

Reentry Resource Guide for Halifax County



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PLEASE READ THIS FIRST!

Nothing is more frustrating these days than trying to get an actual human being to answer the phone when you call organizations for assistance. This can especially be true for government agencies. If this happens to you when contacting any of the service providers listed in this Reentry Resource Guide, remember the following:

- Try to find all the information you need on the service provider's website, which OurJourney gives for every service provider that has one. That way you won't even need to call. If the website gives an email address, you might try emailing the service provider with your non-emergency questions.
- Sometimes by pressing the zero button on your phone you can skip past the recorded message and be sent straight to a human operator.
- Know ahead of time exactly what you want to ask; have any materials you need on hand before you call (such as ID, application, etc.).
- Be patient. If you simply can't wait on hold any longer, choose the option that lets you leave a voicemail (if available).
- If you leave a voicemail, remember to state your name and phone number clearly, along with the reason for your call.
- Make sure you're available for call-back during normal business hours. If you can't be, when you leave your voicemail provide a time range for call-back.

Also remember, many people in your community need help too. So you may be placed on a waiting list for some services. Our Journey always recommends that you begin your search for assistance by contacting the One-Stop Resource Centers listed at the front of this guide. Why? Because these service providers usually have the resources and connections in the community to provide more immediate and specific help.

Agencies, organizations, ministries or businesses with a beside their listing are close partners of OurJourney. We have verified not just their basic information but that they are dedicated to helping you rebuild your life. Make sure you mention that OurJourney sent you!

Finally, remember that your success ultimately depends on **YOU**! OurJourney encourages you not to give up if you can't find help when and how you need it. We know firsthand how frustrating it can be when things don't go the way you hope, but we also know that **the worst day in freedom is better than the best day in prison**, and that patience and perseverance are just as important to your success as the assistance you need.

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Resource Guide - Halifax County

The service providers listed below are for Halifax County and surrounding areas. Agencies, organizations or businesses may be listed multiple times if they offer services in multiple categories. Agencies, organizations or businesses listed under the category "One-Stop Resource Centers" offer assistance in all or nearly all other categories. Our Journey does not endorse any of the agencies, organizations or businesses listed below, unless otherwise noted by a green check mark.

Our Journey has verified the accuracy of the information in this Resource Guide as of the date printed on the bottom of each page. There may be other service providers in Halifax County not listed. Please call 888) 50-REENTRY or email contact@ourjourney2gether.com to report any discrepancies or to suggest other service providers in Halifax County.

One-Stop Resource Centers

United Way - Roanoke Valley

917 Roanoke Ave. Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870

252-537-3744

https://www.rvunitedway.com/

Call for Hours of Operation

Provides support to dozens of member agency programs in Halifax County. In addition to calling the number provided for the Halifax office, you can get assistance by calling the United Way hotline by dialing 211.

Assistance is free; some services provided by partner organizations may charge fees



Crossroads Reentry

PO Box 861 Huntersville, NC 28070

704-499-1332

https://www.crossroadsreentry.org/

Located near Charlotte, NC, but offers a wide variety of resources and referrals in several categories for those returning from prison regardless of location. Their slogan is "Any need, anywhere." Call and leave a message for Jeff Cloud and he will call you back promptly.

Assistance is free; some services provided by partner organizations may charge fees

One-Stop Resource Centers

Catholic Charities - Tar River Region

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church 900 Hamilton St. Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870

252-355-5111

https:// www.catholiccharitiesraleigh.org/tarriver/

Mobile Food Pantry Hours: First Wednesday of each month from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM Provides healthy food and nutritional awareness to Pitt County residents in need. Individuals and families can access the food pantry once every 30 days and will be provided referrals to other community food banks. People seeking assistance with food will also be screened for other needs which Catholic Charities can either address, or make a referral to a community partner. Their office is in Pitt County but the provide service and support

to people in Halifax County.

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Go Further Connect is an online resource for connecting returning citizens with programming, services, and community support that meet the individual's needs. You can search for help by zip code and also access some of the other great resources they have available for free, such as a tool for finding a jo.

Free



Recidivism Reduction Call Center

https://rreps.net/recidivism-reduction-hotline

888-852-0004

The Recidivism Reduction Call Center allows people recently released from prison in North Carolina to connect with a RREPS operator to request information about, and set up warm referrals to, employment, housing, healthcare, and public benefits services. Assistance is free; some services provided by partner organizations may charge fees

One-Stop Resource Centers

North Carolina ePASS

https://epass.nc.gov/

North Carolina ePASS is a new online way to apply for Benefits and services as a resident of the state. It is made available by the NC Department of Health and Human Services. You can apply for Food & Nutrition Services, apply for Energy Assistance, register to vote (if eligible) and apply for other state services. You will need to set up an account first and you must have an active email account. You will also need a photo ID and your birth certificate to set up an account.

Setting up an account is free. To qualify for benefits, you must meet certain guidelines.

Food Resources

Union Mission of Roanoke Rapids

1310 Roanoke Ave. Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870

252-537-3372 (Select Option 1)

https://unionmissionrr.org/

Monday through Thursday: 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Provides food to those in need, along with other services, such as temporary shelter, local transportation (within reason). Call first before going. Does not provide resources for those convicted of sex offenses or violent crimes. Also have computers available for those who need access to the internet.

Free

Big Heart Pantry and Soup Kitchen

Cedar Grove Missionary Baptist Church, 1408 River Rd. Henrico, NC 27842

252-518-1506

Find them on Facebook at Big Heart Pantry

Saturday: 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM

Provides food and other assistance to those in need.
Always contact your parole officer before leaving Halifax County.

Free

Food Resources

C.A.R.E./The John 3:16 Center

407 East End Ave. Littleton, NC 27850

252-586-1800

https://john316center.org/services/

Call to schedule an appointment

Provides food and other assistance to those in need. They will give you food vouchers three times a week that you can use in their Food Pantry. Call office to schedule an appointment and complete the initial application. This program is only available certain hours of the week as we do not schedule adult and children's programs at the same time.

Free

Medical / Dental Resources

Halifax County Health Department

19 N Dobbs Street Halifax, NC 27839

252-583-5021

https://www.halifaxnc.com/182/ Health-Department

Monday through Friday: 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM

Offers assistance with a variety of Free basic health needs, including disease prevention and others. Also offers free HIV and other STD testing and free COVID vaccinations.

Rural Health Group

2066 NC Highway 125 Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870

252-536-5000

https:// ruralhealthgro.wpenginepowered.co m/rhg-at-roanoke-rapids/

Monday through Friday: 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Provides quality medical care,, behavioral health care, pharmacy, health education, nutrition and case management services.

Helps people without regard to their ability to pay

Medical / Dental Resources

Rural Health Group - Dental

2066 NC Highway 125 Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870

252-536-5000

https://

<u>ruralhealthgro.wpenginepowered.co</u> <u>m/rhg-at-roanoke-rapids-dental/</u>

Monday through Thursday: 7:50 AM to 6:00 PM (closed for lunch from 1:00 PM to 1:30 PM)

Provides quality dental care.

Helps people without regard to their ability to pay



NC MedAssist

866-331-1348

https://medassist.org/

NC MedAssist is a statewide program for those who do not have the means to buy life-saving medications to treat chronic diseases such as heart disease. diabetes, and asthma. To qualify you must live in NC, not have any insurance (not even Medicaid) and have income that is at or below 300% of the national poverty average. (To give you an example, if you live with one other person, the combined yearly income for both of you can't be more than \$54,930, or \$4,577 per month.) Visit their website to enroll or call for more information. They also have a Mobile Free Pharmacy that travels the state handing out free Over The Counter medications to anyone, no ID required.

Free for those who qualify and aren't insured

OurJourney can help you enroll in NC MedAssist's free pharmacy program! Call us (888) 50-REENTRY to learn more.

Medical / Dental Resources



Parks Insurance

153 S. Oakland Ave. Rock Hill SC 29730

866-932-7200

https://parksinsured.com/

Monday through Friday: 8:00 AM to 7:00 PM

Parks Insurance is licensed in all 50 states to offer healthcare insurance to individuals returning from prison. Through a special program called G.I.F.T. (Giving Insurance Freely for Transition), you are eligible to receive healthcare insurance with ZERO monthly payments and little, if any, deductibles. This plan covers doctor visits, medication, behavioral health, surgery, hospital stays and more. Everyone qualifies, even those with preexisting conditions.

Free (or low-cost, depending on job situation)

OurJourney can help you enroll in Parks Insurance's G.I.F.T. program! Call us (888) 50-REENTRY to learn more or call Parks Insurance and speak to a representative.

Mental Health & Substance Abuse Resources

RHA Behavioral Health Services

109 W Becker Dr. Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870

252-537-6619

https://rhahealthservices.org/ behavioral-health-services/ behavioral-health-services-in-northcarolina/

Monday through Friday: 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM

Provides comprehensive behavioral health supports including mental health support services and substance use services. Offer group therapy, peer support and medication management.

Also offers some employment assistance.

Fee based on a sliding scale (what you can afford). Residents of Halifax County may qualify for state funding assistance.

Holt Assessment Services

215 Smith Church Rd. Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870

252-541-3833

https:// www.holtassessmentservicesllc.com

Monday through Friday: 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Provides behavioral health and substance use care. Call before going.

Fees vary depending on services provided. Accepts Medicaid and Medicare

Mental Health & Substance Abuse Resources



Mental Health America

800-969-6642

https://www.mhanational.org/

https://screening.mhanational.org/screening-tools/

Provides free mental health screening, which is the quickest and easiest way to determine whether you are experiencing symptoms of a mental health condition.

To take the free and confidential mental health screening, visit their website or scan the QR code to the right with your smartphone.



mhascreening.org

Job Training / Job Placement Resources

Vocational Rehabilitation

615 Julian R Allsbrook Hwy. Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870

252-537-1126

https://www.ncdhhs.gov/divisions/vocational-rehabilitation-services

Monday through Friday: 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Provides a variety of services, depending on your specific needs. They are customized to help you find a job and offer career counseling, education and training, job placement assistance and on-going support, medical treatments and assistive technology.

Free



NCWorks Career Center

406 Premier Blvd. Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870

252-537-4188

https://www.ncworks.gov/vosnet/default.aspx

Monday through Friday: 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM

Offers support with everything from pulling together a resume and finding the right training opportunities to prepping jobseekers for interviews. Makes referrals to local businesses for employment. Provides internet access for those who need the use of a computer.

Ask for Nicholas Carlson (former

Ask for Nicholas Carlson (former prisoner who now works for NC Works.) Free

Job Training / Job Placement Resources



Turning Point Workforce Development Board

1151 Falls Rd. Rocky Mount, NC 27804

252-443-6175

https://turningpointwdb.org/

Monday through Friday: 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Provides hands-on assistance to those looking for a new career or who need training for job readiness.

Frince Williams is the Business Engagement Coordinator and a reentry support specialist. Their main office is in Nash County but they provide services and support to people in Halifax County.

Free

Holden Temporaries, Inc.

326 Smith Church Rd. Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870

252-535-3105

https://holdentemporaries.net/

Monday through Friday: 7:30 AM to 5:00 PM

Temporary agency offering job placement in local businesses for clients who can pass a drug test and have reliable transportation. They do conduct a background check, and some business they work with will not hire ex-felons, but others will. Also offer daylabor jobs. Provides the following personal protection equipment: safety hats, gloves, glasses, back support, dust mask and ear plugs. By appointment only, no walk-ins. Ask for Sheryl McNeil.

Free

Financial Resources



Operation HOPE

704-680-3163

https://operationhope.org

Monday through Friday: 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Helps individuals of all ages and backgrounds, including the formerly incarcerated, by offering financial education, one-on-one coaching, courses on credit score improvement, as well as pathways toward homeownership and starting a business. They have eight locations across the state of North Carolina, but since they can also provide their services over the phone, they can help you even if you don't live near one of their locations. This is a great (and totally free) program for those who want to understand how to rebuild their credit and financial life after incarceration. Call Alisha Kenny at the number provided to set up an initial

Free

Transportation Resources

Choanoke Public Transportation Authority

Pickup and Drop Off spots at several locations throughout Halifax County

252-539-2022 Ext. 222

https://choanokepta.org/

Office Hours Monday through Friday: 8:00 AM to

Ride Schedule Hours

Monday through Friday: 6:00 AM to

6:30 PM

5:00 PM

Provides transportation needs for any person in Halifax County who is in need of a ride, whether it be to local community colleges, shopping centers, medical offices, senior centers, day cares, human service agencies, etc.

appointment.

To schedule a ride, you must call by 10:00 AM the day before you need the ride.

General public rates are \$2.00 each way (exact change required)

Bus Ticket Book: 20 Tickets = \$40.00 42 Tickets = \$80.00

Education Resources

Halifax Community College

100 College Drive Weldon, NC 27890

252-536-2551

https://halifaxcc.edu/WED/CCR/

Call for Hours of Operation

Offers Adult Basic Education (ABE), General Educational Development® (GED), Students with Disabilities, English Language Acquisition, and Self-Improvement instruction.

All Literacy Education Program classes, including GED classes, are offered free of charge

Clothing Resources

Hannah's Place Thrift Store

1034 Roanoke Ave. Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870

252-541-1127

https://hannahsplacenc.org/thriftstore.html

Tuesday through Thursday: 10:00 AM to 4:30 PM Saturday: 10:00 AM

to 4:00 PM

Offers previously-owned clothing and other items at extremely low prices. You can often find namebrand clothes in good to great condition. All proceeds go towards helping survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault.

Prices vary depending on item

Union Mission of Roanoke Rapids-Thrift Store

1310 Roanoke Avenue, Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870

252-537-3372

https://unionmissionrr.org/programs/

Monday through Thursday: 9:00 AM

to 5:00 PM

Offers previously-owned clothing and other items at extremely low prices. You can often find namebrand clothes in good to great condition. Prices vary depending on item

Clothing Resources



The Light House Thrift Store

3217 Sunset Ave. Rocky Mount, NC 27804

252-885-8170 (Chris Hall)

Find them on Facebook at Jesus's Light House (The Light House)

Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays: 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM

Wednesdays: 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Offers previously-owned clothing, furniture, toys and other items at extremely low prices. Operated by Redemption Place, a Christian residency program in Rocky Mount founded by former Nash Correctional Institution volunteer Chris Hall. Justin Moore, a former Nash prisoner and Chief Operating Officer for OurJourney, serves as Assistant Director at Redemption Place.

Always contact your parole officer before leaving Halifax County.

Price varies by item

Directory for Halifax County Agencies:

Halifax County 8770 US-301 252-557-4509

Probation Department Halifax, NC 27839

Halifax County DMV 26 Three Bridges Rd. 252-536-4046

Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870

Halifax County Dpt. 4421 U.S. 301 252-536-2511

of Social Services Halifax, NC 27839

Directory for State and Federal Government Programs that Offer Temporary Assistance:

SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program): www.fns.usda.gov/snap/supplemental-nutrition-assistance-program

LIEAP (Low Income Energy Assistance): www.ncdhhs.gov/divisions/social-services/energy-assistance-lieap

TANF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families): www.ncdhhs.gov/divisions/social-services/work-first-family-assistance

Other Organizations that Offer Assistance:

The National Reentry Network for Returning Citizens is a national network comprised of individuals returning from incarceration who support each other's successful reintegration. To learn more, visit their website at https://thenationalreentrynetwork.org/.

National Suicide Prevention Hotline: Dial 988 or online at www.988lifeline.org.

Felony Record Hub (an online resource with jobs, housing and reentry advice for people with criminal records): www.felonyrecordhub.com

Honest Jobs (the nation's leading job marketplace for people affected by the criminal justice system. Honest Jobs has over 300,000 job openings from 1,000+ fair-chance employers): www.honestjobs.com

Veterans Resources in Pender County (for all military veterans): 252-538-6789 or online at https://www.halifaxnc.com/Directory.aspx?did=30

NC211.org (an online information and referral service provided by United Way of North Carolina. It offers a searchable database with information about resources for all 100 counties in North Carolina)

Other Assistance Available through OurJourney:

Anyone returning to any county in North Carolina from any state prison is automatically eligible to participate in the OurJourney **Essential Services** program. The Essential Service programs provides one-on-one, professional assistance, including help with writing a resume, preparing for a job interview, handling stress and rejection, registering to vote, and six other essential services for those rebuilding their lives after incarceration. This program is free of charge. To learn more or to enroll, call 252-220-9516 or visit www.ourjourney2gether.com/essential-services



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