

# La Belle Goodwill Job-Link Center

## **Description of Goodwill Job-Link Services provided at the La Belle United Way House**

Our Goodwill Job-Link center helps people with employment, skills training, and family strengthening. Our trained employment consultants can assist with resume preparation, interviewing skills, and access to online employment opportunities. The Job-Link center also provides computer access so that our clients can look for a job and submit online resumes and job applications. Many of our computers are equipped with adaptive technology to assist people with disabilities. We also help with electric assistance (Liheap), Safelink wireless phone applications as well as unemployment. Finally, the Job-Link center provides referrals to family strengthening services in the community. We partner with numerous agencies across Southwest Florida with the common goal of helping people become more independent.

## **Description of Programs Offered at the La Belle United Way House/ Goodwill Job-Link Center**

### **Abuse Counseling & Treatment**

Abuse counseling & Treatment provides counseling for victims of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault and Human Trafficking.

### **Alzheimer & Dementia Assistance & Memory Screenings**

*Partner: Alvin Dubin Alzheimers Center*

This program provides local support for coping with dementia. This center offers individualized assistance for families and caregivers, support group meetings, training and education programs for professionals.

### **Catholic Charities**

Assist with food stamps and Medicaid Applications.

### **Center for Independent Living**

*The center assists consumers in reaching their goal of independence and self-sufficiency. They offer cooking classes, art classes and keyboarding classes. They offer employment program providing career exploration, resume writing and interviewing skills.*

### **Children's Home Society, Bridges Program**

*Bridges assists families to become self-sufficient by case management and referral to community resources.*

### **Children's Advocacy**

*Family Resource Specialist*

Provide resources to families whose children attend Children's Garden Child Care.

### **Children's Advocacy Center**

Trauma focused therapy to children and adult survivors of childhood sexual and physical abuse and neglect.

### **Early Learning Coalition**

*Early learning coalition determines eligibility for child care financial assistance. Resources and referrals for listings for childcare providers are also available.*

### **Harry Chapin Food Bank**

*Assist with Food Stamps and Medicaid Applications.*

### **Hendry County Housing Department**

*Section 8 – Rental subsidy for a set group of tenants in Hendry County.*

*First Time Homebuyers – Down payment and closing cost help with the purchase of a client's first home.*

*Mortgage Payment Assistance – Mortgage assistance for individuals who have been laid off and are getting unemployment.*

*Home Repair – Repair of homes in Hendry County.*

### **Saluscare**

Assessment and treatment of those suffering from alcohol and substance abuse. Patients can be self-referred, referred by DCF or Probation, Court Related Services. Individual and group counseling is available and patients are randomly urine drug screened.

### **Salvation Army**

The Salvation Army provides emergency assistance to individuals and families experiencing a crisis situation that are in need of rental, utility, and/or prescription assistance. A food pantry is available for emergency food needs. A shower facility is available for homeless individuals. A family self-sufficiency program is available for individuals and families interested in one on one case management (CSBG Program) for Hendry County Residents. Spiritual Counseling is available on an as needed basis.

### **United Way 211**

Answers United Way 211 helpline. Arlene Bettencourt answers United Way 211 help line and is the United Way House Manager.

### **Veterans Services**

Individual, marriage and family therapy for veterans who have served in a combat zone.

### **Vita – Volunteer Income Tax Assistance**

Free assistance filing for Federal Income Tax year round.

**\*\* We also provide meeting space for community organizations\*\***