

# **CAPSULE INFORMATION UNITED WAY OF MIDLAND COUNTY AGENCIES**

## **AFFORDABLE HOUSING ALLIANCE**

**Executive Director: Roger Mikusek (989) 633-9910**

**Community Impact Strategy: Self-Sufficiency**

The Affordable Housing Alliance (AHA) is devoted to the development of affordable housing opportunities for low-income Midland families. AHA owns sixty-eight two and three bedroom rental units that are provided for rent at less than market rates to families who earn less than 30% and 50% of median income for Midland County. Informal support services are obtained for families and individuals through collaboration with other agencies.

## **AMERICAN RED CROSS MIDLAND/GLADWIN CHAPTER**

**Executive Director: Patricia Tiernan, (989) 631-3262**

**Community Impact Strategy: Self-Sufficiency & Education**

The American Red Cross strives to provide relief to victims of disaster and to help people prevent, prepare for, and respond to emergencies. It is a humanitarian organization guided by Congressional Charter. The Midland/Gladwin Chapter of the Red Cross provides assistance for emergency needs to active members of the military and their families, and to veterans. Disaster services are provided to fire and disaster victims and emergency personnel at fire or disaster scenes. Financial help is available for low-income individuals for dental care, related prescriptions and medical equipment. The Red Cross provides courses in first aid, CPR, automatic external defibrillators, babysitting safety, swimming and water safety, bicycle safety and Safety Town for preschoolers. In addition, workplace training in safety and blood born pathogens is offered.

## **(THE) ARC OF MIDLAND**

**Executive Director: Jan Lampman (989) 631-4439**

**Community Impact Strategy: Self-Sufficiency & Education**

The ARC of Midland promotes the welfare of people with developmental disabilities and fosters their presence, participation and inclusion in the community. They offer disability awareness programs for children, assistance in working with families, adult services including representative payee services, safety programs, a pooled trust for families to use for estate planning to care for family members with disabilities and Project Lifesaver, a locator service for lost or missing disabled persons. The ARC provides families and the community with education and support to better embrace citizens with developmental disabilities.

## **ARNOLD CENTER**

**Executive Director: Mike Shea (989) 631-9570**

**Community Impact Strategy: Self-Sufficiency**

The Arnold Center offers services and opportunities for individuals with developmental disabilities, severe mental illness and closed head injuries. They seek to promote improved quality of life for those with differing needs, by supporting personal growth and community inclusion through the development of vocational, social and life skills. Participants are placed for work in the community as a learning opportunity, which promotes an active and meaningful partnership between the participant, business and other community agencies. This provides a safety net for individuals to work and to receive services as their abilities dictate, while striving to reach their full potential.

## **BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS IN THE HEART OF MICHIGAN**

**Executive Director: Susan Putnam (989) 631-5360**

**Community Impact Strategy: Education**

Big Brothers Big Sisters provides mentoring to boys and girls who come primarily from single parent families, helping them to succeed through positive, fun and caring relationships. Children are matched with dedicated adult volunteer mentors. Once matched, children may remain involved with the program until they turn 18 or graduate from high school. BBBS also provides referral, camp, and counseling. A school-based mentoring program matches high school or university students with younger students to work on academic assignments in a relaxed school setting.

## **BOY SCOUTS, LAKE HURON AREA COUNCIL (Midland)**

**Executive Director: Matthew Devore (989) 662-4464**

**Community Impact Strategy: Education**

Boy Scouts offers comprehensive youth development and camping programs provided by youth and adult community volunteers. Educational opportunities for leadership training, community service and personal development are provided. The Boy Scout programs help to prepare young men to achieve their full potential and to learn to make ethical choices over their lifetime.

## **CAMP FIRE USA MIDLAND COUNTY COUNCIL**

**Executive Director: Therese Ashmore (989) 832-2295**

**Community Impact Strategy: Education**

Camp Fire provides before and after school childcare, offering excellent educational and recreational programs in a secure and nurturing environment for boys and girls regardless of financial means. The programs and professional staff help build character, develop self-esteem, instill positive life skills and encourage responsibility to family and community. This service is offered at six elementary schools for the convenience of working parents and the safety of the children.

## **CATHOLIC FAMILY SERVICE**

**Executive Director: Tom Conklin (989) 797-6638**

**Community Impact Strategy: Education**

Catholic Family Service responds to individuals, couples and families by providing effective counseling to those most in need -- especially the poor and vulnerable -- served by North and West Midland Family Centers. This outreach program reaches people who might not otherwise access counseling services, helping them to cope with a wide variety of issues such as depression, anxiety, family, and marital problems, and school problems including delinquency.

## **COLEMAN COMMUNITY NETWORK**

**Executive Director: Jenny Ogg (989) 429-0764**

**Community Impact Strategy: Education**

Coleman Community Network strives to enrich the lives of families and strengthen community relationships by providing programs for self-development, educational enrichment, and physical activity. They provide quality licensed before and after school care and childcare for children six weeks to five years. Recreational and social activities are provided for youth and adults and educational programs are provided for parents and families. Universal Preschool -- free to all Coleman pre-kindergarteners -- is provided through a partnership with Coleman Community Network, Coleman Schools, Success By Six, NEMCSA Head Start and MCEA.

## **COUNCIL ON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE & SEXUAL ASSAULT (Shelterhouse)**

**Executive Director: Sharon Mortensen (989) 835-6771**

**Community Impact Strategy: Self-Sufficiency & Education**

Council on Domestic Violence (Shelterhouse) strives to eliminate domestic and sexual violence by providing confidential counseling, advocacy, education and 24-hour shelter for people in Midland and Gladwin Counties. They serve victims or family members including children impacted by domestic violence, as well as provide counseling on alternatives to violence for perpetrators. Their goal is to build healthy relationships, strong families, and a safe community.

## **DISABILITY NETWORK OF MIDMICHIGAN**

**Executive Director: Sara Kristal-Brandon (989) 835-4041**

**Community Impact Strategy: Self-Sufficiency**

Disability Network of MidMichigan promotes and encourages independence for all people with disabilities. They provide services to youth with disabilities, assisting them to develop the necessary independent living and employment skills to successfully transition into adulthood. Programs include community-based education, an apartment used to teach independent living skills, classroom instruction, and an after-school program.

## **FAMILY AND CHILDREN'S SERVICE**

**Executive Director: Janine Ouderkirk (989) 631-5390**

**Community Impact Strategy: Education & Health**

Family and Children's Services provides professional mental health counseling for families and individuals with depression, anxiety, school concerns, Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder, post traumatic stress, substance abuse, violence issues, marital problems or divorce, or child-parent relationship issues. They offer pre and post-natal services to help families give newborns a healthy start. Services also include pregnancy counseling, baby items, mentoring, parent education, help exploring adoption, family and parenting education, child care resource information, and kinship care programs for relatives raising children. Youth Emergency Services assists teens by providing a 24-hour counseling service.

## **GIRL SCOUTS OF MITTEN BAY (MIDLAND)**

**Executive Director: Kerry Allen (989) 799-9565**

**Community Impact Strategy: Education**

Girl Scouts provides experiences to help girls of all diversities develop to their full potential. The informal educational programming promotes leadership development, personal growth, and values that guide actions and provide the foundation for sound decision making. Girls Scout programs are provided by youth and adult volunteers and are designed to meet the needs and interests of girls, encourage community service, respect for others, and a positive self-image.

## **HIDDEN HARVEST**

**Executive Director: Richard Premo (989) 753-4749**

**Community Impact Strategy: Self-Sufficiency**

Hidden Harvest strives to alleviate hunger and end food waste by providing a safe and coordinated system of rescuing surplus food and redistributing it to feed people in need. In the Tri-City region each month thousands of pounds of food that would otherwise go to

waste are picked up in refrigerated trucks from hotels, hospitals, grocery stores and restaurants and given at no charge to agencies, shelters, pantries, and soup kitchens.

### **LITERACY COUNCIL**

**Executive Director: Allen Richard (989) 839-0540**

**Community Impact Strategy: Self-Sufficiency**

The Literacy Council provides customized tutoring to people of all ages so they can be self-sufficient in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. Volunteer tutors provide free, confidential, one-to-one tutoring in reading, writing, spelling and basic education. Literacy Council works collaboratively with Michigan Works!, helping learners to improve math and reading skills in order to obtain employment.

### **MIDLAND AREA HOMES**

**Executive Director: Sally York (989) 496-9550**

**Community Impact Strategy: Self-Sufficiency**

Midland Area Homes improves housing conditions for low-income Midland County families, seniors and disabled individuals while advocating for a strong vibrant community with adequate housing and reasonable living conditions. Current services include housing specific case management, housing related information and referral, emergency rent and utility assistance, critical home repairs, accessibility modifications and distribution of donated furniture and appliances.

### **MIDLAND CAMPING COUNCIL**

**Executive Director: Tom Wolcott (989) 832-3020**

**Community Impact Strategy: Education**

Midland Camping Council provides premier facilities at Camp Neyati and comprehensive programming for non-profit organizations to enjoy the experience of nature, outdoor education and camping. The Midland Camping Council provides these organizations with safe, well maintained facilities that enable them to provide a unique experience to the children, adults, and families they serve.

### **MIDLAND COMMUNITY CANCER SERVICES**

**Executive Director: Susan Dusseau (989) 835-4841**

**Community Impact Strategy: Health**

Midland Community Cancer Services provides personal, compassionate cancer support and prevention services to help improve the quality of life of their clients and the health of the community. They offer patient and family support through case management, including financial aid, counseling, group support, nutritional supplements, wigs, and informational resources. Prevention education programs include collaboration with key public health providers to reach school children, youth, high-risk adults and seniors with information on behavior changes regarding smoking cessation, sun safety, healthy eating and cancer awareness.

### **MIDLAND COMMUNITY CENTER**

**Executive Director: Kevin Heye (989) 832-7937**

**Community Impact Strategy: Health & Education**

The Midland Community Center provides affordable and quality recreational, social and personal development opportunities for all individuals and families. Programs include before and after school care at three Midland Public Elementary schools, youth athletics and activities, a teen recreation center, summer youth camps, adult and teen fitness

activities, and classes for senior citizens. The Community Center also offers childcare for children six weeks through 12 years old. Scholarships are available for those with limited income.

### **MIDMICHIGAN HOME CARE**

**Executive Director: Chris Chesny (989) 839-1770**

**Community Impact Strategy: Health**

MidMichigan Home Care, formerly Visiting Nurse Association, brings professional health services to the homes of those in need. They provide a variety of home visit services including: Nursing; physical, occupational, respiratory and speech therapy; home health aid care; and medical social work for at-risk mothers, newborns, children, and individuals with health problems or severe disabilities. They also provide palliative care, hospice, and bereavement services, which include group therapy counseling and a teen grief program.

### **NORTH MIDLAND FAMILY CENTER**

**Executive Director: Linda Clark (989) 689-7770**

**MERIDIAN SUMMER PROGRAM**

**Community Impact Strategy: Education**

North Midland Family Center provides programs and services for all individuals and families in the north Midland area, which positively promote their social, emotional, intellectual and physical well being. Programs include quality low cost licensed childcare, a School Readiness Preschool, recreation, after school and summer programs for youth and teens, teen leadership programs, family support and parent education services, and emergency assistance for low-income families. NMFC also serves as a conduit for the Meridian School's summer activity program for children and youth.

### **SALVATION ARMY**

**Executive Director: Major Patrick McPherson (989) 496-2787 x 203**

**Community Impact Strategy: Self-Sufficiency**

The Salvation Army meets human needs without discrimination by providing emergency financial assistance to low and moderate-income individuals and families. Assistance with utilities, housing, and food is regularly provided. On a limited basis, help is available for medical and dental bills, car repairs, gas, and clothing or furniture from the Salvation Army Thrift Store.

## **SENIOR SERVICES, MIDLAND COUNTY COUNCIL ON AGING**

**Executive Director: Patricia Wilson (989) 835-3041**

**Community Impact Strategy: Health & Self-Sufficiency**

Senior Services is committed to enabling individuals over 60 to achieve their highest levels of independence, quality of life, and dignity. They provide a variety of programs and services designed to keep seniors independent as long as possible and in the least restrictive living environment. United Way funds support Seasons, the adult day program for seniors with Alzheimer's, Dementia, or other conditions requiring supervision and socialization; and the transportation program for frail seniors without other options. Other services include Meals on Wheels for homebound seniors, homemaking, respite and personal care, prescription drug assistance for low-income seniors, caregiver training, and six senior centers throughout the county.

## **TEN-SIXTEEN RECOVERY NETWORK**

**Executive Director: Sam Price (989) 835-3466**

**Community Impact Strategy: Health**

1016 Recovery Network empowers, educates and supports those impacted by addictive or compulsive behaviors. They offer a residential treatment home for those with addictive disorders who need to learn new thinking patterns and socially acceptable, healthy behaviors in a controlled environment. Intensive, intermediate and group outpatient counseling and treatments are offered as well.

## **WEST MIDLAND FAMILY CENTER**

**Executive Director: Greg Dorrien (989) 832-3256**

**Community Impact Strategy: Education**

West Midland Family Center provides facilities, programs and activities to stimulate lifelong learning, encourage wholesome social interaction, and create recreational opportunities to enhance the quality of life for area residents of all ages. Programs include preschool, after-school and summer youth programs, a college opportunity program, family events, parenting education, social and recreational teen activities, computer instruction, aquatics, and baseball and volleyball team sports. Goals include developing a sense of individual worth; supporting and strengthening the family unit; and providing positive developmental opportunities for youth.