**BRANDON**

List of available *Programs* for Safety:

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| Samaritan House - Safe & Warm Shelter (Winter only) | The Safe &amp; Warm Shelter is a 25-bed emergency winter shelter designated for adults who experience occasional homelessness. The shelter is fully staffed with trained support workers and security guards who ensure safety and assistance for clients. |  | NA | <https://www.samaritanhouse.net/shelter-housing> |
| Samaritan House - Hoarding Support Services | Our Hoarding Support Services Program works to effectively address and relieve problematic hoarding and domestic squalor. With the problem of hoarding comes a very real risk of eviction from housing, increased risk of dangerous falls, and health problems due to excessive clutter. Our services help clients manage their clutter and get the emotional support they need to live safely. If you or someone you know is struggling with the dangers of hoarding or domestic squalor, please contact the Hoarding Support Services Coordinator for access to: Assessments for in-home safety and risk Strategies and support for de-cluttering, sorting, and organizing, Referrals to appropriate services, Assistance navigating social and health systems, Interim case management, Mental health consultation and emotional support, Support groups with others who struggle with hoarding and squalor. | 12047219255 | hoarding@samaritanhouse.net | <https://www.samaritanhouse.net/shelter-housing> |
| MCFS - Brandon - Family Support Programs | The Family Support Program provides: Parent Support Education involves individual work with parents in their home to enhance their parenting skills and abilities and build on their existing strengths. Respite involves the provision of safe alternative care for children so that parents are able to attend programming, classes and therapy. Supported Family Time involves supporting parents who have children in the care of the Agency engage in a gradual resumption of their role as the caregiver to their children in order to facilitate reunification. Individual support is provided to the family in order to resolve identified concerns and enhance the parent's competencies and strengths. Emergency Support - In times of crisis the Agency provides families with support such as transportation, emergency food, milk and diapers, emergency respite and support services. | 12047278540 | info@michifcfs.com | <http://www.michifcfs.com/strengthening_families.php> |
| MCFS - Brandon - Alternative Placement Services | Kinship Care Program within the Metis community there is a long history of extended family and community members providing care, nurturance and protection for children whose parents were unable to provide care. The philosophy of Michif Child and Family Services is grounded in these traditions and beliefs, with the Kinship Care program working to keep children within their own family networks and communities where possible. Foster Care and Specialized Foster Care where children are unable to remain within their own family networks, Michif Child and Family Services strives to develop community resources and living environments that nurture and empower. Community members who believe in supporting children and youth to flourish and achieve their potential are actively sought in all regions. | 12047278540 | info@michifcfs.com | <http://www.michifcfs.com/alternative_placement_services.php> |
| DOCFS - Brandon - Family Enhancement | DOCFS provides support and assistance to families who are experiencing difficulties. The Agency provides counseling to families and helps them to find effective solutions to the problems they are encountering. COMPLIMENTARY RESOURCES: Where appropriate, the Agency may refer to other resources (i.e. Elders, Psychologists) place Homemakers, Parent Aides, and Family Support Workers or use daycare services to maintain the family unit. | 12047293645 | NA | <https://www.docfs.org/family_enhancement> |
| DOCFS - Brandon - Child Protection | DOCFS is legally obligated to investigate families when they have reason to believe that a child is in need of protection due to neglect, abuse, abandonment or exploitation. Where an allegation of abuse is made, investigations are done in cooperation with the police. Where a child is found to be in need of protection, the agency will remove the child to a place of safety until the family can be safely reunited. SAFETY OF THE CHILD A PRIORITY: If it is deemed necessary that a child remain in the Agency’s care after the initial assessment or investigation is completed, the child will be placed in foster care for the time required. | 12047293645 | NA | <https://www.docfs.org/child_protection> |
| DOCFS - Brandon - Foster Care | If it becomes necessary to remove a child from their home, DOCFS has a responsibility to ensure that they are placed in a home that provides a safe, loving and culturally appropriate environment. Couples or single people with or without children are encouraged to apply to become licensed foster families, as long as they have the space, the dedication, and an understanding of the need for a child to have connections to their communities and cultural backgrounds. CULTURALLY SENSITIVE: The Agency strongly encourages the use of extended family placements, community placements or placements that understand the cultural backgrounds of the child. Foster families may provide care for a child for a period of days, weeks, months and sometimes years, depending upon each circumstance. | 12047293645 | NA | <https://www.docfs.org/foster_care> |
| DOCFS - Brandon - Adoption/Guardianship | DOCFS is committed to placing those children, whom they have permanent guardianship of, in placements that will preserve the child’s cultural identity and can provide stability, security and most importantly, love. | 12047293645 | NA | <https://www.docfs.org/adoption_guardianship> |
| Westman Crisis Services - Crisis Stabilization Unit (CSU) | The Crisis Stabilization Unit (CSU) has eight beds for people needing a place to stay for a few days while receiving care. Our team will help you develop a plan to deal with the situation that threatens your mental health. The plan will be different for each person and could include any of the following: Crisis intervention - Help to adjust to medications, Learning healthier coping skills, Help with social skills, Linking to your support system, Help to increase resources, Help to prevent further crisis. Your Support Team: Nurses, Clinicians, Crisis Workers, Activity Worker, Program Worker. We will help you develop a plan to cope with your situation and get the support that you need. | 12047272555 | communications@pmh-mb.ca | <https://www.tmsd.mb.ca/Crisis%20Plan/Section%209/9-E%20Westman%20Crisis%20Services.pdf> |
| Westman Crisis Services - Mobile Crisis Unit | Mobile Crisis Unit (MCU) is a community-based service that is mobile â€“ caring staff will meet with people in their own home, or another suitable place. The Mobile Unit is available by phone 24 hours a day. | 12047254411 | NA | <https://www.tmsd.mb.ca/Crisis%20Plan/Section%209/9-E%20Westman%20Crisis%20Services.pdf> |
| SPIN - Training | COVID Update: All training dates have been postponed until further notice. SafeTALK, about three hours in duration, is a training that prepares anyone over the age of 15 to identify persons with thoughts of suicide and connect them to suicide first aid resources. Most people with thoughts of suicide invite help to stay safe. Alert helpers know how to use these opportunities to support that desire for safety. As a SafeTALK-trained suicide alert helper, you will be better able to: move beyond common tendencies to miss, dismiss or avoid suicide; identify people who have thoughts of suicide; apply the TALK steps (Tell, Ask, Listen and Keep Safe) to connect a person with suicide thoughts to suicide first aid, intervention caregivers. Powerful video clips illustrate both non-alert and alert responses. Discussion and practice help stimulate learning. Learn steps that contribute to saving lives. | 12045782599 | info@spinbrandon.ca | <http://www.spinbrandon.ca/?page_id=13> |
| MS Society - Quality of Life Grant Program - Equipment | Are you an individual diagnosed with MS and require assistance with the purchase of assistive devices? You can apply for a maximum of $300 under the Quality of Life Grant Program. Quality of Life - Equipment Grants are made available by the MS Society of Canada to people living with multiple sclerosis (MS) towards the purchase of equipment to enhance quality of life. Quality of Life - Equipment Grants are considered last resort funding, meaning all other potential funding sources must be fully explored (e.g., Society for Manitobans with Disabilities (SMD) etc.)Eligibility Criteria: A written confirmation of diagnosis of MS and an assessment of need from a Health care professional, Resident of Manitoba, Completed application form, Funding availability and declaration of financial need. | 18002687582 | tara.mamchuk@mssociety.ca | <https://mssociety.ca/support-services/programs-and-services/545/quality-of-life-grant-program-2018-equipment-mb-division> |
| Brandon University - Sexualized Violence Support & Information | We are committed to a campus and a community where sex and intimacy are consensual and respectful. Everyone has the right to an existence free of sexual assault, violence, and harassment. Brandon University encourages all members of its community who have experienced sexualized violence to consider accessing the services of the Sexual Violence Education and Prevention (SVEP) Coordinator or Klinic Sexual Assault Crisis Program 24 hour Hotline 1-888-292-7565.By reaching out to our Sexual Violence Education and Prevention Coordinator or Klinic’s Sexual Assault Crisis Program, an individual can receive help from people who have extensive experience and skill in assisting individuals who have been sexually assaulted. Connecting with our SVEP Coordinator or Klinic can empower the individual in their decision-making process and can minimize further trauma by limiting the number of places, times, and people to whom an individual may have to disclose and receive the help that they need. | 12047277498 | navidc@brandonu.ca | <https://www.brandonu.ca/sexualviolence/> |
| Brandon Red Cross - Emergency and Disaster Services | When an emergency or disaster strikes, the Canadian Red Cross may work in partnership with first responders, public officials, emergency managers, and alongside other voluntary sector organizations to provide vital services to the public. This assistance may come in the form of emergency food and clothing, emergency lodging, reception and information, personal services and family reunification services. If you have been affected by a personal disaster, such as a house fire, contact us at 1-888-800-6493. Otherwise, contact your local service location for general enquiries.https://www.redcross.ca/in-your-community/manitoba/emergency-and-disaster-services/brandon-and-western-manitoba-branch-emergency-and-disaster-services. | 12047294970 | WZInfo.Manitoba@redcross.ca | <https://www.redcross.ca/in-your-community/manitoba/emergency-and-disaster-services/brandon-and-western-manitoba-branch-emergency-and-disaster-services> |
| Brandon Red Cross - First Aid & CPR | Canadian Red Cross first aid and CPR courses are delivered in easy-to-follow steps and include practical hands-on components and varied training materials. Those looking to become babysitters can gain vital life-saving knowledge and the skills these courses develop are also essential for workplace courses, first responders, instructors and training partners. | 18773563226 | WZInfo.Manitoba@redcross.ca | <https://www.redcross.ca/in-your-community/manitoba/first-aid-and-cpr/brandon-and-western-manitoba-branch-first-aid-and-cpr> |
| Brandon Red Cross - SmartStart Injury Prevention | SmartStart is an injury prevention program specifically designed for immigrants, refugees and new Canadians. The program provides participants with a basic understanding of how to respond to emergencies and prevent injuries. Topics covered include basics in home safety, when and how to use 911, best practices in infant and child safety as well as thin ice, water, and road safety, with a particular focus on extreme weather risks in Canada. | 12047294970 | WZInfo.Manitoba@redcross.ca | <https://www.redcross.ca/in-your-community/manitoba/migrant-and-refugee-services/smartstart-injury-prevention/brandon-and-western-manitoba-branch-smartstart-injury-prevention> |
| Brandon Access/Exchange Service - Supervised Visitation | Supervised Visitation: This is a visit between children and family members where a third party is present for the entire visit. Children will never be left alone with visiting family members at any point in the visit. Maximum 2 hour visit. | 12047298115 | bfcaccess@mymts.net | <http://www.brandonaccessexchangeservice.com/services-offered/> |
| Brandon Access/Exchange Service - Intermittent Visit | Intermittent Visit: This is a visit between children and family members where a third party periodically checks in on the visit. Staff will provide assistance and support as needed. | 12047298115 | bfcaccess@mymts.net | <http://www.brandonaccessexchangeservice.com/services-offered/> |
| Brandon Access/Exchange Service - Supervised Exchange | Supervised Exchange: The transfer of one or more children to the non-custodial parent in the presence of a third party. We try to ensure parents do not have contact with each other while transferring children. | 12047298115 | bfcaccess@mymts.net | <http://www.brandonaccessexchangeservice.com/services-offered/> |
| Alzheimer Society of Manitoba - Westman - Living Safely | Living Safely with Dementia - Explore how people with dementia can live safely starting with Finding Your Ways new Living Safely with Dementia Interactive Resource Guide. | 12047298320 | alzwm@alzheimer.mb.ca | <https://alzheimer.mb.ca/we-can-help/programs-and-services/living-safely/#11525> |
| MBIA Brandon - PARTY Program | The PARTY (Prevent Alcohol and Risk-related Trauma in Youth) is dynamic, interactive injury prevention, health promotion program for teenagers PARTY was developed in 1986 at Sunnybrook and Women's College Health Centre in Toronto, Ontario, through the request from teenagers. In Canada, the incidence of trauma injury and death occurs in the 16-24 year age group. PARTY was created to educate teens about the perils of risk in behavior and the tragic consequences that can occur. This program is a vital component of the growing effort to reduce death and injury in alcohol and risk-related incidents. | 18663271998 | info@mbia.ca | <https://www.mbia.ca/how-we-help/prevention/p-a-r-t-y-program/> |
| SJA Brandon - Therapy Dog Program | Improving lives on a daily basis, the St. John Ambulance Therapy Dog Program brings joy and comfort to the sick, elderly and those in need of a friendly visit. â€‹ If you are looking for a unique and rewarding volunteer experience for you and your dog, this program might be right for you! | 12047274466 | info.brandon@mb.sja.ca | <https://www.sja.ca/English/Community-Services/Pages/Therapy%20Dog%20Services/default.aspx> |
| SJA Brandon - Connect Program | This leadership program prepares youth to assist others in their communities during emergencies and disasters, and engage them through volunteerism in community projects, thereby enabling them to develop self-esteem and a great sense of community. It also provides youth the opportunities to connect with their community and build skills employers are looking for. Participants can practice essential life and communication skills in a flexible, youth-directed learning environment. The design of the SJA Connect program includes six delivery methods available for certificate completion: youth facilitator-led session, special events, team challenges, self-guided challenges, online learning and external equivalencies. | 12047274466 | info.brandon@mb.sja.ca | <https://www.sja.ca/English/Community-Services/Pages/SJA%20Connect%20Program/Youth-Services-default.aspx> |
| SJA Brandon - Emergency Response | When a natural or human disaster strikes, St. John Ambulance volunteers are there with advanced first aid and life-saving skills, experience and leadership. Overseen by St. John Ambulance leaders volunteers trained in first aid and CPR are grouped into teams and taught how to prepare for and respond to disasters. The type of services provided by St. John Ambulance during a major emergency or disaster may vary. We provide care in the form of: health care and first aid services in reception centers casualty care at the scene of the event transportation of ill, injured, infirm to reception or medical facilities evacuation elder and child care. | 12047274466 | info.brandon@mb.sja.ca | <https://www.sja.ca/English/Community-Services/Pages/Emergency%20Response/Emergency-Response-Services-Home.aspx> |
| SJA Brandon - Medical First Responders | Well-trained and well-equipped, St John Ambulance volunteers are at countless public events to provide basic and advanced care when emergencies occur. By being there, St. John Volunteer Medical First Responders are first on the scene and the first to respond in the critical minutes until medical assistance arrives. Our volunteers are present at tens of thousands of events per year such as Winnipeg Blue Bomber Games, Brandon Wheat King games, Festival du Voyageur, rock concerts and many others. | 12047274466 | info.brandon@mb.sja.ca | <https://www.sja.ca/English/Community-Services/Pages/First%20Aid%20Response%20Services/First-Aid-Response-Services-Home.aspx> |
| CFSWM - Family Programs | Family Strengthening: Our family strengthening programs are aimed at responding to both children's and parent's needs. Parenting can be hard. It can be made harder for some who face extra challenges. Receiving support these challenges become overwhelming is critical for all, and especially families who may be more vulnerable. We work with our values framework to provide respectful and supportive response to families' needs. In-home Support: In-Home Support is meant to give Westman families healthy and positive resources to help make them stronger before their situations reach a crisis point. AnIn-Home Support worker acts as an important advocate for the family in their own community to help reduce their isolation and to make sure they have access to available and appropriate community resources and programs. | 12047266030 | info@cfswestern.mb.ca | <https://cfswestern.mb.ca/our-programs/family-strengthening/> |
| CFSWN - Children's Therapy Program | CFS of Western Manitoba provides therapeutic services to children who have experienced abuse trauma and to their family members. Our Children’s Therapy Program reduces the impacts of trauma as measured by the pre- and post-measuring of PTSD symptoms in the majority of clients. Without therapy, victims of this kind of trauma can develop negative life-long effects including (but not limited to) poor social and peer skills, difficulty in relationships, destruction of self-esteem, guilt, shame, rage, sleeping and eating disorders, educational difficulties and parenting problems. Treatment can be short or long term, intense and offered at different life stages. | 12047266030 | info@cfswestern.mb.ca | <https://cfswestern.mb.ca/our-programs/childrens-therapy-program/> |
| CFSWM - Healing Homes | Vision Statement: Our group care will promote healing by focusing on permanency, safety, and wellbeing of children in the care of Child and Family Services of Western Manitoba. Mission Statement: CFS of Western Manitoba exists so children are safe and nurtured in a strong, loving family within a community of caring people. Our three Healing Homes ensure children in our care are nurtured and supported in ways that promote their wellbeing. We achieve this through child-centred, trauma effective, culturally safe methods that are evidence based and promote healing. | 12047266030 | info@cfswestern.mb.ca | <https://cfswestern.mb.ca/our-programs/youth-engagement-program/healing-homes/> |
| Brandon Police - Citizens on Patrol Program | Our Mission is to mobilize citizens to work with law enforcement and partners to prevent crime and create a safer environment for all. The main goal of the Citizens on Patrol Program is to be on the look-out for any suspicious or criminal activity, to document this activity and, where appropriate, to report such activities to the police. COPP members act as additional eyes and ears for their community and the police, which assist in reducing crime. | 12047289969 | mhudson@wcgwave.ca | <https://citizensonpatrolmb.ca/> |
| Brandon Police - Victim Services | Since 1990, The Victim Services Unit has been providing support, information and referral services to help victims of crime or misfortune. If you are a victim, or know of someone who has been victimized, please feel free to use this service. A crime, an accident or emergency can be traumatic and overwhelming for the victim, the family or for witnesses. A person may feel loss of control, emotional turmoil and confusion. Court proceedings can be long and stressful. The Victim Services Unit is committed to assisting victims through crisis, the justice system including police, the courts and corrections. INFORMATION - The Victim Services Unit is available to assist you should you require information about your case. We are here to assist you through your crisis. If you have questions about police procedures, the court system and other important issues. | 12047292335 | g.bartley-ricketts@brandon.ca | <http://police.brandon.ca/victim-services> |