

# **FAITH BASED OFFICER RESOURCE LIST**

**MULTIPLE COUNSELING:** Counseling in multiple areas.

## **Alcohol Chemical Treatment Series (A.C.T.S.)**

Offers different curriculums monthly, including parenting, anger management, employment search classes, and drug and alcohol rehabilitation. The main instructor, Rob Carpenter, has a Masters degree in Counseling. Participants must undergo assessment to be accepted, programs are free. There is no overnight contact person. They are not head quartered any where locally because they meet at different locations. Operates during business hours. Contact: Rob Carpenter at (361) 549-4617.

## **Taking Back the Streets in the name of Jesus Christ Ministries, Inc.**

Each Saturday, new participants go through an open enrollment and are assessed to take part in the free program. Curriculum offered includes GED prep, computer skills, life skills, alcohol and substance abuse counseling, and job training classes. Licensed counselors are available. Operates during business hours, (361) 851-0158, 1417 Horne.

Contact: Estella Rocha.

## **Padre Island Baptist Church**

Pre-marital, parenting, and financial counseling by ministers and volunteers. No licensed counselors. Involves fees. Activities for kids, pre-k through elementary. Operates during business hours, (361) 949-8273, 14253 S. Padre Island Drive. Contact: Anson Nash.

## **Annaville Baptist Church**

This church specializes in counseling those living in apartments. Ministers and volunteers available for counseling. No licensed counselors. Church has a family life center which offers many services. Operates during business hours, 4025 Violet Road, (361) 241-9551. Contact: Nat Simmons.

## **Family First Church**

Offer youth and adult programs, prevention, drug and alcohol and marriage counseling by ministers and volunteers. No licensed counselors. Operates during business hours, 1525 Morgan, (361) 361-522-2856. Contact: Pastor Ely Perez.

## **Life of Christ Ministry**

Drug and alcohol counseling, job training, feeding, and personal intervention programs. Licensed counselors, ministers and volunteers. Operates during business hours, (361) 563-1421, 8325 Lando Court. Contact: Charles Smith.

## **Cross Bridge Fellowship**

The church is located in an area that see gang activity. Ministers and volunteers available for counseling. No licensed counselors. Operates during business hours, (361) 876-8326, 4002 Up River Road. Contact: Jimmy Rodriguez.

**MULTIPLE COUNSELING CONT.:**

**Family Counseling Service**

Accredited non-profit agency providing services for children and families. Licensed counselors. Operates during business hours, (361) 852-9665 ext. 211 Contact: Christine DesRosier.

**Life of Christ Ministry**

Drug and alcohol counseling, job training, feeding, and personal intervention programs. Licensed counselors, ministers, and volunteers. Operates during business hours, (361) 563-1421, 8325 Lando Court. Contact: Charles Smith.

**Victory South Coast Church**

Homeless ministry, drug and alcohol rehabilitation, abuse, anger management, and financial counseling. Mentoring program for Miller High School Students. No licensed counselors. Operates during business hours, (361) 299-0002, 1001 Lantana. Contact: David Bendett.

**Corpus Christi Christian Fellowship**

Offers men's ministry on city's north side. Anger management, peer pressure for teens, teen dating, violence and sexual harassment, and drug and alcohol counseling. Licensed counselors, ministers, and volunteers. Operates during business hours, (361) 389-0034, 6602 S. Staples. Contact: Bryan Gray.

**El Shaddai Church**

All types of counseling for men, women, and children. No licensed counselors. Handled by ministers and volunteers. Operates during business hours, (361) 888-4969, 1413 Morris. Contact: Felix Zavala, Jr.

**I am Free Prison Ministry/Rapha House**

Gang violence, marriage, parenting, anger management, and substance abuse counseling. Offers a youth program. Operates during business hours, (361) 547-3755. Contact: Mark Soto.

**Brighton Park Baptist Church**

This church partners with several inner city churches offering multiple counseling. No licensed counselors, but ministers and volunteers are available. Operates during business hours, (361) 991-2910, 3418 Airline Road. Contact: Heath Peloquin.

**DRUG & ALCOHOL PROGRAMS:** Only Drug and Alcohol counseling.

**The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints**

The church offers a drug and alcohol rehab program which is lead by a local doctor. Members and non-members are welcome to attend the free program, each Wednesday from 6:30pm until 8:30pm at the church located at 6630 Wooldridge. Operates during business hours, (361) 993-3040 or (361) 993-1512. Contact: Donald Lee: (361) 688-6945 (cell).

**DRUG & ALCOHOL PROGRAMS CONT.:**

**Asbury Methodist Church**

“Celebrate Recovery” meets Tuesday and Friday evenings at 7pm at the church located at 7501 S. Staples. The group is lead by recovering addicts who are church members. The program is free. There is no assessment for participants. Members and non-church members welcomed. Operates during business hours, (361) 992-7501. Chuck Votzmeyer.

**Grace Presbyterian Church**

Volunteers work with Wenholze House which helps adults fighting addictions. Assessment needed, program is free. No licensed counselors. Run by volunteers who have not gone through any training. Church members also volunteer with “Mission 911”, a weekly addicts group which meets at 911 Park Street. Operates during business hours, (361) 985-8585, 6301 Yorktown. Contact: Pastor Mark Salmon.

**Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse**

Substance abuse services and prevention, drug and alcohol intervention and outpatient treatment. Some fees could be involved. The Council does offer a 24-hour hotline (361) 854-9199, 1801 Alameda, Suite 150. Contact: Dee Ogle.

**MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAMS:**

**Mental Health and Mental Retardation of Nueces County (M.H.M.R.)**

Licensed counselors are utilized in some areas of assistance including the Mobile Crisis Outreach Team which is available 24 hours a day at 1-888-767-7493. Participants undergo assessment for free services. Adults must make an appointment at the MHMR office located at 1546 S. Brownlee, (361) 886-6970. Minors, ages three to 17, need to report to MHMR Youth Services office located at 3733 S. Port, (361) 851-6726. Appointments become available in five to 10 days. If a person does not qualify, MHMR refers them to another agency.

**Pregnancy Counseling and Services:**

**Corpus Christi Pregnancy Resource Center**

Participants include women between the ages of 20 and 24 years old and some teen girls. Offer free pregnancy tests. Lay counselors who have gone through training classes teach free classes on abstinence, adoption, and pro life. Counseling also available for couples. Have helped several female gang members turn their lives around. Operates during business hours, (361) 991-2008, 4730 Everhart. Contact: Shar Garrett.

**Refuge of Hope Pregnancy Resource Center**

Offers maternity clothes, baby clothes and furniture. Licensed counselors available, along with support ministry. Post abortion healing classes. Operates during business hours, (361) 241-5300, 4035 Violet Road, (361) 241-5300. Contact: Sue Bernson.

**Pregnancy Counseling and Services Cont.:**

**Bay Area Fellowship-West Campus**

Baby clothes and diapers. Counseling available by ministers and volunteers. Operates during business hours, (361) 533-1805, 3701 Mueller. Contact: Brandon Cunningham.

**Food Pantry's:**

**First United Methodist Church**

Food pantry available. Participants must be assessed. Operates during business hours, (361) 884-0391, 900 S. Shoreline. Contact: Rev. Gloria Lear.

**Unto the Lord Ministry and Outreach**

Ministry has clothing, housing, and a food pantry. Individuals must be looking for work or going on job interviews to be accepted into program. 24 hour help, call Reverend Milton Roberson, Sr. at (361) 887-9191, 3701 Wilson Dr.

**First Baptist Church**

Church has a food pantry but there are some requirements individuals must meet before receiving food. Operates during business hours, (361) 888-8228, 3115 Ocean Dr. Contact: Ronny Marriott.

**Travis Baptist Church**

Angel Food Ministry. Food is offered at a reduced price. Operates during business hours, (361) 853-9967, 5802 Weber Road. Contact: Pastor David Beirne.

**Abundant Life Fellowship**

Food pantry available. Operates during business hours, (361) 446-9828, 9550 Leopard. Contact: Dan Stoops.

**Bay Area Fellowship-West Campus**

Food pantry available. Operates during business hours, (361) 533-1805, 3701 Mueller. Contact: Brandon Cunningham.

**At Risk Youth Counseling & Activities:**

**Fish for Life**

Organization works with Juvenile Probation to help at-risk youth. Volunteers take minors on outings including fishing trips, baseball, and hockey games. Probation officers go on all outings. This is a new organization that hopes to add licensed counselors in the future. Program receives participants from Nueces County who are already assessed before being accepted. The group is currently partnering with Goodwill Services using volunteers, who have gone through background checks, to mentor children. Can be reached during business hours, (361) 443-3035, 4901 Saratoga. Contact: Chuck Goodwin.

**At Risk Youth Counseling & Activities Cont.:**  
**De La Paloma (Christian Arts and Mexican Imports)**

Local Christian artists, some with degrees, offer free art classes for at-risk youth at a studio located at 4517 Everhart on Saturdays. No assessment needed. Parents requested to stay with kids during class, unless they are over 15 years old. Participants must have own means of transportation. Operates during business hours, (361) 723-1923. Contact: Rebecca Castillo.

**Inglesia Christiana Maranatha**

Offers small group counseling by ministers and volunteers only. Sports for kids of all ages. Gym available for after school programs. Operates during business hours, 3101 Mc Ardle Road, (361) 854-2122. Contact: Luis Cabrera.

**Church of Hope/Gateway Fellowship**

Programs keep boys and young men busy with sports and physical exercise. Offers martial arts, kick boxing, and wrestling. Operates during business hours. Two locations, Calallen and Flour Bluff, (361) 353-4531. Contact: Terry Klinger.

**Calvary Chapel of the Coastlands**

Youth mentoring. No licensed counselors. Programs handled by ministers and volunteers. Operates during business hours, (361) 814-7777, 3001 Rodd Field Road. Contact: Doug Hoffman.

**T.L.C. 4 Teens**

Emotional intelligence training for at risk youth and family counseling. Handled by a licensed counselor. Operates during business hours, 4000 Surfside #910, (361) 883-4770. Contact: Dr. Stuart Elovitz.

**Big Brothers/Big Sisters**

Professional at risk youth mentoring including education and faith. Community volunteers donate time weekly with children. Volunteers are trained, licensed counselors available. Operates during business hours, 4535 S. Padre Island Drive, (361) 888-8500. Contact: Tony Elizondo.

**Boy Scouts of America**

Cub scouting and boy scouting. Camping, exploring, and learning for life. Scout troop leaders are trained but not licensed counselors. Program includes character building, leadership development, citizenship training, high adventure activities, community service, crime prevention, drug education and anti-bullying information. Some troops will pay either all or half of the cost for low income families with sons who want to participate. Operates during business hours, (361) 814-4300, ext. 11, 700 Everhart Terrace Building A. Contact: John Beauregard.

**At Risk Youth Counseling & Activities Cont.:**

**Bill Glass Ministries**

Focus is on at risk youth. Provides mentoring, life skills, gang intervention, and relocation. Licensed counselors, ministers and volunteers. Operates during business hours, (361) 443-6997. Contact: Ralph McMullen.

**South Texas Community Gardening (Oak Park Methodist Church)**

Group has gardening space, vacant lots, and yards available. Volunteers, who are not licensed counselors, mentor at risk youth who want to plant and grow their own food. Operates during business hours, (361) 946-2000, 878 Oak Park. Contact: Mariza Smith.

**H.E.L.P. Hammons Education Leadership Programs**

Hammons Education Leadership Programs can assist programmatically by HELPing at risk students find out about occupations. HELP works with young people to find job and career opportunities. Operates during business hours, (361) 443-5895, 4833 Saratoga #447. Contact: Ridge Hammons.

**Island in the Son United Methodist Church**

Mentor to youth of all ages, also have discussion groups, and a youth band which performs during services. Handled by ministers and volunteers. Operates during business hours, (361) 749-0884, 15602 Highway 361, Flour Bluff. Contact: Dana Hamilton.

**Jail & Prison Assistance for Families and Parolees and Probationers:**

**Jail & Prison Ministry**

Offers financial assistance for parolees including bus fare to return home upon release. Transportation for families to visit loved ones who are incarcerated. Operates during business hours. Contact: Ninfa Salinas at (361) 643-5983.

**Saint John Baptist Church**

Ministers and volunteers provide spiritual help for inmates and parolees. Operates during business hours, 5445 Greenwood, (361) 241-9234. Contact Dale Darrington.

**Shelter:**

**Corpus Christi Housing Authority**

Offers section 8 public housing and low income tax credit housing. Multiple counseling available for all ages. Operates during business hours, (361) 889-3349, 3701 Ayers. Contact: Richard Franco.

**Shelter Cont.:**

**Good Samaritan Rescue Mission**

Provides shelter, food, day labor, bible study for people 18 years old and above. Offers program for people being released from prison. Ministers and volunteers. No licensed counselors. (361) 765-0297, 210 S. Alameda. Contact: Carole Murphrey.

**Classes for Mentally Challenged and Disabled Persons and their Caregivers:**

**Second Baptist Church**

Offers several different classes, taught by volunteers or ministers, including: Special Friends Class for mentally challenged and handicapped individuals. Caregivers Class for those who care for mentally challenged and handicapped individuals. The church has volunteers willing to mentor to others but they are not licensed counselors. Operates during business hours, (361) 994-1751, 6701 S. Staples.

**Crisis Management Ministry:**

**River Hills Baptist Church**

Crisis Management Ministry. Operates during business hours, 16318 Farm Road 624, (361) 215-2484. Contact: Pastor Bill Simmons.

**Care for Elderly:**

**Central Christian Church**

Transport elderly and or ill patients to medical appointments, mow lawns for elderly, and offer minor repairs to homes with wheelchair ramps. Operates during business hours, (361) 853-9401, 6301 Weber Road.

**House Restoration:**

**Primera Iglesia Baptista**

Volunteers do housing restoration. Owners undergo assessment before work can be done. The church also has mentoring groups for men and women. Operates during business hours, 1509 Tarlton, (361) 884-3588, Pastor Roland De Leon.

**Saint Marks Episcopal Church**

Congregation builds ramps for the disabled and collects eyeglasses for the needy. Operates during business hours, (361) 438-9055, 2727 Airline. Contact: Scott Jones.

**Women Bible Study:**

**Calvary Chapel of the Coastlands**

Weekly meetings for women to discuss biblical values. Operates during business hours, (361) 814-7777, 3001 Rodd Field Road. Contact: Doug Hoffman.