# Community Guide



# **Employment**

**NCworks Career Center** 

403 Conover Station SE, Conover, NC 28613 (828)-466-5535 www.ncworks.gov

Complete set of employment tools for job seekers in North Carolina. Search jobs, create résumés, find education and training.

# **Goodwill Career Center**

413 Thornburg Dr SE Conover NC 28613 828-465-0371 www.goodwillnwnc.org Free career center. Provides job training and skill development to help individuals find meaningful careers.

# **Hickory Soup Kitchen Hope Center**

110 2<sup>nd</sup> St PI SE Hickory NC 28602 828-327-4828 https://hickorysoupkitchen.org/

Provides Hickory with free resources for job placement and transportation services by partnering with employers, municipalities, and other local agencies.

# Food & Nutrition

# **Hickory Soup Kitchen**

110 2nd St PI SE, Hickory, NC 28602 828-327-4828 https://hickorysoupkitchen.org/

Programs include daily lunch, showers, bag of groceries each month, library, partnerships with other local programs focused on health and community services.

# The Corner Table

122 N Main Ave Newton, NC, 28658 828-464-0355 http://www.thecornertable.org/

Provides meals, bag lunches and frozen meals and runs the Backpack Program, a food outreach for local students along with a summer feeding program for students

# Good Samaritan Food Pantry (Mt. Pisgah Lutheran Church)

9379 NC Hwy 127, Hickory NC



828-495-8251 https://mtpisgahelca.org/ministries/good-samaritan-food-pantry Emergency food boxes, health care items.

# Pantry With a Purpose Program (Women Resource Center)

125 3rd St NE Hickory NC 28601 828-322-6333 www.wrchickory.org/programs/free-pantry/ An emergency pantry stocked with food, personal products, and cleaning products for women and families in transition. The pantry is designed for one-time use.

# **Greater Hickory Cooperative Christian Ministry**

31 1st Ave SE Hickory NC 28602 828-327-0979 www.ccmhickory.com Medical and pharmacy services, financial assistance, crisis assistance including emergency food, hot showers and clothing for the homeless. Application available online.

# **Meals on Wheels**

507 Boundary St Conover, NC 28613 828-695-5610 https://www.catawbacountync.gov/county-services/social-services/senior-nutritionservices/meals-on-wheels/ Help citizens age 60+ to improve their nutrition and health while reducing social isolation.

# WIC – Catawba County

3070 11th Ave. Drive SE Hickory NC 28602 828-695-5884 https://www.catawbacountync.gov/county-services/public-health/serviceareas/women-infants-and-childrenwic/#:~:text=The%20Catawba%20County%20WIC%20office,appointment%2C%20use %20this%20online%20form

A Federal supplemental nutrition program for pregnant, postpartum (after pregnancy), and breastfeeding women, infants, and children up to age 5. Provides food coupons /vouchers to purchase nutritional foods at participating food stores. Eligibility: Based on income. Medicaid, Work First, and Food Stamps participants qualify.

# Food and Nutrition Program – DSS

3030 11th Ave. Drive SE Hickory NC 28602 828-695-5600

https://www.ncdhhs.gov/divisions/child-and-family-wellbeing/food-and-nutritionservices-food-stamps

Helps eligible people with limited incomes supplement their budgets so they can purchase food. To qualify, households must meet certain rules about how much money you make, how much money and property you have, and where you live.

# **Clothing**

# The Salvation Army Crisis Help Center

750 3rd Ave PI SE, Hickory, NC 28602 (828) 322-8061

www.salvationarmy.org

Emergency financial assistance with rent, mortgage, utilities, life threatening medications, food, homelessness, natural disaster, and clothing. Crisis Help Center, Shelter of Hope, Family Stores, Boys & Girls Club, Disaster Services.

# **Safe Harbor Rescue Mission**

In person: 112 2nd Ave SE, Hickory, NC 28602 (828) 326-7233 info@safeharborrescuemission.org www.safeharbornc.org Provides a Day Center serving the homeless women from nearby shelter. Assist with job, transportation, or support groups. Distribute free clothing and toiletry items.

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# **Rent/Utility/Housing**

# **City of Hickory Public Housing Authority**

841 S Center St Hickory, NC 28602 828-328-5373 www.hickoryhousing.org

Offers Conventional Public Housing, Section 8 Voucher Program, Section 8 Elderly Project Based Program, and other programs within the agency

# **Exodus Homes**

122 8th Avenue Drive SW Hickory NC 28602 828-324-4870

#### www.exodushomes.com

Faith based supportive housing. Offers transitional and permanent supportive housing for people who are homeless and recovering from substance use issues, and people coming out of prison.

# Family Care Center of Catawba Valley

2875 Highland Ave NE Hickory NC 28601 828-324-9917

www.familycare-center.org

Homeless Shelter providing emergency housing and transitional residential programs that offer physical, emotional, social, education, and financial services to assist families with dependent children transition to becoming self sufficient

#### **Greater Hickory Cooperative Christian Ministry**

31 1st Ave SE Hickory NC 28602 (828)-327-0979

www.ccmhickory.com

Offers help with utility and rent payments. Offers a showering program for individuals who do not have access to hot water; including towel, face cloth, and toiletries. Provides clothing and household items (through a voucher system). Application available online.

# **Ashure Ministry**

245 East N Street Newton NC 28658 828-465-1702

https://ashureministry.org/

Formerly known as ECCCM. Provide crisis assistance to the people of Catawba County. Service includes food support, clothing, rent and utility help, and financial training.

#### **Strong Life Ministries**

1209 Fairgrove Church Rd SE Conover NC 28613 828-994-4321 https://www.stronglifenc.org/ https://www.stronglifenc.org/rescuemission.html

Serve individuals who are homeless in the Catawba County area. Educate, coordinate resources, provide aid and relief for individuals in poverty or who are homeless. Provides day programs and a transitional housing program for men.

# **Home Buying Resources**

# Western Piedmont Council of Governments

1880 Second Ave NW Hickory NC 28601 828-485-4245 or 828-485-4250

https://www.wpcog.org/unifour-consortium-homebuyer

Offers a First Time Homebuyer Program with down payment assistance for people buying a house in Catawba County. 0% interest, deferred loans are 50% forgivable.

# USDA - Rural Development (Formerly known as Farmers Home Administration)

<u>Statesville Office</u> 444 Bristol Drive Statesville NC 28677 #704-872-5061 x4 <u>Shelby Office</u>

844 Wallace Grove Rd Shelby NC 28150 # 704-471-0235 x4 https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/single-family-housing-programs/single-family-housing-%20direct-home-loans/nc

Government lending program for those not eligible for conventional loans. Appointment only in Statesville Monday through Thursday

# Self Help Credit Union

528 E Main St Maiden NC 28650

828-428-9928 X 3575 (Dial phone #, press \*, dial extension)

https://www.self-help.org/locations/maiden-branch

https://www.self-help.org/personal/loans/home-mortgage-loans

Lends to those not eligible for conventional loans. Requires only an ITIN #. Will finance double wide trailers. No minimum income level. Interest higher but available to more people. North Carolina has 23 branches. Serves NC, SC, GA, and FL.

# N.C. Housing Finance Agency Loans/NC Home Advantage Mortgages

These loans are offered by most banks, especially First Citizens. It is a first-time homebuyers' program that includes low interest rates and down payment assistance programs.

https://www.nchfa.com/home-buyers/buy-home

# NC Housing Finance Agency Community Partners Loan Pool (CPLP) Down Payment Assistance Loans

These down payment assistance loans are offered through WPCOG and NC housing counseling agencies and can pay up to 25% of the sales price, not to exceed \$50,000, with a 0% interest, deferred loan.

https://www.nchfa.com/homeownership-partners/community-partners/community-programs/community-partners-loan-pool

Section 8 Homebuyer Program

Program for those already approved for Section 8 Rental Program. Must be approved for participation.

<u>City of Hickory (Public Housing Authority)</u> Pam Hayes # 828-328-5373 ext. 232 Vanessa Owens # 828-328-5373 ext. 231

Catawba County (Western Piedmont Council of Governments) Elizabeth Moncrief # 828-322-9191 ext. 224 or 828-485-4224

# **Credit Counseling and Repair**

#### Olive Hill Community Economic Development Corporation, Inc.

200 S College St Suite A Morganton NC 28655 828-475-4620 X 305

https://www.ohcedc.org/

Services include Homeownership, Small Business Development, Homeowner Assistance, Managing Finances, and access to NCHFA's CPLP loans. Services are free or for a low fee based on ability to pay. Program covers residents of the following counties: Burke, Caldwell, Catawba, and McDowell counties of North Carolina.

# **Operation Hope**

828-705-1198 Niki Mullineaux

#### https://operationhope.org/

Offers free and confidential credit counseling. The local branch of Operation Hope is located inside First Horizon Bank in Hickory. Programs offered are credit counseling and repair, money management and financial disaster preparedness.

# **Home Repair Resources**

# **City of Hickory**

828-323-7414

https://www.hickorync.gov/community-development

Housing Rehabilitation Loan Program: This is a deferred loan program available to houses zoned within city limits. Examples of eligible repairs include heat system replacement, plumbing repairs, repairs of electrical wiring, and roof repairs. No monthly payments are required on the loan as long as the house is maintained as the principal residence of the borrower. Accessibility improvements necessary for disabled residents may also be considered. Residents interested in applying for loans must be the deed holder for the house and must be current with all City accounts and have income under 80% of the current year's area median income (based on household size). The maximum amount loaned to one home is \$25,000.

**Urgent Repair Program**: This grant program for households with special needs, does not require repayment (forgiven \$3,000 per year), and is available to help with housing conditions that "threaten life or safety" like failing septic systems or rotten floors or for accessibility improvements for handicapped or disabled persons with the intent of keeping resident in the home. Money is available for those with income less than 50% of the area median. The maximum amount of money available per household is \$12,000. (The amount may change each year and is renewable annually if funding is available.)

#### Western Piedmont Council of Governments

828-485-4249

#### https://www.wpcog.org/grant-services

<u>Catawba County Urgent Repair Program</u>: Corrects housing conditions that threaten the life or safety of special needs (elderly and/or disabled) homeowners who are low-income. Examples of emergency repairs are replacing roofs, replacing rotten floors, providing ramps and accessibility modifications.

<u>Single-Family Rehabilitation Program</u>: Makes major repairs to housing units owned and occupied by homeowners with an income of less than 80% of median income (low to moderate income) with one or more elderly and/or disabled fulltime household members or with a child under the age of six whose health is threatened by the presence of lead-based paint hazards and veteran households through a deferred loan program.

# **Blue Ridge Community Action**

828-438-6255

https://www.brcainc.org/weatherization

# <u>Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP) and Heating and Air Repair +</u> <u>Replacement</u>

Available to homeowners who have limited income and who need help with such things as weather-stripping, insulation of walls and/or pipes, broken or cracked windows, etc. This program includes the HAARP Program which helps to pay for repairs to or replacement of heating and air conditioning systems. Services: Alexander, Burke, Caldwell, Catawba, Gaston, Mecklenburg, Stanly, and Union Counties

#### Independent Living-Rehabilitation

828-639-6410 (Hickory Office) 1-800-215-7227 (Referrals) https://www.ncdhhs.gov/divisions/employment-and-independence-peopledisabilities/independent-living-people-disabilities

Assistance may include modifying our home or vehicle to meet individual needs to stay in your home and live independently. (Grab bars, ramps, wheelchair accessibility, etc.)

#### Foothills Service Project (Burke County)

828-879-8400

https://www.foothillsserviceproject.org/

Provides home repairs to homeowners in need with an emphasis on supporting seniors age 60+ in Burke, Caldwell and Catawba Counties. Repairs may include ramps, handrails, grab bars, life chairs, floor replacement

#### **USDA-Rural Development**

Local USDA office (704) 284-5774 (Shelby Office)

https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/single-family-housing-programs/single-family-housing-repair-loans-grants-8

**504 Repair and Rehabilitation Program**: Also known as the Single-Family Housing Repair. This includes both a loan and a grant program that can, in some cases, be combined. The loan program is for a maximum of \$40,000 with a 20-year term and a fixed 1% interest rate. The grant program is for a maximum of \$10,000 and is a 3-year forgivable loan for homeowners who are 62 years old or older. Income eligibility required and must be classified as "very-low-income" according to USDA income guidelines.

# NC-BAM (North Carolina Baptist Aging Ministry)

1-877-506-2226

#### https://baptistsonmission.org/

In partnership with North Carolina Baptists and social agencies, NCBAM strives to enable the aging to maintain independence and a quality life. They can help with ramps and other accessibility accommodations. Call with your need.

Serving Our Seniors 828-222-9343 https://www.sos-nc.org/services Providing low, or no-cost services to "in-home" seniors, 65 and older and disabled veterans living in North Carolina. Services include yard work, housekeeping, companionship, light home repairs, and grab bars/rails.

# **Neighbors Network**

828-464-1111 <u>https://neighborsnetwork.clubexpress.com/</u> Provides resources and services to help adults 50+ to thrive. One of the services they provide is a vetted list of repair service providers. Everyone they include has agreed to give a discounted rate to those referred to them by Neighbors Network.

# Health Care & Family Care

# **Kintegra Family Medicine**

133 1st Avenue SE Hickory NC 28602 828-994-4544 <u>https://www.kintegra.org/locations/kintegra-family-medicine-hickory/</u> *Community sponsored, family-centered provider of health care, health education and preventive care services without regard for the ability to pay.* 

# Catawba Family Dentistry (Kintegra)

3070 11<sup>th</sup> Ave Dr SE Hickory NC 28602 828-695-5778 https://gfhs.info/catawba-familydentistry/

The practice provides complete examinations and a wide range of treatment and educational services for children ages 1-21 with Medicaid and NC Health Choice dental insurance, as well as self-pay patients. The practice also provides services to pregnant women with Medicaid coverage.

# Catawba Valley Community College, Dental Hygiene Clinic

828-327-7000

https://www.rise4me.com/resources/catawba-valley-community-dental-hygiene-clinic/ Dental Hygiene curriculum through students at CVCC. As a patient, you will receive high quality care at reduced fees in comparison with those found in private dental offices. Services offered include cleaning, x-rays, sealants.

# **Insure Kids Now**

Find a Dentist in North Carolina for NC Health Choice and NC Medicaid <u>https://www.insurekidsnow.gov/find-a-dentist</u>

Use this Dentist Locator to find a dentist in your community who sees children and accepts Medicaid and CHIP

# **Catawba Valley Healthcare**

<u>Hickory Clinic:</u> 327 1<sup>st</sup> Ave NW Hickory NC 28601 #828-695-5900 <u>Burke Clinic:</u> 205 Morgan St SE Valdese NC 28690 #828-624-1900 https://www.cvhnc.org/

Non-profit healthcare provider. Formerly known as Catawba Valley Behavioral Healthcare. Serve people with Medicaid or Medicare, those who are uninsured and underinsured, those who are homeless, those without documentation, and those who are incarcerated or recently incarcerated. Services includes primary care, outpatient therapy, psychiatric treatment, peer support, mobile crisis, residential services, psychosocial rehabilitation, independent living, skills training, and intensive team-based specialized case management and treatment. Service area: Burke and Catawba County.

# Catawba County Social Services - Day Care Assistance

3030 11<sup>th</sup> Ave Dr SE Hickory NC 28602 828-695-5600

https://www.catawbacountync.gov/county-services/social-services/family-supportservices/day-care-assistance/

Day Care Assistance is a childcare subsidy program for families who need help paying day care costs for their children from birth though 13 years old while they work or attend school. All families who are income eligible for Day Care Assistance are required to pay a portion of the cost of day care through a fee called the Parent Fee. The amount of the Parent Fee is based on household size and household income.

# Autism 360

https://www.autism-360.com/

<u>Hickory Clinic</u> 2751 S NC 127 Hwy Hickory NC 28602 # 704-529-9090 <u>Conover Clinic</u> 301 10<sup>th</sup> St NW Ste B200 Conover NC 28613 # 704-529-9090 Prepare children with autism to excel in school, community, and home-based settings. Office also located in Charlotte, Matthew, and Shelby.

# **Children/Youth Services**

# **Catawba County Social Service**

3030 11th Avenue Drive SE, Hickory, NC 28602 (828) 695-5600; (828) 695-5721 www.catawbacountync.gov/dss/ Social Services attempts to prevent social problems, maintain those unable to care for themselves, help the able-bodied become employed, protect children and adults from abuse and neglect, help children have permanent homes, and give the elderly and disabled a choice to remain in their own homes with Child Care Credentials

# Children's Advocacy and Protection Center of Catawba Valley

4360 County Home Road Conover NC 28613 828-465-9296

#### http://catawbacountycapc.org/capc/

Advocate for the protection of the children of Catawba County by working to: empower individuals through training and education, coordinate a comprehensive team response to abuse and neglect, and reduce victim trauma. Services includes forensic interviews, child medical exams, victim advocate, mental health treatment, and parent support group.

# **Conover School**

108 7th Street Place SW, Conover, NC 28613 (828) 464-9532

#### https://con.newton-conover.org/

Public education for mentally handicapped, autistic, and augmentative communication needs students, age 3 to 21

# **Blue Ridge Community Action**

#### https://www.brcainc.org/childcare

Manages three childhood education facilities and provides the following services to most of the communities in the Burke County area: Day Care, Head Start, and Early Head Start. Application available online. Eligibility varies based on the program. SNAP recipients automatically qualify for Head Start and Early Head Start.

<u>Circle of Friends</u> 240 Bravard St Rutherford College NC 28671 #828-879-2367 <u>Quaker Meadows Generations</u> 800 N Green St Morganton NC 28655 #828-438-6255 <u>Northside Children's Learning Center</u> 1440 Blowing Rock Blvd Lenoir NC 28645 #828-758-4290

# East Coast Migrant Head Start Project

1-800-655-6831

http://www.ecmhsp.org/

Prepare children of migrant and seasonal farmworkers for success. Services and opportunities include parenting education, adult education in financial literacy, computer basics, and parent training on child topics.

# Mental & Wellness

#### **Council on Adolescents of Catawba**

1120 Fairgrove Church Road SE Suite 22 Hickory NC 828-322-4591

#### www.coacatawba.org

Educating teens about teen pregnancy prevention, preventing distracted driving, making healthy choices, planning for the future, and resisting peer pressure. Catawba County adolescents between the ages of 10-18 are the target population for all educational programming. The Healthy Youth Education program is for students grades 5-9, Lunch Buddy Mentoring Program serves students grades 6-8, Teen Talk is for students grades 6-9, and the Smart Moms and Dads Program is for any pregnant or parenting teen.

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# Safe Harbor

112 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue SE Hickory NC 28602 828-326-7233

#### https://www.safeharbornc.org/

Offers residential treatment program for women in recovery; day services for women who are homeless: (showers, meals, laundry facilities, workshops) and low-cost temporary apartments for women working towards self-sufficiency and their children.

# **Strong Life Ministries**

1209 Fairgrove Church Rd SE Conover NC 28613 828-994-4321

https://www.stronglifenc.org/

https://www.stronglifenc.org/rescuemission.html

Serve individuals who are homeless in the Catawba County area. Educate, coordinate resources, provide aid and relief for individuals in poverty or who are homeless. Provides day programs and a transitional housing program for men.

# **Outright Youth**

748 4th Street SW Hickory NC

828-320-1937

https://linktr.ee/outrightyouthcv

Program's goal is to reduce the isolation felt by LGBTQ youth by providing a sense of community and developing programs and services.

# **Shelter Home**

828-758-0888

https://www.shelterhomecc.org/

Currently managing domestic violence and sexual assault services for Catawba County. DV or SA victim helpline is available 24/7 at 828-758-7088. The Family Guidance Center is closed effective August 31, 2024.

# **Partners Behavior Health Management**

1985 Tate Blvd SE Hickory NC 28602 1-877-864-1454 https://www.partnersbhm.org/mental-health-services/

Assist in linking individuals with mental health, development disability and substance abuse services. Partnered Counties: Burke, Cabarrus, Catawba, Cleveland, Davidson, Davie, Forsyth, Gaston, Iredell, Lincoln, Rutherford, Stanly, Surry, Union, Yadkin.

# Integrated Care of Greater Hickory

741 5<sup>th</sup> St SW Hickory NC 28602 828-322-5915

https://www.integratedcarehickory.com/

Assist individuals with depression, anxiety, trauma, or substance use disorders. Offer competitive pricing and some free treatment provided from grants. Free treatments eligible for patients that are not currently enrolled in any other treatment program.

# **The Counseling Group**

106 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave NE Hickory NC 28601 828-322-8736

# https://thecounselinggroup.com/

Provide services to individuals of all ages – from early childhood through adolescence and into adulthood. A plan of treatment is designed for each individual's needs to assist in managing the difficulties of life. Also works alongside businesses and organizations to improve productivity by addressing the emotional needs of their employees through an Employee Assistance Program.

# NC 211 (Catawba County United Way)

2-1-1 Phone: 2-1-1 from cell phone or 1-888-892-1162 Website: www.211.org

NC 211 is an information and referral service. Families and individuals can call 2-1-1 or 1-888-892-1162 to receive free and confidential information on health and human services within their community.

#### **National Suicide Prevention Lifeline**

1-800-273-8255 or 988 https://988lifeline.org/

Whether you're facing mental health struggles, emotional distress, alcohol or drug use concerns, or just need someone to talk to. You are not alone.

# **Recovery Support**

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#### **Hickory Metro Treatment Center**

1152 Lenoir Rhyne Blvd SE Hickory NC 28601 828-485-1320 https://www.newseason.com/treatment-center-locations/north-carolina/hickorymetro-treatment-center/

Provides opioid addiction treatment and recovery services in Hickory, Mountain View, Long View, St. Stephens, Northlakes, Newton, Conover, Hildebran, Claremont, Granite Falls, Brookford and surrounding areas for a low fee.

#### The Cognitive Connection

929 15<sup>th</sup> St NE Suite 100 Hickory NC 28601 828-327-6026 https://www.thecogcon.com/ Provides cognitive behavioral intervention programs, employment training programs, substance abuse treatment programs, education programs, and case management programs throughout North Carolina.

# **Integrated Care of Greater Hickory**

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# **Olive Branch Ministry**

3730 N Center St Hickory NC 28601 828-291-7023

# https://olivebranchministry.org/

Faith-based harm reduction outreach organization. Services provided include Points of Care mobile outreach by staff and volunteers for syringe access, naloxone distribution, peer support, and justice center education. Homeless Outreach - active outreach to shelters and tent cities to ensure that these individuals have food, clothing, and hygiene products. Tri-County Opioid Overdose Response Team - collaborates with the post-overdose response team to link individuals to treatment and provide harm reduction education. Hosts Medication Assisted Recovery Anonymous meetings. Serves Allegheny, Ashe, Burke, Catawba, Cleveland, Gaston, Lincoln, McDowell, Watauga County.

# **Disability Support and Care**

# **Destiny Management**

109 Oakland Avenue Drexel NC 28619 828-391-8282

https://destinymanagement.net/home/

Assist individuals referred to the agency who have a primary diagnosis of an intellectual developmental disability. Provides two adult Day Programs where Individuals with IDD can continue learning and growing and making new friends. This service helps acquire, retrain,

or improve self-help skills, increase socialization and adaptive skills in a non-residential setting. Bright Futures is a licensed day program in Hickory providing structured programming for adults with I/DD living in Catawba County. Heritage Day is a licensed day program in Drexel providing structured programming for adults with I/DD living in Burke County. Primarily serve Burke and Catawba counties.

# Arc of North Carolina

2300 Sardis Road North Charlotte, NC 28227 704-568-0112

#### https://www.arcnc.org/charlotte-region

The Arc promotes and protects the human rights of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and actively supports their full inclusion and participation in the community throughout their lifetimes. Services include housing, guardianship, comprehensive care, advocacy, resources related to fetal alcohol spectrum disorders, and self-directed services. The Charlotte regional office covers Catawba, Cleveland, Gaston, Iredell, Lincon, Mecklenburg, and Union County.

# **Adult Life Programs**

1265 21<sup>st</sup> St NE A Hickory NC 28601 828-324-1313

#### https://www.adultlifeprograms.com/

Adult Life Programs operates day centers for adult, 18 years and older, who generally cannot be safely left at home alone during the day. Our three centers are located in Catawba County, and serve residents of Alexander, Burke, Caldwell, Catawba, and Lincoln counties.

# **Goodwill Career Center**

413 Thornburg Dr SE Conover NC 28613 828-465-0371

www.goodwillnwnc.org

Free career center. Goodwill's Disability Services program assist individuals with disability find an integrated position for employment. Also has a rehabilitation program that will help you in your physical recovery.

# 711 Relay Service

#### #711

Services permit persons with a hearing or speech disability to use the telephone system via a text telephone (TTY) or other device to call persons with or without such disabilities. It's fast, functional and free. Dialing 711, both voice and TTY-based TRS users can initiate a

call from any telephone, anywhere in the United States, without having to remember and dial a ten-digit access number.

# **Aging Population**

# **Catawba County Council on Aging**

400 17<sup>th</sup> St SW Hickory NC 28602 828-328-2269

https://www.catawbacoa.org/

Provides services, programs and activities for adults age 60 and older, and operates the West Hickory Senior Center.

# Catawba County Social Services- Adult Day Care/ Day Health

828-695-5609

http://www.catawbacountync.gov/county-services/social-services/adultservices/homecommunity-basedservices/

Provides care and supervision, community integration and stimulating activities to elderly or disabled adults as an option to placement, allowing caregivers to work and providing them respite. Individual Eligibility Requirements: Any disabled or aging adult (age 18 years of age or older) needing adult day care and adult day health services. Adult must have an impairment that prohibits him or her from living an independent life style without supportive services, and must be at risk of being institutionalized.

# Catawba County Social Services – Special Assistance In-home Care

828-695-5609

https://www.catawbacountync.gov/county-services/socialservices/adultservices/home-community-basedservices/

Provides an alternative to placement in an ACH for individuals who could live at home safely with additional support services and income. The program provides a cash supplement to help low-income individuals who are at risk of entering an Adult Care Home (ACH) and who would like to remain at home. The program can help with living expenses such as food, shelter, clothing and other daily necessities. Individual Eligibility Requirements: Medicaid-eligible individuals with incomes at or below 100% of the federal poverty level.

# PACE@Home

1915 Fairgrove Church Rd SE Newton NC 28658 828-468-3980

https://www.pace-at-home.org/

Program of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly that allows individuals in need of skilled nursing home care to remain in their home or community setting. Clients are those unable

to live safely in the community at the time of enrollment, age 55 and older, and determined by the state of NC for nursing home care. Clients must reside in their services area within a zip code system. This covers parts of Alexander, Burke, Caldwell, Catawba, and Lincoln County.

#### Western Piedmont Council of Governments Area Agency on Aging

1880 Second Ave NW Hickory NC 28601 828-322-9191

https://www.wpcog.org/area-agency-on-aging

Eligibility is based on the need for the service, not on income. There may be a waiting list for some services: Adult Day Care, Congregate Meals, Home-Delivered Meals, In Home Respite for Family Caregivers, In-Home Aide, Transportation, Senior Center Operations, Legal Services, Information and Options Counseling, Housing and Home Improvement.

#### **Adult Life Programs**

1265 21<sup>st</sup> St NE A Hickory NC 28601 828-324-1313

https://www.adultlifeprograms.com/

Adult Life Programs operates day centers for adult, 18 years and older, who generally cannot be safely left at home alone during the day. Our three centers are located in Catawba County, and serve residents of Alexander, Burke, Caldwell, Catawba, and Lincoln counties.

#### **Neighbors Network**

502 Thornburg Dr NE Conover NC 28613 828-464-1111

https://neighborsnetwork.clubexpress.com/

Provides resources and services to help adults 50+ to thrive. Programs include health/wellness classes, computer training, legal support, insurance counseling.

#### **Serving Our Seniors**

828-222-9343

#### https://www.sos-nc.org/services

Providing low, or no-cost services to "in-home" seniors, 65 and older and disabled veterans living in North Carolina. Services include yard work, housekeeping, companionship, light home repairs, and grab bars/rails.

# Veteran Services

VA (Veterans Affairs) Clinic https://www.va.gov/find-locations Online search and guide for Veteran resources in the U.S. Category ranges from health, urgent care, emergency care, pharmacies, benefits, cemeteries, and vet centers.

# **Catawba County Veteran Services**

100 Government Drive Newton NC 28658 828-485-8255 https://www.catawbacountync.gov/county-services/emergency-services/veteransservices/#:~:text=The%20Catawba%20County%20Veteran%20Services,(828)%20465 %2D8255.

Assists veterans and their dependents in filing claims with the Veterans Administration for benefits and service. Appointments are required to meet with the Veteran Services Officer. To make an appointment, please call (828) 465-8255.

# **HKY4Vets**

828-267-1564 https://hky4vets.org/

HKY4Vets assists transitioning military & military families find economic opportunities and resources & make valuable connections in the Hickory Metro of North Carolina.

# **Foothills Veterans Helping Veterans**

828-302-0293

# https://www.foothillsveteranshelpingveterans.com/

Local nonprofit that helps veterans and their families access community resources, such as housing, healthcare and employment throughout the foothills of western North Carolina. FVHV helps veterans find housing and employment. Members work with NCworks and Veteran Services of the Carolinas, whose responsibilities include finding adequate housing and employment for veterans. FVHV also helps connect veterans to find adequate dental and healthcare.

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# **Cultural Resources**

Greater Hickory International Council (GHIC) 828-234-6330 https://hickoryinternationalcouncil.com/ Provides the community with international news through our links to newspapers from around the world and local cultural information.

# **Centro Latino**

828-330-0477 https://www.centrolatinohickory.com/

Provides a Christian response to the needs of Latinos in our community and seeks to bridge the cultural gap between Spanish and non-Spanish speakers through outreach, advocacy and training. Medical, transportation, legal assistance, etc.

# North Carolina Hmong Women Association, Inc.

nchmongwomen@nc-hwa.org https://nc-hwa.org/ Focusing on advancing Hmong women and girls in N

Focusing on advancing Hmong women and girls in North Carolina, and as well as individuals from diverse cultural backgrounds, by providing access to education, fostering leadership development, and promoting community advocacy.

#### National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP-Hickory) 828-322-1196

https://hickorynaacp.org/

Mission is to achieve equity, political rights, and social inclusion by advancing policies and practices that expand human and civil rights, eliminate discrimination, and accelerate the well-being.

# East Coast Migrant Head Start Project

1-800-655-6831

http://www.ecmhsp.org/

Prepare children of migrant and seasonal farmworkers for success. Services and opportunities include parenting education, adult education in financial literacy, computer basics, and parent training on child topics.

# **Transportation**

# **Greenway Public Transportation**

1515 4th St SW Conover NC 28613 828-465-7634

https://www.mygreenway.org/

Greenway Public Transportation provides boardings to residents living in Alexander, Burke, Caldwell and Catawba County. Greenway is a responsible transportation solution and an excellent way to build a cleaner, more vibrant, healthier and less congested community.