

YOUTH & FAMILY RESOURCE GUIDE

Check out upcoming events, as well as programs and resources that support Sheboygan County's children, parents and families.



September 2025 - Events & Classes

SCARECROW FESTIVAL

Organization: YMCA Camp Y-Koda

Join us for this amazing and unique festival, all about Scarecrows! Throughout The Christopher Farm & Gardens, a 500-acre property along Lake Michigan, you will be able to view different scarecrow displays created from local businesses, landscapers, artists, non-profits, schools, families and more! This beautiful event is great for the entire family to get outside and enjoy activities together such as: arts & crafts, catch & release fishing, face painting, story time, train rides and s'more fun!

Where: The Christopher Farm & Gardens

Date/Time: Saturday October 11th & Sunday October 12th

Visit: sheboygancountymca.org

CAT TALES

Organization: Mead Public Library

Join us for a special read-aloud of "George Come Home" by local author Ethel Pillman, a heartwarming story about a cat's big adventure. After the story, we'll make simple cat toys to donate to the Sheboygan County Humane Society. A purr-fect program for animal lovers of all ages! Free copies of the book will be available (one per family, first come, first serve).

Date/Time: Saturday September 13th at 10am

Visit: meadpl.org

TODDLER TIME

Organization: Above & Beyond Children's Museum

This program is designed for caregivers and children aged 1 to 3 years old to explore, create, and learn together. We will enjoy fun sensory activities, art projects, and plenty of movement to help our littlest learners discover the wonders of the world! Pre-registration is required.

Date/Time: Tuesday September 23rd at 9:30-10:30am

Visit: abkids.org

FAMILY FORMAL DANCE

Organization: Family Resource Center Sheboygan Co.

Come dance the night away! Dress fancy or fun. The night will include snacks, dancing, crafts, family photo opportunities, and more!

Date/Time: Friday September 12th at 5:30pm

Visit: familyresourcesheboygan.org

FOCUS ON FATHERS

Organization: UW-Extension

In this Focus on Fathers workshop, we talk about how fathers teach children to be good citizens. Help Your Child Grow Confident and Capable - As kids gain independence, the choices they face grow too. In this session, learn simple, effective ways to teach your child how to make smart decisions, speak up for themselves, and stay safe.

Where: Virtual/Online Workshop

Dates/Times: Tuesday September 9th at 6pm

Visit: parenting.extension.wisc.edu

RAINBOW KIDS: SUPPORT GROUP FOR NAVIGATING GRIEF & LOSS

Organization: Family Connections

This group is for children, teens and adults navigating the pain of loss. Whether due to death, divorce, separation, incarceration, abandonment, or military deployment, our program is here to help. This program is about providing a safe space for participants to express their feelings and experiences-not about offering advice.

Where: Bethany Reformed Church at 1315 Washington Avenue in Sheboygan

Date/Time: Mondays at 5:30pm, 9-Week Session begins on Monday September 15th and runs through Monday November 17th

Contact: micheleh@familyconnectionscc.org

Visit: familyconnectionscc.org

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SCHOOLS OUT CAMP

Organization: YMCA Camp Y-Koda

No School? No Problem! When school is out, camp is here for parents with a full day of care in our School's Out program. Campers will enjoy an action-packed day of adventure and fun. We will get the kids outside to enjoy the fresh air and partake in favorite camp activities. Your camper will make new friends, gain confidence and expand their horizons. It's a great way to spend a day off!

Date/Time: Friday September 26th

Contact: droscovius@sheboygancountymca.org

Visit: sheboygancountymca.org

IMMERSIVE STORY TIME

Organization: Above & Beyond Children's Museum

Perfect for learners (and grown-ups!) of all ages, our museum educators and featured community guests will enchant you with themed stories, captivating sounds, and a sprinkle of magic. Come ready to imagine, learn, and be whisked away on a new adventure every time!

Date/Time: Tuesday September 23rd at 9:30-10am

Visit: abkids.org

SHARE + CARE VET CLINIC CELEBRATION

Organization: Above & Beyond Children's Museum

Be some of the first visitors at our newest exhibit! Learn about our new animal friends with a real veterinarian from the Sheboygan County Humane Society, explore the important jobs of animals through interactive storytime, and delight in a morning full of dog-gone fun! Please note: Reciprocal membership, library membership, and day passes are not honored during our events.

Date/Time: Saturday September 27th from 9am-12pm

Visit: abkids.org

BUILDING HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS WITH CHILDREN WHO HAVE EXPERIENCED TRAUMA

Organization: Sheboygan Co. Health & Human Services

This workshop is for any community member who cares for or works with children who have experienced trauma. This is an 8-week free workshop. Childcare is available until full. The evening class includes dinner.

Where: 1011 8th Street in Sheboygan

Date/Time: Wednesdays at 5pm, October 1st - Nov. 19th

Contact: Nancy.Carey@sheboygancounty.com

Visit: bit.ly/TIPW2025

ARTS MESSTIVAL

Organization: Mead Public Library

Get ready to get messy! Celebrate the arts during Sheboygan Gallery Night with Messtival—a hands-on, come-and-go art experience full of paint, squish, splatter, and sensory fun. Dress for a mess and let your imagination run wild!

Date/Time: Saturday September 13th at 2pm

Tickets: meadpl.org

MAKER SPACE

Organization: Above & Beyond Children's Museum

We provide engaging materials and activities that spark curiosity and imagination in learners of every age. Our museum educators will guide children through both structured projects and open-ended exploration, allowing each child to lead and follow their interests while developing new skills. We can't wait to help our young inventors, artists, and scientists bring their ideas to life! This program is included with purchase of a regular museum admission ticket.

Date/Time: Friday September 26th at 10-11am

Visit: abkids.org



CHOMP SAW 101 WORKSHOP

Organization: Above & Beyond Children's Museum

Get ready to saw, shape, and build! This hands-on workshop where kids ages 4+ and their caregivers use a kid-safe power tool—the ChompSaw—to cut cardboard and bring creatures to life. Participants will explore real-world math concepts like measurement, shape, symmetry, and spatial reasoning as they design and construct 3D cardboard creations. Families sign up for 30-minute sessions included with museum admission. Safety goggles and ear protection are provided. This program is included with purchase of a regular museum admission, but pre-registration is encouraged.

Date/Time: Tuesday September 16th at 9:30-10:30am

Visit: abkids.org

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PLYMOUTH FARMER'S MARKET

Organization: Nourish Farms

Nourish is sponsoring the Plymouth Farmers' & Artisan Market for this 2025 season! Come to visit, learn more about our local farmers and artisans and what we can do as consumers to understand the food systems in our community better. We set up every Thursday at Stayer Park in Plymouth, WI from 3-6pm now thru October 16th!

Where: Stayer Park in Plymouth

Date/Time: Thursdays from 3-6pm through October 16th

RESILIENT CO-PARENTING: RELATIONSHIP READINESS

Organization: UW-Extension

This is a monthly class series for parents and caregivers who are raising their children together while living apart. Join other parents and caregivers to receive support on your co-parenting journey. This month's class focuses on relationship readiness. Are you entering into a new romantic relationship? Assess your relationship readiness and learn tips to help your children adjust to new relationships.

Where: Virtual/Online Workshop

Date/Time: Thursday September 4th at 7pm

Visit: parenting.extension.wisc.edu

Contact: hannah.zellmer@wisc.edu or call 608-897-3139

HOW TO HELP YOUR CHILD WHO FEELS DOWN: A TRAINING FOR PARENTS

Organization: UW-Extension

We all feel down and blue from time to time, but some people can get stuck feeling that way. When this happens to our children, it can be really hard for them, and for us as their concerned parents. This two-part class will teach you the knowledge and research-based skills to help your child feel better.

Where: Virtual/Online Workshop

Date/Time: Wednesday September 24th at 7pm

Visit: parenting.extension.wisc.edu

SUPPORTING YOUR CHILD WITH ADHD & NEURODIVERSITY

Organization: Family Resource Center Sheboygan Co. & Family Connections

These interactive workshops are open to all parents and caregivers with children 1-12 years old and are designed to support you in building strong, positive relationships with your child as you help them to navigate a variety of life situations. These free classes cover a range of everyday parenting topics and provide simple, practical strategies to help you guide your child through common challenges.

Where: Mead Public Library in Sheboygan

Date/Time: Wednesday September 17th at 10am

Visit: familyconnectionscscc.org

Resources & Programs

BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS

Organization: Boys & Girls Clubs of Sheboygan Co.

No cost for free/reduced lunch status. Activities include academic enrichment, arts, STEM, health and well-being, and character and leadership programs. Snack included.

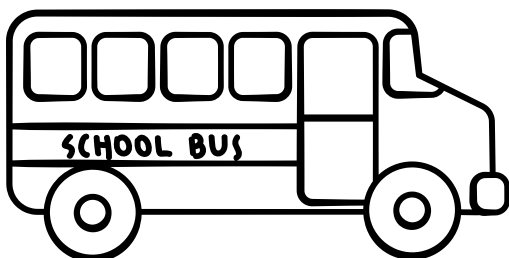
Locations for Before & After School Sites for K-5th:

Longfellow, Jefferson, Cooper

Locations for After School Sites for K-8th: Lake Country Academy, Sheboygan Falls

Contact: program@thepositiveplace.com

Visit: ThePositivePlace.com



AFTER SCHOOL TEEN DROP-IN

Organization: Boys & Girls Clubs of Sheboygan Co.

Activities include homework help, arts, STEM, sports, cooking, games, character and leadership, career exploration, and more. Snack included. Free for all teens grades 6-12. Monday -Friday from 3-7pm

Locations: 812 Broughton Drive in Sheboygan, Lower Level of Sheboygan YMCA

Contact: clubaty@thepositiveplace.com

Visit: ThePositivePlace.com

PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION

Organization: Sheboygan Co. Head Start & Early Head Start

Head Start is now taking applications for the 2025-26 school year. Head Start is a free preschool program for those that qualify.

Contact: (920) 458-1154

Visit: sheboyganheadstart.org

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BIRTH TO 3 PROGRAM

Organization: Sheboygan Co. Health & Human Services

Children do different things at different ages. Some babies sit without support at six months old, while others need help until they are nine months old. Some toddlers start talking when they are a year old. Others might take longer to say their first words. If you are worried about the way your baby or toddler is developing, don't wait!

Contact: (920) 459-0557

Visit: sheboygancounty.com

30-DAY YOUTH MEDITATION CHALLENGE

Organization: Mental Health America Lakeshore

Calling all parents, educators, and anyone who works with youth—this September, help your kids start the school year grounded, calm, and ready to learn with MHA Lakeshore's FREE 30-Day Youth Meditation Challenge! Each day features a quick 1-2 minute meditation with imaginative, engaging themes like Mountain Stillness, Balloon Breaths, Sparkling Stars, Peaceful Garden, and Floating Leaf. These playful practices help children regulate their emotions and bodies—while offering a peaceful pause for adults, too. Great for students in grades PK-5. It's the perfect activity to try together—at home, in the classroom, or as part of a daily routine.

Contact: pat@frc-sc.org

Visit: familyresourcesheboygan.org

PARENTS AS TEACHERS

Organization: Family Resource Center

A free, evidence-based, voluntary program to support parents, answer your questions, increase your parenting skills and help provide early detection of potential developmental delays in your child. Services include in-home or virtual visits and/or a variety of parenting classes to help you and your child make the most of the early years.

Contact: pat@frc-sc.org

Visit: familyresourcesheboygan.org

MORE TIME TO PLAY & LEARN

Organization: Above & Beyond Children's Museum

Starting September 17th, Above and Beyond Children's Museum will be extending their hours on Wednesday nights to include 4-7pm.

Visit: abkids.org

CHILDREN'S LONG TERM SUPPORT

Organization: Sheboygan Co. Health & Human Services

Wisconsin has approved CLTS Waivers for children with developmental disabilities, physical disabilities, severe emotional disturbances, and kids with autism spectrum disorders. The purpose of the Waivers is to help families support their children with severe disabilities within their own home/community.

Contact: (920) 459-0368

Visit: sheboygancounty.com

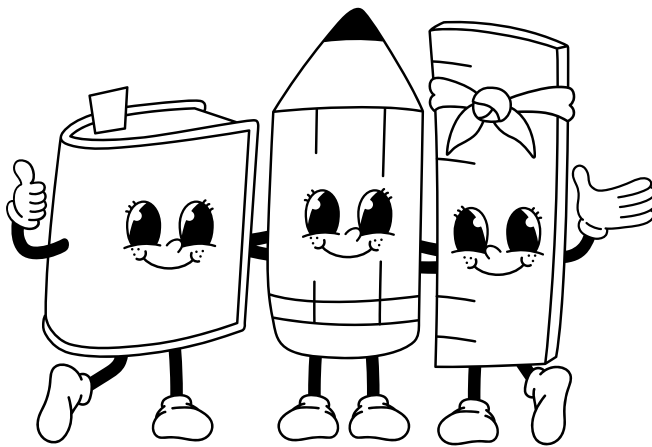
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE YOUTH SERVICES

Organization: Safe Harbor of Sheboygan

Safe Harbor's Youth Services Program provides family-focused crisis intervention and individual supportive services to children who have experienced the trauma of domestic or sexual violence in their lives. Our program offers 1-on-1 advocacy to children and parents.

Contact: (920) 452-7640

Visit: sheboygansafeharbor.org



WAYS YOUTH SERVICES

Organization: Foundations Health & Wholeness

WAYS Youth Services is a voluntary, community-based program open to all youth between school-age and 21 years of age. The program is designed to help prevent homelessness and decisions to become a runaway, while navigating youth through the process of transitioning to successful, healthy, and independent living via preventative outreach, education, and other critical resources. RAYS meets all youth where they are at within the community, using a trauma-informed perspective to build coping/social emotional skills, positive adult connections, and strong connections to their community.

Contact: WAYS@wearefoundations.org

Visit: wearefoundations.org/rays-youth-services

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CUB SCOUTS, SCOUTS BSA & SEA SCOUTS

Organization: Scouting America

Scouting invites every youth to a safe, fun place to learn, explore, and grow. Scouting America aims to prepare young people for lives of impact and purpose. We welcome, at every level of our movement, youth and families who wish to live such a life of impact and purpose, guided by the Scout Oath and Law. Program levels are Cub Scouts (boys & girls grades k-5th) Scouts BSA (boys & girls ages 11-17) and Sea Scouts (boys and girls ages 14-21)

Contact: sally.bork@scouting.org or (920) 203-0700

Visit: beascout.scouting.org

MENTORING, TUTORING & CAREER EXPLORATION

Organization: Horizons4Girls

We help students discover and set goals, both academic and personal. Certified, trained mentors customize services and scheduling to fit a student's needs. This can include job shadowing, field trips, life skills training and counseling.

Contact: info@Horizons4Girls.com or call (920)-254-1584

YOUTH GROUPS (FAITH-BASED)

Organization: Campus Life

Campus Life offers engaging programs for children and teens, providing a supportive environment where they can connect, learn and grow in their Christian faith. Through games, lessons and group discussions, students build friendships and explore important life values. Programs are available for ages 2-18, with activities designed to encourage personal growth, teamwork and a sense of belonging. Visit our website for specific days and times for each age group.

Contact: campuslife@gocampuslife.com or (920)-457-2381

Visit: gocampuslife.com

EQUINE ASSISTED ACTIVITIES & THERAPIES

Organization: REINS, Inc.

REINS provides social and emotional support for children and adults through the utilization of horses. REINS helps people with physical disabilities and mental/emotional issues. Activities are organized using the horses to meet personal growth goals of our participants.

Visit: reins-wi.org

GIRL SCOUTS

Organization: Girl Scouts of Manitou Council

Something magical happens when your girl finds her forever friends who support her and cheer her on every step of the way. She feels heard, supported, and understood - and gains the confidence to learn new skills and the courage to be herself. As a Girl Scout, she'll make new friends and create lifelong memories, observe the stars and reach for them, go on unexpected adventures and surprise herself, and so much more. Friendship is always in season with Girl Scouts. Join today!

Contact: growstrong@gsmanitou.org or (920) 565-4575

Visit: gsmanitou.org

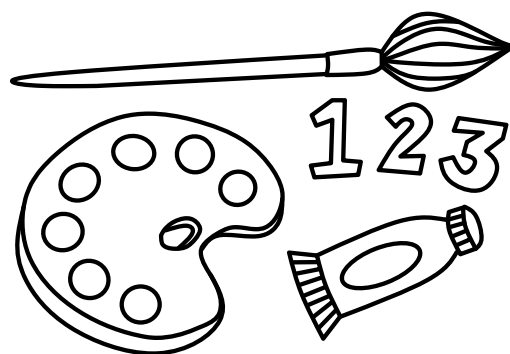
DEVELOPMENTAL CHECKLISTS & SCREENINGS

Organization: Progressive Beginnings

Check in on your child's development – early intervention is key! Our developmental checklists can help you monitor your child's motor, language and sensory development. Checklists are available for ages 1-14.

Or, sign up for a FREE 30-minute screening to evaluate your child's social-emotional and motor development, including communication, gross motor, fine motor, problem-solving and personal-social skills. Give your child the best start – schedule a screening today!

Visit: progbeg.com



HELPING OTHER PARENTS THROUGH EDUCATION (H.O.P.E.)

Organization: Anchor of Hope

Helping others parent through education (H.O.P.E.) is a free parent education program that covers various topics for parents from birth to three years of age. The program is to educate and empower parents to grow as parents and as individuals. Parents participating in H.O.P.E. receive points towards material support items. Participants can join any time.

Contact: Call (920) 452-4673 or text (920) 400-6927

Visit: anchorofhopewi.org

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TEAMBUILDING & ROPES COURSE

Organization: YMCA Camp Y-Koda

Grow together as many, come together as one! Our team-building programs not only develop solid communication and cooperation skills, but also create a bond and sense of comradely that continues to grow after your high-impact learning experience. Our team tailors the program to each individual group's goals and anticipated outcomes. One of the major benefits of a high ropes course experience is the increased self-esteem that participants get from doing things that they thought were not possible.

Contact: droscovius@sheboygancountymca.org

Visit: sheboygancountymca.org.

DOG-ASSISTED THERAPY

Organization: Love on a Leash - Sheboygan Chapter

Love on a Leash® is committed to bringing comfort, happiness, and healing to more people nationwide by increasing public awareness of pet-provided therapy. Registered and certified therapy teams, owner with dog, are available to work in a variety of settings like a classroom or library.

Contact: (920) 254-1584

Visit: loveonaleash.org.

DO YOU KNOW WHERE TO CALL FOR HELP?

911

Call 911 in case of emergencies such as fire, crime, car accident or medical emergency.

988

Call 988 when in need of support with a mental health crisis, thoughts of self-harm or emotional distress.

211

Call 211 when in need of support with housing, utilities, child care, food, legal services, disaster recovery and more.

RECURSOS PARA JOVENES & FAMILIAS

Descubre los próximos eventos, así como los programas y recursos que apoyan a los niños, padres y familias del condado de Sheboygan.



septiembre 2025 - eventos, clases y programas

CELEBRACIÓN DE LA NUEVA EXHIBICION “CLÍNICA VETERINARIA”

Organización: Museo “Above & Beyond”

¡Sé de los primeros en visitar la nueva exhibición! Conoce a los nuevos amigos animales con un veterinario real de la Sociedad Protectora de Animales del Condado de Sheboygan (Humane Society of Sheboygan County), explora los trabajos importantes de los animales a través de cuentos interactivos y disfruta de una mañana llena de diversión perruna.

Por favor, ten en cuenta: las membresías recíprocas, las membresías de biblioteca y los pases diarios no son válidos durante los eventos especiales como este.

Fecha/Hora: sábado 27 de septiembre de 9 a.m. a 12 p.m.

Visita: abkids.org

PROGRAMA PARA ADOLESCENTES

Organización: Boys & Girls Clubs

Después del día escolar, nuestro programa de “drop-in” no requiere registración previa. Las actividades para adolescentes incluyen ayuda con la tarea, artes, ciencias, matemáticas, deportes, cocina, desarrollo del carácter y liderazgo, exploración de carreras y más. Comidas/botana gratis. Abierto para los grados 6-12, de lunes a viernes de 3 p.m. a 7 p.m.

Dónde: 812 Broughton Drive, planta baja de YMCA Sheboygan

Contacto: program@thepositiveplace.com

Visita: ThePositivePlace.com

EXENCIÓN DE APOYO A LARGO PLAZO PARA NIÑOS (CLTS)

Programa: Departamento de Salud y Servicios Humanos del Condado de Sheboygan

Wisconsin ofrece el programa CLTS para niños con discapacidades del desarrollo, físicas, problemas emocionales graves o autismo. Este programa ayuda a las familias a cuidar y apoyar a sus hijos con discapacidades graves en su propio hogar y comunidad.

Contacto: (920) 459-0557

¡MÁS TIEMPO PARA JUGAR Y APRENDER!

Organization: Museo “Above & Beyond”

A partir del 17 de septiembre, el Museo “Above & Beyond” ampliará su horario los miércoles por la noche, ahora abierto de 4 a 7 p.m.

Visita: abkids.org

PROGRAMAS ANTES & DESPUES DEL DIA ESCOLAR

Programa: Boys & Girls Clubs

Sin costo para quienes califican para almuerzo gratis o a precio reducido. Las actividades incluyen enriquecimiento académico, artes, ciencias, matemáticas, salud y bienestar, desarrollo del carácter y liderazgo. Se incluye bocadillo/botana.

Sitios para niños en K-5: Longfellow, Jefferson, Cooper. **Sitios para la programación después del día escolar, niños en K-8:** Lake Country Academy, Sheboygan Falls.

Contacto: program@thepositiveplace.com

Visita: ThePositivePlace.com

SHEBOYGAN COUNTY BIRTH TO THREE

Programa: Condado de Sheboygan Birth to Three

Los niños hacen cosas diferentes a edades diferentes. Algunos bebés se sientan sin apoyo a los seis meses, mientras que otros necesitan ayuda hasta los nueve meses. Algunos niños pequeños empiezan a hablar cuando tienen un año. Otros pueden tardar más en decir sus primeras palabras. Si te preocupa el desarrollo de tu bebé o niño pequeño, ¡no esperes!

Contacto: (920) 459-0557

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**SHEBOYGAN COUNTY
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FOR CHILDREN**

SAFE HARBOR OF SHEBOYGAN COUNTY

Programa: Servicios para jóvenes

El Programa de Servicios Juveniles de Safe Harbor ofrece intervención en crisis centrada en la familia y servicios de apoyo individual a los niños que han experimentado el trauma de la violencia doméstica o sexual en sus vidas. Nuestro programa ofrece uno-a-uno la defensa de los niños y los padres. Póngase en contacto con nosotros si tiene alguna pregunta sobre nuestros servicios.

Contacto: (920) 452-7640

Visita: sheboygansafeharbor.org

AYUDANDO A OTROS A SER PADRES

Organizacion: Anchor of Hope

Un programa gratuito que cubre varios temas para padres de niños desde el nacimiento hasta los tres años de edad. El programa tiene como objetivo educar y empoderar a los padres para que crezcan como padres y como individuos. Los participantes pueden unirse al programa en cualquier momento.

Contacto: (920) 452-4673 or manda mensaje a (920) 400-6927

Visita: anchorofhopewi.org/hope-program

GIRL SCOUTS

Programa: Girl Scouts of Manitou Council

¿Hacer malvaviscos alrededor de una hoguera? ¿Explora un parque estatal con tu tropa? ¿Sonríe a alguien? Haz todo eso y mucho más con las Girl Scouts. ¡Te espera un año de diversión!

Ahora es el momento perfecto para comenzar tu viaje con las Girl Scouts. Prepárate para vivir aventuras épicas, probar cosas nuevas y pasarlo en grande. Descubre un mundo de emociones con tus amigas Girl Scouts a tu lado.

Contacto: growstrong@gsmanitou.org o llama (920) 565-4575

Visita: gsmanitou.org

LA AYUDA EN TRES NUMEROS



Llama al 911 en caso de emergencias como incendio, delito, accidente de auto o emergencia médica.



Llama al 988 si necesita apoyo en una crisis de salud mental, tiene pensamientos de autolesión o sufre angustia emocional.



Llama al 211 si necesitas apoyo con vivienda, servicios públicos, cuidado infantil, alimentación, servicios legales, recuperación ante desastres y más.