Career & Vocational Resources

Elkhart County
Goodwill of Michiana
574-875-5068
https://goodwill-ni.org/programs/
Variety of employment services for individuals of all abilities.

Saint Joseph County
Goodwill of Michiana
574-472-7300
https://goodwill-ni.org/programs/
Variety of employment services for individuals of all abilities.

BDDS (Bureau of Developmental Disability Services)
574-232-1412
https://secure.in.gov/fssa/ddrs/2639.htm
Provides support and programs for clients (and their families) with barriers to employment: vision loss, hearing loss, and physical, developmental, mental, and emotional disabilities. Must qualify for services (such as the Medicaid waiver and services for those who identify on the Autism spectrum).

OVR (Office of Vocational Rehabilitation)
574.232.4861
https://www.in.gov/fssa/ddrs/2759.htm
Employment services, supported employment, assistive technology, transition services, etc.. Long waiting list, often refer-out for services.

Financial and Family Resources

Elkhart County
Brightpoint (Elkhart)
800-589-3506
https://mybrightpoint.org/index.php/get-help/
COUNTIES SERVED: ADAMS, ALLEN, DEKALB, ELKHART, GRANT, HUNTINGTON, KOSCIUSKO, LEGRANGE, LAPORTE, NOBLE, SAINT JOSEPH, STUEBEN, WABASH, WELLS, & WHITLEY.
Services for children and youth, family stability, family self-sufficiency, and community investment services, such as child-care vouchers, for under-resourced families and individuals.

Salvation Army (Elkhart)
574-970-0088
http://saelkhart.org/
Services and programs to under resourced families.
United Way (Elkhart)
574-295-1650
https://www.unitedwayec.org/
Educational resources, child care resources, utility assistance, health care options, transportation, financial stability programs, and much more.

Saint Joseph County
Bridges Out of Poverty (South Bend)
574-246-0533
http://www.sjcbridges.org/
Services for all individuals affected by lack of financial resources, including individuals and business/community leaders.

Brightpoint (South Bend)
800-589-3506
https://mybrightpoint.org/index.php/get-help/
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Services for children and youth, family stability and self-sufficiency, as well as community investment services, such as child-care vouchers, for under-resourced families and individuals.

Real Services (South Bend)
574-233-8205
https://www.realservices.org/_wp/
Information, programs, and services to assist elderly, disabled, individuals, and families with low income. Child care vouchers, utility bill assistance, education supports, gas and transportation assistance, energy efficiency, and much more. *En Espanol

Salvation Army (at the Kroc Center, South Bend)
574-233-9471 ext. 2205
http://www.mykroc.org/family-resources.html
No membership required; ask for Family Resources. Utility assistance, food pantry, and other resources and programs.

St. Margaret’s House (South Bend)
574-234-7795
https://www.stmargaretshouse.org/
A day center welcoming women and children experiencing economic hardship/poverty. They provide meals and offer assistance through programs to address immediate needs. Programs include classes on parenting, steps for success, youth summer programs, as well as emotional health and well-being groups, and access to health services.
**Stone Soup Community (South Bend)**  
574-404-6170  
http://stonesoupcommunity.org/  
Programs include emergency assistance, healthcare navigation, *Getting Ahead* which helps clients become more self-sufficient, *Team Heat & Staying Connected* which helps clients helping to match funds and stay current on utility bills, *Crafting Your Best-Self* workshops to benefit emotional intelligence and self-esteem, *Family Development* which offers counseling and case management services, *Thrive* which facilitates mindful transition to thrive in life from information shared, and *Ready for Work* which helps with job search and resume building.

**St. Vincent de Paul Society of South Bend**  
574-234-6000  
www.svdpsb.org  
Programs include rent and utility assistance, clothing vouchers, as well as a food pantry.

**United Way (South Bend)**  
574-232-8201 or 211  
http://www.uwsjc.org/  
Education, health, child care resources, utility assistance, and financial stability programs and services. *En Espanol*