

**BAKER  
COUNTY**

**BAKER COUNTY NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICE CENTER  
SOUTHWEST GEORGIA COMMUNITY ACTION COUNCIL, INC.  
P. O. Box 490 ~ 156 Roosevelt Street  
Newton, GA 39870  
Phone: (229) 734-4070**

**PURPOSE:**

To provide crisis intervention and self-sufficiency services for infants, children, and adults regardless of race, color, creed, or disabling condition.

**SERVICES:**

To provide assistance in paying utility bills, grocery purchasing, summer camp, providing clothing, commodity distribution, senior nutrition, transportation, outreach and referral.

**ELIGIBILITY:**

Based on individual requirements of each program.

**HOURS OF SERVICE:**

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday

**APPLICATION PROCEDURE:**

Need to complete family survey; also, bring proof of income.

**FEES:**

None

**SOURCE OF FUNDS:**

Federal, State, and Local

**SOUTHWEST GEORGIA COMMUNITY ACTION COUNCIL, INC.  
P. O. Box 3728 ~ 912 First Avenue S.E.  
Moultrie, GA 31776-3728  
Phone: (229) 985-3610 / 1-800-642-3384**

**PURPOSE:**

Programs include Commodity Distribution, Emergency Services, Head Start and Early Head Start, Outreach and Referral, Senior Nutrition, Transportation, Summer Camp, Housing and Weatherization, Homeless/Food and Shelter Program.

**SERVICES:**

The following counties are served: Baker, Calhoun, Colquitt, Decatur, Dougherty, Early, Grady, Lee, Marion, Mitchell, Miller, Schley, Seminole, Sumter, Terrell, Thomas, Webster, and Worth.

**ELIGIBILITY:**

Based on individual requirements of each program.

**HOURS OF SERVICE:**

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Monday - Friday

**APPLICATION PROCEDURE:**

Proof of income and in some cases documentation of emergency.

**FEES:**

None

**SOURCE OF FUNDS:**

Federal, State, and Local

**BAKER COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY AND CHILDREN SERVICES**

**P. O. Box 540 ~ 101 Sunset Boulevard**

**Newton, GA 39870**

**Phone: (229) 734-5247 / (229) 734-5609**

**PURPOSE:**

To provide financial/medical assistance, food stamps and energy assistance to eligible households. Agency also provides protective services to children and adults without regard to income. Preventive/homemaker services provided to eligible households.

**SERVICES:**

Financial services including Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF); assistance with food and medical expenses through food stamp and Medicaid programs; protective services for children and adults; adoption and foster care; Medicaid transportation; emergency food bank and clothes closet available.

**ELIGIBILITY:**

Families with dependent children, medically needy, adult Medicaid, and food stamps. Protective services without regard to income.

**HOURS OF SERVICE:**

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Monday - Friday

**APPLICATION PROCEDURE:**

Telephone request, office visit, or referral

**FEES:**

None

**SOURCE OF FUNDS:**

State

**BAKER COUNTY ADULT LEARNING CENTER**

**Hokesmith Drive, Apartment #16**

**Newton, GA 39870**

**Phone: (229) 734-1297**

**Hours of Service**

**Day Classes: 7:45 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Monday – Thursday**

**Night Classes: 5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Tuesday & Thursday**

**PURPOSE:**

To provide the opportunity for youth and adults to learn or improve their basic education skills. Serving Baker County and surrounding areas.

**SERVICES:**

Instruction in basic math, reading, and writing skills; preparation for G.E.D. test.

**ELIGIBILITY:**

16 years of age or older and not enrolled in high school.

**HOURS OF SERVICE:**

Tuesday and Thursday 8:30 am – 3:00 pm

**APPLICATION PROCEDURE:**

Dougherty County (229) 431-3423 / Janice McKinnon

**FEES:**

None

**SOURCE OF FUNDS:**

Federal and State

**MITCHELL COUNTY HOSPITAL**

**90 Stephens Street**

**Camilla, GA 31730**

**Phone: (229) 336-5284**

**PURPOSE:**

Acute care general hospital.

**SERVICES:**

Emergency room, lab, x-ray, inpatient care, & mammography

**ELIGIBILITY:**

None

**HOURS OF SERVICE:**

24 hours a day / 7 days a week

**APPLICATION PROCEDURE:**

None

**FEES:**

Fee for services rendered

**SOURCE OF FUNDS:**

County proceeds plus proceeds from operation.

**BAKER COUNTY EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE**

**P. O. Box 683**

**Main Street**

**Newton, GA 39870**

**Phone: (229) 734-3008**

**PURPOSE:**

Transportation for the sick and injured citizens of Baker County.

**SERVICES:**

Education on purpose of EMS to the general public, workshops for the education systems in Baker County.

**ELIGIBILITY:**

Citizens of Baker County

**HOURS OF SERVICE:**

24 hours a day / 7 days a week

**APPLICATION PROCEDURE:**

N/A

**FEES:**

None

**SOURCE OF FUNDS:**

County and Donations

**NEWTON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT**

**P. O. Box 683**

**Camilla, GA 31730**

**Phone: (229) 734-5331**

**PURPOSE:**

Saving and protecting life and property of Baker County.

**SERVICES:**

Education to the general public.

**ELIGIBILITY:**

Citizens of Baker County.

**HOURS OF SERVICE:**

24 hours a day / 7 days a week.

**APPLICATION PROCEDURE:**

N/A

**FEES:**

N/A

**SOURCE OF FUNDS:**

Donations.

**DESOTO TRAIL REGIONAL LIBRARY**

**145 E. Broad Street**

**Camilla, GA 31730**

**Phone: (229) 336-8372**

**SERVICES:**

General library services, equipped for children and adults with special needs, conference and meeting space, community information, computers with internet access. Summer Story Hour for ages 3 – 5 and also for ages 6 and over.

**HOURS OF SERVICE:**

9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Monday – Friday

9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Saturday

**BAKER COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY**

**P. O. Box 683 ~ Main Street**

**Newton, GA 39870**

**Phone: (229) 734-3000**

**PURPOSE:**

Mitigation, preparedness, response and recovery to all natural and man made hazards in Baker County.

**SERVICES:**

Education for preparing each citizen for any disaster in Baker County.

**ELIGIBILITY:**

All citizens qualify for services.

**HOURS OF SERVICE:**

24 hours a day / 7 days a week

**APPLICATION PROCEDURE:**

None

**FEES:**

None

**SOURCE OF FUNDS:**

County and Federal

**LIBERTY HOUSE WOMEN'S CRISIS CENTER**

**P. O. Box 2046**

**Albany, GA 31702**

**Phone: (229) 439-7065 Crisis / (229) 439-7094 Business**

**PURPOSE:**

Shelter for abused women and their children.

**SERVICES:**

Housing (food, shelter, and clothing), legal aid, employment referral (through agencies and classified ads), financial support (through Department of Family and Children Services and donations), counseling, and rape crisis program.

**ELIGIBILITY:**

Contact office.

**HOURS OF SERVICE:**

24 hours a day / 7 days a week.

**APPLICATION PROCEDURE:**

Contact office.

**FEES:**

None

**SOURCE OF FUNDS:**

Federal, State, and Local

**CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT AGENCY**

**P. O. Box 565 ~ 12 W. Broad Street**

**Camilla, GA**

**31730-1749**

**Phone: (229) 522-3600 Fax: (229) 336-9276**

**PURPOSE:**

To establish paternity of children to establish and enforce support orders.

**SERVICES:**

Non-TANF services for \$1.00 and collect child support on TANF cases.

**ELIGIBILITY:**

To be custodian of a minor and in need of child support.

**HOURS OF SERVICE:**

8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

**APPLICATION PROCEDURE:**

Contact office

**FEES:**

\$1.00 on non-welfare.

**SOURCE OF FUNDS:**

Federal and State

**MITCHELL/BAKER SERVICE CENTER**

**65 Industrial Boulevard**

**Camilla, GA 31730**

**Phone: (229) 336-7977**

**PURPOSE:**

To support families and generic services for children (Day Care, Head Start, extended family) so that children can remain in their homes and participate in activities with their non-disability peers. Increase educational activities on preventing mental retardation. Coordinate services with other agencies.

**SERVICES:**

Services include programs for children 0-3 with a diagnosis of developmental delay. Facility based programs for adults ages 19 and up. These include work activity and supported employment. Also offer family support programs, psychological testing, evaluations, and referrals.

**ELIGIBILITY:**

Diagnosis of developmental delay for children birth to 3 years. Diagnosis of mental retardation for adults.

**HOURS OF SERVICE:**

Services available 24 hours a day.

**APPLICATION PROCEDURE:**

Contact office.

**FEES:**

None

**SOURCE OF FUNDS:**

Federal, State, and Local

**BAKER COUNTY PRIMARY HEALTH CARE CENTER**  
**P. O. Box 130 ~ 327 Sunset Boulevard**  
**Newton, GA 39870**  
**Phone: (229) 734-5250**

**PURPOSE:**

Providing primary medical care to patients with physicians (internists and pediatricians), physician assistants, nurse practitioners, and support staff.

**SERVICES:**

Basic primary care, laboratory, and social services.

**ELIGIBILITY:**

Prefer to work by appointment.

**HOURS OF SERVICE:**

8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Monday - Friday

**APPLICATION PROCEDURE:**

Call for an appointment.

**FEES:**

Sliding fee scale available, Medicare, Medicaid, other third party/Master Card and Visa.

**SOURCE OF FUNDS:**

Patient fees and Section 300 DHHS-PH5

**TRANSPORTATION BY HUMAN SERVICE AGENCIES**

Mitchell-Baker County Mental Retardation Training Center in Camilla, Georgia, transports mentally handicapped students to and from their center in Camilla 5 days a week. Annual ridership is 20,000 for Mitchell and Baker Counties. They own six 15-passenger vans (one van is equipped with wheelchair lift).

Southwest Georgia Community Action Council, Inc. – Child Development Program transports preschoolers to Head Start Center 5 days a week.

Southwest Georgia Community Action Council, Inc. – Nutrition Program transports enrolled elderly to and from nutrition site for meals and program.

## **DOCTORS**

**PHOEBE FAMILY MEDICAL CENTER**

**BARBARA SMITH, M.D.**

P. O. Box 389 ~ 48 US Hwy. 19

Camilla, GA 31730

Phone: (229) 336-5208

**TINA LOCKHART, NURSE PRACTITIONER**

34 S. Ellis Street

Camilla, GA 31730

**Phone: (229) 336-7472**

**DINESH PATEL, M.D.**

34 S. Ellis Street

Camilla, GA 31730

Phone: (229) 336-7472

**MITCHELL COUNTY PEDIATRICS**

**BASHIRU DAWODU, M.D.**

**35 S. Scott Street**

Camilla, GA 31730

Phone: (229) 336-9769

**PHOEBE FAMILY MEDICAL CENTER**

410 Curry Street

Pelham, GA 31779

(229) 294-9233

## **DENTISTS**

**BENITA RICHTER, D.D.S.**

137 Hand Place

Pelham, GA 31779

Phone: (229) 294-3229

**LEX M. BELYEU, D.D.S.**

106 S. Scott Street

Camilla, GA 31730

Phone: (229) 336-0898

**ROBERT TAYLOR III D.M.D.**

**SONYA TAYLOR-GLOVER, D.M.D**

2824 Gillionville Road

Albany, GA 31721

Phone: (229) 883-3443

**WILLIAM BERRY III, D.M.D**

500 N. Monroe Street

Albany, GA 31702

Phone: (229) 435-4689

**W. PARKER WESTBROOK, III, D.M.D.**

P. O. Box 507 ~ 32 N. Ellis Street

Camilla, GA 31730

Phone (229) 336-0305

**BAKER COUNTY EXTENSION SERVICE**

**P. O. Box 220 ~ Highway 37**

**Newton, GA 39870**

**Phone: (229) 734-3015**

**PURPOSE:**

The Extension Service is a part of the University of Georgia. It is an educational organization which provides educational programs in agriculture, home economics, community resources, and 4-H.

**SERVICES:**

The Extension Service is a part of the University of Georgia. It is an educational organization which provides educational programs in agriculture, home economics, community resources, and 4-H.

**ELIGIBILITY:**

Anyone is eligible for services.

**HOURS OF SERVICE:**

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Monday - Friday

**APPLICATION PROCEDURE:**

Telephone, office visit, and request.

**FEES:**

None

**SOURCE OF FUNDS:**

Federal, State, and County

**BAKER COUNTY SCHOOLS**

**BAKER COUNTY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

P. O. Box 250

Newton, GA 39870

Phone: (229) 734-5274

Principal:

**MITCHELL-BAKER HIGH SCHOOL**

Griffin Road

Camilla, GA 31730

Phone: (229) 336-0970

Principal: Robert Adams

**BAKER COUNTY PRE-K  
and PRIMARY SCHOOL**

P. O. Box 40

Newton, GA 39870

Phone: (229) 734-3060

**Principal: Danny Lovering**

**HOUSING AUTHORITY**  
**P. O. Box 247 ~ Harvey Street**  
**Camilla, GA 31730**  
**Phone: (229) 336-8543**

**PURPOSE:**

Low income rental property.

**SERVICES:**

None

**ELIGIBILITY:**

Family status and income.

**HOURS OF SERVICE:**

8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**APPLICATION PROCEDURE:**

Complete Application

**FEE:**

Based on income.

**SOURCE OF FUNDS:**

Federal

**BAKER COUNTY CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER**  
**SOUTHWEST GEORGIA COMMUNITY ACTION COUNCIL, INC.**  
**P. O. Box 578 ~ 139 Roosevelt Street**  
**Newton, GA 39870**  
**Phone: (229) 734-5564 / Fax: (229) 734-4810**

**PURPOSE:**

To provide preschool services to children ages 3-5 years, regardless of race, creed, color, national origin, or disabling condition. To provide a complete educational, health, nutritional, and social services program for the child.

**SERVICES:**

Education, health, dental, mental health, nutritional, social services, parent involvement, and disability services.

**ELIGIBILITY:**

The family applying must be within HHS income guidelines.

**HOURS OF SERVICE:**

7:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m., Monday - Friday; 9 months per year

**APPLICATION PROCEDURE:**

Obtain application from the Family Service Worker's Department at the Center.

**FEES:**

None

**SOURCE OF FUNDS:**

Federal, State, and Local

**BAKER COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT**  
**P. O. Box 365 ~ 200 Sunset Boulevard**  
**Newton, GA 39870**  
**Phone: (229) 734-5226**

**PURPOSE:**

Disease Prevention – to improve quality of life.

**SERVICES:**

Immunizations, Child Health Appraisal 0-21. Prenatal/Postnatal Care, Family Planning Clinic, Sickle Cell Testing, Premarital Blood Test, Pap Smear Program, STD, Pregnancy Test, School Health (Vision, Hearing and Dental Screening with follow-ups), Crippled Children's Unit, Mental Health, Environmental Health, Diabetic Screening, WIC Screening, EPSDT Screenings, and others.

**ELIGIBILITY:**

Anyone

**HOURS OF SERVICE:**

8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Monday - Friday

**APPLICATION PROCEDURE:**

WIC Screening, EPSDT Screening, Child Health, Family Planning, and Dental Health Services by appointment.

**FEES:**

It is the policy of the Division of Public Health not to deny services to any person on the basis of their inability to pay.

**SOURCE OF FUNDS:**

State and County

**CAMILLA LIONS CLUB**  
**Camilla, GA 31730**  
**Phone: (229) 336-0486**

**PURPOSE:**

To provide sight services (eye glasses, implants, corneas, transplants, etc.) and hearing aids for individuals unable to provide for themselves.

**SERVICES:**

The Camilla Loins Club provides eye examinations and glasses for Mitchell County residents (especially children) and will refer needs to the Lighthouse in Atlanta, GA.

**ELIGIBILITY:**

Income such that they are unable to provide such services themselves.

**HOURS OF SERVICE:**

8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Monday - Friday

**APPLICATION PROCEDURE:**

Written application providing financial information. Must be taken by Lions Club representative and approved by local Lions Club. Confirmation of income sources required – usually from the Department of Family and Children Services. Hearing aid requests and more serious eye problems are referred to Georgia Lions Lighthouse.

**FEES:**

Hearing test and small fee required for hearing aid.

**SOURCE OF FUNDS:**

Lions Club Project

## **BAKER COUNTY FAMILY CONNECTION COLLABORATIVE**

**P. O. Box 338 ~ 100 Main Street**

**Newton, GA 39870**

**Phone: (229) 734-3014 / Fax: (229) 734-3017**

### **PURPOSE:**

To achieve a vision of positive outcomes for all children and families in Baker County through collaboration among public/private partnerships which includes: local businesses, youth, city/county government, school system, PTO, learning institutions, rehabilitation services, health department, mental health, primary health, churches, Head Start, Extension Services, Child Support Enforcement, Family and Children Services, Family Preservation, Neighborhood Services Center, Department of Labor, and concerned citizens.

### **SERVICES:**

Targeted Case Management/Family Advocacy provides services to assist those targeted at-risk children in gaining access to needed medical, nutritional, social, educational, transportation, housing, and others services; and to encourage the use of various community resources through referral to appropriate providers. Case management services provide necessary coordination with providers of various support groups.

Earned Income Tax Project provides free tax preparation for working individuals and families who earn less than 200 percent of the federal poverty level each year. It is intended to reduce the tax burden on low-income workers, supplement their wages, and assist in the welfare-to-work transition.

### **ELIGIBILITY:**

Children age 0-18 who may have at least one of the risk factors below:

- No health check screening
- Few friends or school alienation
- Little or no extracurricular activities
- Dysfunctional family situation
- Disciplinary referrals/suspension
- Mental health diagnosis
- One or more grade retentions
- Born to teenage mother
- Frequent absences/tardiness from school
- Limited English proficiency
- Free or reduced price school lunches
- Lack of appropriate physical necessities
- One or more grade levels below in reading/math
- History of family substance abuse, juvenile court involvement, or is at risk for sexually transmitted disease
- Frequent complaints, low self-esteem
- Low achievement test scores
- History or exposure to direct/indirect violence
- History of sexual or physical abuse

### **HOURS OF SERVICE:**

8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Monday - Friday

### **APPLICATION PROCEDURE:**

Referrals are taken from any member of the community who may have concerns about a child or family.

### **FEES:**

None

### **SOURCE OF FUNDS:**

State of Georgia and private funders through the Georgia Connection Partnership.

**GIRLS SCOUTS OF SOUTHWEST GEORGIA**

**515 Pine Avenue**

**Albany, GA 31701**

**Phone: (229) 432-9188/1-800-448-4762**

**PURPOSE:**

To inspire girls with the highest ideals of character, conduct, patriotism and service that they may become happy and resourceful citizens.

**SERVICES:**

Members participated in service projects, team and individual sports, mentoring programs, career-oriented activities, international opportunities, outdoor camping experiences, and awards and recognition ceremonies.

**ELIGIBILITY:**

Girls between the ages of 5-17

**HOURS OF SERVICE:**

Various

**APPLICATION PROCEDURE:**

Contact the council

**FEES:**

Annual Membership dues are \$10.00

**EAST BAKER HISTORICAL SOCIETY &  
21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY COMMUNITY CORPORATION, INC.**

**P. O. Box 738 ~ 139 Roosevelt Street**

**Newton, GA 39870**

**(229) 734-7075; (229) 291-0466; FAX (229) 734-7065**

**Email: eastbaker@bellsouth.net; website: www.eastbaker.net**

**PURPOSE:**

To provide services, opportunities, resources and facilities to low income residents of Baker and surrounding counties that will result in an improved quality of life.

**SERVICES:**

East Baker desires to be heavily involved in economic improvement, business and job creation, social services, community improvement, education and family development.

**ELIGIBILITY:**

Services are open to everyone.

**HOURS OF SERVICE:**

The center is open 9 a.m. – 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, and other times by appointment.

**APPLICATION PROCEDURE:**

Appointments and consultations can be scheduled via telephone, fax, or e-mail. Walk-ins are welcomed.

**FEES:**

Vary.

**SOURCE OF FUNDS:**

Federal, state, and local funds are used along with membership dues, fundraisers and foundation monies to operate the organization.