# TALLAHASSEE SENIOR SERVICES SENIOR RESOURCE INFORMATION GRANDPARENTS AS PARENTS

## **SUPPORT SERVICES**

**Grandparents as Parents** 

talgov.com/seniors/seniorservices.aspx

850-891-4027

Support Group (G.a.P.)

This **Leon County Senior Outreach** program offers support to grandparents and other relative caregivers raising children. Monthly meetings and luncheon are held on the last Wednesday of each month and a monthly support group is held on the 2nd Friday of the month.

**Area Agency on Aging for North Florida** 

aaanf.org

Elder Helpline: 800-963-5337

Provides information and referral services and programs for seniors and caregivers.

**AARP QuickLINK Benefits Calculator** 

aarp.org/quicklink

866-595-7678

This website contains a benefits checkup tool that helps connect adults over age 50 and their children/grandchildren under age 18 to public benefits programs.

**AARP Family Caregiving** 

aarp.org/caregiving/

866-595-7678

Provides a list of available local agencies and organizations that help grandparents raising grandchildren.

**Capital Area Communty Action Agency** 

capitalareacommunityactionagency.com

850-222-2043

Provides a comprehensive system of services and resoruces for children and families in need.

**Good News Outreach** 

goodnewsoutreach.org/

850-412-0016

Faith-based organization providing food and housing assistance to families and seniors in the Big Bend region.

### INFORMATION AND REFERRAL

2-1-1 Big Bend Help Line

211bigbend.org

211

Telephone counseling, information/referral and crisis intervention.

Whole Child Leon

wholechildleon.org

850-692-3134

Connects children to community resources for health care, educational and social services.

### **LEGAL SERVICES**

**Legal Services of North Florida** 

Isnf.org

850-385-9007

Civil legal assistance for low income families and the elderly. More legal resoruces can be found here.

**Grandfamilies.org** 

grandfamilies.org

Serves as a national legal resource to support grandparents raising grandchildren within and outside the child welfare system. State fact sheets are available at **grandfamilies.org/State-Fact-Sheets**.

### **SENIOR SERVICES**

**Elder Care Services** 

ecsbigbend.org

850-921-5554

Provides case management, homemakers, personal care, adult day care, adult health care, Alzheimer's and general respite care, emergency alert response, Meals on Wheels, congregate meals, transportation, and volunteer services to seniors and their families.

### **CHILDREN and FAMILY SERVICES**

Florida Department of Children and Families

myflorida.com/accessflorida

850-488-0675

Financial assistance, SNAP (food assistance progeam), child protective services and more.

Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Big Bend

bbbsbigbend.org

850-386-6002

Provides role models and consistent adult attention to children 6-17 years of age.

Boys and Girls Club of the Big Bend

bgcbb.org/

850-656-8100

After school program designed as a safe and caring space for empowing children to excel.

**Child Support Enforcement Services** 

dor.myflorida.com/dor/childsupport

850-488-5437

Provides information on applying for child support services, locating absent parents, establishing paternity and making child support payments.

**Children's Home Society** chsfl.org 850-921-0772 Provides counseling services and adult mentors to children age 4 to 17 who have an incarcerated parent. **The Kearney Center** kearnevcenter.org 850-792-9000 Provides temporary emergency shelter and housing, meal services and medical assistance. **COUNSELING SERVICES Apalachee Center** apalacheecenter.org 850-523-3333 A private, non-profit behavioral healthcare organization offering a full range of mental health services. **FSU Human Services Center** education.fsu.edu/centers-institutes 850-644-3857 Provides free counseling services for children and adults in the Tallahassee community. Turn About Inc. of Tallahassee 850-671-1920 turnabout.org Provides services and counseling to children with substance abuse, behavioral problems or who have been victims of a crime. **Capital City Youth Services** 850-576-6000 ccys.org Provides shelter services for families in crisis and outpatient counseling. **GRIEF AND LOSS COUNSELING Big Bend Hospice** bigbendhospice.org 850-878-5310 Provides emotional and spiritual support for families experiencing the loss of a loved one. Lee's Place leesplace.org 850-841-7733 Grief counseling for individuals and families adjusting to loss through death, divorce or abandonment. PARENT EDUCATION **FSU Center for Couple & Family Therapy** ccft.fsu.edu 850-644-1588 Provides counseling for individuals, couples and families with diverse needs and backgrounds. **HEALTH CARE Bond Community Health Center** bondchc.com 850-576-4073 Provides comprehensive family health services to low income patients. 850-606-8000 **Leon County Health Department** leoncountyfl.gov/lchd Provides certain health and dental care procedures to children as well as health education. **Lincoln Neighborhood Medical Center** neighborhoodmedicalcenter.org/ 850-224-2469 Provides primary, mental and episodic care for medically underserved, uninsured and homeless persons. Florida Kid Care healthykids.org 888-540-5437 Provides low or no cost health care to children 18 years old or younger. CHILD CARE/EDUCATION **Center for Autism and Related Disabilities** fsucard.com 850-644-4367 Provides support and assistance to optimize the potential of people with autism and related disabilities. **FSU Multidisciplinary Center (FSU-FDLRS)** mdc.ssw.fsu.edu 850-644-2222 Provides services to children presenting complex academic, medical, emotional or behavioral problems. **Leon County Schools** leonschools.net/ 850-487-7100 Maintains the public educational system for the county. **Early Learning Coalition** elcbigbend.org 850-385-0504 Childcare and early education resource and referral. 866-973-9030 CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES/RESOURCES Tallahassee Parks and Recreation & talgov.com/parks/ParksHome.aspx 850-891-3866 Provides recreational activities such as arts and crafts, organized sports, swimming pool access and the playground program for children out of school for the summer.