Anderson County
Community Resource Guide
Fact Sheet

The Anderson County Community Resource Guide was created by Dave Phillips and Zoë Hale to provide the community with a curated list of resources for anyone in need in our county. In November 2018, the first version was produced at home. By February 2019, Attaway Printing agreed to give us a great price and began producing the guide professionally. We began with 1,000 copies but quickly found we needed 10,000 copies to meet demand and find an appropriate price point. When the pandemic shut down schools, Attaway printed an additional run allowing school districts to distribute copies to families throughout Anderson County freely.

The primary users of the Guide include AnMed Health (and numerous associated agencies), Anderson School Districts' McKinney-Vento Liaisons, first responders, those providing direct services to citizens of Anderson, and over 250 agencies across the county. We are excited to announce that the Anderson County Library system will be the distribution point for various organizations, allowing us to serve the bulk of the printed edition directly to our major consumers. The Resource Guide is available in two formats: online and print.

The online edition provides a searchable platform that is designed for case managers and resource navigators. Originally developed in 2019, the framework continues to improve, and resources are immediately updated when changes occur. The mobile-friendly "cards" include links to dial the resource's phone number, Google Maps for directions, the resource's website, and SC211 entry if applicable. Other links can be embedded in the card as needed. The framework has been adopted by Oconee and Pickens Counties in SC and Dunn County in Wisconsin. We are working with Abbeville for their online edition and have a few other individual agencies who asked to use the framework. Each agency administers its online data. We provide the framework and hosting of the website. There is no limit to the number of resources listed online – it's completely up to those who manage the data.

The printed version of the guide is a testament to our commitment to providing the most up-to-date information. We curate the guide three times a year before each publication. Of the 170+ resources listed in the print edition, we typically have at least 50 updates for each edition. This includes service times, program names, addresses, and any resources that have been added or deleted. We are committed to keeping the guide current to ensure its reliability and usefulness to our community.

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