

# BENNINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Bennington Community:

The Bennington Public Schools is involved in a district-wide Strategic Planning Process. Out of the original work, four district-wide goals were developed which committees continuously work on. This memo addresses Strategic Goal #4:

***Bennington Public Schools will implement programs and provide resources to meet the emotional, social and cultural needs of all the students.***

Enclosed, is the *Bennington Public Schools Community Resource Guide*. This guide provides a list of services in the Bennington/Greater Omaha area as a starting point for parents and families when beginning the process of seeking available community resources. We encourage you to keep this quick reference guide on hand. You may also access the resource guide at [www.benningtonschools.org](http://www.benningtonschools.org) under the Student Services area. Additional copies are available from the school counselor, school secretary, school administrator and the district office.

The *Bennington Public Schools Community Resource Guide* is not a comprehensive list of all services or a recommendation of individual agencies. The guide is one avenue to provide the community with a source to strengthen the social, emotional, and cultural well-being of our community.

Sincerely,

The Bennington Public Schools Goal #4 Strategic Planning Committee

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The mission of the Bennington Public Schools is to provide educational opportunities in a safe, caring environment that will prepare all students to meet the challenges of the future.

## HOTLINES

- Bennington Police Department (402) 238-2067
- Bennington Fire & Rescue (402) 238-2727
- Douglas County Sheriff (402) 444-6641
- Boys Town National Hotline 1-800-448-3000
- National Suicide Prevention Lifeline 1-800-273-8255
- Nebraska Family Support Network 1-800-245-6081
- Nebraska Family Helpline 1-888-866-8660
- Dept. of Health & Human Services (402) 595-3400
- Child Abuse & Neglect Hotline 1-800-652-1999
- Poison Control Center 1-800-222-1222

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- District Office (402) 238-3044
- Bennington High School (402) 238-2447
- Bennington Elementary School (402) 238-2690
- Pine Creek Elementary School (402) 238-2372
- Heritage Elementary School (402) 238-2095
- Student Services (402) 238-3044
- Transportation (402) 238-2447
- Activities & Athletics (402) 238-2447

*For more detailed information regarding these community resources, please speak with a Bennington Public Schools guidance counselor or school administrator.*

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## FAMILY SUPPORT

*Assistance in addressing physical, social, emotional, or behavioral concerns*

- **Arbor Family Counseling** (402) 330-4700  
\*\* free services for district families  
[arborfamilycounseling.com](http://arborfamilycounseling.com)
- **Boys Town Center for Behavioral Health** (402) 498-3358  
[www.boystownpediatrics.org/counselingservices](http://www.boystownpediatrics.org/counselingservices)
- **CHI Immanuel Medical Center** (402) 717-HOPE  
[www.chihealth.com/mental-health](http://www.chihealth.com/mental-health)
- **Children's Hospital Behavioral Health** (402) 955-3900  
[www.childrenomaha.com/BehavioralHealth](http://www.childrenomaha.com/BehavioralHealth)
- **Ted E. Bear Hollow** (402) 502-2773  
\*\* specializes in grief resources for families  
[tedebearhollow.org](http://tedebearhollow.org)
- **Lutheran Family Services** (402) 342-7038  
[www.lfsneb.org/behavioralhealth](http://www.lfsneb.org/behavioralhealth)
- **Heartland Family Service** (402) 552-7400  
[www.heartlandfamilyservice.org](http://www.heartlandfamilyservice.org)
- **Region VI Behavioral Health** (402) 444-6573  
[www.regionsex.com](http://www.regionsex.com)
- **UNO Community Counseling Clinic** (402) 554-2727  
[counseling.unomaha.edu](http://counseling.unomaha.edu)
- **Catholic Charities** (402) 554-0520  
[www.ccomaha.org](http://www.ccomaha.org)

## SEXUAL ORIENTATION

*Support, education, and advocacy for teens and families*

- **PFLAG Omaha** (402) 291-6781  
[www.pflag-omaha.org](http://www.pflag-omaha.org)
- **The Trevor Helpline** 1-866-488-7386  
[www.thetrevorproject.org](http://www.thetrevorproject.org)
- **Arbor Family Counseling** (402) 330-4700  
[arborfamilycounseling.com](http://arborfamilycounseling.com)

## SUICIDE

- **Boystown National Hotline** 1-800-448-3000  
[www.boystown.org/hotline](http://www.boystown.org/hotline)
- **National Suicide Prevention Lifeline** 1-800-273-8255  
[www.suicidepreventionlifeline.org](http://www.suicidepreventionlifeline.org)
- **Arbor Family Counseling** (402) 330-4700  
\*\* free services for district families  
[arborfamilycounseling.com](http://arborfamilycounseling.com)
- **The Trevor Lifeline (GLBTQ)** 1-866-488-7386  
\*\* specializes in GLBTQ youth  
[www.thetrevorproject.org](http://www.thetrevorproject.org)

## DOMESTIC VIOLENCE & SEXUAL ASSAULT

*Help for those struggling with immediate or on-going issues*

- **Bennington Police Department** (402) 238-2067
- **Douglas County Sheriff** (402) 444-6641  
[www.douglascounty-ne.gov/sheriff](http://www.douglascounty-ne.gov/sheriff)
- **Child Protective Services** 1-800-652-1999  
\*\* for reporting abuse & neglect  
[dhhs.ne.gov/children\\_family\\_services](http://dhhs.ne.gov/children_family_services)
- **Project Harmony** (402) 595-1326  
[www.projectharmony.org](http://www.projectharmony.org)
- **Women's Center for Advancement** (402) 345-6555  
[www.wcaomaha.org](http://www.wcaomaha.org)

## TEEN PREGNANCY

- **Lutheran Family Services** (402) 342-7038  
[www.lfsneb.org/children/pregnancycounseling](http://www.lfsneb.org/children/pregnancycounseling)
- **Child Saving Institute** (402) 553-6000  
[www.childsaving.org](http://www.childsaving.org)
- **Nebraska Children's Home Society** 1-877-420-4747  
[www.nchs.org](http://www.nchs.org)
- **UNMC Teen & Youth Parent Program** (402) 559-1077  
[www.ecsomaha.org/teens.html](http://www.ecsomaha.org/teens.html)
- **Planned Parenthood** (402) 496-0489  
[www.plannedparenthood.org](http://www.plannedparenthood.org)

## ACADEMIC SUPPORT & ATTENDANCE ISSUES

- **Directions & Diploma** (402) 502-8534  
[www.d2center.org](http://www.d2center.org)
- **Gateway to College** (402) 457-2746  
[www.mccneb.edu/gtc](http://www.mccneb.edu/gtc)
- **Goals Center** (402) 557-2594  
[www.goals-center.org](http://www.goals-center.org)

## AFTER-SCHOOL & MENTORING PROGRAMS

- **All Star Kids** (402) 672-4810  
[www.benningtonschoolsfoundation.org/allstar](http://www.benningtonschoolsfoundation.org/allstar)
- **Teammates - Bennington** (402) 672-9647  
[chapters.teammates.org/chapters/bennington](http://chapters.teammates.org/chapters/bennington)
- **Greater Omaha After School Alliance** (402) 444-5151  
[www.omahaafterschool.org](http://www.omahaafterschool.org)

## MULTICULTURAL ASSISTANCE

*Assistance for immigration services and English language skills*

- **Latino Center of the Midlands** (402) 733-2720  
[www.latinocenterofthemidlands.org](http://www.latinocenterofthemidlands.org)
- **Lutheran Family Services** (402) 536-3500  
[www.lfsneb.org/community](http://www.lfsneb.org/community)
- **Language & Culture School of Omaha** (402) 895-0766  
[languagecultureschoolomaha.org](http://languagecultureschoolomaha.org)

## MEDICAL, PRESCRIPTION AND IMMUNIZATION

*Health programs for families of varied incomes and insurance coverages*

- **Access Nebraska** (402) 595-1178  
[dhhs.ne.gov/Children\\_Family\\_Services/AccessNebraska](http://dhhs.ne.gov/Children_Family_Services/AccessNebraska)
- **One World Community Health Center** (402) 734-4110  
[www.oneworldomaha.org](http://www.oneworldomaha.org)
- **Creighton Dental Program** (402) 280-2865  
[www.creighton.edu/dentalschool/informationforpatients](http://www.creighton.edu/dentalschool/informationforpatients)
- **Children's Health Insurance Program** 1-800-318-2596  
[www.healthcare.gov/medicaid-chip](http://www.healthcare.gov/medicaid-chip)
- **Needy Meds** 1-800-503-6897  
[www.needymeds.org](http://www.needymeds.org)

## HOUSING ASSISTANCE

*Financial assistance programs for disadvantaged families*

- **Salvation Army Rent Assistance** (402) 898-4763  
[www.givesalvationarmy.org/programs-that-help](http://www.givesalvationarmy.org/programs-that-help)
- **Salvation Army Utility Assistance** (402) 898-5966  
[www.givesalvationarmy.org/programs-that-help](http://www.givesalvationarmy.org/programs-that-help)
- **Food Bank for the Heartland** (402) 331-1213  
[www.foodbankheartland.org](http://www.foodbankheartland.org)
- **Together Inc. of Metro Omaha** (402) 345-8047  
[www.togetheromaha.org](http://www.togetheromaha.org)
- **Bennington School District Counselors**  
\*\*for further assistance, contact district counselors or administrators

## LEGAL ASSISTANCE

*Information and assistance for legal needs*

- **Creighton Legal Clinic** (402) 280-3068  
[law.creighton.edu/clinics/abrahams-legal-clinic](http://law.creighton.edu/clinics/abrahams-legal-clinic)
- **Legal Aid of Nebraska** (402) 348-1069  
[www.legalaidofnebraska.com](http://www.legalaidofnebraska.com)

## CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY

*Information, treatment & support for families affected by substance abuse*

- **Addiction & Behavioral Health Services** (402) 571-7148  
[www.abhtreatment.com](http://www.abhtreatment.com)
- **Alcoholics Anonymous / Alateen - Omaha** (402) 553-5033  
[www.al-anon.org/al-anon-in-nebraska](http://www.al-anon.org/al-anon-in-nebraska)
- **Journeys: Adolescent Addiction Recovery** (402) 504-4099  
[www.ccomaha.org/centers/recovery](http://www.ccomaha.org/centers/recovery)
- **NOVA: Adolescent Treatment & Support** (402) 455-8303  
[www.novatec.org](http://www.novatec.org)
- **Valley Hope** (402) 991-8824  
[valleyhope.org](http://valleyhope.org)