

Union County Directory of Resources

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CHILD CARE / PRESCHOOLS

CHILD CARE

Before and After School Care Program *(for Creston Students)*

Southern Prairie YMCA
1201 W. Townline St., Creston
641•782-9622

•Before and after school activities for children when school is in session. Opens at 6:00 a.m. and closes at 6:00 p.m. Busing to and from schools is provided. Full or part-time schedules. Daily or weekly rates. Registration fee.

Child & Adult Care Food Program

Union County Extension Office
105 W. Adams St., Suite B, Creston
641•782-8426

•Reimbursement for meal costs in registered daycare homes, nutrition education, and home visits. List of providers available.

Child Care Resource and Referral

MATURA Action Corporation
203 W. Adams St., Creston
641•782-8431

888•482-8431 (CCRR Parent Services Counseling)
•Provides support to parents, childcare providers, and the community to enhance child care options. List of provider referrals are available to parents to meet their individual childcare need. Training opportunities offered to providers to make their business a successful and rewarding experience.

Child Crisis Care

Southern Iowa Resources for Families, Inc. (SIRF)

109 N. Elm St., Creston

Office Phone: 641•782-4170

Crisis Care Direct Line: 888•782-2661 or 641•782-2661

•To provide child care for families during times of crisis. Available 24-hours a day, 7 days a week for children newborn through age 17. Serving Adair, Adams and Union Counties.

Eagle T.I.E.S. Community Learning Centers

Family Resource Center

211 S. Grace St., Afton

641•347-8777

•The site for the learning center at East Union Schools is located in the Primary Building. The program, for students grades K-8, provides integrated educational, recreational, social and cultural services. The program operates 3:30-6:30 p.m. Monday through Friday during the school year; a summer program is offered. Tuition fees are based on income.

I Think I Can Child Care Center

705 S. Cherry St., Creston

641•782-7117

•Daycare from 5:30 a.m. to 5:45 p.m. for infants through age 12. Before and After School Program available at Upper Elementary/Middle School. DHS and PROMISE JOBS subsidy clients welcome, handicapped accessible. Full-time, part-time and drop-in care. School bus transports. Charges are based on ages of children and number of hours used.

Parents As Teachers

Greater Regional Outreach-Public Health Services

1700 W. Townline St., Creston

641•782-3528

- Voluntary program for families of children from birth to 5 years. This program is based on the belief that parents are their child's first and most influential teachers.
- Personal home visits to help you know what to expect as your child grows. Activities to help you with your child's development. Group meetings on topics of interest and concern. Regular developmental and health screens. Referral network for additional services. Toy and book lending library available for participants.

Respite Care

Southern Iowa Resources for Families, Inc. (SIRF)
109 N. Elm, Creston
641•782-4170

- Serving Adair, Adams, Clarke, Decatur, Lucas, Madison, Ringgold, Taylor, Union, Warren and Wayne Counties.
- Respite care for children and adults, HCBS approved for persons with disabilities. Funding through Medicaid Waiver programs, Iowa Respite and Crisis Care Coalition, and private pay.

Respite Child Care

Union County Family Support Council
1700 W. Townline St., Creston
641•782-8390

- Offers free childcare at I Think I Can Child Care Center or licensed daycare provider for parents who do not have opportunities to have "time out" away from their children. Available to all Union County families with children ages 2 weeks to 12 years. Appointments are necessary.

Union County Empowerment

Service Coordinator
641•782-2443

- Empowerment provides assistance to organizations, agencies, child care providers and preschools that serve children ages 0-5.

PRESCHOOLS

Creative Beginnings

305 W. Howard St., Creston
641•782-2384

Discovery Kids Preschool

701 W. Townline St., Suite B, Creston
641•782-3779
•Offer 3 programs. Ages 3-5.

Joyful Sparks

Joy Building
240 N. Douglas St., Afton
641•340-1301 (cell phone)
641•348-2234

MATURA Head Start

Central Office: 209 N. Elm St., Creston
641•782-6201
641•782-8002 - Head Start
641•782-8431 - MATURA
•Income-based guidelines.

Head Start Classrooms:
Creston Early Childhood Learning Center
901 N. Elm St., Creston

St. Malachy

403 W. Clark St., Creston
641•782-7125

Successful Beginnings Preschool

211 S. Grace St., Afton
641•347-8777
•Full-day 4-year old program. Income-based guidelines.

The Children's Garden
600 Wyoming Ave., Creston
641•782-6737

Trinity Lutheran
800 N. Sumner St., Creston
641•782-5095

EDUCATION

COLLEGES / UNIVERSITIES

Buena Vista University (Creston Center)
1501 W. Townline St., Room 726, Creston
641•782-6113

Website: www.bvu.edu

•2+2 program with a minimum of 60 credit hours needed for admission. Four year degree available in Accounting, Management, Psychology, Elementary Education, and Human Services.

Graceland University
1 University Place, Lamoni
641•784-5000

Website: www.graceland.edu

Southwestern Community College
1501 W. Townline St., Creston
641•782-7081 or 800•247-4023

Website: www.swcciowa.edu

•A comprehensive two year public institution offering transfer courses, vocational-technical programs, continuing education courses and industrial training classes. Anyone who desires, and is committed to obtaining an education, is welcome. Faculty and staff are dedicated to providing challenging learning experiences in an environment conducive to learning.

ELEMENTARY / SECONDARY SCHOOLS

Creston Community School

District Office

619 N. Maple St., Creston
641•782-7028

Creston High School
601 W. Townline St., Creston
641•782-2116

Upper Elementary/Middle School
805 Academic Ave, Creston
641•782-1155

High Lakes Country Academy
Alternative School
614 N. Pine St., Creston
641•782-4375

Pre K, Jr. K, K, Special Needs K
Creston Early Childhood Learning Center
901 N. Elm St., Creston
641•782-2129

East Union Community Schools - Afton

District Office

1916 High School Drive, Afton
641•347-8421

Junior-Senior High School (6th – 12th)
1916 High School Drive, Afton
641•347-8421

Intermediate Center (2nd - 5th)
1916 High School Drive, Afton
641•347-8774

Primary Center (K-1)
205 N. Douglas St., Afton
641•347-5411

Mayflower Heritage Christian School
1211 N. Poplar St., Creston
641•782-0026

St. Malachy School
403 W. Clark St., Creston
641•782-7125 or Fax: 641•782-5924
(Pre-K, K – 8th grade)

GENERAL

Eagle T.I.E.S. Community Learning Centers
(East Union Schools)
211 S. Grace St., Afton
641•347-8777

•After school and summer programs provide educational and enriching opportunities to student and families in the East Union School District. Income-based fees.

Educational Talent Search (ETS)

Southwestern Community College
1501 W. Townline St., Creston
641•782-1392 or 1-800-247-4023 (ext. 392)

•A program funded by the U.S. Department of Education designed to help 6th-12th grade students and high school and college drop-outs obtain their college degrees. ETS provides FREE to its participants: financial aid planning, life skills workshops, career exploration, study skills reinforcement, ACT test prep, transition to high school and college, campus visits, cultural trips, and ACT and college application fee waivers.

GED Preparation

Southwestern Community College

1501 W. Townline St., Creston

641•782-1417 or 641•782-1497

•Classes held at SWCC for adults to prepare and test for Iowa High School Equivalency Diploma.

Green Valley Area Education Agency 14

1405 N. Lincoln St., Creston

641•782-8443 or 800•362-1864

•Adult classes, training facilitation services, ELL (English Language Learners) information, home schooling information and testing, etc.

Hair Tech School of Cosmetology

402 W. Montgomery St., Creston

641•782-6537

•Cosmetology course requires 2100 hours during a 14 month cycle. Applications available at Hair Tech.

ISU Extension of Union County

105 W. Adams St., Suite B, Creston

641•782-8426

•Information and education for families, youth, agriculture, business and communities, and continuing education is provided through check out materials and programs, meetings on timely topics, consultations with specialists and trained volunteers, and referral lines such as Answer Line, Farm-On, Healthy Families, Iowa Concern, Teen Line, Hotline, Bets Off, Continuing Education, PORKLine.

Migrant Education Program

Creston Schools

641•782-2116 (Pre K – 2nd and 9th – 12th grade services)

641•782-4455 (3rd – 8th grade services)

•Program which helps meet the needs of youth whose families may tend to move frequently due to employment

in agricultural related jobs. Provides instructional material, English Language Learners testing academic instruction, language interpretation, summer school instruction and support for newcomers.
National Migrant Education Hotline/Linea Nacional De Ayuda Para Familias Mmigrantes 1-800-234-8848

LIBRARIES

Gibson Memorial Public Library
200 W. Howard St., Creston
641•782-2277
Website: www.creston.lib.ia.us

Learning Resource Center
Southwestern Community College
1501 W. Townline St., Creston
641•782-1462
Website: www.swcciowa.edu/LRC/lrc.html

EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

Advance Services, Inc. (ASI)
302 E. Taylor St., Creston
641•782-3300
•Employment opportunities: full-time, part-time and seasonal

Career Services
Southwestern Community College
1501 W. Townline St., Creston
641•782-1446
•Offers affordable assistance with career decisions and employment related activities including resumes,

interviewing, employment related letters and numerous resources.

Grapevine Staffing

100 E. Taylor St., Creston
641•782-2225

- Temporary and permanent job placement

Innovative Industries

215 N. Walnut St., Creston
641•782-8495

- Supported employment for persons with mental retardation, chronic mental illness and related physical disabilities.

Iowa Vocational Rehabilitation Services

Southwestern Community College
1501 W. Townline St., Creston
641•782-8538

- Provides vocational counseling, medical and psychological evaluation (when needed); job training and placement services to people with a physical or mental disability which results in a substantial impediment to employment.

Iowa Workforce Development Center

215 N. Elm St., Creston
641•782-2119

- Department of Employment Services (DES) has up-to-date information on jobs throughout the country. Area XIV Agency on Aging also has a branch office in the center.

Manpower

900 E. Townline St., Creston
641•782-9945

- Offers job placement.

PROMISE JOBS

215 N. Elm St., Creston

641•782-2119

•PROMISE JOBS is designed to increase the availability of employment and training opportunities for Family Investment Program (FIP) participants. PROMISE JOBS will provide participants with maximum opportunities to develop skills in order to become economically self-sufficient. Participants shall be assigned to employment and training activities, which while taking into account the family's needs and the participant's skill, experience and goals, will result in the family attaining long-term economic self-sufficiency in the shortest possible length of time.

Retired Iowans Employment Program (RICEP)

215 N. Elm St., Creston

641•782-2119

•This program is designed to encourage and promote meaningful employment for persons 55 years of age and older through the efforts of the Agency on Aging Older Worker Specialist. Information on SCSEP, Green Thumb, AARP and National Council of Retired Persons is available.

Small Business Development Center

Southwestern Community College

712•325-3350 or 1-800•432-5852 x3350

•By appointment for Union County consultations.

Southern Iowa Resources for Families, Inc. (SIRF)

109 N. Elm St., Creston

641•782-4170

•Serving Adair, Adams, Clarke, Decatur, Lucas, Madison, Ringgold, Taylor, Union, Warren and Wayne Counties.

•Assistance in finding and maintaining jobs in the community for persons with mental and physical disabilities. HCBS and ARO approved.

Workforce Investment Act

215 N. Elm St., Creston

641•782-2119

•WIA provides an efficient, effective, and convenient system for job seekers to find jobs, employers to locate new workers, and job seekers and employers to access information that will assist them in developing their career and business plans. WIA works with adults, dislocated workers, and youth.

FOOD / CLOTHING / TRANSPORTATION

FOOD

Creston Meal Site

Creston Depot - Senior Center

116 W. Adams St., Creston

641•782-2447

•Provides hot, nutritious meals in a group setting to persons 60 years of age and older and their spouses of any age. Home-delivered meals are available to those persons who are home-bound and unable to attend meals in a group setting. Meals are available Monday through Friday at 12 noon for a suggested contribution of \$2.25 for the congregate meals and \$3.00 for the home-delivered meals. Nutrition information shared.
Entertainment: Tues & Thurs- Bingo, Friday – Cribbage.

Crest Haven Care Centre

1000 E. Howard St., Creston

641•782-5012

•Lunch/supper meals can be delivered at a cost of \$2.50 per meal. Service is for those 65 years and older or disabled.

Creston Nursing and Rehab Center

1001 Cottonwood St., Creston

641•782-8511

•\$3 per meal on site. Services available for any age.

Eagle T.I.E.S. Food Pantry

211 S. Grace St., Afton

641•347-8777

•Pantry stocks non-perishable food items, paper and personal care items. No income guidelines. Free to those in need. 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday

Family Development Center Food Pantry

MATURA

300 E. Montgomery St., Suite #3, Creston

641•782-3346

•Emergency food pantry and food voucher (when available) for both perishable and non-perishable food items, paper products, diapers, etc.

Food Assistance Program

Department of Human Services

Union County Courthouse – Lower Level

300 N. Pine St., Creston

641•782-1740

•Food Assistance Program helps low-income families and individuals buy the food they need. Guidelines are based on family size, income, and resources.

Food Bank of Afton

Afton City Hall

115 E. Kansas St., Afton

Phone any Afton church

•Food Bank stocks non-perishable food items and some paper and personal care items. No income guidelines. Items are free to those in need.

Greater Regional Meals on Wheels

Greater Regional Medical Center, Creston

641•782-3626

•Nutritionally balanced meals prepared for regular or special diets. Delivered by volunteers to people of any age who need this service. Meals are available Monday through Friday at lunch time for \$3.00 per meal. An extra meal may be brought at lunch time to be used for supper for an additional \$3.00.

“Open Table” – Free Community Meal

United Church of Christ

501 W. Montgomery St., Creston

•Meal is served at 5:30 p.m. every Tuesday. Open to all. Prepared and served by volunteer groups from local area.

Panther Family Resource Center

Call 641•782-2116 or 641-782-4455

•Open during school hours. After school hours by appointment only. Canned goods and other non-perishable food items are available.

SHARE Food Program

641•347-8721 (Afton)

641•782-7773 (Creston)

641•763-2257 (Lorimor)

•SHARE is a food program open to all (no income guidelines). Participate by paying \$15 cash, plus \$1 cash for handling and doing two hours per month volunteer work. Call for information.

WIC Food Program

MATURA Action Corporation

203 W. Adams St., Creston

641•782-8431

•Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Clinic - third Monday and Tuesday of each month at United Methodist Church, 400 North Elm, Creston.

- Provides nutrition education, health information and nutritional food to eligible pregnant women and children 4 years old and younger.

CLOTHING

MATURA Family Development Center
300 E. Montgomery St., Suite #3, Creston
641•782-3346
Open Monday-Friday: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Rectory Re-run Shop
Holy Spirit Church
107 W. Howard St., Creston
641•782-2716

- Clothing available for small charge. Open 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. on Fridays and 9 a.m. - 12 noon on Saturdays.

TRANSPORTATION

Southern Iowa Resources for Families, Inc. (SIRF)
109 N. Elm St., Creston
641•782-4170

- Serving Adair, Adams, Clarke, Decatur, Lucas, Madison, Ringgold, Taylor, Union, Warren, and Wayne Counties. Transportation provided for HCBS Waiver eligible individuals with disabilities.

Southern Iowa Trolley

215 E. Montgomery St., Creston
641•782-6571 or 800•262-0378

- Public transit available to all citizens. Handicapped accessible. Offers door-to-door services at a reasonable cost. Available Mondays through Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and Fridays from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Before and after school trips for children can be arranged. Special trips and rates can be arranged. Senior discounts available.

GENERAL NEEDS

Department of Human Services

Union County Courthouse-Lower Level
300 N. Pine St., Creston
641•782-1740

•Childcare assistance is provided to the children of income-eligible parents who are absent for a portion of the day to employment or participation in academics or vocational training or PROMISE JOBS activities. List of registered day care providers is available.

Eagle T.I.E.S.

211 S. Grace St., Afton
641•347-8777

•Youth services program in East Union Schools, serving students in Kindergarten – 12th grade with programs, activities and curricula that guide the students in developing the skills they need to be active, contributing members of their community. Family Resource Center has information on jobs, parenting, health, and other issues available to everyone in the East Union area. Immunization clinics, mental health counseling, support group meetings, and adult education are offered. Extensive toy and book lending library available for ages 0-5.

FaDSS (Family Development & Self-Sufficiency)

503 E. Mills St., Creston
641•782-3346

•Helps to improve the lives of Family Investment Program families at risk of long-term welfare dependency or family instability by creating opportunities for self-sufficiency.

Family Investment Program (FIP) and Family Investment Program-Unemployed Parent (FIP-UP)

Department of Human Services

Union County Courthouse – Lower Level

•300 N. Pine St., Creston

641•782-1740

•FIP and FIP-UP provides cash assistance to income eligible one and two-parent families and relatives caring for children whose parents are absent. The program offers training or education. Parents must register with Iowa Workforce Development Job Service and take part in the PROMISE JOBS Program. Transitional services are available to parents who begin new jobs after qualifying for FIP. Transitional Medicaid will provide medical coverage for the family for up to 12 months if FIP ends due to earnings.

Family Services

Iowa Department of Human Services

304 N. Pine St., Creston

641•782-1745

•Service Programs:

- Adoption Studies and Placement Services
- Adult Services for Elderly, Mentally Disabled, and Mentally Ill
- Child Care Assistance
- Child Care Center and Preschool Licensing
- Child Protection Services
- Decategorization Project Funding for Community Services/Program
- Dependent Adult Protective Services
- Family and Group Child Care Home Registration
- Family-Centered Counseling Service
- Family Foster Care Licensing
- In-home Health Services for Children and Adults
- Mental Health and Substance Abuse Treatment for Children

- Out-of-home Services for Children include Foster Care, Shelter Care, Group Care and Behavioral
- Waiver Services for Children and Adults

Family T.I.E.S.

641•782-8426 or 641•347-8777

Website: www.extension.iastate.edu/union

•A Union County coalition of public and private agencies meeting monthly to strengthen and support individuals and families in Union County by taking responsibility, investing resources, and encouraging empowerment.

Greater Regional Homemaker Services

1700 W. Townline St., Creston

641•782-3528

•Provides assistance with basic housekeeping, meal prep, laundry, bathing and budgeting.
 •Serves Adair, Adams, Clarke, Decatur, Madison, Ringgold, Taylor & Union counties.

Home and Vehicle Modification

Southern Iowa Resources for Families, Inc. (SIRF)

109 N. Elm St., Creston

641•782-4170

•Offices in Creston, Leon and Corydon.
 Serving Adair, Adams, Clarke, Decatur, Lucas, Madison, Ringgold, Taylor, Union, Warren, and Wayne Counties.
 •HCBS Waiver provider for home and vehicle modification for persons with disabilities to make their personal vehicles and homes handicapped accessible.

Iowa Compass

800•779-2001

Website: www.medicine.uiowa.edu/iowacompass

•Iowa's free, statewide information and referral service for people with disabilities, their families, service providers, and other members of the community.

Iowa Mediation Service

228 N. Pine St., P.O. Box 517, Creston

641•782-7329 or FAX 641•782-9320

- Services include mediation, training and group facilitation. Mediation is a process in which a neutral third-party assists two or more people in working toward resolution from conflict.

Iowa Protection and Advocacy

950 Office Park Rd., Suite 221, West Des Moines

515•278-2502 or 800•779-2502

Website: www.ipna.org/

- Support people with disabilities to secure their rights and full participation as citizens through a program of self advocacy education, information and referral, non-legal advocacy and legal and systems advocacy.

Ministerial Alliance

Rev. Jane Willan, Creston

641•782-7314

- Offers financial help to those in need. Determined by contact person.

Southern Iowa Resources for Families, Inc. (SIRF)

109 N. Elm St., Creston

641•782-4170

Offices in Creston, Leon and Corydon.

- Serving Adair, Adams, Clarke, Decatur, Lucas, Madison, Ringgold, Taylor, Union, Warren, and Wayne Counties.

- Provides services to individuals and families, primarily to persons with disabilities to live and work in the community free from institutionalization.

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- Adult Rehabilitation Option for the Chronic Mentally Ill in the areas of community skills training, employment services, and day programs.
- Special Olympics
- Child Crisis Care

Union County Family Development Center

503 E. Mills St., Creston

Office hours: 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

641•782-3346

- Help with fuel bills during the months of November through April is available to families who meet income guidelines through the Federal Fuel Assistance Program.
- Limited funds are available to help homeless families. Federal Emergency Management Act (FEMA) funds may be available during the summer for emergency assistance with utilities.
- Provides thrift shop, emergency food pantry, and energy assistance. (Also houses Family T.I.E.S. Information Center.)

Union County General Assistance Office

203 W. Adams St., Creston

641•782-8431

- Emergency and/or short term assistance with food, clothing, transportation, rent and utilities to those who meet eligibility guidelines.

GOVERNMENT / LEGAL SERVICES

Afton City Clerk

641•347-5224

Child Support Recovery

Department of Human Resources Services

215 W. Adams St., Creston

888•229-9223

•Assist custodial parents in receiving court-ordered child support payments and assists in determining paternity in out-of-wedlock births.

County Attorney

Union County Courthouse
300 N. Pine St., Creston
641•782-1730

Creston City Clerk

641•782-5410

Driver License Examiner

Union County Courthouse – Treasurer’s Office
300 N. Pine St., Creston
641•782-1710

Lorimor City Clerk

641•763-2297

Veterans Assistance Program

Union County Courthouse
300 N. Pine St., Suite 130, Creston
641•782-1723

•Emergency help with food, clothing, transportation, rent and utilities to veterans and their widows.

HEALTH SERVICES

DOCTORS / PHYSICIANS

Community Health Centers of Southern Iowa

911 E. Main, Lamoni
641•784-7911

•General health services for all ages. Specialties in rheumatology and women’s health. Sliding fee scale.

Creston Medical Clinic

1610 W. Townline St., Suite 200, Creston
641•782-2131

Greater Regional Medical Center

1700 W. Townline St., Suite 3, Creston
641•782-7091 - Information

Internal Medicine Consultants

1700 W. Townline St., Suite 1, Creston
641•782-6440

Morning Star Internal Medicine

1610 W. Townline St., Suite 110, Creston
641•782-3641

New Life Family Medicine

1610 W. Townline St., Suite 100, Creston
641•782-3877

GENERAL CARE

Adult Respite Care Program

Greater Regional Outreach-Public Health Services
1700 W. Townline St., Creston
641•782-3528

- Volunteers provide respite care (a break for the care giver) in the home. The caregiver must be at least 60 years old and the dependent person must be medically stable.

Apria Home Health Care

701 W. Townline St., Suite B, Creston
641•782-6892

Child Health Specialty Clinics

1700 W. Townline St., Creston

641•782-3838 ~ Fax 641•782-3897

e-mail: Lori-morrell@uiowa.edu

(Relocating in the Summer of 2006)

•Provide Consultative Clinics for medical, behavioral or physical health issues. Provide diagnosis, treatment, and care coordination to those served. Clinics include Comprehensive Team Consult – Integrated Evaluation and Planning Clinic; Birth to Five Services to Children at risk for delays or chronic health issues; Psychiatric consults for more complex children with mental health concerns; Parent Consultant for Parent to Parent Support. Serve birth to 21 years.

Greater Regional Home Care & Hospice

1700 W. Townline St., Suite 3, Creston

641•782-3528

•**Home Care:** Provides skilled nursing, home care aide, physical therapy, occupational therapy, and speech therapy in the home. Serves Adair, Adams, Clark, Decatur, Madison, Ringgold, Taylor and Union counties.
•**Hospice:** Coordination of professionals and volunteers to provide care and support to the terminally ill, their care givers and families in Adams, Adair, Clarke, Decatur, Madison, Ringgold, Taylor, Union and part of Madison counties.

Greater Regional Home Medical

1700 W. Townline St., Creston

641•782-3655

•Home oxygen, home ventilators, nebulizers and respiratory meds, trach equipment, suction equipment, apnea monitors, home enteral nutrition, home IV therapy, phototherapy lights, respiratory assessments and other home medical equipment.

Greater Regional Outreach-Maternal/Child Health Program

1700 W. Townline St., Suite 3, Creston

641•782-3831

•Home visits are made to all Union County mothers and babies without cost to the family. Generally visits are made 2-3 days after hospital discharge and consist of physical assessments and health teaching. Community resource information is also provided. Subsequent visits are usually made in the early weeks, based on family needs and preference.

Greater Regional Outreach-Public Health Services

1700 W. Townline St., Suite 3, Creston

641•782-3528

•Parents as Teachers, Senior Health Screening, Blood Pressure Screening, Adult and Child Immunizations. Private-Pay Nursing Services, Adult Respite Care Program, Homemaker Program.

Green Valley Area Education Agency 14

1405 N. Lincoln St., Creston

641•782-8443 or 800•362-1864

•Special education services for school-aged children. Free Child Fairs held yearly for children ages birth to five to check development in speech and language, vision, hearing, dental, growth assessment and overall development. These services, as well as psychological, social work services, alcohol, tobacco and other drug prevention services are also available for school-age children as requested through the school system.

Hammer Medical Supply

609 W. Taylor St., Creston

641•782-7995

Immunization Clinics

Greater Regional Outreach-Public Health Services

641•782-3528

- Regularly scheduled immunization clinics adults and children. Call for an appointment.

MATURA Action Corporation

203 W. Adams St., Creston
641•782-8431

- Maternal and child health program. Maternal program provides enhanced services for pregnant women who meet certain income guidelines. Child health program provides health information and consultation for child care providers, information and referrals for health insurance, and certified car seat safety technicians that will inspect and educate parents on the proper use and installation of child safety restraint systems.

Nurses On Call, Inc.

500 E. Taylor St, Creston
641•782-4549

- Services provided include nursing care, physical therapy and home health aide.

Survivors of Families Rural Access Project

Central Iowa Office
1111 9th St., Suite 230
Des Moines, Iowa 50314-2292
515•243-6642
800•305-2292
Fax: 515•244-4618

- Domestic violence, sex abuse, and stalking. Free legal assistance. Serves Union County.

Union County Public Health

Greater Regional Outreach-Public Health Services
1700 W. Townline St., Suite 3, Creston
641•782-3528

- Provides services and education to promote and protect the health of Union County residents. Communicable

Disease follow-up, Lead Education, Community Health Assessment

WIC Clinic – (*Women, Infants and Children*)

MATURA Action Corporation

203 W. Adams St., Creston

641•782-8431

- Clinic - Third Monday and Tuesday of each month at United Methodist Church, 400 North Elm, Creston.
- Provides nutrition education, health information and nutritional foods to eligible pregnant women and children four years old and younger.

MENTAL HEALTH CARE / COUNSELING

Action Now (*Chemical Dependency Treatment Services*)

Crossroads Mental Health Center

1003 Cottonwood St., Creston

641•782-4053 or 800•622-5168

- Evaluation, assessment and referral, intervention, outpatient counseling for substance abusers and those chemically dependent. Services include individual, family, couple and group therapy. Community education. Operates on a sliding fee scale.

Behavioral Health Centers of Southern Iowa

Decatur County Hospital

302 N.E. 14th St., Leon

641•446-4242 or Fax 641•446-2206

- Inpatient and outpatient treatment for behavior disorders caused by child abuse, sexual abuse, depression, suicide attempts, eating disorders, pre-delinquent behaviors. For children birth to 18 year old.

Children and Families of Iowa (CFI)

118 W. Jefferson St., P.O. Box 1024, Osceola

641•347-3444 ~ Fax: 641•347-3600

•To improve the well-being of children and support the healthy development of families through specialized services that promote safe, stable, and nurturing environments. Offers a broad range of programs and services:

- Adoption services – local and international
- Comprehensive foster care services
- Help for men who are abusive in their family relationships
- Helping emotionally and behaviorally disturbed youth
- Quality childcare
- Safe shelter for victims of domestic violence
- Therapeutic childcare for young children with behavioral or emotional disorders
- Therapy services for children, adolescent, adults, families
- Treatment for teens who have drug/alcohol addictions and mental health issues

Crossroads Mental Health Center

1003 Cottonwood St., Creston

641•782-8457 or 800•622-5168

•Psychological testing and evaluation, individual and group therapy, marital counseling, family therapy, play therapy for children, sexual abuse therapy, community education and support groups.

Eating Disorders Treatment Center

Iowa Lutheran Hospital

University at Penn Ave., Des Moines

515•263-5672 or 800•562-4944

•Evaluation and treatment for pre-adolescents and older.

Greater Regional Behavioral Health Unit

1700 W. Townline St., Suite 3, Creston

641•782-3614

- Specializing in evaluation and treatment and inpatient mental health services for older adults.

Iowa Focus

105 W. Adams St., Suite B, Creston
641•782-4478

- Providing individualized support to people with mental and/or physical disabilities so they may enjoy lives of meaning and worth in their communities.

Midwest Opportunities

Administrative Office: 724 Davis Ave., P.O. Box 47,
Corning

641•322-3520 or FAX 641•322-3650

E-Mail: moi@mddc.com

Facility: 2005 U.S. Hwy 34, Corning

641•322-4280

- Community-based intermediate care program for children and adults with developmental disabilities. Homes in Creston and Corning offering many services including: 2:1 resident/staff ratio, educational/vocational services, social services and physical, speech and occupational therapy.

Prevention Concepts

909 E. 2nd Ave., Suite G, Indianola and

P.O. Box 83, Creston

515•961-8830

Fax: 515•961-2275

Website: www.preventionconcepts.org

- Comprehensive prevention with substance abuse.

Rural Family Therapy Services

P.O. Box 361, Afton

641•347-5060

- Provides child, adult and family counseling including assessments, home-studies, foster care and adoption support. Parenting skills, play therapy, couples

counseling, anger management, A.D.H.D. Head Start assessments. In-home counseling and family support services.

Rural Iowa Crisis Center

P.O. Box 384, Creston

Business Line: 641•782-2706 or Fax: 641•782-2640

24-hour hotline: 888•782-6632

•Offers safety and services to individuals and families who have been affected by domestic or sexual violence. Provides domestic violence crisis counseling. Service available to those who abuse their partners.

South Central CPC

106 Central #106, Glenwood

712•527-2337

•Coordinates and monitors mental health services. Works with case managers, doctors, and other providers of mental health services to meet the needs of adults with challenges.

Southern Iowa Resources for Families, Inc. (SIRF)

109 N. Elm St., P.O. Box 106, Creston

Office: 641•782-4170

Cell: 641•782-0657

Fax: 641•782-9720

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•Serving Adair, Adams, Clarke, Decatur, Lucas, Madison, Ringgold, Taylor, Union, Warren, and Wayne Counties.

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Specialized Support Services

121 N. Elm St., Creston

641•782-4119

- Provides Supported Community Living (SCL) and respite services for persons with mental and physical disabilities, traumatic brain injury, and mental illness.

Tri-County Youth Program

P.O. Box 424, Corning

641•745-0219

- Implements an individualized support/service planning to meet the needs of children ages 0 to 17 with serious emotional disturbances and their families in Adair, Adams, and Union Counties. This is a voluntary program and there is no cost.

Zion-Brown Treatment Center

3077 Zion Lane, Orient

641•337-5385

- Residential substance abuse treatment for persons referred from a community agency dealing with substance abuse.

MISCELLANEOUS HEALTH CARE SERVICES

Greater Regional Corporate Health and Wellness

Medical Arts Plaza

641•782-3518

Quit Smart Smoking Cessation Program

- Pre-employment physicals, drug screens, on-going health services for local businesses and corporations.

Greater Regional Hospice Bereavement Support Group

Medical Arts Plaza Conference Room

Creston

641•782-3528

Facilitator-Judy Gile

Every Tuesday from 1:00-2:30 p.m.

Hawk-I

P.O. Box 71336, Des Moines, Iowa 50325

800•257-8563

www.hawk-i.org

•Provides health care coverage for children and teens, ages 0 to 19. Income guidelines.

Lifeline

Greater Regional Volunteer Services

641•782-3555

•Easy-to-use personal response service that ensures that older adults living at home get quick assistance whenever it is needed-24 hours a day, 365 days a year in order to live independently and confidently in their own home.

Medicaid (Title XIX)

Department of Human Services

Union County Courthouse - Lower Level, Creston

641•782-2173

304 N. Pine St. – Social Workers

•Medicaid (Title XIX) - assistance for medical and health related services and is available to income and resource eligible children, families, and adults.

Peace in the Valley Cancer Support Group

1000 E. Howard St., Creston

641•782-5012

•1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. in the Activity Room of Crest Haven Care Centre. Drop by or call for information.

SHIIP – Senior Health Insurance Information Program

Greater Regional Volunteer Services
641•782-3848

•Information source to help find answers to the important questions on Medicaid, Medicare supplement insurance, long-term care insurance and other health insurance issues.

Social Security Administration

201 N. Elm St., Creston
641•782-2114 or 800•772-1213
Website: www.ssa.gov

•Social Security benefits, Supplemental Security income benefits, and Medicare; help with representative payee issues if person is already entitled to benefits. Open to the public 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except national holidays.

PREGNANCY

Crest Area for L.I.F.E.

805 N. Vine St., Creston
641•782-5078

•Provides support and referral services for pregnant girls/women and their families.
•Speakers bureau and educational programs for community organizations, professionals and the public.

Lamaze Classes (*Childbirth Education*)

641•782-3831 or 641•782-438

•Five week series of classes. Classes start every two months. \$35 for the class and \$5 for the manual. Services will not be denied to persons in need. Classes held at Southwestern Community College.

Planned Parenthood of Greater Iowa

907 W. Townline St., Creston

641•782-8244

•General reproductive health care including pregnancy testing. Counseling and referral services. Income based guidelines.

RESPITE CARE

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641•782-3529

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•Respite care for children and adults, HCBS approved for persons with disabilities. Funding through Medicaid Waiver programs, Iowa Respite and Crisis Care Coalition, and private pay.

Respite Child Care

Union County Family Support Council

1700 W. Townline St., Creston

641•782-8390

•Offers free childcare at I Think I Can Child Care Center or licensed daycare provider for parents who do not have opportunities to have "time out" away from their children.

Available to all Union County families with children ages 2 weeks to 12 years. Appointments are necessary.

Specialized Support Services

121 N. Elm St., Creston

641•782-4119

•Provides Supported Community Living (SCL) and respite services for persons with mental and physical disabilities, traumatic brain injury, and mental illness.

HOUSING / UTILITIES

Afton Housing Commission

611 E. Polk St., Afton (Fairview)

641•347-8826

•Income based housing.

Autumn House

107 N. Division St., Creston

641•782-8585

•S.I.R.H.A. manages this complex.

Crest Haven Care Centre

1000 E. Howard St., Creston

641•782-5012

Crest Ridge Estates Senior Housing

1715 W. Prairie St., Creston

641•782-3553

Creston Nursing & Rehab Center

1001 Cottonwood St., Creston

641•782-8511

Farm Service Agency

904 E. Taylor St., Creston

641•782-8455

•Farm loans. Hours: 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

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Corning

641•322-3520 or Fax 641•322-3650

E-Mail: moi@mddc.com

Facility: 2005 U.S. Hwy 34, Corning

641•322-4280

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Regency Park (*Senior Living*)

612 Grand Ave., Creston

641•782-5166

S.I.R.H.A.

219 N. Pine St., Creston

641•782-8585

•Southern Iowa Regional Housing Authority (S.I.R.H.A.) offers rent assistance to families who qualify based on their income. Assist with locating available low rent housing. Assists Section 8 participants in becoming economically independent and self-sufficient through the Family Self-Sufficiency Program. S.I.R.H.A. has no emergency housing.

Specialized Support Services

121 N. Elm St., Creston

641•782-4119

•Provides Supported Community Living (SCL) and respite services for persons with mental and physical disabilities, traumatic brain injury, and mental illness.

Summit House Apartments (*Senior Living*)
509 W. Maple St., Creston
641•782-1621

RENT SUBSIDIZED HOUSING

Afton Park Apartments
910 N. Clayton St., P.O. Box 15, Afton
641•333-2291
•Income based housing certified through FHA.

Clearview Apartments
1301 Manor Dr., Creston
641-782-8431
•Rent subsidized income based housing – USDA-RD

Creston Park Apartments
1501 N. Lincoln St., Creston and
402 N. Oak St., Creston
641•333-2291
• Income based housing certified through FHA.

Creston Plaza Apartments
1001 S. Sumner St., Creston
Manager Telephone: 641•782-7071

Green Valley Manor
124 Manor Drive #3, Creston
641•782-7173
• Income based housing certified through HUD.

UTILITIES

Afton Municipal Utilities
641•347-5224

Alliant Energy
800•255-4268

Central Iowa Power Cooperative (CIPCO)
641•782-2158

Creston Municipal Utilities
641•782-5817

Iowa Telecom
877•901-4692

Southern Iowa Rural Water Association
641•782-5744

Waste Management
641•782-7777

RECREATION

Crest Area Theater (CAT)
313 W. Montgomery St., P.O. Box 108, Creston
•Meetings on the first Monday of the month at Southwestern Community College Performing Arts Center, “Green Room”, 1501 W. Townline Street, Creston. All volunteers are welcome on stage and backstage. Four performances a year and one children’s show.

Creston Park and Recreation
116 W. Adams St., Creston
641•782-8220
•McKinley Park, Rainbow Park, Sears Complex, VFW Field

Green Valley State Park
1480 130th, Creston

641•782-5131

Panther Lanes

301 N. Cherry St., Creston

641•782-4316

Pine Valley Golf

Hwy 34, Creston

641•782-4917

Southern Prairie YMCA

1201 W. Townline St., Creston

641•782-9622

•Water and land fitness for all ages. Membership scholarships available with proof of need.

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•Special Olympic programs with certified coaches in the following areas: Volleyball, Basketball, Winter Sports (Snow Shoeing, Downhill Skiing, and Cross Country Skiing), Bowling, Track and Field, Cycling, Softball, Aquatics, Roller skating, and Bocce Ball.

Strand Theater

309 W. Adams St., Creston

641•782-7224

Swimming Pool

McKinley Park, 601 S. Lakeshore Dr., Creston

641•782-8918

Three Mile Lake

Twelve Mile Lake

SHELTERS

Atlantic Shelter

Atlantic, IA

800•696-5123

- Family crisis support.

Family Violence Center of Des Moines

1-800•982-0333

- Provides shelter, counseling, and supportive services to victims of domestic violence.

Iowa Homeless Youth Shelter

1219 Buchanan St., Des Moines, 50316

515•265-1222

- For youth age 16-21

Lighthouse – Family Futures

1216 Martin Luther King Pkwy, Des Moines, 50314

515•288-7884

- Homeless shelter for pregnant and parenting teens ages 16-25 with a focus on promoting self-sufficiency.

Open Door Mission – Lydia House

Box 19345, Omaha, NE 68119-0345

402•422-1111

- Shelter for woman and children in any crisis situation

Phoenix House

411 East Broadway, Council Bluffs, 51503

712•256-2059

- Domestic violence services for women and children.

Rural Iowa Crisis Center

P.O. Box 384, Creston

641•782-6632 or 888•782-6632

- Offers free confidential services for: 24 hour emergency shelter, 24 hour crisis hotline, crisis counseling, medical and legal advocacy, support groups, information and referral, and prevention programming.

SENIOR SERVICES

Area XIV Agency on Aging

215 E. Montgomery St., Creston

641•782-4040

- Provides services to older persons, including congregate meals, home delivered meals, information and referral, advocacy, reassurance, and outreach.

Creston Area Retired Teachers

641•782-4591

Social Security Administration

201 N. Elm St., Creston

641•782-2114 or 800•772-1213

Website: www.ssa.gov

- Social Security benefits, Supplemental Security income benefits, and Medicare; help with representative payee issues if person is already entitled to benefits.

YOUTH SERVICES

Boy Scouts

641•782-7922

Girl Scouts

641•782-2824

641•782-2546

Union County 4-H

ISU Extension Office of Union County

105 W. Adams St., Suite B, Creston

641•782-8426

•Open to all youth in grades 4th – 12th.

CloverKids for youth in grades Kindergarten – 3rd.

Youth Plus

105 W. Adams St., Creston

641•782-8426

•Youth Plus is an initiative designed to unite youth and individuals to create a healthy environment in Union County.

INFORMATION AND REFERRAL HELPLINES

EMERGENCY

Union County Sheriff Department	911
	(non-emergency: 641•782-7717)
Creston Police Department.....	911
	(non-emergency: 641•782-8402)
Afton Police Department.....	911
	(non-emergency: 641•782-8402)
Ambulance	911
	(non-emergency: 641•782-7091)
Fire Department (Creston).....	911
	(non-emergency: 641•782-5610)
Fire Department (Afton).....	911
Fire Department (Arispe)	911
Fire Department (Lorimor).....	911
Fire Department (Shannon City)	911
Fire Department (Thayer).....	911
Emergency/Crisis Child Care	888•782-2661
Domestic Violence Abuse Hotline (Iowa).....	800•942-0333*
Iowa State Patrol Emergency	800•525-5555*
National Center for Missing & Exploited Children.....	800•843-5678*
	(The Lost)
Poison Control.....	800•222-1222*
Emergency Mental Health.....	800•562-4944*
Rural Iowa Crisis Center	888•782-6632*
	(Toll-free)

HEALTH

AA Meetings	800•207-2172
Action Now	800•622-5168•
American Cancer Society.....	800•227-2345•
Arthritis Foundation	800•283-7800*
Crossroads Mental Health	800•622-5168
Eating Disorders Treatment.....	800•263-5672*
FOCUS Crisis Intervention	515•446-4242*
Gambling Hotline.....	800•238-7633*
	(Bets Off)
HIV & AIDS Information	800•445-AIDS*
Medicare.....	800•633-4227
National AIDS Hotline	800•342-2437*
National Alcohol Hotline	800•252-6465*
National Institute on Drugs	800•662-4357*
Substance Abuse Information and Treatment Referral.....	800•662-HELP*

CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Child Abuse Reporting.....	800•550-5753
Child Care Resource and Referral.....	800•945-9778•
Child Support & Recovery Services.....	888•229-9223*
Dependent Adult Abuse Reporting.....	800•550-5753

Iowa Concern/Rural Concern	800•447-1985*
Iowa Healthy Families	800•369-2229
Hawk-I Program	800•257-8563•
National Runaway Hotline	800•621-4000*
Teen Line	800•443-8336*

LEGAL

Consumer Credit of Des Moines	515•287-6428
Iowa Attorney General (Consumer Protection)	515•281-5926
Legal Aid	800•532-1503
Legal Services Corp. of Iowa	800•305-2292
National Safety Council	800•621-7619
Union County Attorney	641•782-7065
Youth Law	800•728-1172

GENERAL INFORMATION

American Red Cross/Disaster Services	800-887-2988
Better Business Bureau	800-222-1600
Directory Assistance	800•555-1212*
IRS Services Center	800•829-4477•
Salvation Army	800•274-0628•
Social Security Administration.....	800•772-1213
Veterans Administration.....	800•827-1000•

*answered 24 hours

•answering machine will direct you after hours