

EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT

Carroll Community College Adult Education

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224 N. Center Street, Westminster, MD 21157-5134

410-386-8630 Fax: 410-386-8631

carrollcc.edu/basicskills/

Reception desk - Monday - Friday: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Help county adults and out-of-school youth obtain high school diplomas, improve basic reading, writing and math skills or improve English language and literacy skills so that they can become self-directed learners, effective workers, responsible citizens, and productive members of their families and communities. Two options are offered for earning a Maryland State High School Diploma: The National External Diploma Program is a confidential, self-paced portfolio assessment based on life and academic skills; the General Educational Development (GED) Test Preparation Courses prepare learners for the four subject area tests which measure academic skills and concepts associated with a high school program of instruction. The program also offers English classes for speakers of other languages for students wishing to improve speaking, reading and writing skills. Classes for parents are also available. Adult education classes are offered throughout Carroll County; most are free of charge. Serves individuals ages 17 years and older - Must be withdrawn from school.

Carroll County Business and Employment Resource Center (BERC)

Carroll County Department of Economic Development

224 N. Center Street, Westminster, MD 21157-5134

410-386-2820 Fax: 410-876-2977

info@carrollworks.com

carrollworks.com

Monday -Thursday: 8:00 am - 4:30 pm; Friday: 8:00 am - 2:00 pm

Available programs to develop a highly effective workforce for new and existing businesses; to assist job seekers in achieving, advancing, and retaining employment, and to encourage lifelong learning. Services provided to businesses include customized workforce development services and information, training grants information, and business development support. Services to dislocated workers, displaced homemakers, individuals with disabilities, adults, and youth include



skills assessment, employment counseling, career guidance, job search techniques, skills upgrade training, General Educational Development (GED) test preparation, remedial education, and job placement assistance. Also services are available to Veterans to help find employment, vocational guidance, training opportunities and referral to supportive services. The Resource Center, located in the Carroll County Multi-Service Building offers job postings, computerized job registration, Internet access, computer labs, workshops, fax service, and a library of job search and career planning resources.

Carroll County Public Library

410-386-4488, 410-386-4500

Monday - Thursday: 9:00 am - 8:45 pm;

Friday and Saturday: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm;

Sunday (Westminster & Eldersburg): 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm;

Sunday (other branches from Oct. - April): 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

ask@carr.org

library.carr.org

Carroll County Public Library creates and provides our community with enriching and innovative resources, experiences, and services. Summer reading programs, book, videogame, audiobook, CD and DVD lending, computer, Wi-Fi and internet use.

Eldersburg Branch

6400 Hemlock Drive West, Eldersburg, MD 21784

410-386-4460

Finksburg Branch

2265 Old Westminster Pike, Finksburg, MD 21048

410-386-4505

Mount Airy Branch

705 Ridge Avenue, Mount Airy, MD 21771

410-386-4470, 301-829-5290

North Carroll Branch

2255 Hanover Pike, Hampstead, MD 21074

410-386-4480

Taneytown Branch

10 Grand Drive, Taneytown, MD 21787

410-386-4510

Westminster Branch

50 East Main Street, Westminster, MD 21157

410-386-4490

Carroll County Public Schools Birth through Five Program

125 North Court Street, Westminster, MD 21157

410-876-4437 - Infant & Toddler (0 -3 year old)

410-751-3295 - Child (3 year old to Kindergarten)

Fax: 410-751-3496

Offers early intervention services to eligible children, 0-5 years of age, and their families at no cost. Participation is voluntary. To qualify to receive services under the Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP), the child must be under three and meet one of the following criteria: demonstrate a 25% delay in at least one developmental area, demonstrate atypical development, and/or have a diagnosed condition that places him/her at risk of developmental delays. No cost to Carroll County residents. Serves birth to 5 years.

Catholic Charities Head Start & Early Head Start of Carroll County

255 Clifton Blvd., Suite 101, Westminster, MD, 21157

410-871-2450

info@cc-md.org

catholiccharities-md.org/children-and-families/head-start/carroll-county

Monday - Friday: 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

Provides a school and learning readiness experience for children 6 weeks to 5 years who qualify, based on income or a special need. Offers some transportation, health services, speech and language services, and breakfast, lunch and snack to children enrolled in the centers. Parent involvement is essential to the program. An enhanced school year calendar is followed. Catholic Charities operates at three locations in Carroll County: Clifton Blvd. in Westminster, Church of the Brethren in Westminster and Taneytown, as well as a home visitation program.



Goodwill Industries - Employment Resource Center

Goodwill Industries of Monocacy Valley, Inc.

200 Baltimore Boulevard, Westminster, MD 21157-5118

410-857-9993 Fax: 410-857-9995

customer@care@gimv.org

gimv.org

Monday - Friday: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Offers job placement services to individuals with barriers to employment. Clients are referred to the free Steps for Success class at 1 pm each Tuesday. Also provides basic Word and Excel computer classes on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons.

C.A.R.E.S. certificates are available at local non-profits to be used at local Goodwill stores for free clothing, household goods, and beds. Employment Certificates are only for participants in Goodwill programs.

Human Services Programs of Carroll County, Inc.

10 Distillery Drive, Ground Floor, Westminster, MD 21157

410-857-2999 Fax: 410-857-8793

hspinc.org

Monday - Thursday: 8:00 am - 5:00 pm; Friday: 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

Workforce Development - Assists individuals in job training, resume building, and searching for employment. The Workforce team also works with individuals to overcome barriers to employment such as criminal background or lack of previous experience. Programs include: opportunity WORKS, Second Chances, Community Garden, Economic Success Program, and Voluntary Income Tax Assistance program.

The Family Support Programs - Provides services that help families develop self-sufficiency and effective parenting skills. Child development care is provided to support parents while they are learning valuable skills. Programs include: Carroll County Family Center and Child and the Adult Food Care Program.

Shelter & Housing - In addition to shelter, services are provided to assist families, individuals, and those with disabilities get back on their feet to obtain and remain in permanent housing. Programs include: Safe Haven Shelter, Intact Family Shelter, Men's Shelter, Women and Children's Shelter, Cold Weather Shelter, Rapid Rehousing, Coordinated Intake Shelter and Housing, Permanent Supportive Housing and the

Rental Assistance Program.

Emergency & Prevention Services - Connects individuals with an array of funds throughout the community and the state to assist them with paying utilities and preventing evictions. Emergency Services partners with the Maryland Energy Services Programs (MEAP) and the Office of Home Energy Programs (OHEP) of the Department of Human Resources. Programs Include: Family Links and Energy Assistance.

Judy Center Partnership Carroll County Public Schools

(Located at Robert Moton Elementary School)

1413 Washington Road, Westminster, MD 21157

410-751-3613

carrollk12.org/instruction/curriculum/judycenter

Monday - Friday: 8:00 am – 4:00 pm

Promotes school readiness, for children birth through kindergarten. Some of the services include partnering with child care providers to ensure the availability of quality care, family involvement events, screenings for early developmental delays, behavior support & education, mental health counseling, Parents as Teachers home visitation program, Come Learn with Me learning playgroups, a lending library for parents and resources to support early learning. The Judy Center Partnership has locations at Cranberry Station, Elmer Wolfe, Taneytown, and Robert Moton elementary schools. Free

Literacy Council of Carroll County, Inc.

255 Clifton Boulevard, Suite 314, Westminster, MD 21157-4787

410-857-0766

Monday - Friday: 9:30 am - 12:30 pm

lcouncil@carr.org

literacy.carr.org

Tutors adults needing help in basic English, including reading, writing, ESOL, GED, math, and basic computer operation. Assists individuals reach their life goals. The Literacy Council is affiliated with ProLiteracy, an international literacy organization that operates in over 50 countries. Assess students' skills and needs; improve reading proficiency, regardless of reading level. Tutors are trained and certified using the



Laubach Literacy Instruction Program. Services are free.

STEP (Schapiro Training & Employment Program)

A Division of Chesapeake Goodwill Industries

257 E. Main Street, Westminster, MD 21157-5553

410-848-7793 Fax: 410-875-3371

Monday - Friday: 8:00 am - 4:30 pm

The STEP Supported Employment division assists individuals with serious and persistent psychiatric disabilities secure and maintain employment in a competitive labor force. Employment Specialist take a holistic approach while providing wrap around services to the consumer. The STEP Psychiatric Rehabilitation division is an individualized, person-directed program that assists individuals with mental illness to develop, enhance and maintain psychiatric stability, social skills, independent living skills and access resources in order to live successful independent lives.

Vocational Pathways

Mosaic Community Services, Inc.

288 E. Green Street, Westminster, MD 21157

410-876-3007, Ext. 1673 Fax: 410-751-7797

mosaicinc.org/programs-services/vocational-services

Monday – Friday: 8:00 am – 4:00 pm

Offers vocational rehabilitation to people with psychiatric disabilities and other barriers to employment. Contact provider for specialty areas. Accepts Medicaid. Serves ages 16 to older adults.