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Branch County Community Resources At—a—Glance

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UTILITY ASSISTANCE

Department of Human Services
517.279.4200

Provides State Emergency Relief funding for utilities (energy & non-energy)

www.michigan.gov/mibridges

Pines Behavioral Health
Housing Assessment Resource Agency Coordinator
517.278.2129
200 Orleans Blvd. Coldwater

Provides funding assistance with "shut off notice".

Hours: M/W/F: 8:00am—5:00pm,
Tu/Th: 8:00am—7:00pm
pinesbhs.org

Community Action
877.422.2726

Provides funding for deliverable fuels, gas and electric service.
www.caascm.org

Salvation Army
517.279.8118
35 W. Chicago St. Coldwater

Provides funding for utilities, deliverable fuels, and utility deposits with proof of DHS rejection.

Hours Monday—Friday 9:00am—3:00pm
Appointments preferred

Senior Housing

Coldwater Housing Commission
517.278.2660
60 S. Clay St. Coldwater

Provides income based senior housing in downtown Coldwater. Many amenities are available.

coldwaterhousingcommission.com

HOUSING

Mortgage/Rent Assistance

Pines Behavioral Health
Housing Assessment Resource Agency Coordinator
517.278.2129
200 Orleans Blvd. Coldwater

Hours: M/W/F: 8:00am—5:00pm,
Tu/Th: 8:00am—7:00pm
pinesbhs.org

Department of Human Services
517.279.4200

Provides funding for relocation (eviction or homeless), house payment to avoid foreclosure, tax sale, some insurance fees.

www.michigan.gov/mibridges

Salvation Army
517.279.8118
35 W. Chicago St. Coldwater

Provides rent assistance due to eviction and first month rent with DHS rejection.

Hours Monday—Friday 9:00am—3:00pm
Appointments preferred

Home Buyers Assistance

U.S Department of Agriculture—Rural Development
269.657.7055 ext. 124
1035 E. Michigan Ave., Suite A
Paw Paw, MI 49079

Subsidized Home Purchase Loans for Very Low & Low Income applicants.

www.rurdev.usda.gov/mi

Contact local Bank/Credit Union

HOME REPAIRS

U.S Department of Agriculture—Rural Development
269.657.7055 ext. 124
1035 E. Michigan Ave., Suite A
Paw Paw, MI 49079

Repairs Programs for Residents of Branch County in Very Low Income category.

www.rurdev.usda.gov/mi

Department of Human Services
517.279.4200

Provides State Emergency Relief Funding for home repairs

www.michigan.gov/mibridges

EMERGENCY SHELTER

Family Promise
517.278.0928
63 W. Washington Coldwater

Provides temporary shelter to single women and families with children.

Hours: 7:00am—5:00pm

Branch County Coalition Against Domestic Violence
517.278.SAFE(7233)
220 N. Michigan Ave. Coldwater

Provides 30 day temporary housing to victims of domestic abuse, affordable housing for women in transition and a safe haven home for teens.
Hours: Monday—Friday 9:00am—5:00pm

www.bccadv.com

AFTER BUSINESS HOURS CALL 9-1-1. Branch county residents with ID **may** receive a voucher for a one night motel stay.

HEALTH SERVICES
PHYSICAL / MENTAL / DENTAL

Branch-Hillsdale-St. Joseph Community Health Agency
"Your Local Health Department"
(517) 279-9561
570 N. Marshall Rd. Coldwater
Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 am-4:00 pm

Children's Special Health Care Services: CSHCS helps to pay for specialized medical treatment for children with chronic, severe medical conditions.
Communicable Disease Prevention & Control: Investigation, follow-up and prevention of tuberculosis, sexually transmitted infections, HIV/AIDS, food borne illnesses, animal bites and infectious diseases.
County Health Plan (BHSJHP): Plan B is a community-sponsored program helping uninsured people get health care services.
Environmental Health: On-site sewage, private and public water supply, food protection, radon education & testing, etc.
Health Education: Car seat inspection and installation, parent education classes, educational presentations that include blood borne pathogens, contraception, sexually transmitted infections, HIV/AIDS, nutrition, etc.
Immunization Clinic: Immunizations for infants, children, adolescents and adults along with foreign travel immunizations.
MI Child/Healthy Kids: Offers Health Insurance for uninsured Michigan Children.
Prescription Discount Program: This program assists people without prescription coverage to purchase prescriptions drugs at a reduced cost.
WIC: Women, Infants & Children provides supplemental food and nutritional education for pregnant women, mothers, infants and children under 5 that are financially qualified.

BHSJ Community Dental Clinic
(888) 544-7395 (Office) (877) 313-6131 (Enroll)
20 Care Drive, Hillsdale
Hours: Monday-Friday
Provides cleaning and filling of teeth, removal and replacement, and emergency treatment. Designed to serve Medicaid patients, including those with MI Child and Healthy Kids Dental or patients that are uninsured and financially qualify for the Southwest Michigan Dental Plan.
www.bhsj.org

Pines Behavioral Health Services
517.279.8404
200 Orleans Blvd. Coldwater

Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services

Hours: M/W/F: 8:00am—5:00pm
Tu/Th: 8:00am—7:00pm
www.pinesbhs.org

Presbyterian Free Health Clinic
517.278.6068
15 Church St. Coldwater

Providing health care for the uninsured and underinsured in Branch County.

Hours: Thursday: 3:00pm—7:00 pm

Beginnings Care for Life
517.278.3355
213 Marshall St. Coldwater

Pregnancy services, prenatal and parenting education participation allows clients to earn points for diapers and baby clothing.

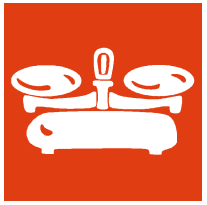
Hours: Monday—Thursday: 10:00am—1:00pm
Monday & Thursday: 6:00pm—8:00 pm
Saturday: 10:00am—noon
www.beginningscare.com

Community Health Center of Branch County
517.279.5400
274 E. Chicago St; Coldwater
www.chcbc.com
Please contact our main number for specific service Information, such as:

Physical Health Mental Health
Substance Abuse Cancer Services
Physical Therapy Women's Services
Hospice Services Home Health Services
Radiology Diagnostic Imaging Services
Diabetes Cardiac Rehab
Emergency Medicine Infectious Disease
Respiratory Therapy Sleep Lab
Or for more information on the many Medical Practices in Branch County.

DISABILITY

Disability Network Southwest Michigan
269.345.1516
517 E. Crosstown Parkway, Kalamazoo



"The first stop for people with disabilities and their families in Southwest Michigan."

Disability Related Information services and rights advocacy; Assistive Technology Loan Fund application center; independent living skills training; nursing facility transition services; social security work incentives benefits counseling.

Hours: Monday—Friday 8:00am—5:00 pm
www.dnswm.org

LEGAL AID

Legal Services of South Central Michigan
800.668.3951
87 Marshall St. Coldwater

Providing free legal advice and representation (in certain civil cases) to low income persons and senior citizens. Priorities: Family Law, Public Benefits, Preventing Homelessness.
Hours: 3rd Friday 1:00pm—4:00pm

SUBSTANCE ABUSE

CHC Substance Abuse Treatment and Referral Services (S.T.A.R.S,)
517.279.5337
370 E. Chicago St. Suite 300; Coldwater
www.chcbc.com
Hours: Monday—Thursday: 8:00am—6:00pm
Friday: 8:00am—12:00 pm

Outpatient treatment services for substance abuse.
ARC (Alcohol Rehabilitation Center)
616.452.3133. x33 (Grand Rapids)
517.279.8116 (Salvation Army—Coldwater)

A detox drug and alcohol program that also provides rehabilitation for the clients.

EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

Branch Intermediate School District
517.279.5830
200 Bishop Street, Coldwater

Early Childhood Education: A center based preschool program designed to promote the school readiness of low-income 3-4 year old children; Classroom program, health, mental health and family engagement services; meals and some transportation provided.

Early Head Start: A home based program for eligible pregnant women and families with children from birth to age three designed to enhance children's development and parent-child attachment.

Early On: Connects families with a child birth to three—who have an established condition or developmental delay—to a system of early intervention, referrals accepted by family or agency.

Family Success Program: A home based program for multi-need families with children 0-5, with a goal of enhancing school readiness, reducing the need for special education services and fostering the maintenance of stable families; by referral.

- Parent-child playgroups are offered weekly
- Parenting classes offered, open to the public

Great Start Readiness: Center based preschool program for at risk 4 year olds. Half day program designed to enhance school readiness, some transportation provided.

Hours Monday - Thursday 8:00am – 5:00pm
Fridays 8:00am – 4:00pm

www.branch-isd.org

Bronson Youth Center
517.369.3250—Peggy Modert
422 W. Chicago St. Bronson

- After School Program—Grades 3—5 (no fee)
  M—F 3:15pm—5:30pm

- 6 wk Summer Program—Grades 3—6 (no fee)
  M—Th 12:00pm—4:00pm

Branch County Great Start Collaborative

CHILD CARE SERVICES

Branch Area Career Center Tot Spot Community Preschool -
Mary Mestelle (Program Director)
Phone: 517.279.5754
Mindy Travelbee (Teacher) Phone: 517.279.5706
366 Morse Street, Coldwater

Hours: Tuesday – Friday
AM Session 8:45am – 10:45am
PM Session 12:15pm– 2:15pm

www.branch-isd.org/totspot

Department of Human Services
Child Day Care Program
517.279.4200

Provides help with child care costs.

www.mi.gov/bridges

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

Branch County Community Foundation
517.278.4517
2 W. Chicago St., Suite E-1

Information on nearly 30 scholarships available for Branch County and Colon graduates is available on the website. Application deadline in March of each year.

Hours M—F 9:00am—4:30 pm

www.brcofoundation.org

EMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE

Michigan Works!
Service Center
517.278.0200
210 Vista Dr. Coldwater

Job search assistance, resume writing, vocational counseling & rehabilitation, job training, veteran's employment services.

Hours: Monday—Friday: 8:00am—5:00pm
www.michpartners.org

Telamon Corporation
National Farmworker Job Program
517.662.9090—Mary Ellen Salazar
87 Marshall St. Coldwater

Improving the career prospects of dislocated workers, farmworkers, and youth. Offering employment search, work experience and educational assistance; ESL, workplace safety and on-the-job training, and supportive services.

Hours: Monday—Friday 8:00am—4:30pm

COMMUNITY FUNDING(GRANTS)

Branch County Community Foundation
517.278.4517
2 W. Chicago St., Suite E-1 Coldwater

Grants available for organizations supporting activities that benefit youth, education. and more.

www.brcofoundation.org

TRANSPORTATION

Branch Area Transit Authority—BATA
517.278.5889
306 S. Clay St.
Coldwater

Provides low cost transportation throughout Branch County. Please call for fare and availability in certain areas.

Hours: M—F 6:00am—5:00pm
Sat. 9:00am—4:00pm
Sunday 9:00am—1:00pm

LITERACY

Branch County Literacy Council
517.279.9833
10 E. Chicago St. Coldwater

Helping adults to succeed in life through improved basic reading skills and English as a second language classes.

Hours:

brcolitco@cbpu.com

Dolly Parton Imagination Library
Branch County United Way
517.279.7129

Provides a book a month to children ages 0—5.

ECONOMIC STABILITY

Branch County Coalition
Against Domestic Violence
517.278.SAFE(7233)

Getting Ahead Program—A way for adults to learn to be economically stable.

Call or email Shelterhouse@cbpu.com for times and availability.

FOOD ASSISTANCE

Department of Human Services
517.279.4200

Provides funding for food benefits.
www.michigan.gov/mibridges

Community Action
877.422.2726

Provides food assistance through their Supplemental and Emergency Food Assistance programs. Provides hot, nutritious meals to Seniors 60+ at congregate meal sites or to home bound seniors in Branch County.
www.caascm.org

Branch-Hillsdale-St. Joseph Community Health Agency
517.279.9561
570 N. Marshall Rd. Coldwater
WIC (*food for pregnant and nursing moms and children under age 5)*

Hours: Monday—Friday: 8:00am—4:00pm

bhsj.org

Branch Area Food Pantry
517.279.0966
22 Pierson St., Coldwater

Branch County residents can receive a box of food once every two months

Hours: Monday—Friday: 1:00pm—4:00pm
www.branchareafoodpantry.org

Mary & Martha's Diner
Coldwater United Methodist Church
26 Marshall St. Coldwater

Free meal every Thursday: 4:00pm—5:30pm

Bronson Food Pantry
517.369.8545
Bronson Theatre

Residents in the Bronson School District, Sherwood and Union City may receive food once every 4 weeks.

Hours: Moday: 9:30am—3:00pm
2nd & 4th Mondays: 9:30am—7:00pm

CLOTHING

Beginnings Care for Life
517.278.3355
213 Marshall St. Coldwater

Clients earn points for diapers and baby clothing by participating in prenatal and parenting education.

Hours: Monday—Thursday: 10:00am—1:00pm
Monday & Thursday: 6:00pm—8:00 pm
Saturday: 10:00am—noon

www.beginningscare.com

Branch County Coalition Against Domestic Violence

517.278.SAFE(7233)

Good used and donated clothing by appointment only. (i.e. Domestic violence and sexual assault victims and their families; family tragedies such as fire; homeless.)

Hours: 9:00am—5:00pm

Salvation Army
517.279.8118
35 W. Chicago St. Coldwater

Provides some personal care items and used clothing at affordable prices. Vouchers available for emergencies.

Hours Monday—Friday 9:00am—3:00pm

FOOD ASSISTANCE con't

Sonshine Ministries
517.639.9545
Union Church
8 Fulton St. Quincy

Quincy residents may receive food once every two months

Hours: Thursday: 9:00am—5:00pm

SENIOR SERVICES

Branch County Commission on Aging - H. & C. Burnside Senior Center
517.279.6565
65 Grahl Drive
Coldwater, MI 49036

Activities at the Burnside Senior Center are for Branch County residents age 50+. Most activities have no fee. Check the website or stop in for an up-to-date listing.

In-Home Services, Medical Van Transportation, Chore Work, Medical Loan Closet, Medicare/ Medicaid Assistance Program, Free Tax Preparation, Free Legal Assistance. Services have varying eligibility requirements. Call or check the website for more specific information.

Hours: M / W / F: 8:00am—4:30pm
Tu/Th: 8:00am—6:00p,
www.burnsidecenter.com

Coldwater Housing Commission
517.278.2660
60 S. Clay St. Coldwater

Provides income based senior housing in downtown Coldwater. Many amenities are available.
coldwaterhousingcommission.com

Community Action
877.422.2726

Provides hot, nutritious meals to Seniors 60+ at congregate meal sites or to home bound seniors in Branch County.

Branch County Department of Veterans Affairs
570 Marshall Rd. Coldwater
517.

Veterans Benefit Assistance

Branch County

Courthouse
31 Division St.
Coldwater, MI

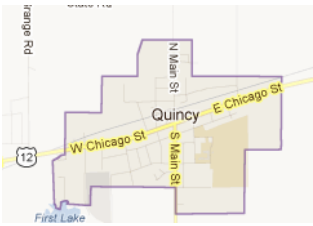
Prosecuting Attorney

Bronson

141 S. Matteson St.
Bronson, Michigan
49028-1396
517.369.7334
517.369.1457

City Manager—Mark Heydlauff
m.heydlauff@bronson-mi.com

Water/sewer/tax bill issues — 517.369.7334
After hours (water or sewer) - 517.369.7304



Quincy

17 West Chicago St.
Quincy, Michigan
49082-1198
517.639.9065

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eric.zuzga@quincy-mi.org
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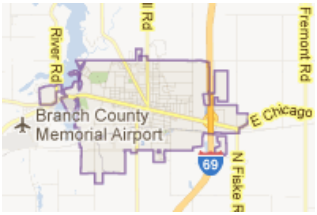
Clerk-Treasurer - Tricia Rzepka 517.639.9065 x.10
clerktreasurer@quincy-mi.org
Fire Chief—Kurt Barve 517.639.5403

Coldwater

One Grand St.
Henry L. Brown
Municipal Building
Coldwater, MI
49036
517.279.9501



Union City

208 N. Broadway
Union City, Michigan
49094-1154
517.741.8591

Manager—Jim Campfield
Assessor—John Mathews Sr.517.741.9861
Attorney—Mark Garrison 517.741.5576
Clerk - Joyce Mears 517.741.7685
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Fire Chief—Robert Merchant517.741.3285
Legis Coord—Diane Smith
Police Chief—Tom Case 517.741.3460
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Water—James Spencer 517.741.3274
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