

# Parent Resource Guide

Where to find help for a child in Michigan at all ages and stages.

## General Resources For All Ages

### Toll-Free Numbers & Websites

Help for all children at all ages and stages  
1-877-HELP 4 Klds (435 7454)

Where To Find Help For A Child In Michigan  
<http://www.1877help4kids.org>  
*A county-by-county listing of resources, help, and information.*

Michigan Dept. of Education Parent Help Line  
1-888-323-4231

Detroit Parent Network  
1-313-832-0617

Michigan Alliance for Families  
1-800-552-4821  
<http://www.michiganallianceforfamilies.org>  
*Free information on special needs and disabilities.*

### Michigan Department of Human Services (DHS) Toll Free Hotlines



*Lost Child Tip Line*  
1-866-729-0026  
*Emergency Shelter*  
1-800-ASHELTER  
*Home Heating Assistance*  
1-800-292-5650  
*Homeless*  
1-800-274-3583  
*Medicaid Help Line*  
1-800-642-3195  
*Parent Help Line*  
*(child abuse and neglect)*  
1-800-942-4357

*Runaway Assistance*  
1-800-292-4517

### More Statewide Toll Free Hotlines

800-292-7851 Arc Michigan  
800-466-8084 Assoc. for the Blind & Vision Impaired  
800-223-6722 Autism Society of MI  
877-825-2536 Children's Leukemia Found.  
800-772-4323 Brain Injury Assoc. of MI  
800-233-4050 CHADD (ADHD Help)  
800-878-6587 Child & Family Services of MI  
800-359-3722 Children's Special Health Care Svcs.  
800-999-9999 Covenant House (help for runaways)  
800-873-7658 Cystic Fibrosis  
800-292-2729 Easter Seals  
800-377-6226 Epilepsy Foundation  
800-359-3722 Family Support Network  
800-482-3041 Hemophilia Foundation  
888-777-5332 Leader Dogs for the Blind  
888-597-7809 Learning Disabilities Assoc.  
800-622-9474 Make A Wish  
800-968-3463 March of Dimes  
800-274-7426 MI Assistive Technology  
800-8-RESOLV Mediation Services (Free)  
888-988-6300 MI-CHILD (Insurance)  
800-Your Ear MI Deaf, Hearing & Speech Services  
888-323-4231 MI Dept. of Special Education  
800-760-4600 MI Disability Rights Coalition  
800-969-6642 MI Mental Health Assoc.  
800-288-5923 MI Protection & Advocacy Legal Help  
800-572-1717 Muscular Dystrophy Assoc.  
800-442-HOPE National Youth Crisis Hotline  
800-228-8813 Reading/Literacy Help  
800-SUICIDE Suicide Prevention  
800-828-2714 United Cerebral Palsy

**If you can't find what you are looking for,  
call 1-877-HELP4Klds (435-7454).**

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## Internet Resources

### Early Childhood – Birth to Age 5

1-800-EARLY ON (1-800-327-5966)

<http://www.1800EarlyOn.org>

*Help for children from birth to age 3 who might have a developmental delay. Don't worry, but don't wait.*

1-800-252-0052

<http://www.ProjectFindMichigan.org>

*Provides free evaluation for children from birth to age 26 who might be eligible for special education services offered by your local school district.*

1-888-BE A HERO (1-888-232-4376)

*Information on programs for children from birth to age 6 and the Born Learning campaign.*

1-866-4CHILDCARE (1-866-424-4532)

<http://www.mi4c.org>

Michigan 4C Association

*Find child care services in your area.*

1-800-214-8961

R.E.A.D.Y. Program

*(Read Educate and Develop Youth) An award-winning kit of resources to encourage early reading and positive child development.*

1-800-648-6942

Lead Poisoning Hot line

<http://www.GetTheLeadOut.org>

*Symptoms of lead poisoning include headaches, irritability, abdominal pain, vomiting, anemia, weight loss, poor attention span, noticeable learning difficulty, slowed speech development, hyperactivity.*

1-517-374-6472

<http://www.mhsa.ws>

Michigan Head Start Association



### School Age Years

#### Homework Help

Homework Spot

<http://www.homeworkspot.com>

BJ Pinchbeck's

<http://www.school.discovery.com/homeworkhelp/bjpinchbeck>

The Internet Public Library

<http://www.ipl.org>

#### Parent Organizations

Bridges4Kids

<http://www.bridges4kids.org>

*Huge website with a large variety of topics plus online help. Information and referral services for all kids.*

Citizen's Alliance To Uphold Special Education (CAUSE)

1-800-221-9105

<http://www.causeonline.org>

*Free information and advocacy for special education.*

Michigan PTSA

517-485-4345

<http://www.michiganpta.org>

#### Services

MICASE - MI Creative After-School Experience

<http://www.micase.org>

Great Parents Great Start

<http://www.migreatparents.org>

*Things to do and Places to see With a Child*

<http://www.michigan.org/travel/locations/>

*Find Information About Your Local School District*

<http://www.bridges4kids.org/states/mi.htm#ed>

*Ways to Volunteer to Help a Child*

<http://www.bridges4kids.org/counties/Volunteer.htm>

*Substance Abuse Treatment*

<http://findtreatment.samhsa.gov/facilitylocator/doc.htm>

*Teen Pregnancy*

<http://www.teenpregnancy.org>