



# Reentry Resource Guide for Scotland 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. OurJourney 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 - Scotland County

The service providers listed below are for Scotland 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. OurJourney does not endorse any of the agencies, organizations or businesses listed below, unless otherwise noted by a green check mark beside the listing.

OurJourney 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 Scotland County not listed. Please call (888) 50-REENTRY or email [contact@ourjourney2gether.com](mailto:contact@ourjourney2gether.com) to report any discrepancies or to suggest other service providers in Scotland County.

### One-Stop Resource Centers



#### Scotland County Reentry Program

Scotland County DSS Office,  
1405 West Boulevard,  
Laurinburg, NC 28352

910-277-2500  
extension 3369 or 5144

[https://www.scotlandcounty.org/765/  
Reentry-Program](https://www.scotlandcounty.org/765/Reentry-Program)

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

The Scotland County Reentry Program is designed to assist individuals returning after incarceration in several ways, including housing referrals. For more information, call the phone number listed here and dial either extension 3369 or 5144.

Free



#### Rise 4 Me

<https://www.rise4me.com/>

Rise4Me is a free, online tool that offers a directory of reentry resources made available in an easily accessible format. RISE stands for Resources for Improvement, Support and Empowerment for Returning Citizens.

Free

## One-Stop Resource Centers

### United Way of Scotland County

205-B Lauchwood Dr.  
Laurinburg, NC 28352

910-276-6064

<https://www.uwscotco.org>

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

Provides support to dozens of member agency programs in Scotland County. In addition to calling the number provided for the Laurinburg 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

### Coastal Horizons- TASC

212 Biggs St  
Laurinburg, NC 28352

910-276-5434

<https://coastalhorizons.org/services/justice-services/tasc-rrs-reentryservices/>

TASC is a division of Coastal Horizons, a nonprofit organization that provides assistance to people in need. TASC specifically helps those returning from prison by referring them for assistance in several areas, including help with substance abuse/mental health issues, education, transportation, housing, employment, food and clothing. You MUST be referred to TASC by your probation officer before TASC can help you. They do not accept walk-ins. This TASC office in Scotland County doesn't have its own website, so the website listed is for the main TASC page on the Coastal Horizons website.

There is a one-time fee of \$75.00. Also, some services provided by partner organizations may charge their own fees



### 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



### Go Further Connect

<https://gofurtherconnect.com/>

Introducing a new way to get connected

Do you need a **resource**?  
Do you need a **job**?  
Do you need **inspiration**?  
Do you need to **connect**?



Visit [www.GoFurtherConnect.com](http://www.GoFurtherConnect.com)  
to start connecting now

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 job.

Free



### 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

### Church Community Services of Scotland County

108 Gill Street,  
Laurinburg, NC 28352

910-276-8330

<https://scccs2016.wordpress.com/ministries/>

Open Monday, Wednesday and Friday  
8:30AM – 12:30PM

Typically, shoppers select and bag their own groceries. All are encouraged to bring their own bags and take only what will be used in their household. For our homeless friends, special bags are prepared and often include additional items unique to their environment.

Income Eligibility: None (except for TEFAP and CFSP)

**Identification required: Yes**

Residential requirement: None

Price may vary by items.

Free to those that qualify.

Regular shopping. Clients may shop twice a month, with at least 14 days between visits.

Soup Friday. In addition to “regular shopping”, clients may come EVERY FRIDAY to pick out up to twelve soups and a sleeve of saltine crackers.

TEFAP. (The Emergency Food Assistance Program) Typically the fourth Wednesday of each month, this government subsidized option is limited to low-income households.

CFSP. (Commodity Food Supplement Program) Typically the third Thursday of each month, this program is limited to Seniors (at least 62). Clients must complete an application prior and may be placed on a waiting list. Currently, we are serving up to 200 individuals.

## Food Resources

### **First United Methodist Church – Food Bank**

101 W. Church Street,  
Laurinburg, NC 28352

910-276-1592

<https://laurinburgfirstumc.org/>

Second Saturday morning  
7:30 AM to finish.

Provides food to individuals and families in need of resources to support daily nutritional needs.

Free

### **King's Gate Church – Food Pantry**

161 Sierra Avenue,  
Hamlet, NC 28345

910-582-1740

<https://www.kingsgate-church.com/>

Every Tuesday 10:30 AM  
to 1:00 PM

King's Gate Church now offers Curbside Soup Kitchen and Food Pantry to feed those in need. The Soup Kitchen is located behind the church at our Multi-center Building. Visit website for more information.

Free

## Medical / Dental Resources

### **Scotland County Health Department**

1405 West Boulevard,  
Laurinburg, NC 28352

910-277-2440

<https://www.scotlandcounty.org/805/Health-Department>

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

Offers assistance with a variety of basic health needs, including disease prevention and others. Also offers free HIV and other STD testing and free COVID testing and vaccinations. Will also help with referrals to other health care providers in Scotland County.

Free

## 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

**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.**



### NC MedAssist

866-331-1348

[medassist.org](http://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.**



## Mental Health & Substance Abuse Resources

### **Daymark Recovery Services, Inc.**

121 E Elwood Avenue,  
Raeford, NC 28376

910-875-8156  
24-Hour Crisis Hotline  
866.275.9552

<https://www.daymarkrecovery.org>

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

Daymark Recovery Services is a non-profit organization established to provide comprehensive behavioral healthcare services as defined by those in the community in need of mental health or substance abuse treatment options. All of our staff are highly qualified individuals with a plethora of knowledge to suit individual care as needed. Each of our facilities has a core set of service options available, however; some centers offer various group meetings or community outreach programs according to the service area. Please contact the center for schedules or further information as these programs and meetings vary and often change depending upon attendance and counselor availability. **Always ask your Parole Officer before leaving Scotland County**

Individuals with Medicaid have no obligation for copay. Individuals with Medicare or private insurance will be obligated to meet their policy's requirement(s). Individuals who are uninsured will be eligible for a sliding or discounted scaled as defined by the relevant Managed Care Organization/Local Management Entity

### **Celebrate Recovery**

RockFish Church  
9949 Fayetteville Rd,  
Raeford, North Carolina 28376

626-422-2743  
Contact: Jesse Palomino

<https://celebraterecovery.com/>

Thursday 6:00 PM

Celebrate Recovery is a Christ-centered, 12 step recovery program for anyone struggling with hurt, pain or addiction of any kind. Celebrate Recovery is a safe place to find community and freedom from the issues that are controlling our life. This Celebrate Recovery program is located inside RockFish Church. **Always ask your Parole Officer before leaving Scotland County. If you are on NC Sex Offender Register check with Probation Officer before attending.**

Free

## 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](https://mhascreening.org)

## Job Training / Job Placement Resources



### NCWorks Career Center – Laurinburg

16800-A US Highway 401 Bypass,  
Laurinburg, NC 28352

910-405-5200

<https://www.ncworks.gov/>

Monday through Thursday: 8:00 AM  
to 5:00 PM  
Friday: 8:00 to 12:00

Offers support for everything from creating a resume and finding the right job opportunities to preparing clients for job interviews. Website has links for Finding a Job. Free

### Vocational Rehabilitation – Laurinburg

920 South Main Street,  
Laurinburg, NC 28352

910-504-8000

[www.ncdhhs.gov/divisions/vocational-rehabilitation-services](http://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. Works specifically with those who have physical, mental or emotional disabilities. Free

## Job Training / Job Placement Resources

### **CareerOneStop**

<https://www.careeronestop.org/>

CareerOneStop is the flagship career, training, and job search website for the U.S. Department of Labor. The website serves job seekers, businesses, students, and career advisors with a variety of free online tools, information and resources. Find career, training, and job search resources just for you.

Free

### **Mega Force Staffing - Laurinburg**

815 South Main Street  
Laurinburg NC 28352

910-277-0140

[https://www.megaforce.com/  
branches/laurinburg/](https://www.megaforce.com/branches/laurinburg/)

Monday through Friday: 8:00 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.

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 appointment.

Free

## Transportation Resources

### Scotland County Area Transit System(SCATS)

*Main Office:*

1405 West Boulevard,  
Laurinburg, NC 28352

910-277-2416

<https://www.scotlandcounty.org/435/Transportation>

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

The Scotland County Area Transit System(SCATS) is a county operated transportation system designed and operated to provide curb to curb transportation to those with transportation and/or mobility needs. SCATS operates mini-vans and lift equipped handicap accessible buses.

SCATS transports individuals, by appointment, to doctor's offices, clinics, dialysis, physical therapy and pharmacies. SCATS also transports clients to employment, workshops, appointments, nutrition sites, shopping and various other services. All SCATS transportation is free of cost and services are fully accessible for people with disabilities.

All trips are free as long as the county has funds for transportation

## Clothing Resources

### **Church Community Services of Scotland County**

108 Gill Street,  
Laurinburg, NC 28352

910-276-8330

<https://scccs2016.wordpress.com/ministries/>

Open Tuesday, Wednesday,  
Thursday  
8:30AM – 11:30 AM

Thanks to donors, clients may shop up to twice a month and are encouraged to bring their own bags. This ministry is staffed by volunteers.

Prices vary by Item.

### **Goodwill Store – Laurinburg**

1681 S. Main Street,  
Laurinburg, NC 28352

910-361-2378

<https://goodwillsp.org/shop/retail-stores/laurinburg/>

Monday, Wednesday – Saturday  
10:00 AM  
to 9:00 PM  
Tuesday 9:00 AM to 9:00 PM  
Sunday 10:00 AM to 7:00 PM

Offers previously-owned clothing and other items at extremely low prices. You can often find name-brand clothes in good to great condition.

Prices vary depending on item

**Directory for Scotland County Agencies:**

Scotland County Probation Department	231 Cronly St. Laurinburg, NC 28352	910-277-3290
Scotland County DMV	1421 West Blvd. Laurinburg, NC 28352	910-277-2430
Scotland County Dpt. of Social Services	1405 west Blvd. Laurinburg, NC 28353	910-277-2500

**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](http://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/supplemental-nutrition-assistance-program)

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

TANF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families): [www.ncdhhs.gov/divisions/social-services/work-first-family-assistance](http://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](http://www.988lifeline.org).

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

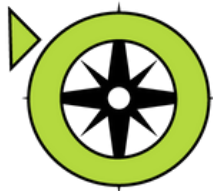
Veterans Resources in Scotland County (for all military veterans): 910-277-2448 or online at <https://www.scotlandcounty.org/396/Veteran-Services>

[NC211.org](http://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, smartphone training, 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 888-507-3368 or visit [www.ourjourney2gether.com/essential-services](http://www.ourjourney2gether.com/essential-services).





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