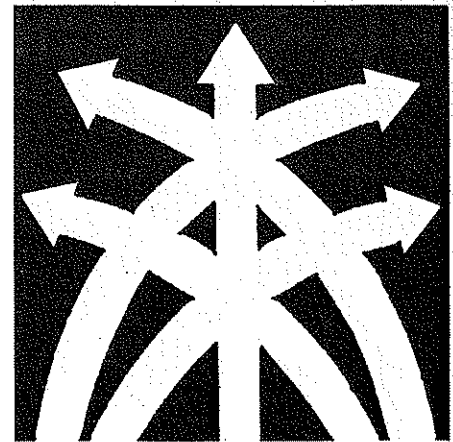


800/999-5599 ..... National Information Center for Children and Youth with Disabilities (NICHCY)  
 800/333-6293 ..... National Center for Youth with Disabilities  
 800/248-2253 ..... National Organization on Disability  
 800/638-7518 ..... National Federation for the Blind  
 800/949-4232 ..... Great Plains Disability and Business Technical Assistance Center  
 800/342-2437 ..... National AIDS Hotline  
 800/234-5772 ..... Social Security Administration Hotline  
 800/466-4232 ..... Disability Rights Education and Defense Fund (DREDF)  
 800/456-3505 ..... National Information Center for Orphan Drugs and Rare Diseases  
 800/999-6673 ..... National Organization for Rare Disorders (NORD)  
 800/346-2742 ..... National Rehabilitation Information Center  
 800/247-7752 ..... Association on Handicapped Student Service Programs in Postsecondary Education  
 800/295-5232 ..... Kansas Commission on Disability Concerns  
 800/346-2742 ..... REHABDATA National Rehabilitation Information Center  
 800/344-5405 ..... ABLEDATA Adaptive Equipment Center  
 800/638-8255 ..... American Speech-Language-Hearing Association  
 800/444-6443 ..... National Head Injury Foundation, Inc.

**ADDITIONAL NATIONAL DISABILITY INFORMATION**

Transition Council of Douglas & Jefferson Counties

**RESOURCE  
 DIRECTORY**




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Supporting and promoting transition for people with disabilities from school to adult life.

## COUNSELLING: Professional and Paraprofessional

Bert Nash Community Mental Health ..... 843-9192  
Catholic Social Services ..... 841-0307  
Christian Psychological Services ..... 843-2429  
Headquarters ..... 841-2345  
KU Psychological Clinic ..... 864-4121  
Northeast Kansas Mental Health and Guidance Center ..... 863-2919  
Women's Transitional Care Services ..... 843-3337

## CRISIS ASSISTANCE: 24-HOUR

Headquarters ..... 841-2345  
Rape Victim Support Services ..... 841-2345  
Women's Transitional Care Services ..... 841-6887

## INFORMATION AND REFERRAL SERVICES

The Arc ..... 749-0121  
Families Together ..... 842-3159  
Full Citizenship, Inc. .... 749-0603  
Headquarters ..... 841-2345  
Independence, Inc. .... 841-0333  
Kansas Commission for Deaf and Hard of Hearing ..... 800/432-0698  
KU Information Center ..... 864-3506  
(TDD)864-4062  
Make A Difference ..... 800/332-6262

## EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Center for Training in Business and Industry (CTBI) ..... 841-9640  
East Central Kansas Cooperative in Education ..... 594-2737  
Independence, Inc. Computer Learning Center ..... 841-0333  
Lawrence Arts Center ..... 843-2787  
Lawrence Public Schools ..... 832-5000  
Continuing Education ..... 842-6234  
Adult Learning Center ..... 832-5960  
Lawrence Parks and Recreation ..... 832-3450  
Northeast Kansas Education Service Center ..... 863-2919

## EMPLOYMENT: Training and Placement

Independence, Inc. (training only) ..... 841-0333  
Vocational Rehabilitation ..... 832-3700  
Cottonwood, Inc. (Lawrence) ..... 842-0550  
(Oskaloosa) ..... 863-3295  
Kansas Job Service Center (placement only) ..... 843-0531  
Community Living Opportunities, Inc. .... 865-5520  
Bert Nash Community Support Services ..... 843-1774  
Lawrence Public Schools ..... 842-5400  
Heartland Works (JTFA) ..... 865-5463  
Lawrence Employment Center ..... 865-2649

## GENERAL ASSISTANCE

## ASSISTIVE EQUIPMENT/TECHNOLOGY

### To Borrow, Rent or Purchase

Capper Foundation ..... 800/526-3648  
Disabled American Veterans ..... 749-4900  
Independence, Inc. .... 841-1067  
Criticare ..... 749-4878  
MedEquip ..... 842-5587  
Advanced Home Care ..... 841-2200  
Lawrence Medical Equipment, Inc. .... 749-4663  
King Pharmacy ..... 843-4516  
VFW (after 3 p.m.) ..... 843-2078

### Financial Assistance

Kansas Rehabilitation Services ..... 832-3700  
United Cerebral Palsy Foundation ..... 316/688-1888  
The Helen Keller Center ..... 296-4454

### Information

Independence, Inc. .... 841-1067  
Job Accommodation Network ..... 800/526-7234  
The Capper Foundation ..... 800/526-3648  
Full Citizenship, Inc. .... 749-0603  
United Cerebral Palsy Foundation ..... 316/688-1888  
Easter Seals Society ..... 816/333-3223  
The Helen Keller Center ..... 296-4454  
Financial Technology, Inc. .... 316/945-8486

## ADVOCACY/SUPPORT

Independence, Inc. .... 841-0333  
The Arc ..... 749-0121  
Full Citizenship, Inc. .... 749-0603  
Douglas County Citizens Committee on Alcoholism ..... 842-8414  
Douglas County AIDS Project ..... 843-0040  
Bert Nash Community Mental Health Center ..... 843-9192  
Project Acceptance ..... 843-4428  
Lawrence Indian Center ..... 841-7202  
Self-Help Network ..... 316/689-3843  
Families Together, Inc. .... 800/264-6343  
Kansas Advocacy and Protective Services, Inc. .... 800/432-8276  
Client Assistance Program ..... 800/432-2326

## ATTENDANT CARE/RESPIRE CARE

Visiting Nurses Association Private Home Care Aides Program .. 843-3738  
Trinity Respite Care ..... 842-3159  
SRS Adult Services - Douglas County ..... 832-3700  
SRS Adult Services - Jefferson County ..... 863-2964

## LEGAL SERVICES

American Civil Liberties Union ..... 816/421-4449

**Emergency**

Ballard Community Center ..... 842-0729  
 ECKAN ..... 841-3357  
 Help Connection ..... 542-3765  
 Indian Center of Lawrence ..... 841-7202  
 Jefferson County Concerned Citizens ..... 774-4241  
 Penn House ..... 842-0440  
 People Helping People ..... 597-5635  
 Salvation Army ..... 843-4188  
 Warm Hearts - Oskaloosa ..... 863-2328

**Benefits**

SRS - Lawrence ..... 832-3700  
 SRS - Oskaloosa ..... 863-2223  
 Social Security Administration ..... 843-2254

**Financial Planning**

Keating and Associates ..... 841-0154

**HOUSING****Residential**

Cottonwood, Inc. .... 842-0550  
 Community Living Opportunities, Inc. .... 865-5500  
 Residential Alternatives ..... 843-3643

**Alternatives**

Independence, Inc. .... 841-0333  
 Lawrence Housing Authority ..... 842-8110  
 Section VIII Housing Office ..... 842-8490

**Emergency**

Headquarters ..... 841-2345  
 Project Acceptance ..... 843-4428  
 Salvation Army ..... 843-4188  
 Women's Transitional Care Services  
 (for women and children in transition) ..... 841-6887

**FREE/LOW-COST HEALTH CARE**

Health Care Access ..... 841-5760  
 Planned Parenthood ..... 832-0281  
 Douglas County Health Department ..... 843-0721  
 Jefferson County Health Department ..... 863-2447

**INDEPENDENT LIVING SKILLS**

Independence, Inc. .... 841-0333  
 Cottonwood, Inc. .... 842-0550

Indian Center of Lawrence ..... 841-7202  
 Kansas Legal Services ..... 764-8585  
 Lawyer Referral Service ..... 233-4322  
 Douglas County Legal Aid ..... 864-5564  
 Small Claims Court ..... 841-7700  
 U.S. Department of Education Office for Civil Rights ..... 816/891-8026

**FOOD/MEALS: Free or Low-Cost**

Lawrence Interdenominational Nutrition Kitchen (LINK) ..... 842-9699  
 Meals on Wheels ..... 749-6100  
 Salvation Army ..... 843-0508  
 Heartland Share Program ..... 843-0442

**TRANSPORTATION**

A-1 City Cab ..... 842-2432  
 Independence, Inc. .... 843-5576  
 Lawrence Bus Company ..... 842-1544  
 Jefferson Co. Service Organization ..... 886-6845  
 Douglas County Area Transportation ..... 749-2287

**AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA)**

Full Citizenship, Inc. .... 749-0603  
 Independence, Inc. .... 841-0333  
 City of Lawrence ADA Coordinator ..... 832-3404  
 Lawrence Human Rights Commission ..... 832-3310

**RECREATION**

Lawrence Parks and Recreation ..... 843-7122  
 Best Buddies ..... 842-6222  
 A.C.T.S. Speak Louder Than Words ..... 749-0121  
 Special Olympics - Lawrence Green Machine ..... 843-7122  
 Northeast Kansas Handicapped Sports ..... 233-1951  
 Therapeutic Horse Riding Instruction of Lawrence ..... 841-9740  
 Lawrence Arts Center ..... 843-2787

**ADDITIONAL NUMBERS**


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## **What is transition?**

Transition planning is federally mandated under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) of 1991. The purpose is to plan for moving from school to adult life for students with disabilities. This planning process is provided by school districts to students with disabilities and families so that they may achieve their personal goals and attain their dreams for the future.

## **Who is eligible to receive transition services?**

Students with disabilities age 14 and older are required to receive transition planning and services in conjunction with their Individual Education Plan (IEP). School districts and special education cooperatives are responsible for providing transition planning and services to students with disabilities and their families. However, they should contact community adult service agencies to assist in this process.

## **What is the Transition Council of Douglas and Jefferson Counties?**

The Transition Council of Douglas and Jefferson Counties is comprised of school personnel, adult service agencies, parents, individuals with disabilities, and other community members. Our mission is "To support and promote transition from school to adult life for students with disabilities." We work together to improve the support services and programs that students with disabilities may need to be successful after they leave high school.

## **How can other agencies help provide transition services?**

Adult and community agencies in the Douglas/Jefferson Counties area assist in providing transition planning and services when families, students, or school personnel request information from them. Staff from these agencies can attend IEP meetings and also meet informally with families and school personnel to develop a plan for a student's future.

## **What is the purpose of this resource guide?**

This resource guide is to provide information about different agencies in the Douglas/Jefferson County area for families, students, school personnel and anyone involved in transition planning for students with disabilities. In addition to information within the Douglas/Jefferson County region, we have provided some toll-free phone numbers to national organizations specializing in different disability issues. We hope that this resource guide provides you with the information you need to achieve successful transition planning for your student.

**For information about the Transition Council of Douglas and Jefferson Counties, meeting times, and contact person, call the Lawrence Journal-World Access Line at 865-5000, category number 5011.**