and mosquito control	

Education

Continuing Education & Livelong Learning

AARP, Senior Planet

Live, online classes for seniors. Learn about finance, wellness, fitness, computers and technology. Register online at seniorplanet.org/classes or call the hotline

University of South Florida Osher Lifelong Learning Institute

A member-based learning community of adults 50+. Online and in-person classes, workshops, lectures, events and social networking, over 300 classes annually on a variety of topics

Employment

AARP Senior Community Service Employment

Matches eligible older job seekers (55+) with local non-profits and companies to increase skills and build confidence while earning a modest income. Job search/placement

Center for Independent Living North Central Florida

Employment services that assist people with disabilities find and retain competitive employment.

Job search/placement, special needs job development

(888) 713-3495

(813) 974-5848

(727) 547-0534

(352) 378-7474

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Employ Florida Marketplace, Inc.

A one- stop statewide online resource for job listings, reemployment & career building assistance, education and training for state government agencies/departments

Florida Department of Economic Opportunity, CareerSource Hernando (727) 484-3400

Comprehensive job assistance centers for people considering a job change, seeking training or underemployed. Support with all aspects of career development

Pinellas County Urban League

Urban Seniors Jobs Program

Meets the needs of unemployed, economically insecure seniors by preparing them for and assisting them in finding employment

VetJobs

Provides helpful job search tools for veterans, transitioning military and their family members. services include job banks, job search/placement and military transition assistance

Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Brooksville

Helping people with disabilities find and maintain employment and enhance their independence (877) 696-7226

(888) 310-7770 X 1

(800) 438-4128

(352) 610-5212

Financial Assistance/Taxes

Elder Options

Program

Emergency Home Energy Assistance

(800) 262-2243

(352) 754-4160

(352) 796-1425

Financial assistance for seniors facing a home energy crisis (heating/cooling). Some eligibility requirements apply

Home and Community Based Care(800) 262-2243Financial assistance for services in an Assisted

Living Facility

Hernando County Housing Authority Section 8 Voucher Program

Qualified applicants may receive assistance with paying rent. People receiving Section 8 vouchers find housing on their own and use voucher from the housing agency to help pay the rent

Very Low-Income Set Aside Program (352) 754-4160 Assists low-income eligible tenants who want to lease a home as their primary residence at an affordable market rate for the long term. Low income/Subsidized private rental housing

Mid Florida Community Services Emergency Home Energy Assistance for Elderly Program

Assists low-income seniors experiencing a home energy heating/cooling emergency with service payment assistance

Social Services Emergency utility assistance for electric, gas or water bills, clothing vouchers and emergency food assistance

United Way of Hernando County

Salvation Army Hernando County

Limited/restricted emergency assistance support for electric, rent/mortgage, utilities, and misc. Duke Energy assistance also available

(888) 227-7669 AARP Foundation, Tax Aide Program Provides virtual and in-person tax preparation assistance free of charge

United Way Hernando, VITA Tax Sites (352) 688-8502 Free tax preparation, call to find a location near you

Fitness & Recreation

Elder Options Healthy Aging Workshops

Workshops designed to help older adults maintain health and independence. Focus on fall prevention with Tai Chi and classes that improve balance

(800) 262-2243



(352) 796-1186 X 104

(352)-688-2026

Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission

Licensing for outdoor activities such as fishing and hunting

Hernando County Cooperative Extension Service

Providing educational opportunities for gardening, landscaping and horticulture

Hernando County Parks & Recreation (352) 754-4031

Athletic fields/courts, recreation centers, team sports/leagues

Jerome Brown Community Center (352) 540-3835

Athletic and recreational facility with multipurpose center for the community and educational purposes

YMCA of the Suncoast Hernando County

Multiple programs for seniors including but not limited to: aquatic exercise, group exercise, pickleball and circuit training. Programs such as Silver Sneakers, Silver and Fit and Active Renew are accepted. Membership provides access to physical, social, and recreation activities

(352) 688-9622

(352) 754-4433

(850) 488-4676

Food & Nutrition

Food Stamp/SNAP Assistance

Department of Children and Families (DCF) ACCESS (850) 300-4332

DCF access to assistance programs: Food, medical and cash assistance. EBT card services, food stamps/SNAP, Medicaid and TANF applications

Department of Children and Families (DCF) SNAP Hernando

Formerly "Food Stamp Program" provides nutritional support for low-income seniors on fixed incomes and help completing SNAP applications

Hernando County Growers Association Fresh Access Bucks SNAP Senior Farmers Market Program

Operates the Brooksville Farmers Market, a mobile market throughout Hernando County. They accept Fresh Access Bucks SNAP to purchase fresh produce

Meal Service

Food with Care

Frozen meals that are microwaveable delivered to your home for a small fee. Call to see which day they will be in your city. Service authorization is required to begin service

(877) 578-9938

(866) 762-2237

(352) 270-3071

Mid Florida Community Services Senior Services

(352) 796-1426

Provides nutrition education, home-delivered meals and operates congregate meal sites

People Helping People Sunday Blessings and Senior Blessings (352) 686-4466

Free hot meals served Sundays at 3:30 pm to qualifying seniors. Supplemental pantry items delivered to seniors in low income subsidized housing communities

Food Pantries & Farmers Markets

Daystar Life Center Brooksville Food Pantry Food pantry for Hernando residents

(352) 799-5930

Feeding Tampa Bay(813) 254-1190Mobile food banks, call for locations near you

Hernando County Growers Association Fresh Access Bucks SNAP Senior Farmers Market Program (352) 270-3071 Operates the Brooksville Farmers Market, a mobile market throughout Hernando County. They accept Fresh Access Bucks SNAP to purchase fresh produce. Call for locations near you

Jericho Road Ministries, Food Barn(352) 799-2912Food distribution for Hernando residents in need

Salvation Army **Brooksville/Hernando County** Food Pantry Provides food for those in need, free of charge

Spring Hill Calvary Church of the Nazarene **Food Pantry** (352) 683-0587

Food pantry, with non-perishable foods

SpringLife Church Food Pantry

Drive- thru food pantry with staples and canned goods to those in need. Bread and baked goods monthly

Society of St. Vincent DePaul

Food Pantry

Providing food for those in need, free of charge, some eligibility requirements apply

Healthcare Resources

Health Insurance

Elder Options SHINE – Serving Health Insurance

Needs of Elders

Free, personalized, confidential

Medicare counseling. Explore Medicare options, supplemental and advantage plans, prescription drug coverage, long term care planning and more

(352) 688-3331

(800) 262-2243

(352) 683-2600

(352) 796-1186

Premier Community Health Care

Education on insurance affordably programs, assistance with ACCESS, CHIP and Health Insurance Marketplace applications

Health Support Services

ALS Association Florida Chapter

Information, education, referral support groups, respite and equipment loan closet with augmentative communication

Alzheimer's Association Florida

Gulf Coast(800) 272-390024-hour helpline providing emotional support,
caregiver/care receiver support groups,
disease/disability information

Arthritis Foundation Florida

Disease/disability information, health/disability related support groups, health related advocacy groups

Center for Independent Living North Central Florida

Provides information and referrals for those with disabilities and independent living skills training. Additional services include: durable medical equipment and installation of wheelchair ramps

(813) 402-8712

(352) 378-7474

(352) 518-2000

(813) 637-9000

Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services Of Florida Pasco/Hernando

Free amplified phone distribution, American sign language instruction, audiological evaluations, support groups, information and referral to statewide relay services

Eldercare Locator Helpline

A public service of the U.S. Administration on Aging that connects seniors to services in their community with a variety of helpful resources online

Elder Options

Provides information, referrals and choices to assist with accessing a variety of services available to elders, people with disabilities and their caregivers

DEEP- Diabetes Empowerment

Education Program

A 6-week class designed to help diabetics or caregivers of diabetics understand the disease and prevent complications

Florida Alliance for Assistive Services & Technology

Assistive listening devices, assistive technology equipment loan and expense assistance, wheelchairs/wheeled mobility

Healthwell Foundation

Assistance with medical care expenses, medical equipment expenses and prescription expenses

(800) 262-2243

(800) 677-1116

(727) 853-1010

(800) 676-8416

(813) 844-7591

Lighthouse for the Visually Impaired and Blind Vision Store & Magnification Screening (352) 754-1132

Educates, empowers and employs people who are visually impaired or blind. Assistive technology equipment sales, low vision aids and independent living skills

Mid Florida Community Services Senior Services

Provides a variety of services to help seniors stay healthy and maintain an independent living situation. Services include but are not limited to: in-home respite care, home-delivered meals, homemaker and personal care service, and telephone reassurance

Patient Advocate Foundation

Co-pay relief for qualified patients includes prescription copays

Premier Community Health Care

Health support services for ALL people. Services include: family health, women's health, dental, behavioral health, education and training sessions with patients to ensure continuity of care, education on insurance affordability programs, assistance with ACCESS, CHIP and health insurance marketplace applications

Sertoma Speech & Hearing Foundation of Florida

Audiological evaluations, hearing augmentation aid donation programs, specialized telecommunications equipment

(352) 796-1426

(352) 518-2000

(727) 312-3881

(866) 512-3861

Telecommunications Equipment Distribution

Distributes telecommunications equipment to qualified Floridians who are deaf, hard of hearing, deaf/blind and speech impaired at no charge

YMCA of the Suncoast, Hernando County Healthcare Support Programs (352) 688-9622

Chronic disease self-management and support programs such as Diabetes Prevention, Pedaling for Parkinson's, Livestrong (cancer survivors), Enhance Fitness (arthritis) and Moving for Better Balance

Senior Health Clinics

Department of Veterans Affairs
Brooksville – Community Based
Outpatient Clinic
Veteran outpatient clinic

Hernando County Health Department Adult Chronic Disease Program

Brooksville

Spring Hill

Screens for diabetes, cholesterol, cancer, cardiovascular risks and more plus medications for diabetes, epilepsy and rheumatic fever are available. Sliding scale for payment

(352) 597-8287

(352) 540-6800

(352) 540-6800

(800) 222-3448

Hernando County Health Department - Continued Adult Immunizations Brooksville (352) 540-

Spring Hill

(352) 540-6800 (352) 540-6800

Flu vaccines, hepatitis B, measles/mumps/rubella, pneumonia and chickenpox immunizations

People Helping People Free Health Clinic

(352) 686-4466

Free health care for uninsured low-income individuals, Tuesdays from 10:00 am – 1:00 pm at the Help Center. Appointments necessary

Dental Clinics/Vision/Hearing

<u>Dental</u>

Premier Community Health Care

Dental Services

(352) 518-2000

General dentistry, hygiene and screening. Services include: digital X-rays, fillings, oral exams, teeth cleaning, deep cleaning, bridges/crowns, dentures and treatment for gum disease. Appointment necessary, eligibility requirements apply

<u>Vision</u>

EyeCare America, Inc. Seniors Program

Eye care services for medically underserved seniors who qualify. Program includes one free eye exam and up to one year of follow up care for any condition diagnosed during the initial exam

Lighthouse for the Visually Impaired and Blind

Educates, empowers and employs people who are visually impaired or blind.

Independent Living Skills

Instruction in daily living, braille, white cane/safe movement

Vision Store & Magnification Screening (352) 754-1132 Assistive technology equipment sales and low vision aids

New Eyes, Eye Glasses E-Voucher Program

Provides e-vouchers for new prescription eyeglasses but does not cover eye exams

<u>Hearing</u>

Center for Independent Living North Central Florida

Sign language interpreting services FAAST Assistive Technology Program

Provides a variety of assistive technology, device trainings, information and assistance, device loans and financing programs

(877) 887-6327

(973) 376-4903

(877) 629-8840 (352) 378-7474

(352) 754-1132

Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services Of Florida Pasco/Hernando

Free amplified phone distribution, American sign language instruction, audiological evaluations, support groups, information and referral to statewide relay services

Florida Alliance for Assistive Services & Technology

Assistive listening devices, assistive technology equipment loan and expense assistance, wheelchairs/wheeled mobility

Sertoma Speech & Hearing Foundation of Florida

Audiological evaluations, hearing augmentation aid donation programs, specialized telecommunications equipment

Telecommunications Equipment Distribution

Distributes telecommunications equipment to qualified Floridians who are deaf, hard of hearing, deaf/blind and speech impaired at no charge

(727) 853-1010

(813) 844-7591

(800) 222-3448

(727) 312-3881

Medications & Prescriptions

Florida Prescription Drug Price Website RX Drug Price Finder

Interactive website providing pricing information and comparisons for the 300 most commonly used prescriptions in Florida. Find the lowest prices in your area at www.MyFloridaRX.com or call the Agency for HealthCare Administration (AHCA) at the number above

Florida RX Card

Prescription drug discount cards

Healthwell Foundation

Assistance with medical care expenses, medical equipment expenses and prescription expenses

Hernando County Health DepartmentAdult Chronic Disease Program(352) 540-6800Medications for diabetes, epilepsy and
rheumatic fever are available. Sliding scale
for payment

Hernando County Health & Human Services Free RX Discount Prescription Card (352) 540-4338 Offers the Coast2CoastRX free prescription discount card that saves up to 80% on brand name or generic drugs and may cover dental, vision, hearing, diabetic equipment/supplies, lab & imaging services, veterinary and much more. Some eligibility requirements apply

(800) 676-8416

(800) 726 4232

(850) 412-3600

NeedyMeds Prescription drug discount cards

Patient Advocate Foundation

Co-pay relief for qualified patients includes prescription copays

United Way of Hernando SingleCare RX Card

Average savings are almost 40% and can be as high as 75%. SingleCare cards can be used at most pharmacies, including all chain pharmacies and groceries nationwide

Medical Equipment & Supplies

Center for Independent Living North Central Florida

Provides a variety of assistive technology, device trainings, information and assistance, device loans and financing programs. Additional services include: durable medical equipment (wheelchairs, walkers, canes, scooters and sliding boards) and installation of wheelchair ramps

Crescent Community Clinic

Improving the health and well-being of all people regardless of the ability to pay. Providing health care and health literacy. Some eligibility requirements apply

(352) 378-7474

(352) 610-9916

(352) 688-2026

(866) 512-3861

Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services Of Florida Pasco/Hernando

Free amplified phone distribution, American sign language instruction, audiological evaluations, support groups, information and referral to statewide relay services

Florida Alliance for Assistive Services & Technology

Assistive listening devices, assistive technology equipment loan and expense assistance, wheelchairs/ wheeled mobility

Lighthouse for the Visually Impaired and Blind, Vision Store

Assistive vision technology equipment sales and low vision aids

Telecommunications Equipment Distribution

Distributes telecommunications equipment, to qualified Floridians who are deaf, hard of hearing, deaf/blind and speech impaired at no charge

Veterans Action Project, Inc.

Provides general assistance on a case by case basis, for veterans, including; food, motorized & mechanical wheelchairs, walkers, furniture, hearing aids and dentures, free of charge

(800) 222-3448

(813) 844-7591

(727) 853-1010

(352) 754-1132

(727) 841-7329

Home Assistance Programs

Always Near Home Care

Provides non-medical home care services; such as companionship/caregiver respite and support housekeeping, meal prep/cooking/laundry/pet care/plant watering/medication reminders/errand running and shopping assistance

Elder Options Home and Community Based Care

Provides counseling and screening for seniors, caregivers and families to access a variety of programs that allow individuals to maintain an independent living situation

Services include but are not limited to personal care (bathing etc..), respite care, housecleaning, meal delivery and more. Many services are free, some have eligibility requirements

Home Instead Senior Care

Offers a variety of individual, compassionate care services to seniors in their own home. CAREgivers assist elderly clients with daily activities like showering, cooking, cleaning, errands and transportation

Mid Florida Community Services Senior Services

Helps seniors live an independent lifestyle by providing in-home respite care, home delivered meals, homemaker assistance, personal care and telephone reassurance. Many services are free, some have eligibility requirements

(352) 269-1797

(352) 796-1426

(800) 262-2243

(352) 293-3222

Home Improvements & Modifications

Center for Independent Living North Central Florida

(352) 378-7474

Installation of wheelchair ramps

Hospice Services

Chapters Health HPH Hospice, Inc. - Brooksville (352) 544-1181 Quality palliative care, in-home, facility or hospital. No one denied due to financial hardship, accepts Medicare, Medicaid, Tricare with all-inclusive services

Legal

Community Legal Services of Mid-Florida

(800) 405-1417

(800) 669-4000

Professional, free legal advice on various issues including elder law and advocacy, family law, housing, public benefits, tax controversy assistance and veteran benefits assistance

Equal Employment Opportunity Commission

Employment discrimination assistance (age, disability, race, etc.)

Florida Department of Agriculture and
Consumer Services,
Landlord/Tenant Rights Florida(800) 352-9832Landlord rights information and counseling

Florida Department of Elder Affairs

Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program (888) 831-0404 North Central Florida Office (Ocala) (352) 620-3088

Advocating for the health, safety, welfare and rights of those in long-term care facilities

Florida Statewide Senior Legal Helpline

Free legal resource for seniors, their advocates and caregivers

Mental Health

211 - Hernando

Call 211 or text your zip code to 898211 for crisis intervention, health and community resources, financial or housing assistance

988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline

24/7 free and confidential support for people in distress. Callers are connected to crisis and suicide counselors

BayCare Behavioral Health

Individual counseling, family counseling, psychiatric outpatient services, group counseling and case management, wellness and prevention services

(888) 895-7873

988

(352) 540-9335

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Elder Options PEARLS – Program to Encourage Active Rewarding Lives (800) 262-2243 Empowers older adults to develop skills they need for

self - sufficiency and independence. Focus on identifying depression and overwhelm

Hernando County Veteran Services (352) 754-4033

Assists veterans, dependents and survivors with reintegration counseling and a variety of other services

LGBT National Senior Hotline

Telephone peer support

NAMI Hernando County

Support groups and education for people living with mental illness. Support groups and education for family members and caregivers of people living with mental illness

National Domestic Violence Hotline (800) 799-7233

Expert advocates available 24/7 to talk confidentially to those experiencing domestic violence, seeking resources and information or to discuss unhealthy aspects of your relationship

Operation PAR

Hernando County: Spring Hill

Comprehensive outpatient medication-assisted treatment for drug use disorder with counseling services

(352) 684-0004

(888) 727-6398

(888) 234-7243

(352) 683-4597

People Helping People Free Health Clinic

Free mental health screening and referral resources for uninsured low-income individuals, Tuesdays at the Help Center. Appointments necessary

Premier Community Health Care (352) 518-2000

Mental Health professionals provide individual, family and group therapy, general mental health screening and education. Additional services: psychological assessment, cognitive/ behavioral modification, grief/trauma/stress management, coping skills, substance use disorder program and crisis intervention

Springbrook Hospital

Bridges Senior Mental Health Program (352) 306-2714

Comprehensive treatment program for seniors suffering from addiction and mental health issues such as anxiety, depression, eating disorders and more

Trauma and Counseling Solutions, Inc. (813) 328-6034

Counseling services for those experiencing trauma, anxiety, depression, fears/phobias and more provided by EMDR Certified Therapists

Support Groups

Alcoholics Anonymous Hernando County Intergroup

Alcohol use disorder in person and online support groups and alcohol use hotline which is available 24/7

(352) 686-4466

Chapters Health HPH Hospice, Inc. - Brooksville

Terminal illness and grief support groups

Clutterer's Anonymous

Hoarding support group. A 12-step program like AA. Share experiences, strength and hope to help each other recover

Co-Dependents Anonymous Words of Wisdom, Brooksville

A fellowship of people whose common purpose Is to develop healthy relationships

Dawn Center

Hernando County, Inc.

Support services to survivors of domestic violence and sexual violence through shelter, outreach programs and legal advocacy

Depression and Bipolar Support

Alliance

Support groups for families/friends of individuals with mental health disorders such as depression and other mood disorders. Also support groups for people who have mood disorders

Florida Council on Compulsive Gambling

Support for those suffering with compulsive gambling. Help line, email, text line an live chat available 24 hours per day

(352) 688-8430

(352) 596-2492

(866) 402-6685

(352) 544-1181

(800) 826-3632

(888) 236-4848

Gamblers Anonymous Florida

12-step support groups for adults who gamble compulsively and have a desire to stop

Gulfcoast North Area Health Education Center

Smoking addiction support groups, options for in-person group quit or online groups

Hernando County Sheriff's Office

Care Line A life-line to well being for those living alone who would like daily contact with someone who cares. Registration required

Lighthouse for the Visually Impaired and (352) 754-1132 **Blind, Support Groups**

Disability and health related support groups for individuals, veterans, parents of children who are blind, caregivers/family members and one-on-one counseling

Mended Hearts

Offers peer-to-peer support, resources and education for those with heart disease, their families and caregivers

NAMI Hernando County

Support groups and education for people living with mental illness. Support groups and education for family members and caregivers of people living with mental illness. Grief support groups

(888) 432-7899

(352) 684-0004

(813) 929-1000 X203

(352) 797-3660

(855) 222-5542

Narcotics Anonymous

Support group using 12-step program and local recovery meetings to aid in substance use recovery

Nicotine Anonymous

Support group using 12-step program to achieve abstinence from nicotine

Overeaters Anonymous, Inc. (505) 891-2664

Support to help people abstain from compulsive overeating

Parkinson's Foundation

Connecting individuals and families affected by Parkinson's to support and resources in their area and online

Rehability

Parkinson's Support Group

Free group for individuals dealing with Parkinson's disease as well as family members and caregivers. Includes group discussion, peer support, education and resources Stroke of Hope

Free group for stroke survivors as well as family members and caregivers. Includes group discussion, peer support, education and resources

United Way of Hernando Caregivers Support Group

On-going dementia care support groups for all caregivers caring for loved ones with Alzheimer's or dementia. In partnership with Dementia Spotlight Foundation

River Coast Area of NA

(877) 879-6422

(352) 701-0494

(352) 688-2026

(800) 473-4636

(352) 754-7200
Pet Resources

Always Near Home Care, LLC, Inc.

Assistance with pet care is one of the services provided among many other in-home care services

Hernando County Emergency Management Pet Friendly Shelters (351) 754-4111

Provides pet friendly shelter locations that are open during declared county emergencies

Humane Society of the Nature Coast Pet Pantry

Pet owners who need help with pet supplies can visit the food pantry just outside the main gate on Mobley Road. First come, first served basis. Come inside if the pantry is empty during business hours

Jericho Road Ministries, Food Barn (352) 799-2912

Food distribution for Hernando residents and their pets

PetLuv, Inc

Provides affordable spay and neuter services, vaccines and more

Laps of Love Veterinary Hospice (813) 407-9441

Provides compassionate, in-home end-of-life care for your pet

(352) 796-2711

352) 293-3222

(352) 799-9990

Technology

Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services of Florida Pasco/Hernando

Provides a variety of free equipment for those with hearing loss including telephones, amplification equipment resources and support services

Federal Communications Commission Affordable Connectivity Program

Helps low-income households pay for internet services via discounted internet pricing

Florida Alliance for Assistive Services & Technology

Assistive listening devices, assistive technology equipment loan and expense assistance, wheelchairs/wheeled mobility

Lighthouse for the Visually Impaired and Blind (352) 754-1132

Computer literacy training opportunities, assistive technology training and product demonstration

MedicAlert

Bracelet or necklace that offers emergency medical information and personal identification in an emergency

Sertoma Speech & Hearing Foundation of Florida

Specialized telecommunications equipment

(800) 432-5378

(877) 384-2575

(727) 312-3881

(813) 844-7591

(727) 853-1010

Transportation

(352) 331-0945 **Disabled American Veterans, Florida**

Offers transportation to VA medical appointments and provides a variety of additional services to disabled veterans In Florida including help with VA claims for disability compensation

Mid Florida Community Services, Inc.

Transportation Services

Safe, low cost transportation for seniors for medical, nutritional and shopping needs. Must complete an application for service. Trans Hernando is Hernando's designated Community Transportation Coordinator (CTC) (352) 799-1510

Veteran Ride Program

Trans Hernando offers a reduced fare for veterans and their spouse in Hernando. Proof of service required Veteran Shuttle (352) 799-1510

Trans Hernando travels to and from James A. Haley VA Hospital in Tampa. Reservations required

The Bus

(352) 754-4444

Public bus transportation service that also has ADA service operations. Provided by Hernando County

Veterans

Clinics

Bay Pines Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center (727) 398-6661

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(352) 799-1510

Bay Pines V.A. Healthcare Diabetes Education Program Geriatric diabetes management clinics

Bay Pines V.A. Health Care SystemSuicide Prevention(727) 398-6661 X14226Suicide counseling, suicide prevention programs

Department of Veterans Affairs Brooksville – Community Based Outpatient Clinic (CBOC) Veteran outpatient clinic

(352) 597-8287

(727) 398-6661

Veterans Affairs, James HaleyVeterans' Hospital(813) 972-2000Primary care, specialty health services, mental health
care and more

Crisis Response/Resources

American Red Cross Central FloridaTampa Bay Chapter(813) 348-4620Armed forces emergency services, career placementfor veterans

Disabled American Veterans, Disaster Relief St. Petersburg VA Regional Office (727) 319-7444

Disaster relief supports veterans, service members surviving spouses and families after isolated/specific disasters including, cash grants, clothing, emergency supplies and food

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Employment

VetJobs

Provides helpful job search tools for veterans, transitioning military and their family members. including job banks, job search/placement and military transition assistance

Financial Assistance

Angel Wings for Veterans

Provides free air and ground transportation for veterans, wounded warriors and their families for specialized medical evaluation, diagnosis and treatment. Air Ambulance

Freedom Alliance, Scholarship Fund (800) 475-6620 Fund that honors veterans who have sacrificed life or limb defending our country by providing educational scholarships for their children

Hernando County Veteran Services(352) 754-4033

Assists veterans, dependents and survivors with Federal/State benefits including but not limited to military transition assistance, veteran benefits assistance, compensation/pension benefits, life insurance, reintegration counseling and survivors benefits

(757) 318 - 9174

(877) 696-7226

Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society FinancialAssistance and Counseling(850) 230-3307Provides urgent financial assistance with free budgetingcounseling through interest Free loans or grantsupon approval

Operation Homefront Veterans Critical Financial Assistance

Financial assistance to help with mortgage/rent, food, utilities, vehicle repair/payment/insurance and other urgent needs for those currently serving military families, post 9/11 wounded, ill or injured veterans

United States Department of Veterans Affairs, Veterans Administration Housing Counselors (800)

Helps service members, veterans and eligible surviving spouses become homeowners. Home loans, mortgage delinquency and default counseling

Veterans Action Project, Inc.

Provides general assistance on a case by case basis, for veterans, including; food, motorized & mechanical wheelchairs, walkers, furniture, hearing aids and dentures, free of charge

Veterans Affairs

Veterans Benefits Office

Administers all federal government veteran programs including; CHAMPVA, TRICARE Extra/Prime/Standard, benefit assistance, burial benefits, education benefits, life insurance and pension programs

(800) 698-2411

(727) 841-7329

(800) 827-1000

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(877) 264-3968

Home Assistance Programs

Elder Options Veteran Directed Care

(800) 262-2243

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988

For veterans who are in need of nursing home level care but want to stay in their home. Services include but are not limited to; eating, bathing, bathroom, dressing, grooming and more

Mental Health

United Way Hernando - 211 Veteran Peer Support Line

Case/care management, veteran specific information and referrals, veteran/military hotlines

988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline

24/7 free and confidential support for people in distress. Callers are connected to crisis and suicide counselors

Hernando County Veteran Services (352) 754-4033

Assists veterans, dependents and survivors with reintegration counseling and a variety of other services

K9 Partners for Patriots, Inc.(352) 397-5306Helps match veterans who have PTSD with rescueshelter dogs and teach veterans how to train the K9 tobe a service dog while developing a strong bond of trust

The Veterans' H.E.A.T. Factory, Inc. (352) 251-7015 Empowering veterans & first responders who have PTSD to achieve lifelong success and re-enter civilian life

Support Groups

NAMI Hernando, Homefront

(352) 684-0004

(855) 260-3274

(352) 799-1510

Class for families, caregivers and friends of veterans with mental health conditions

United States Department of Veteran Affairs, Caregiver Support Line

Veterans enrolled in the VA healthcare system and their caregivers can receive services including but not limited to; counseling with a social worker, monthly education calls, and a variety of support services. Some programs have financial assistance to assist with respite care for eligible applicants

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Volunteer Opportunities

United Way Lend a Hand Hernando

Numerous volunteer opportunities in a wide variety of nonprofit organizations serving Hernando Visit our website:

unitedwayhernando.org/volunteerism

211 Tampa Bay Cares

Volunteers needed to assist in public education and outreach events as well as authorized calls to seniors

Boys and Girls Clubs of Hernando County **Before & After School Programs** (352) 666-0068

Child care volunteers needed for before and after school programs and event setup/clean up

Daystar Life Center Brooksville

Food Pantry

Multiple opportunities for volunteers including food collection, food sorting and packing, office help Thrift Store (352) 799-2636

Thrift shop support volunteer opportunities

Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services of Florida (727) 853-1010 Pasco/Hernando

Volunteers needed for data entry/word processing filing, receptionist and more, training provided

For Each 1 Reach 1 **Mentoring Program**

Mentoring and tutoring opportunities in math and reading

(352) 556-2768

(352) 799-5930

(727) 888-5211

Hernando County Cooperative Extension Service

Gardening volunteer opportunities for University of Florida's Agriculture Sciences extension. Providing educational opportunities for gardening, landscaping and horticulture

Hernando County Sheriff's Office

Care Line

Friendly volunteers needed for Care Line operators and telephone reassurance for those living alone who would like daily contact with someone who cares

Humane Society of the Nature Coast (352) 796-2711

Animal shelter attendant volunteer opportunities

Jericho Road Ministries, Inc.

A variety of volunteer opportunities to help those in need including, donation pick up, donation sorting and packing, grant development, fundraising and van/bus driver

Lighthouse for the Visually Impaired and BlindIndependent Living Skills(352) 754-1132

Volunteer opportunities include; braille transcription, disability related reading services, event coordination, event setup/cleanup

(352) 754-4433

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(352) 799-2912

(352) 754-6830 X 53660

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(352) 686-4466

People Helping People Help support PHP programs, logistical needs or administrative functions for two to five hours per week.

Opportunities include but are not limited to, cooking, data entry, gardening, janitorial, food bagging, transportation and more

Salvation Army, Hernando (352) 796-1186 X 104

Numerous volunteer opportunities include, food sorting and packing, fundraising event help, receptionist and more

Senior Corps, Corporation for National and **Community Service** (800) 942-2677

Connects seniors with organizations that need them

United Way of Hernando County

Hernando Volunteer Reception Center (352) 688-2026

Help ensure the community is ready in the aftermath of a disaster. Volunteer to help the community organizations and emergency management via, amateur radio operation, chainsaw operators, damage assessment, shelter assistance, search and rescue and more

Youth and Family Alternatives New Beginnings Youth Shelter

(352) 540-6015

(352) 688-9622

Numerous volunteer opportunities to help youth ages 10 - 17 who are in crisis. Opportunities include; meal preparation & serving, tutoring, donation of bedding/linen/toys and games

YMCA of the Suncoast

Hernando County

Offers a variety of volunteer opportunities for seniors

United Way Hernando - 211

Providing help, hope and connection to community resources

Crisis intervention and community resources for medical equipment, prescriptions, health insurance assistance, financial assistance for utilities, legal assistance, grief support groups and so much more.

> If you or someone you know needs help please call 211 or text your zip code to 898211.

Caring people are available 24 hours per day 7 days per week to provide help, hope and connection to community resources.



www.211tampabay.org

www.UnitedWayHernando.org/211