

# Crime Victim Services Resource Directory

## Food, Clothing, and Shelter Assistance for Crime Victims

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### EMERGENCY & CRISIS SERVICES

#### **Sister Care, Inc.**

*Domestic Violence Services*

**24/7 Crisis Hotline:** (803) 765-9428

**Counties Served:** Richland, Lexington, Fairfield, Kershaw, Newberry

#### **Services for Crime Victims:**

- Emergency shelter for domestic violence survivors and their children
- Food provided at emergency shelters
- Clothing assistance
- Laundry facilities
- Transportation assistance
- Case management
- Individual and group counseling
- Court advocacy
- Children's services
- Transitional housing
- Safety planning
- 24-hour crisis intervention

**Website:** [www.sistercare.org](http://www.sistercare.org)

**Special Note:** Three confidential shelters located in Richland and Lexington Counties. All services are free, confidential, and trauma-informed.

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## **Pathways to Healing**

*Sexual Assault Services*

**24-Hour Crisis Line:** (803) 790-3011

**Business Hours:** Monday-Friday, 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

**Counties Served:** Richland, Lexington, Sumter, Newberry, Clarendon

### **Services for Crime Victims:**

- Crisis intervention
- Face-to-face support
- Legal advocacy
- Medical advocacy
- Transportation assistance
- Individual counseling
- Information and referrals
- Hospital accompaniment
- 24-hour hotline support

**Website:** [www.pathwaystohelping.com](http://www.pathwaystohelping.com)

**Special Note:** Responds to all survivors who report an assault at hospitals in Richland and Lexington Counties. All services are free and confidential.

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## **SHELTER & HOUSING SERVICES**

### **Transitions Homeless Center**

*Operated by Midlands Housing Alliance*

**Address:** 2025 Main Street, Columbia, SC 29201

**Phone:** (803) 708-4861

**Email:** [services@transitionssc.org](mailto:services@transitionssc.org)

**Counties Served:** Richland, Lexington, Fairfield, Chester, Lancaster, Newberry, York, Calhoun, Orangeburg, Bamberg, Allendale, Barnwell, Aiken

**Services Available:**

- Emergency shelter (260 beds for adults 18+ years)
- Hot meals (breakfast, lunch, dinner)
- Day center access
- Showers and laundry (for residents and non-residents)
- Case management
- Job placement programs
- Inclement Weather Center (November 1 - March 31)
- Respite care beds
- Convalescent beds
- Service provider access

**Hours:**

- Office: Daily, 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM
- Intakes/Walk-ins for beds: Monday-Friday, 8:30 AM - 11:00 AM
- Beds assigned beginning at 9:00 AM

**Eligibility:** Adults 18 years and older who can maintain Activities of Daily Living (ADLs). Cannot be a registered sex offender.

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**Homeless No More - Family Shelter**

**Address:** 2411 Two Notch Road, Columbia, SC 29204

**Phone:** (803) 602-6379

**Services:** Emergency shelter for homeless families with children

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**Oliver Gospel Mission**

**Address:** 1100 Taylor Street, Columbia, SC 29201

**Phone:** (803) 254-6470

**Services:**

- Emergency shelter for homeless men
- Food and meals

- Case management services

**Jim Hudson Connections Center:**

- Address: 1114 Taylor Street, Columbia, SC
- Phone: (803) 254-6470 ext. 1020
- Services: Hub for those seeking resources for shelter, government assistance, or enrollment in long-term programs

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**Hannah House**

**Address:** 1726 Sumter Street, Columbia, SC 29201

**Phone:** (803) 771-4357

**Services:** Emergency shelter for women and children

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**The Women's Shelter**

**Address:** 3425 North Main Street, Columbia, SC 29203

**Phone:** (803) 779-4706

**Services:** Residential housing and support for women in crisis

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**Rapid Shelter Columbia**

*City of Columbia*

**Address:** 191 Calhoun Street, Columbia, SC 29201

**Phone:** (803) 545-3476

**Services:**

- For single men and women, 18 years and older who are chronically homeless
- Must be referred by an outreach provider
- Also serves as Inclement Weather Center (November 1 - April 1)

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# **FOOD ASSISTANCE**

## **Harvest Hope Food Bank**

**Address:** 2220 Shop Road, Columbia, SC 29201

**Phone:** (803) 254-4432

### **Emergency Food Pantry Hours:**

- Monday-Thursday: 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM
- Friday: 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

**Counties Served:** Richland, Lexington, Calhoun, Chester, Fairfield, Kershaw, Newberry, Orangeburg, Saluda, and others

### **Services:**

- Emergency food pantry (modified drive-thru)
- Box of food lasting approximately two weeks
- Mobile food pantries
- BackPack Program for children
- Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) for seniors
- TEFAP (USDA commodities)

**Special Note:** Second Thursday of each month reserved for CSFP clients only. South Carolina's largest food bank serving over 300 partner agencies.

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## **Mission Lexington**

**Address:** 216 Harmon Street, Lexington, SC 29072

**Phone:** (803) 957-6656

**Hours:** Walk-in applications: Monday-Thursday, 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

### **Services:**

- Food pantry (Food for Living program - once per month)
- Weekend food packages
- Clothing vouchers for thrift store
- Personal care items
- Cleaning supplies

- Emergency financial assistance

**Requirements:** Documented proof of current crisis required

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### **Cooperative Ministries**

**Address:** 3821 West Beltline Boulevard, Columbia, SC 29204

**Phone:** (803) 799-3853

#### **Services:**

- Food pantry
- Emergency assistance
- Clothing bank

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### **Family Promise of the Midlands**

**Phone:** (803) 832-4765

**Counties Served:** Columbia and surrounding Midlands area

#### **Services:**

- Emergency shelter through faith-based congregations
- Food assistance
- Support for families experiencing homelessness
- Hospitality services

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## **VICTIM ADVOCACY & SUPPORT**

### **Columbia Police Department - Victim Services Unit**

**Phone:** (803) 545-3500

#### **Services for Crime Victims:**

- Crisis intervention and emotional support
- Victim rights information

- Court advocacy and accompaniment
- Transportation to court and emergency shelter
- Assistance with Protection Orders/Restraining Orders
- Help filing applications for compensation funds (medical expenses, lost wages, counseling, funeral expenses)
- Case status updates
- Information and referrals

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### **Cayce Police Department - Victim's Advocate**

**Phone:** (803) 796-9220

**Services:**

- Professional assistance throughout law enforcement and court interaction
- 24/7 on-call availability
- Assistance with restraining orders/orders of protection
- Court attendance and representation
- Victim support services

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### **South Carolina Victim Assistance Network (SCVAN)**

**Website:** [www.scvan.org](http://www.scvan.org)

**Services:**

- Statewide network of victim service providers
- Legal assistance through Appellate Law Clinic
- Crime Victim Information and Service System
- Financial relief for victims
- Faith-based victim services
- Technical support and training
- Victim advocacy

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### **South Carolina Attorney General - Crime Victim Services Division**

**Website:** [www.scag.gov/crime-victim-services](http://www.scag.gov/crime-victim-services)

**Services:**

- Financial compensation for eligible crime victims
- Grants to service providers
- Training and certification programs
- Liaison assistance
- Victim assistance coordination

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## **ADDITIONAL RESOURCES**

### **Richland County Department of Social Services**

**Phone:** (803) 714-7300

#### **Services:**

- SNAP/TANF assistance
- Emergency assistance programs
- Foster care and adoption services
- Child protective services
- Adult protective services

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### **Lexington County Department of Social Services**

**Phone:** Contact 211 for local office information

#### **Services:**

- SNAP/TANF benefits
- Emergency assistance
- Child and family services
- Adult protection services

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## **SC 211 Information & Referral**

**Dial:** 211 (or text your ZIP code to 898-211)

**Services:** Free, confidential information and referral service connecting South Carolinians to health and human services resources available in their communities 24/7.

## **United Way of the Midlands**

**Phone:** (803) 733-5400

**Website:** [www.uway.org](http://www.uway.org)

**Services:** Connects individuals to community resources and assistance programs

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## **EMERGENCY CONTACTS**

- **Emergency Services:** 911
- **National Domestic Violence Hotline:** 1-800-799-7233 (SAFE)
- **National Sexual Assault Hotline:** 1-800-656-4673 (HOPE)
- **South Carolina Coalition Against Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault (SCCADVASA):** [www.sccadvasa.org](http://www.sccadvasa.org)
- **Suicide Prevention Lifeline:** 988
- **Crisis Text Line:** Text HOME to 741741

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## **IMPORTANT NOTES FOR CRIME VICTIMS**

**Victim Rights:** All crime victims in South Carolina have rights under the Victims Bill of Rights, including:

- The right to be treated with dignity and respect
- The right to be informed about case proceedings
- The right to protection from the accused
- The right to apply for victim compensation
- The right to be heard at sentencing and parole hearings

**Free Services:** Most services listed are FREE and confidential for crime victims.

**No Discrimination:** Services do not discriminate based on race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, sexual orientation, or gender identity.

**Documentation:** While some programs may require documentation of the crime (police report, protective order, etc.), many will provide immediate assistance in crisis situations.

**Confidentiality:** Domestic violence and sexual assault programs maintain strict confidentiality to protect victim safety.

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