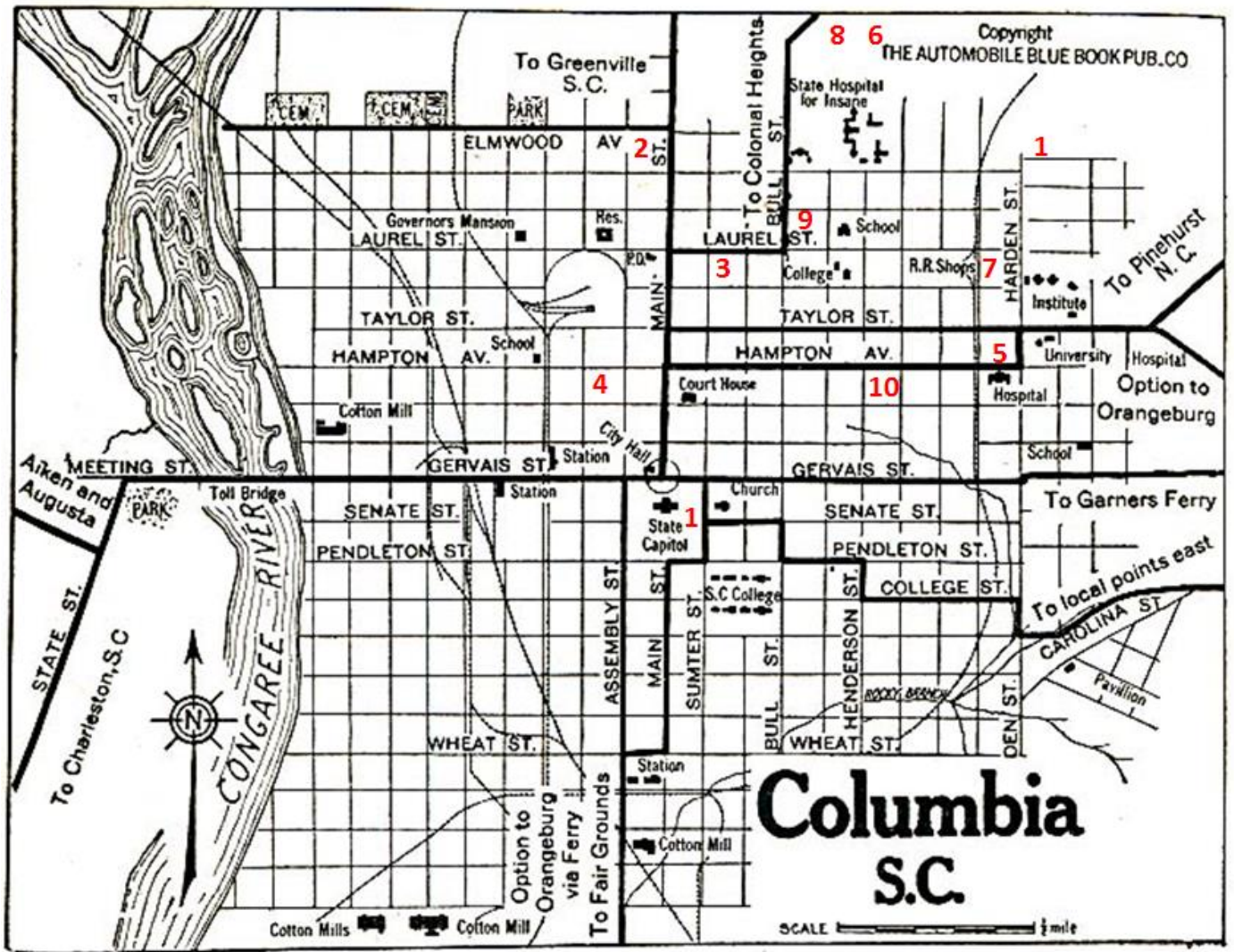


Community Resource Guide for Youth



Top 10 Youth Identified Resources downtown

4. **Emergency Rooms**
5. **Transitions**
2025 Main Street
Columbia, SC 29201
(803) 708-4861
6. **Comet Transit Station**
Corner of Sumter & Laurel Street
Columbia, SC 29201
catchthecomet.org
7. **Richland Library**
1431 Assembly St.
Columbia, SC 29201
(803) 799-9084
8. **Daybreak Pregnancy Center**
2009 C Hampton Street
Columbia, SC 29202
(803) 771-6634 (24/7 Hotline)

Top 10 Youth Identified Resources downtown

1. **Columbia Free Medical Clinic**
1875 Harden Street
Columbia, SC 29204
(803) 765-1503
2. **Lexington/Richland Alcohol and Drug Council (LRADAC)**
2711 Colonial Drive
Columbia, SC 29203
(803) 726-9300
3. **USC Supportive Housing**
1325 Laurel Street
Columbia, SC 29201
(803) 343-3437
10. **MIRCI Youth Drop In Center**
1433 Gregg Street
Columbia, SC 29201
(803) 799-0331



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In Case of **Emergency Contact**:

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Tools

ID, paperwork, emergency numbers

Columbia/Richland 9-1-1

Services include but not limited to: police, fire fighters, and EMS.

911 **Emergency** (803) 252-2911 Columbia Police Department **Non-Emergency**

Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC)

Get your birth certificate and apply for WIC.

2600 Bull Street (803) 898-3432
Columbia SC 29201 www.scdehec.gov

Richland County Department of Social Services (DSS)

Family Independence (FI) and Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP).

3200 Tow Notch Road (803) 714-7300
Columbia, SC 29204 www.dss.sc.gov

SC Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV)

Identification cards require a person to visit a local SC DMV office.

228-A O'Neil Court (803) 419-9403
Columbia SC 29223 www.scdmvonline.com

US Social Security Administration

SSI/SSDI benefits, Social Security Numbers (SSN), etc.

1835 Assembly Street, 11th Floor (866) 964-7594
Columbia SC, 29201 www.ssa.gov/ssnumber

Notes:

“Help is around the corner.” ~ Jayquan, 15

My Questions to Ask

Questions to ask when visiting an agency, group, or program.

For any call or visit you make, begin by writing the date and the agency, group, or program name. Then write down what is important for you to learn before you make the call.

- How can they help you? What happened or what do you need?
- What information do you need about me? (picture ID, Social Security Card, Address)
- What opportunities do they have for you?
- Does it cost anything? How much?
- Where are they located and are they close to a bus stop?

Keep Up with Your Questions

Set goals and keep a “to do” list. Use this page to make lists and make notes about your Life Dream. List people you meet on your journey. These people could be employers, faith community members, organizations, and/or special friends to help you on your journey.

Name/Topic/Notes

Date

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“Follow your dreams and stay focused.” ~ Gilbert, 16



Food, Clothing, and Financial Help

Find food, clothing, and financial support

Christ Central Ministries

Food, counseling, clothing, and school support
2401 N. Main Street (803) 765-1998
Columbia, SC 29201 www.christcentralministries.org

Clean of Heart

Catholic (faith based) Charities showers and laundry
1219 Laurel Street (803) 726-7764
Columbia, SC 29201 www.charitiessc.org/clean-of-heart

Harvest Hope Food Bank

Food pantry
2220 Shop Road (803) 254-4432
Columbia, SC 29201 www.harvesthope.org

Lexington Interfaith Community Service

Food pantry, clothing closet, financial
Support Services (803) 356-6916

Lifeline and Link Up Program

Discount Phones (866) 788-6565

Salvation Army

Food, clothing, and utility help
3024 Farrow Road (803) 765-0260
Columbia, SC 29203 www.salvationarmycarolinas.org/columbia

The Cooperative Ministry

Food pantry, clothing closet, income tax, cars for workers, health insurance ACA
3821 West Beltline Boulevard (803) 799-3853
Columbia, SC 29204 www.coopmin.org

When in Doubt, Call 211

*211 – United Way of South
Carolina*

211 is your one-stop telephone
bank for finding help for yourself
or someone else.
You can dial 2-1-1 from any phone
or visit www.211.org

“Know YOU can...discover your wings and fly.” ~ Stacey, 57



Support and Hotlines

Find someone to talk to.

Harriet Hancock LGBT Center

Support groups for LGBT youth and their allies.
1108 Woodrow Street
Columbia, SC 29205
(803) 771-7713
harriethancockcenter.org
Youth OutLoud, ages 15-19
1st & 3rd Saturday, 6:00pm

Hispanic Connections

Interpretation and translations services across SC.
2005 Hampton Street, Suite B
Columbia, SC 29204
(803) 765-0560
hispanicconnections.com

National Domestic Violence Hotline

If you are someone you know is being abused.
1-800-799-SAFE (7233)

National Hopeline Network

For those dealing with suicidal thoughts.
1-800-SUICIDE (784-2433)

Midlands Fatherhood Coalition

Fathers 18+ (803)933-0052

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline

Provides trained counselors for support.
1-800-273-TALK (8255)

Rape, Abuse, & Incest National Network (RAINN)

Crisis support for survivors of abuse and rape.
1-800- 656-HOPE (4673) (24/7 Crisis Hotline)
Online.rainn.org (24/7 Online Crisis Chat)

Sexual Trauma Services of the Midlands

Confidential support and therapy for survivors of sexual assault.
3830 Forest Drive, Suite 201
Columbia, SC 29204
(803) 771-RAPE (7273) (24/7 Crisis Hotline)

Sistercare Battered Women Hotline

Talk confidentially about abuse and get help and shelter for women and children.
(803) 765-9428

S.C. Legal Services

(803) 744-9430
Toll Free: 1-888-346-5592



Emotional Support and Drug Abuse

Support for you or someone you know having mental/emotional problems or drug/alcohol challenges

Greater Columbia Intergroup

AA Meetings (803) 254-5301

Columbia Area Mental Health

Emergency services mental health facility.
2715 Colonial Drive
Columbia, SC 29201
(803) 898-8888
www.state.sc.us/dmh/camhc

LRADAC – Lexington Richland and Drug and Abuse Counseling Columbia

Drug and alcohol treatment and counseling.
2711 Colonial Drive
Columbia, SC 29201
(803) 726-9300 www.lradac.org

MIRCI Youth Drop-In Center

Day center with referrals, showers, meals, and storage lockers.
1433 Gregg Street
Columbia, SC 29201
(803) 799-0331

“With all the challenges we face today, you are better off than 2/3 of the rest of the world, if you take advantage of what is available.” ~ Chaplain John, 66



Health Care

Help for health, teeth, and eyes. Emergencies call 911

Clinica El Buen Samaritano

Free clinic specializing in serving the Hispanic Community.
7915 Old Percival Road (803) 790-0239
Columbia, SC 29223 www.scpasos.org

Daybreak Crisis Pregnancy Center

Baby items, family planning, free pregnancy test, free ultrasounds, and maternity clothes.
Childbirth/parenting classes, dating/relationship classes, and post abortion support.
2009-C Hampton Street (803) 771-6634 (24/7 Hotline)
Columbia, SC 29204 www.daybreakcpc.org

Richland County Department of Social Services

Family Independence (FI) and Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP).
3200 Tow Notch Road (803) 714-7300
Columbia, SC 29204 www.dss.sc.gov

Free Medical Clinic

Free medical clinic services.
1875 Harden Street (803) 765-1503
Columbia, SC 29204 www.freemedclinic.org

WellPartners

Free dental and eye care services for non-insured.
2000 Hampton Street Dental: (803) 888-1692
Suite 4090 Eye: (803) 888-1690
Columbia, SC 29204 www.wellpartners.org



Transportation

Learn how to get a ride

Catch the Comet

City's bus system. Fee or pass required.
3613 Lucius Road (803) 255-7100
Columbia, SC 29201 www.catchthecomet.org
Transit Station:
1780 Sumter Street
Columbia, SC 29201

e-Rover

City Center Partnership. Courtesy shuttle between Main Street and the Vista.
(803) 309-7758 www.citycentercolumbia.sc

“When investing in your surroundings you are investing into your future.” ~ Cheryl, 47



School, Jobs, and Career

Help with decisions about GED/Diploma, higher education, and employment

Columbia Literacy Council--Turning Pages

Continuing education and literacy support.
2062 N. Beltline Boulevard
Columbia, SC 29204
(803) 782-1210 www.turning-pages.org

Goodwill Job Connections

Job search assistance programs and placement.
2744 Decker Boulevard
Columbia, SC 29206
(803) 731-1786 www.goodwillsc.org

Richland County Library - Job Center

Information about job and career opportunities.
1431 Assembly Street
Columbia, SC 29201
(803) 929-3464 www.richlandlibrary.com

Job Corp Centers

Free training program that helps youth, 16-24, earn a diploma/GED, and find/keep a job.
(803) 245-5101
www.jobcorps.gov/centers/sc.aspx

Richland One Adult and Community Ed

Support for GED and continuing education.
1616 Richland Street
Columbia, SC 29201
(803) 231-7000 www.richlandone.org/Page/169

SC Department of Education

GED and high school diploma.
1401 Senate Street Room 105
Columbia, SC 29201
(803) 734-8347 ed.sc.gov

SC Works, SC Department of Employment and Workforce

Job search assistance.
700 Taylor Street
Columbia, SC 29201
(803) 737-5627 www.jobs.scworks.org

Youth Challenge Academy

Designed to help youth learn basic life and job skills, earn GED, self-discipline, health, driver's education, and leadership. Free tuition and residential for young men and women ages 16-18 years.
5471 Leesburg Road Building 3891
Eastover, SC 29044
(803) 299-4872 www.scyouthchallenge.com

USC Trio Program

Tutoring, financial aid, and admissions counseling.
1400 Wheat Street
Columbia, SC 29206
(803) 777-5125 www.sc.edu/trio

Vocational Rehabilitation

Help with Career for people with special mental and physical needs.
516 Percival Road
Columbia, SC 29206
(803) 782-4329 www.scvrd.net

Work it Up through Midlands Tech

Trainings to help gain employment.
701 Hampton Street
Columbia, SC 29204
(803) 738-763
www.midlandstech.edu/learn/training/quickjobs

YouthBuild Columbia at Benedict-Allen

Ages 16-24 help with getting GED/high school diploma, job training and placement, and career counseling.
2601 Read Street
Columbia, SC 29204
(803) 705-4682 www.youthbuild.org

"Believe in yourself and you will accomplish great things." ~ Mary, 61



Housing and Shelter

Find a place to live short-term or permanent

Family Shelter

Emergency shelter for families with young children.

2411 Two Notch Road
Columbia, SC 29203
(803) 771-7040
www.familysheltersc.org

Hannah House

Emergency shelter for homeless single women and women with children.

1726 Sumter Street
Columbia, SC 29201
(803) 771-4357
www.christcentralministries.org/locations-2/columbia/hannah-house

Inclement Weather Shelter

Temporary shelter *November 1-March 31* when temperature is 40 degrees or below or terrible weather. 18 years of age and older.

Pick up at
1219 Laurel Street
Columbia, SC 29201
Shelter at
191 Calhoun Street
Columbia, SC 29201
(803) 260-1675
www.transitionssc.org

Oliver Gospel Mission

Emergency shelter for men age 18 and older. Faith-based housing, food, and services.
1100 Taylor Street
Columbia, SC 29201

(803) 254-6470
www.olivergospelmission.com

Palmetto Place Children's Shelter

Emergency shelter and residential homes for children, unaccompanied teens, and young adults in school.

(803) 708-6819
www.palmettoplaceshelter.org

SC Housing Search

Information for housing.
300-c Outlet Pointe Boulevard
Columbia, SC 29210
(803) 428-8844
www.schousingsearch.com

Transitions Homeless Center

Homeless men and women age 18 and older. Day Center (library, computer lab, laundry, shower, clothing closet, hygiene kits, food), life skills programs, support, and outreach.

2025 Main Street
Columbia, SC 2920
(803) 708-4861
www.transitionssc.org

USC Supportive Housing

For people who are homeless and have a disability or AIDS.

1325 Laurel Street
Columbia, SC 29201
(803) 343-3437
<http://supportivehousing.med.sc.edu>

“The community wants to assist those that ask and actually want help. Learn what your goals and needs are and when you are ready to change, just ask. Our job is to help you navigate the resources.”

~ Lauren, 32



Leadership and Ways to Help Others
Meet new friends, be a leader, and help other

Big Brothers Big Sisters

Mentoring program for children and teens ages 6-18.
4300 N. Main Street
Columbia, SC 29203
(803) 691-5700
www.bbbsgc.org

Columbia Urban League, Inc.

Jobs, school, friends, and economic empowerment for ages 12-21.
1400 Barnwell Street
Columbia, SC 29201
(803) 799-8150
www.columbiaurbanleague.org

Boy Scouts of America

Indian Waters Council. Young Explorer Program for youth ages 18+.
715 Betsy Drive
Columbia, SC 29210
(803) 798-9868
www.indianwaters.org

Boys and Girls Club of the Midlands

A safe environment with health & life skills.
500 Gracern Road
Columbia, SC 29210
(803) 231-3300
www.bgcmidland.org

Volunteer and Helping Others in Need

Find what makes you happy, have fun, and meet new friends.
United Way Volunteer Center
(803) 733-7312
www.getconnected.uway.org
Volunteer Match
www.volunteermatch.org

“Work hard, do your homework, be prepared.” ~ Brad