TRANSPORTATION

1) ADLIB INC. CENTER FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING

215 North Street 413-442-7047
Pittsfield, MA 01201

85 Main Street 413-663-6200
North Adams, MA 01247

Hours: Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

AdLib is an independent living center for people with disabilities. AdLib provides four core services of peer counseling, advocacy, skills training, and information and referral. In addition, AdLib offers the following specialized programs: Personal Assistance Services, Americans with Disabilities Act Technical Assistance, Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services, Housing Assistance, Transportation Services, Representative Payee Program, and the Drop-In Center.

2) AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY

www.cancer.org

39 Wahconah Street
P.O. Box 1695
Pittsfield, MA 01202
413-445-0005 (Can leave message on Tuesday & Friday.)
Hours: Monday, Wednesday & Thursday - 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Patient Support - Marie Barzousky 413-445-2416

Information and referral, advocacy and direct services for individuals and families facing cancer; limited transportation for clients.

3) AMERICAN MEDICAL RESPONSE

121 West Housatonic Street 413-499-3232
Pittsfield, MA 01201 1-888-330-0666
Hours: 24-Hour Service

Transportation for elderly and disabled for medical appointments and other necessary travel. Costs vary with different types of eligibility, determined by the Berkshire Regional Transportation Authority.
4) AMERICAN RED CROSS – BERKSHIRE COUNTY CHAPTER
www.redcrossberkshirecounty.org

480 West Street 413-442-1506
P.O. Box 644 1-800-332-2030
Pittsfield, MA 01202
Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.- 4:30 p.m.

24-hour assistance for disaster victims, medical transportation, blood services, HIV/AIDS education and assistance for individuals living with HIV/AIDS. Service for the military and their families, homeless prevention services and sheltering. First Aid, CPR, AED, water safety, babysitting and lifeguard education. Nurse assistant training and caregivers program. Food pantry and Berkshires Bounty perishable food distribution. International tracing services. Volunteer development and youth leadership program.

5) BERKSHIRE COMMUNITY ACTION COUNCIL

1531 East Street
Pittsfield, MA 01201
Business Office: Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. 413-445-4505
Fuel Office: Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. 413-445-5671
Energy Conservation Office: Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. 413-443-4672
Food Pantry: Monday – Friday, 10 a.m. – 12:45 p.m. 413-443-4503
Fax: 413-447-7871

85 Main Street
North Adams, MA 01247
Business Office: Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. 413-663-3014
Fuel Office: Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. 413-663-3099
Food Pantry: Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. 413-663-3014
Fax: 413-663-3577

8 Castle Street
Great Barrington, MA 01230
Business Office: Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. 413-528-1947
Fuel Office: Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. 413-528-1947
Food Pantry: Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. 413-528-1947
Saturday, 11 a.m. – 4 p.m.
Fax: 413-528-9658

Our Friends House Family Shelter (See also separate listing in this directory.)

292 West Street
Pittsfield, MA 01201
Business Office: Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. 413-499-2877
Fax: 413-499-3779
Berkshire Community Action Council provides advocacy, fuel and utility assistance, energy conservation, transportation, shelter, and a food pantry. Serves low and moderate income families and individuals in Berkshire County.
6) BERKSHIRE REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY

67 Downing Parkway 413-499-2782
Pittsfield, MA 01201 1-800-292-2782
TTY) 413-448-2108
Hours: Monday-Saturday, 7 a.m.-7:30 p.m. (Bus running hours)
Hours: Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. -5 p.m. (Office)

Fixed route bus service for Berkshire County. Determines eligibility for paratransit (cabulance) and ½ price taxi tickets. Provides transportation to and from routine health care appointments throughout the state for Mass Health recipients. Must book in advance and must have a PT1 form on file with BRTA.

7) CATHOLIC CHARITIES

65 Elliot Street 413-452-0613
Springfield, MA 01101
Hours: Must call for appointment

Provides some assistance with electricity, gas and oil bills once per year per family. May also be able to provide appliances, help with prescription medications and one-way emergency transportation. Berkshire County residents are eligible for these services, although in some cases it may be necessary to travel to Springfield.

8) ELDER SERVICES OF BERKSHIRE COUNTY, INC.

www.esbci.org

66 Wendell Avenue 413-499-0524
Pittsfield, MA 01201
Hours: Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.- 5 p.m.

Services for elders 60 years and older. Case management, information and referral, homemaker/personal care, home health services, nutrition, “Meals on Wheels” program, housing, adult family care, ombudsmen (advocacy for elderly patients in long term care facilities) and money management program. Nursing home prescreening, protective services, employment opportunities for elders, volunteer opportunities (transportation, shopping and companionship) and transportation resources. Support group for family caregivers of the elderly.

9) SALVATION ARMY GATEWAY NEW LIFE CENTER (NORTH ADAMS)

393 River Street 413-663-7987
North Adams, MA 01247
Hours: Food Pantry: Monday - Thursday, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.
Sunday Meal: 4 p.m. following Praise and Worship
Office hours: Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Services include emergency transportation, emergency assistance for disaster victims, food pantry, fuel assistance (Good Neighbor Fund, December-April), free bread, free clothing, furniture (when available), senior citizen activities, social recreation, and educational programs for children. Saturday breakfast for children and a Tuesday and Wednesday feeding program are planned for early 2004.
10) SOUTHERN BERKSHIRE ELDERLY TRANSPORTATION CORPORATION

909 Main Street 413-528-4773
Great Barrington, MA 01230
Hours: Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.- 4 p.m.

Lift-equipped van transportation for the elderly and disabled people of any age in South County to and from Claire W. Teague Senior Center and meal site, shopping, medical and dental appointments, adult day health care, etc. throughout South County.

11) VETERANS OUTREACH CENTER, INC.

152 North Street 413-499-0256
P.O. Box 1474
Pittsfield, MA 01202
Hours: Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.- 4 p.m.
(24 hour answering service)

Assistance to veterans and their families with personal or interpersonal stress. Counseling, crisis intervention, information & referral, technical assistance with VA claims, emergency food pantry, and van transportation for all Western Massachusetts. Transportation must be arranged two weeks in advance.

12) WILLIAMSTOWN ECUMENICAL ASSOCIATION

c/o St. Patrick’s Church 413-458-4946
54 Southworth Street
Williamstown, MA 01267

Provides a limited number of vouchers for groceries, meals, one night’s lodging or transportation. Call any church in Williamstown (listed in phonebook yellow pages) for services.