

# Directory of Services for Danbury Families



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# 2-1-1

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## 2-1-1 Facts at a Glance



### What is 2-1-1?

One number - thousands of services. 2-1-1 is a free, easy-to-remember number that connects people who want to give help or get help with a full range of health and human services in their community. 2-1-1 has certification from the American Association of Suicidology and accreditation from the Alliance of Information and Referral Systems.

### The Call Specialists:

- Every call is answered by well-trained 2-1-1 call specialists who receive 120 hours of new hire training and ongoing refresher and new program training as needed.
- English and Spanish speaking call specialists are available. Interpreters for more than 140 languages are provided by the Tele-Interpreters Language Line.

### Make 2-1-1 your first call to find...

- Childcare Services, Clothing, Counseling, Crisis Intervention, Disability Services, Domestic Violence Services, Food, Healthcare, Housing, Job Placement, Legal Assistance, Rent Assistance, Senior Services, Utility Assistance and more...
- Crisis outreach and the latest information on relief and recovery efforts during community emergencies and disasters.
- Targeted resources available regarding issues such as military family and veteran support, health care, and employment transitions.

### Who Uses 2-1-1:

- Individuals & Families
- Social Service Providers
- Child Care Providers
- Healthcare Providers
- Parents & Grandparents
- Law Enforcement
- Legislators
- Everyone

### Other Specialized Contact Centers at UWC:

- Child Development Infoline
- 2-1-1 Child Care
- HUSKY Infoline
- Care 4 Kids
- EMPS

### The Database:

2-1-1 maintains a comprehensive database of approximately.

- 4,500 health and human service providers offering approximately 48,000 services and
- 4,800 licensed child care facilities.

### Top Five Service Requests FY11:

1. Utilities/Heat
2. Information Services
3. Housing/Shelter
4. Financial Assistance
5. Outpatient Mental Health Care



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# Health/Behavioral Health

To register for health insurance under the Affordable Care Act, go to [www.AccessHealthCT.com](http://www.AccessHealthCT.com)

## Ability Beyond Disability

4 Berkshire Blvd., Bethel, CT 06801

888-832-8247

[www.abilitybeyonddisability.org](http://www.abilitybeyonddisability.org)

**Services Provided:** Community job training and placement, supported living, recreational and educational opportunities for young adults and adults with disabilities. The **In-Home Program** supports families and individuals with disabilities in the family home. Qualified staff provide services tailored to the unique needs of each family. There are a wide variety of supports available, including but not limited to: care coordination, menu planning, cooking, grocery shopping, personal hygiene, assistance/training, laundry, recreation, socialization, ADL skills assessment, family training, household cleaning, and funding approval assistance.

**Eligibility:** Individuals with disabilities, 5+ years.

**Fees:** Call for information.

**Access:** Call for an appointment.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes.

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** Yes.

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish.

## Boehringer Ingelheim AmeriCares Free Clinic

30 Main St., Suite 503, Danbury, CT 06810

203-743-4412

[www.americaresfreeclinics.org](http://www.americaresfreeclinics.org)

**Services Provided:** Provides general physical health services for adults.

**Eligibility:** Uninsured adults.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call for an appointment. Limited walk-ins.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Handicapped parking, ramps, and bathrooms.

**Accessibility to bus line:** Two blocks from bus line.

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish/Portuguese

## **Catholic Charities**

76 West St, Danbury, CT 06810

203-748-6188

[www.bridgeportdiocese.com/index.php/catholiccharities](http://www.bridgeportdiocese.com/index.php/catholiccharities)

**Services Provided:** Provides mental and behavioral health services for children and adults.

**Eligibility:** Accepts HUSKY, Medicare, Medicaid, and private insurance.

**Fees:** Sliding fee scale.

**Access:** Call for more information or for an appointment.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Handicapped parking, ramps, bathroom, and elevator.

**Accessibility to bus line:** Directly on bus line.

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish

## **School Based Health Center Programs**

Locations at Broadview Middle School, Rogers Park Middle School, and Danbury High School

203-743-9760

[www.ct-institute.org/health/school-based](http://www.ct-institute.org/health/school-based)

**Services Provided:** Provides general physical health and mental health services, including vision, hearing, and behavioral health services to Danbury Public School students.

**Eligibility:** Adolescents and young adults who are Danbury Public School students. Accepts HUSKY and Medicaid.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call for information.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes, located in public schools.

**Accessibility to bus line:** Yes, located in public schools.

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish. Language Lab is used.

## **Coalition for Healthy Kids**

c/o YMCA of Western CT

203-775-4444

**Services Provided:** Works to improve the overall health of children and their families living in Greater Danbury by creating an environment where they can be more active and make healthier choices. Distributes 5-2-1-0: A Plan for Healthy Living brochures in English, Spanish, and Portuguese.

**Eligibility:** All Danbury children.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call for more information.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** N/A

**Accessibility to bus line:** N/A

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish/Portuguese

## **Community Center for Behavioral Health**

152 West St., Danbury, CT 06810

203-207-5480

888-447-3339 Crisis Hotline

**Services Provided:** Provides mental health services for adults.

**Eligibility:** Accepts Medicare, Medicaid, and some private insurance.

**Fees:** Sliding scale for those not eligible for Medicaid.

**Access:** Call for an appointment.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Handicapped parking, ramps, and bathroom.

**Accessibility to bus line:** Located directly on bus line.

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish

## **Community Health Center of Danbury**

8 Delay St., Danbury, CT 06810

203-797-8330

[www.chc1.com](http://www.chc1.com)

**Services Provided:** Provides medical (including podiatry, chiropractic, and nutrition) and behavioral health services for infants, children, and adults.

**Eligibility:** Accepts HUSKY, Medicaid, Medicare, some private insurance, and self pay.

**Fees:** Sliding scale based on income.

**Access:** Call for an appointment.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Handicapped parking, lift, and bathrooms.

**Accessibility to bus line:** One block from bus line.

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish/Portuguese. Language lab used for other languages.

## **Connecticut Counseling Centers**

60 Beaver Brook Rd., Danbury, CT 06810

203-743-7574

[www.ctcounseling.org](http://www.ctcounseling.org)

**Services Provided:** Provides substance abuse, mental health, and behavioral health services for adults. Primary patients must be 18, but all family members may receive indirect counseling. Provides medication assisted treatment for opiate dependence.

**Eligibility:** Accepts Medicaid and some private insurance.

**Fees:** Sliding fee scale.

**Access:** Call for an appointment.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Handicapped parking. All facilities on one floor.

**Accessibility to bus line:** One block from bus line.

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish/Portuguese

## **Danbury Hospital Center for Child and Adolescent Treatment Services**

152 West St., Danbury, CT 06810

203-830-6082

[www.danburyhospital.org](http://www.danburyhospital.org)

**Services Provided:** Provides intensive outpatient mental and behavioral health services for children and adolescents.

**Eligibility:** Accepts HUSKY, Medicaid, and some private insurance.

**Fees:** Sliding fee scale for uninsured patients.

**Access:** Call for an appointment.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes

**Accessibility to bus line:** Directly on bus line.

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish. Multiple languages available through telephone translation service.

## **Danbury Youth Services**

91 West St., Danbury, CT 06810

203-748-2936

[www.danburyyouthservices.org](http://www.danburyyouthservices.org)

**Services Provided:** Strengthens youth and families by supporting and fostering hope and teaching the skills necessary to lead positive and productive lives. Programs include DCF sponsored Community Based Life Skills, Mentoring, Youth and Family Counseling, Earn-A-Bike, Target, Girls As Leaders, Kids Literacy, Youth Employment Services. Also provides outpatient clinical services as a licensed DCF qualified counseling agency with the support services of a child psychiatrist. The counseling program works with children ages 5–18 and their families on most behavioral and mental health issues including: school/academic issues, depression and anxiety, family and individual counseling, grief and loss, anger management, self-esteem and substance abuse. DYS emphasizes a Cognitive Behavioral model with a family systems approach utilizing a non-medical model unless deemed necessary via observations, consultations and analysis of various assessment tools and diagnoses.

**Eligibility:** Youth, ages 5 to 21. Accepts uninsured patients, and patients on HUSKY.

**Fees:** Sliding scale, co-pays, and free services if qualified.

**Access:** Call for an appointment.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Handicapped accessible; handicapped bathrooms; off-street parking.

**Languages spoken:** English/Spanish (interpreter)/Portuguese (interpreter)

## **Emergency Mobile Psychiatric Services, Wellmore Behavioral Health**

Call 2-1-1

**Services Provided:** Provides urgent care to children, adolescents, and families in crisis. Professional staff is available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year for intervention, counseling, information, and referral services to help with suicidal, behavioral, and other violent threats, loss of behavioral control, and traumatic experiences.

**Eligibility:** Up to age 18.

**Fees:** Accepts all forms of insurance. Free to those who are uninsured.

**Access:** Call 2-1-1.  
**Handicapped Accessibility:** N/A  
**Accessibility to bus line:** N/A  
**Languages Spoken:** Multilingual

## **Elizabeth Cotter, LPC and Associates**

7 National Place, Danbury, CT 06810  
203-770-9140

**Services Provided:** Individual and family counseling services.  
**Eligibility:** Anyone.  
**Fees:** \$65 per session. Accepts HUSKY.  
**Access:** Call for appointment.  
**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes.  
**Accessibility to bus line:** Yes.  
**Languages Spoken:** English

## **Family & Children's Aid**

75 West St., Danbury, CT 06810  
203-748-5869  
[www.fcaweb.org](http://www.fcaweb.org)

**Services Provided:** Provides mental and behavioral health services for infants, children, and adolescents. Programs include: **Multi-Dimensional Family Therapy (MDFT)** is an intensive in-home adolescent substance abuse and family therapy model. The program is designed for adolescents ages 9 to 18 who suffer from substance abuse issues, or who are at-risk for substance abuse, along with other emotional and behavioral difficulties, including: aggressive/defiant behavior; school problems/truancy; legal problems; low self-esteem; family conflict. Clients can have no concurrent treatment for mental health or substance abuse while participating in MDFT.

**Therapeutic Foster Care (TFC)** provides foster care for children between the ages of 6 and 18 years who need placement that offers stability and security because their biological families are unable to fully provide for them. Family & Children's Aid licenses homes for Foster/Adoptive Care and Respite Care. TFC is provided to children who have experienced trauma and are in need of a home. FCA places these children in a safe, supportive,

and nurturing family environment that offers a child the greatest chance of success. Children in TFC receive daily care, guidance, and modeling from trained foster parents. A multi-disciplinary approach to treatment is used that values the child's unique potential. A therapeutic foster parent is part of the child's team of professionals who work together to help the child succeed.

**Eligibility:** Varies by program. Accepts HUSKY, Medicaid, and some private insurance.

**Fees:** Sliding fee scale. For TFC program, cost of fingerprinting.

**Access:** Call for an appointment. Accepts walk-ins in emergencies.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Handicapped parking, ramps, bathroom, and elevator.

**Accessibility to bus line:** Two blocks from bus line.

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish/Portuguese (depending on the program)

## **Glen Hill Dental**

2 Glen Hill Road, Danbury, CT 06810

203-797-9392

**Services Provided:** Provides all types of dental care to children and adults.

**Eligibility:** Accepts HUSKY, Medicaid, and most private insurance.

**Fees:** Fee for service.

**Access:** Call for an appointment.

**Accessibility to bus line:** One block from bus line. Also provides courtesy shuttle service.

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish/Portuguese

## **Greater Danbury Community Health Center**

Connecticut Institute for Communities

57 North St., Danbury, CT 06810

203-743-0100

[www.ct-institute.org](http://www.ct-institute.org)

**Services Provided:** Provides pediatric, adolescent, adult, and geriatric primary health services, including OB/GYN, prevention and education services, screenings and immunizations, case management, referrals, and follow-up. Also provides staff

assistance to enroll in SNAP, HUSKY, Medicare, and Medicaid.

**Eligibility:** Serves all patients regardless of their ability to pay or insurance status. Also accepts HUSKY, Medicare, Medicaid, and most private insurance.

**Fees:** Sliding fee scale.

**Access:** Call for an appointment. Same day appointments available.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Handicapped accessible, elevator, and bathrooms.

**Accessibility to bus line:** On bus line.

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish/Portuguese

## HopeLine

13 Rose St., Danbury, CT 06810

203-207-4673

[www.hopelineprc.com](http://www.hopelineprc.com)

**Services Provided:** Provides pregnancy tests, ultrasounds, parenting education, material resources support, educational presentations, pregnancy loss support, abortion recovery help, and adoption referrals.

**Eligibility:** Anyone.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call or walk-in, 9 am to 5 pm, Monday through Thursday; Friday, 9 am to 12 pm

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes

**Accessibility to bus line:** One block from bus line.

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish. You may bring a translator with you.

## HUSKY

Toll-Free: 1-877-284-8759

[www.huskyhealth.com](http://www.huskyhealth.com)

**Services Provided:** HUSKY Health is the State of Connecticut's public health coverage program for eligible children, parents, relative caregivers, senior citizens, individuals with disabilities, adults without children, and pregnant women. Children up to age 19 may qualify regardless of family income level. Pays for doctor visits, prescriptions, vision and dental care, and more.

**Eligibility:** Call or log on to the website for details on eligibility.

**Fees:** Free or low-cost, depending on income level.

**Access:** Call the toll-free number or log on to the website.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** N/A

**Accessibility to bus line:** N/A

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish. Language line available.

## **Optimum Medical, LLC**

205 Main St., Danbury, CT 06810

203-794-9000

**Services Provided:** Provides general physical health services for children from birth through age 21.

**Eligibility:** Accepts HUSKY, Medicare, Medicaid, and private insurance.

**Fees:** Fee for service.

**Access:** Call for an appointment. Accepts walk-ins

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Handicapped parking and bathrooms.

**Accessibility to bus line:** Directly on bus line.

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish/Portuguese

## **Postpartum Support International**

1-800-944-4773 Toll Free in English and Spanish

[www.postpartum.net](http://www.postpartum.net)

**Services Provided:** Provides peer support and helps locate resources for women suffering from postpartum depression and perinatal mood disorders. Works to educate family, friends, and healthcare providers so that moms and moms-to-be can get the support they need and recover. Also offers standardized training and education for hospitals, public health systems, clinical providers, and support group leaders, social support volunteers, and others.

**Fees:** Most services are free. There are fees for training.

**Access:** Call the toll-free help line.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** N/A

**Accessibility to bus line:** N/A

**Languages spoken:** English/Spanish

## **Regional YMCA of Western CT**

12 Boughton Street, Danbury, CT 06810

203-744-1000

[www.regionalyymca.org](http://www.regionalyymca.org)

**Services Provided:** The Regional YMCA's Boughton Street Branch offers fitness and aquatics programs for all ages and abilities. Offers a fitness center, group exercise classes, indoor cycling, and swim lessons. **ESCAPE to the Arts** provides arts and education programs for children and adults, as well as an after-school program for middle schoolers.

**Eligibility:** Anyone.

**Fees:** Membership and programs fees vary.

**Access:** Call or visit the website for information.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Pool and locker rooms are handicapped accessible. ESCAPE to the Arts is handicapped accessible.

**Accessibility to bus line:** The Boughton Street branch and ESCAPE are on the bus line.

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish/Portuguese

## **Samaritan Health Center**

13 Rose St., Danbury, CT 06810

203-791-2794

[www.samaritanhealthct.org](http://www.samaritanhealthct.org)

**Services Provided:** Provides general physical health services for children from birth to 18 years.

**Eligibility:** All patients must be uninsured.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call for an appointment.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Handicapped parking, ramps, bathroom, and elevator.

**Accessibility to bus line:** One block from bus line.

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish/Portuguese

## **Seifert & Ford Community Health Center of Danbury Hospital**

70 Main St., Danbury, CT 06810

203-791-5000

**Services Provided: The Pediatric Health Center** provides general physical and dental health services for children living in Greater Danbury, including back-to-school physicals.

**The Adult Health Center** offers physical exams, preventative health care, evaluation and treatment of chronic diseases, radiology, and diagnostic testing.

**The Women's Health Center** offers annual gynecological exams; preventative health care; ante-partum evaluation; education and follow-up for gynecological and obstetric patients; post-partum examination; and a full spectrum of gynecological care, including contraception.

**Community Medicine** covers public health, including tuberculosis, HIV, and sexually transmitted diseases.

**Eligibility:** Accepts HUSKY, Medicare, and Medicaid. No private insurance accepted.

**Fees:** Sliding fee scale.

**Access:** Call or walk in to make an appointment.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes

**Accessibility to bus line:** On bus line.

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish/Portuguese.

## **Wellmore Behavioral Health**

57 North St., Unit 402, Danbury CT 06810

203-797-9778

[www.wellmore.org](http://www.wellmore.org)

**Services Provided:** Intensive home-based services (such as IICAPS, Functional Family Therapy, Care Coordination; prevention and early intervention services; Community Partner support services to DCF's Differentiated Response System, crisis intervention, and victim recovery support services.

**Eligibility:** Up to age 18, as long as the child is still in school. Accepts Medicare, Medicaid, and private insurance.

**Fees:** Sliding fee scale.

**Access:** Call for an appointment or referral.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes.

**Accessibility to bus line:** On bus line.

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish/Portuguese

## **Western Connecticut Home Care**

4 Liberty St., Danbury, CT 06810

203-792-4120

[www.westernconnecticuthomecare.org](http://www.westernconnecticuthomecare.org)

**Services Provided:** Provides general physical health care for pregnant women, infants, children, and adults. Provides flu shots and vaccinations.

**Eligibility:** Accepts HUSKY, Medicaid, Medicare, and some private insurance.

**Fees:** Sliding fee scale. No fee is required for well child exams for entry to school, immunizations and vaccines, sick child exams, TB testing, physicals and other interventions.

**Access:** Call for an appointment. Also accepts walk-ins.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Handicapped parking, ramp, and bathroom.

**Accessibility to bus line:** One block from bus line.

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish/Portuguese. Language Lab used.

## **WIC (Women and Infant Children) Regional Program**

A program of Connecticut Institute for Communities, Inc. (CIFIC)

80 Main St., Danbury, CT 06810

203-456-1410

[www.ct-institute.org](http://www.ct-institute.org)

**Services Provided:** Provides nutrition assessment and education; breastfeeding promotion and support; food vouchers; and referrals for physical and dental health and social services for infants, preschoolers, and their parents in the Greater Danbury region.

**Eligibility:** Pregnant women (through pregnancy and up to 6 weeks after birth or after pregnancy ends); breastfeeding women (up to infant's first birthday); non-breastfeeding postpartum women (up to 6 months after the birth of an infant or after pregnancy ends); infants (up to first birthday); children up to their fifth birthday (fathers, grandparents, foster parents, or other guardians may apply for WIC for their children). Must meet the income guidelines, which are set at or below 185% of the federal poverty income limit.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Walk in to apply for services, or call for an appointment.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes.

**Accessibility to bus line:** Located directly on bus line.

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish/Portuguese

## **Women's Center of Greater Danbury**

2 West St., Danbury CT 06810

203-731-5200

**Domestic Violence Hotline:** 203-731-5206

**Sexual Assault Hotline:** 203-731-5204

[www.wcogd.org](http://www.wcogd.org)

**Services Provided:** Provides services for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault, as well as those dealing with major life transitions; crisis intervention; emergency shelters; and community education, primary prevention, and training programs.

**Eligibility:** No eligibility requirements.

**Fees:** None. All services are free and confidential.

**Access:** Call for an appointment.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes

**Accessibility to bus line:** On bus line.

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish/Portuguese

## **Information to Parents**

### **2-1-1 Infoline**

1344 Silas Deane Highway, Rocky Hill, CT 06067

Dial 2-1-1

[www.211ct.org](http://www.211ct.org)

[infoline@ctunitedway.org](mailto:infoline@ctunitedway.org)

**Services Provided:** Information and referrals to agencies for parents via telephone. For more detailed information, please see the inside front and back covers of this Directory.

**Eligibility:** Anyone.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Via telephone.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** N/A

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** N/A

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish. Multilingual on website.

## **Aspire Advocacy CT**

203-482-2895

**Services Provided:** Advocacy service for parents of children with disabilities. Disabilities can be developmental, neurological, psychiatric, or physical. Linda Rietschel, BA, an experienced educational advocate, will guide families through the process of obtaining appropriate support for their children. Families will acquire knowledge of the law, insight, and confidence.

**Eligibility:** Open to all families. Initial consultation required.

**Fees:** Determined after initial consultation.

**Access:** Via telephone.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** N/A

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** N/A

**Languages Spoken:** English.

## **Child Development Infoline**

1-800-505-7000

[www.ctunitedway.org/cdi.html](http://www.ctunitedway.org/cdi.html)

**Services Provided:** Provides information to parents who may be concerned about their child's growth and development. Offers information and referrals for parents on Ages and Stages and other child development programs such as Birth to Three, Help Me Grow, Early Childhood Special Education, and Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs.

**Eligibility:** Anyone.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Phone answered weekdays 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. except holidays. Messages can be left 24 hours, seven days a week, and are returned promptly.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** N/A

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** N/A

**Languages Spoken:** Multilingual on website and phone with TTY capacity.

## **Children's Trust Fund**

25 Sigourney St., 10th Floor, Hartford, CT 06106

860-418-8769  
www.ct.gov/CTF

**Services Provided:** Information on Help Me Grow, Parent Warm Line, Ages and Stages.

**Eligibility:** Anyone.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call for information.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** N/A

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** N/A

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish

## **Connecticut Family Support Network – Northwest Region**

www.ctfsn.org/#!nw/cvpn  
203-826-9739; email: tbutler@ctfsn.org

**Services Provided:** A statewide network of families who have children with disabilities and special health care needs. Parents help other parents to find the supports they need to become their child's best advocate. Assists parents directly, connects parents to each other for parent-to-parent support, offers help with navigating Connecticut's state service systems, provides training, and offers information to parents and professionals through email distribution lists.

**Eligibility:** Anyone who has a child with a disability or special healthcare need.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call or email for more information.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** N/A

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** N/A

**Languages Spoken:** English. Or contact the Bilingual Family Support Coordinator, Maggy Morales at 860-679-1527 or mmorales@ctfsn.org

## **Connecticut Parent Advocacy Center**

83 West St., Danbury CT 06810  
203-794-1259 or 800-445-2722  
www.cpacinc.org

**Services Provided:** A statewide nonprofit organization that offers information and support to families of children with any disability or chronic illness from birth to age 26 through individual phone consultation, educational workshops, and free lending library.

**Eligibility:** Families of children with any disability or chronic illness.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Anyone by phone, drop in, or appointment

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** On bus line.

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish. Multilingual on website.

## **Danbury Children First**

83 West St., Danbury, CT 06810

203-797-8088

[www.danburychildrenfirst.org](http://www.danburychildrenfirst.org)

### **Services Provided:**

- **Parent to Parent Newsletter:** Provides information to parents on child development, education, resources in the community and parent leadership and involvement in the community.

- **Resource Directories:** Two-page resource sheet for parents that lists no or low-cost services and resources. Information is also provided about resources for basic needs and contact information for public and school officials. There is also a resource sheet for families with children with special needs.

- **Directions Care Notebooks:** Notebooks for parents of children with special needs that provide information and a place to keep track of appointments and children's progress. It helps parents keep important information handy and organized.

**Eligibility:** Targeted to parents of all children birth to 8. Any parent may request information or download from the website.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call or visit the website for more information. Newsletter and past issues are available on the Danbury Children First website.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** N/A

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish/Portuguese.

## **Danbury's Promise for Children Partnership/City of Danbury Office of Early Childhood**

c/o 85 West St., Danbury, CT 06810  
203-616-5073 or 203-300-1486  
[www.danburypromiseforchildren.org](http://www.danburypromiseforchildren.org)

**Services Provided:** Provides information and referrals on early childhood services and programs available to children ages birth through 8, living in the City of Danbury. Website offers a complete Directory of Services for Danbury Families, with links to resources.

**Eligibility:** Parents and caregivers of children ages birth through 8, living in the City of Danbury.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call or visit the website for more information.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** N/A

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** Yes

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish.

## **Danbury Public Library**

170 Main St., Danbury, CT 06810  
203-797-4505  
[www.danburylibrary.org](http://www.danburylibrary.org)

**Services Provided:** Centralized Information for parents with two large information areas, lower level and children's department. Website also provides information to parents.

**Eligibility:** Anyone.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call for information on library hours.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** Yes

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish/Portuguese

## **Danbury Public Schools Family Learning Center**

49 Osborne St., Danbury, CT 06810

203-797-4734  
www.danbury.k12.ct.us

**Services Provided:** Offers a variety of resources, programs, and playgroups to help promote literacy. Families can borrow books and attend workshops and other programs. The focus is on fostering literacy and oral language development. Also runs programs for adults through collaborations with other agencies – CACD, Families Network of Western CT, and the Danbury Public Library.

**Eligibility:** Families living in Danbury who have preschool and school-age children.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call for information.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** Yes

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish/Portuguese

## **Family & Children’s Aid**

75 West St., Danbury, CT 06810  
203-748-5689  
www.fcaweb.org

**Services Provided:**

- **Positive Parenting Program** (Triple P) provides support and training to parents who are experiencing stress in their family environment.
- **Volunteer Mentor Program** reinforces skills families learned in more intensive programs. Professional staff recruit, train, and supervise volunteers from the community who serve as role models for parents, providing support, advocacy and reinforcement of previous learning.

**Eligibility:** For parents of infants and toddlers. Some programs require referral by Dept. of Children and Families.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call for information.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** Yes

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish

## **Families Network of Western Connecticut**

5 Library Place, Danbury, CT 06810

203-791-8773

[www.fnwc.org](http://www.fnwc.org)

**Services Provided:** **Fatherhood Resource Center** offers literature and information on parenting, with an emphasis on fatherhood.

**Eligibility:** Fathers and father figures.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call for information.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** Yes

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish

## **Family Resource Centers/Danbury Public School District**

### **Morris Street School**

28 Morris St. Danbury, CT 06810

203-790-2683

[www.danbury.k12.ct.us/crc/el/family\\_resource\\_centers.html](http://www.danbury.k12.ct.us/crc/el/family_resource_centers.html)

### **Mill Ridge School Complex**

1 School Ridge Road, Danbury CT 06810

203-790-2689

[www.danbury.k12.ct.us/crc/el/family\\_resource\\_centers.html](http://www.danbury.k12.ct.us/crc/el/family_resource_centers.html)

**Services Provided:** **Parents as Teachers** is a program to help new and expectant parents give their children the best possible start in life. Family events, workshops, transitions, literacy/math components. Monthly workshops on early childhood. Also provides: Parent education, youth development, school readiness, adult education and family literacy, family and relative child care provider training; extended learning programs; resources and referrals.

**Eligibility:** Danbury children, birth to age 5, and their parents.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call or visit the school for more information.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** Yes

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish/Portuguese

## Hispanic Center of Greater Danbury

4 Harmony St., Danbury, CT 06810  
203-798-2855  
[www.hispaniccenterofdanbury.org](http://www.hispaniccenterofdanbury.org)

**Services Provided:** Information and referrals to agencies for parents.

**Eligibility:** No eligibility requirements.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call for information.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** Yes

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish/Portuguese

## SpedNet

P.O. Box 1612, New Canaan, CT 06840  
203-761-0680  
[www.spednet.org](http://www.spednet.org)

**Services Provided:** Information on special education and other related disabilities.

**Eligibility:** Anyone.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Via phone or website.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** N/A

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** N/A

**Languages Spoken:** English

## Text4Baby

[www.text4baby.org](http://www.text4baby.org)

**Services Provided:** Provides informative FREE text messages, three times a week, to expectant and new parents. Messages are timed to how far along you are in your pregnancy or how old your baby is. Messages are sent until your baby turns one.

**Eligibility:** New and expectant parents.

**Access:** Text the word "BABY" to the number 511411. If you would like to get the messages in Spanish, text the word "BEBE" to 511411. When prompted, enter your expected due date or baby's date of birth. Put in your zip code. If at any time you want

to cancel service just text "STOP" to 511411 (or reply to one of your text4baby messages the word "STOP"). You can also sign up online at [www.text4baby.org](http://www.text4baby.org)

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Via cell phone.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** N/A

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** N/A

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish

## **United Way of Western Connecticut**

85 West St., Danbury, CT 06810

203-792-5330

[www.uwwesternct.org](http://www.uwwesternct.org)

**Services Provided:** **Born Learning** is a public engagement and informational campaign that helps parents, grandparents and caregivers explore ways to turn everyday moments into fun learning opportunities.

**Eligibility:** Anyone.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Program designed for parents and caregivers of children age birth to 5.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** Yes

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish

## **Early Literacy**

### **Danbury Children First**

83 West St., Danbury, CT 06810

203-797-8088

[www.danburychildrenfirst.org](http://www.danburychildrenfirst.org)

**Services Provided:** **Lee y serás/Read and You Will Be** is an early literacy program for Latino parents of young children. **Read and Rise** is a multicultural early literacy program. Both operate for six weeks. Parents learn how to support early literacy at home. Each child receives a new book each week. Childcare is

provided. Each parent and child gets a library card if they don't already have one.

**Eligibility:** Parents with young children, from infants to age 10.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call for information.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** Yes

**Languages Spoken:** Spanish/English

## **Danbury Public Schools Family Learning Center**

49 Osborne St., Danbury, CT 06810

203-797-4734

[www.danbury.k12.ct.us](http://www.danbury.k12.ct.us)

**Services Provided:** Offers a variety of resources, programs, and playgroups to help promote literacy. Families can borrow books and attend workshops and other programs. The focus is on fostering literacy and oral language development. Also runs programs for adults through collaborations with other agencies – CACD, Families Network of Western CT, and the Danbury Public Library.

**Eligibility:** Families living in Danbury that have preschool and school-age children.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call for information.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** Yes

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish/Portuguese

## **Family Resource Centers/Danbury Public School District**

**Morris Street School**, 28 Morris St. Danbury, CT 06810

203-790-2683

[www.danbury.k12.ct.us/crc/el/family\\_resource\\_centers.html](http://www.danbury.k12.ct.us/crc/el/family_resource_centers.html)

**Mill Ridge School Complex**, 1 School Ridge Road, Danbury CT 06810

203-790-2689

[www.danbury.k12.ct.us/crc/el/family\\_resource\\_centers.html](http://www.danbury.k12.ct.us/crc/el/family_resource_centers.html)

**Services Provided: Parents as Teachers** is a program to help new and expectant parents give their children the best possible start in life. Family events, workshops, transitions, literacy/math components. Monthly workshops on early childhood. Also provide: Parent education, youth development, school readiness, adult education and family literacy, family and relative child care provider training; extended learning programs; resources and referrals.

**Eligibility:** Danbury children, birth to age 5, and their parents.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call or visit the school for more information.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** Yes

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish/Portuguese

## **United Way of Western Connecticut**

85 West St., Danbury, CT 06810

203-792-5330

[www.uwwesternct.org](http://www.uwwesternct.org)

**Services Provided: Imagination Library** provides Danbury children, from the day they are born, with a free, age-appropriate book every month until their fifth birthday.

**Eligibility:** All children age 4 and under.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call for more information.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** N/A

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** N/A

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish

## **Parenting Education**

### **Catholic Charities**

30 Main St., Suite 503, Danbury CT 06810

203-743-4412

[www.bridgeportdiocese.com/index.php/catholiccharities](http://www.bridgeportdiocese.com/index.php/catholiccharities)

**Services Provided: Putting Children First** teaches parents alternative, positive parenting skills to help them and their children

through the divorce and separation process.

**Eligibility:** Parents separating, divorcing or experiencing other family disruptions, with children 18 years old and under. Three classes monthly; six hours total. Can be repeated.

**Fees:** Call for information.

**Access:** Call for information.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** Yes

**Languages Spoken:** English

## **Connecticut Parent Advocacy Center**

338 Main St., Niantic, CT 06357

1-800-445-2722

[www.cpacinc.org](http://www.cpacinc.org)

**Services Provided:** Workshops and information to parents of children with special needs with individual phone consultations and lending library. Statewide nonprofit that offers information and support to families of children with any disability or chronic illness, birth to 26.

**Eligibility:** Any family with a child with a disability or chronic illness through age 26.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call for more information.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** N/A

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** N/A

**Languages Spoken:** English

## **Danbury Public School District/Danbury High School**

43 Clapboard Ridge Road, Danbury, CT 06811

203-797-4800

[www.danbury.k12.ct.us/dhsweb/main/index.html](http://www.danbury.k12.ct.us/dhsweb/main/index.html)

**Services Provided: Parenting Class at Danbury High School** is a for-credit class that is open to any pregnant or parenting student. It provides education in prenatal development, labor and delivery, and all parenting skills for the newborn through toddler. It also provides free daycare in our playschool program for two days a week all year.

**Eligibility:** A high school student who is pregnant or a parent.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call for more information.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** Yes

**Languages Spoken:** English

## **Family Resource Centers/Danbury Public School District**

**Morris Street School**, 28 Morris St. Danbury, CT 06810

203-790-2683

[www.danbury.k12.ct.us/crc/el/family\\_resource\\_centers.html](http://www.danbury.k12.ct.us/crc/el/family_resource_centers.html)

**Mill Ridge School Complex**, 1 School Ridge Road, Danbury CT 06810

203-790-2689

[www.danbury.k12.ct.us/crc/el/family\\_resource\\_centers.html](http://www.danbury.k12.ct.us/crc/el/family_resource_centers.html)

**Services Provided: Parents as Teachers** is a program to help new and expectant parents give their children the best possible start in life. Family events, workshops, transitions, literacy/math components. Monthly workshops on early childhood. Also provide: Parent education, youth development, school readiness, adult education and family literacy, family and relative child care provider training; extended learning programs; resources and referrals.

**Eligibility:** Danbury children, birth to age 5, and their parents.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call or visit school for more information.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** Yes

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish/Portuguese

## **Danbury Children First**

83 West St., Danbury, CT 06810

203-797-8088

[www.danburychildrenfirst.org](http://www.danburychildrenfirst.org)

**Services Provided: People Empowering People (PEP)** is a program that educates parents on community resources, life, and leadership skills to help their families and others. **Parents as Partners in Education** offers workshops to support your child's

success in school.

**Eligibility:** Primarily serves parents of lower economic means; however all parents are welcome.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call for more information.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** Yes

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish/Portuguese

## **Danbury Hospital**

24 Hospital Ave., Danbury CT 06810

203-739-6148

[www.danburyhospital.org](http://www.danburyhospital.org)

**Services Provided: Mother Baby Talk** is a weekly support group, for mothers of infants, birth to 6 months. Mothers meet to share questions and concerns about issues that arise during the unpredictable weeks and months following birth. Topics include breast feeding, infant care, depression, and other postpartum issues.

**Eligibility:** Mothers of infants, birth to 6 months.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call for more information.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes; bathrooms are not handicapped accessible.

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** One block from bus line in Bethel

**Languages Spoken:** English

## **Family & Children's Aid**

75 West St., Danbury CT 6810

203-748-5689

[www.fcaweb.org](http://www.fcaweb.org)

**Services Provided: ParentNet** is a curriculum providing parenting education, support and skill development. Evening and weekend classes with child care are conducted in English, Spanish, and Portuguese for all parents of children from birth to 18 years.

**Eligibility:** For parents of children up to age 18.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call for information.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes  
**Accessibility to Bus Line:** Yes  
**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish/Portuguese

## **Families Network of Western Connecticut**

5 Library Place, Danbury, CT 06810  
203-791-8773  
[www.fnwc.org](http://www.fnwc.org)

**Services Provided: Nurturing Fathers** is designed to help support the nurturing father. Come and meet other dads, share experiences, and learn about the changing roles of fathers and father figures.

**Eligibility:** Fathers and father figures.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call for information.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** Yes

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish

## **Parent Leadership**

### **Danbury Children First**

83 West St., Danbury, CT 06810  
203-797-8088  
[www.danburychildrenfirst.org](http://www.danburychildrenfirst.org)

**Services Provided:**

- **Parent Leadership Training Institute (PLTI)** is a 20-week training program for parents that teaches them to become leading advocates for children. It gives them the skills they need work for children through community projects and volunteerism. PLTI graduates improve the community and are supported with mentoring, referrals to resources, and other supports as appropriate. Alumni are connected through the Internet and through regular email news and information.

- **People Empowering People (PEP)** is a program for parents of limited economic means that offers information and education on community resources, life and leadership skills to help their

families and others. Parents may join the PEP alumni group upon graduation

**Eligibility:** Parents must demonstrate the desire and potential to become parent leaders by identifying an issue that they would like to improve for children and making a commitment to complete the program. Programs are designed to include a diversity of perspectives, so people of different backgrounds, life experiences, and ages are sought. Light dinner and childcare are provided.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call for information.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** Yes

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish

## **Danbury Public School District**

49 Osborne St., Danbury CT 06810

203-830-6508

[www.danbury.k12.ct.us](http://www.danbury.k12.ct.us)

**Services Provided: Parents Supporting Educational Excellence (Parent SEE)** provides motivated family members with practical strategies for working with other parents, educators, and community leaders to examine education policies and practices. Participants join a strong community of parents interested in the details, the context, and the strategies to promote school practices that increase achievement and success for all students. Participants learn what to expect from schools, how to partner with them, and how to be successful civic leaders on educational issues. During each session, participants acquire knowledge, engage in dialogue that encourages understanding of diverse viewpoints and experiences, and practice the skills needed to effect constructive change.

**Eligibility:** Parents.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call for more information.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** Yes

**Languages Spoken:** English

# Support for Parents

## Aspire Advocacy CT

203-482-2895

**Services Provided:** Advocacy service for parents of children with disabilities. Disabilities can be developmental, neurological, psychiatric, or physical. Linda Rietschel, BA, an experienced educational advocate, will guide families through the process of obtaining appropriate support for their children. Families will acquire knowledge of the law, insight, and confidence.

**Eligibility:** Open to all families. Initial consultation required.

**Fees:** Determined after initial consultation.

**Access:** Via telephone.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** N/A

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** N/A

**Languages Spoken:** English.

## Catholic Charities

30 Main St., Suite 503, Danbury CT 06810

203-743-4412

[www.bridgeportdiocese.com/index.php/catholiccharities](http://www.bridgeportdiocese.com/index.php/catholiccharities)

**Services Provided:** **Focus on Kids** is a program helps high-conflict parents in divorce.

**Eligibility:** Call for information.

**Fees:** Call for information.

**Access:** Call for information.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** Yes

**Languages Spoken:** English

## Community Health Center of Danbury

8 Delay St., Danbury CT 06810

203-797-8330

[www.chc1.com/Locations/Danbury.html](http://www.chc1.com/Locations/Danbury.html)

**Services Provided:** Offers support groups on a range of social and psychiatric issues.

**Eligibility:** Must be on Medicaid and/or be a client of the Center.

**Fees:** Sliding fee scale and/or insurance will be billed.

**Access:** Call to make an appointment.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes, lift provided.

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** Yes

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish

## **Connecticut Family Support Network – Northwest Region**

[www.ctfsn.org/#!nw/cvpn](http://www.ctfsn.org/#!nw/cvpn)

203-86-9739; email: [tbutler@ctfsn.org](mailto:tbutler@ctfsn.org)

**Services Provided:** A statewide network of families who have children with disabilities and special health care needs. Parents help other parents to find the supports they need to become their child's best advocate. Assists parents directly, connects parents to each other for parent-to-parent support, offers help with navigating Connecticut's state service systems, provides training, and offers information to parents and professionals through email distribution lists.

**Eligibility:** Anyone who has a child with a disability or special healthcare need.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call or email for more information.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** N/A

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** N/A

**Languages Spoken:** English. Or contact the Bilingual Family Support Coordinator, Maggy Morales at 860-679-1527 or [mmorales@ctfsn.org](mailto:mmorales@ctfsn.org)

## **Danbury Area Autism Spectrum Parent Group**

Trish Butler

203-826-9739; email: [tbutler@ctfsn.org](mailto:tbutler@ctfsn.org)

**Services Provided:** Support group run by parents for parents and caregivers of children with Autism Spectrum Disorders. Members share stories of family struggles and triumphs as they navigate their way through the world of Autism. Meets the second Wednesday of the month at Walnut Hill Church, 156 Walnut Hill Road, Bethel, CT 06801

**Eligibility:** Parents of children with Autism Spectrum Disorders.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call for more information.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** N/A

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** N/A

**Handicapped Accessibility:** N/A

**Languages Spoken:** English

## **Danbury Down Syndrome Support Group**

Marianne Flanagan

littlollie@comcast.net

203-778-4873

**Services Provided:** Organizes playgroups, parties, holiday events, and other events for families of children with Down Syndrome.

**Eligibility:** Families of children with Down Syndrome.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call or email for more information.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** N/A

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** N/A

**Languages Spoken:** English

## **Danbury Hospital**

24 Hospital Ave., Danbury, CT 06810

1-800-516-3658

[www.danburyhospital.org](http://www.danburyhospital.org)

**Services Provided: Mother Baby Talk** is a weekly support group, for mothers of infants, birth to 6 months. Mothers meet to share questions and concerns about issues that arise during the unpredictable weeks and months following birth. Topics include breast feeding, infant care, depression, and other postpartum issues.

**Eligibility:** Mothers of infants, birth to 6 months.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call for information.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes; bathrooms are not handicapped accessible.

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** One block from bus line in Bethel

**Languages Spoken:** English

## **Danbury Local Interagency Coordinating Council (LICC)**

Trish Butler

203-826-9739; email: [tbutler@ctfsn.org](mailto:tbutler@ctfsn.org)

**Services Provided:** Events to aid parents of children with special needs, including but not limited to Family Fun Night (resource fair), Toilet Training Workshops, Feeding and Behavioral Challenges Workshops. Parents can get involved in organizing events and giving back to the community.

**Eligibility:** Parents and caregivers of children with special needs, including Birth to Three professionals.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call or email for more information.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** N/A

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** N/A

**Languages Spoken:** English

## **Family Focus Partnership**

Trish Butler

203-826-9739; email: [tbutler@ctfsn.org](mailto:tbutler@ctfsn.org)

**Services Provided:** Collaboration of parents of, and professionals who provide services to, children with special needs and/or mental health needs. Members meet to discuss events in the community and address gaps in services. Meets first Wednesday of every month at Education Connection, 345 Main St., Danbury.

**Eligibility:** Parents of, and professionals who provide services to, children with special needs and/or mental health needs.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call or email for more information.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** N/A

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** N/A

**Languages Spoken:** English.

## **Family & Children's Aid**

75 West St., Danbury CT 6810

203-748-5689  
www.fcaweb.org

**Services Provided: Grandparents as Parents Support Groups**

meet weekly with trained and supervised co-facilitators to provide information, support and advocacy. Child care is provided when requested.

**Eligibility:** Grandparents raising their grandchildren.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call for information.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** Yes

**Languages Spoken:** English

## **Danbury Youth Services**

91 West St., Danbury CT 06810  
203-748-2936  
www.danburyyouthservices.org

**Services Provided:** Youth and family counseling program at DYS offers youth ages 6 to 21 professional counseling services using a non-medical model. Program assesses whole family, not just the individual.

**Eligibility:** Youth ages 6 to 21.

**Fees:** Yes

**Access:** Accepts HUSKY and other private insurers.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** Yes

**Languages Spoken:** English

## **Danbury Public Schools Family Learning Center**

49 Osborne St., Danbury, CT 06810  
203-830-6508  
www.danbury.k12.ct.us

**Services Provided:** Schedules programs for preschool children and parents/caregivers, including reading groups and playgroups. The emphasis is on fostering oral language development. Activities are planned that encourage interaction. Also runs programs for adults through collaborations with other agencies –

CACD, Families Network of Western CT and the Danbury Public Library.

**Eligibility:** Families living in Danbury who have preschool and school-age children.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call for information.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** Yes

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish/Portuguese

## **Family Resource Centers/Danbury Public School District**

**Morris Street School**, 28 Morris St. Danbury, CT 06810

203-790-2683

[www.danbury.k12.ct.us/crc/el/family\\_resource\\_centers.html](http://www.danbury.k12.ct.us/crc/el/family_resource_centers.html)

**Mill Ridge School Complex**, 1 School Ridge Road, Danbury CT 06810

203-790-2689

[www.danbury.k12.ct.us/crc/el/family\\_resource\\_centers.html](http://www.danbury.k12.ct.us/crc/el/family_resource_centers.html)

**Services Provided: Parents as Teachers** is a program to help new and expectant parents give their children the best possible start in life. Family events, workshops, transitions, literacy/math components. Monthly workshops on early childhood. Also provide: Parent education; youth development; school readiness; adult education and family literacy; family and relative child care provider training; extended learning programs; resources and referrals.

**Eligibility:** Danbury children, ages birth to 5, and their parents.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call or visit the school for more information.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** Yes

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish/Portuguese

## **Northwest Connecticut Regional Medical Home Initiative for Children & Youth With Special Needs**

Family and Children's Health Center, St. Mary's Hospital

95 Scovill St. 3rd Floor Pavilion B, Waterbury CT 06706  
866-517-4388  
[www.stmh.org/community\\_programs/nrmhsc/home\\_page/index.html](http://www.stmh.org/community_programs/nrmhsc/home_page/index.html)

**Services Provided:** Serves children and youth, ages 0 to 21, who have or are at increased risk for a chronic physical, developmental, behavioral or emotional condition and who also require health and related services of a type or amount beyond that required by children generally. Provides medical care coordination and family support referrals, as well as educational planning services. Will also attend school meetings, make home or community visits with families, attend team meetings, and provide telephone/email support. Services provided are individualized and flexible. Also offers respite services. Uninsured or underinsured families who fall within income guidelines can also benefit from limited services such as medical equipment, prescriptions, and specialty nutritional formulas.

**Eligibility:** Children and youth with special needs, ages 0 to 21 (as described above). Program serves residents in 42 towns in Northwest Connecticut, including greater Danbury.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call the Toll-Free number listed above to discuss service needs.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** N/A

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** N/A

**Languages Spoken:** English

## **Walnut Hill Church**

156 Walnut Hill Road, Bethel CT 06801  
203-796-7373  
[www.walnuthillcc.org](http://www.walnuthillcc.org)

**Services Provided: Mothers Of Preschoolers (MOPS)** is an international program geared for mothers of infants through kindergartners. It is a time for them to take a break and meet other moms who are also in this stage of life. Meets once a month for a formal meeting, other times throughout the year for social events. Meetings include a hot breakfast buffet, speaker on parenting topics, small group time and a creative activity for the moms. Childcare is provided when the moms are together.

**Eligibility:** Mothers of preschoolers.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call for information.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** No

**Languages Spoken:** English

## **YoungLives Danbury**

203-205-0975

[www.younglives.org](http://www.younglives.org)

**Services Provided:** YoungLives provides fun and inspiring time for pregnant and parenting young women to unwind and be encouraged. Serves parents under the age of 21. Meetings include food and childcare. Helps parents learn the skills needed to handle the challenging moments in parenting. Provides mentors; recreational activities; connects parents to resources; and helps teen moms stay in school, find childcare, and prepare for a job.

**Eligibility:** Pregnant teens and teen mothers.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call for information.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** Walking distance to Pulse Point stop.

**Languages Spoken:** English and limited Spanish.

# **Playgroups and Parent-Child Activity Groups**

## **Danbury Down Syndrome Support Group**

Marianne Flanagan

[littlelollie@comcast.net](mailto:littlelollie@comcast.net)

203-778-4873

**Services Provided:** Organizes playgroups, parties, holiday events, and other events for families of children with Down Syndrome.

**Eligibility:** Families of children with Down Syndrome.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call or email for information.  
**Handicapped Accessibility:** N/A  
**Accessibility to Bus Line:** N/A  
**Languages Spoken:** English

## **Danbury Public Library**

170 Main St., Danbury CT 06810  
203-797-4527  
[www.danburylibrary.org](http://www.danburylibrary.org)

**Services Provided:** **Story times:** Walk-in story hours, including: baby time once a week; toddler time once a week; and kinder-ready twice a week. Four seven-week sessions per year. Offer occasional story times in Spanish with a volunteer.

**Eligibility:** Parents and children.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call or visit the website for more information.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** Yes

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish

## **Danbury Public Schools Family Learning Center**

49 Osborne St., Danbury, CT 06810  
203-797-4734  
[www.danbury.k12.ct.us](http://www.danbury.k12.ct.us)

**Services Provided:** Schedules programs for preschool children and parents/caregivers, including reading groups and playgroups. The emphasis is on fostering literacy and oral language development. Activities are planned that encourage interaction. Also runs programs for adults through collaborations with other agencies – CACD, Families Network of Western CT and the Danbury Public Library.

**Eligibility:** Families living in Danbury who have preschool and school-age children.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call for information.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** Yes

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish/Portuguese

## **Family Resource Centers/Danbury Public School District**

**Morris Street School**, 28 Morris St. Danbury, CT 06810

203-790-2683

[www.danbury.k12.ct.us/crc/el/family\\_resource\\_centers.html](http://www.danbury.k12.ct.us/crc/el/family_resource_centers.html)

**Mill Ridge School Complex**, 1 School Ridge Road, Danbury CT 06810

203-790-2689

[www.danbury.k12.ct.us/crc/el/family\\_resource\\_centers.html](http://www.danbury.k12.ct.us/crc/el/family_resource_centers.html)

**Services Provided: Parents as Teachers:** A program to help new and expectant parents give their children the best possible start in life. Family events, workshops, transitions, literacy/math components. Monthly workshops on early childhood. Also provide: Parent education; youth development; school readiness; adult education and family literacy; family and relative child care provider training; extended learning programs; resources and referrals.

**Eligibility:** Any Danbury child, birth to age 5.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call or visit the school for information.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** Yes

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish/Portuguese

## **Latino Moms of Danbury**

[madreslatinasedanbury@gmail.com](mailto:madreslatinasedanbury@gmail.com)

**Services Provided:** The mission is to give support to children and mothers in an environment of unity and respect where the Latin culture is promoted, along with healthy growth and development. Five committees help with group organization: Communication; Community and Hospitality; Moms Night Out and Playdates; Family Activities; and Welcoming.

**Eligibility:** New families should be invited to participate by a current member of the Latino Moms Group.

**Fees:** \$25 per year.

**Access:** Email for information.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** N/A  
**Accessibility to Bus Line:** N/A  
**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish

## **Moms Club of Danbury East**

[www.momsclubofdanburyeast.org](http://www.momsclubofdanburyeast.org)  
[infor@momsclubofdanburyeast.org](mailto:infor@momsclubofdanburyeast.org)

**Services Provided:** Nonprofit group for stay-at-home moms in Danbury. Membership required. Provides support, playdates, field trips, park days, and moms' nights out.

**Eligibility:** Residents of Danbury in all school districts except King Street, Pembroke, and Mill Ridge.

**Fees:** Membership fee.

**Access:** Email for more information.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** N/A

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** N/A

**Languages Spoken:** English

## **Moms Club of Danbury West**

[www.momsclubdanburywestnewfairfield.webs.com](http://www.momsclubdanburywestnewfairfield.webs.com)  
[momsclubdanburywest@yahoo.com](mailto:momsclubdanburywest@yahoo.com)

**Services Provided:** Nonprofit group for stay-at-home moms in New Fairfield and part of Danbury. Membership required. Provides support, playdates, coffee hours, and outings. Also does charitable works.

**Eligibility:** Residents of New Fairfield and Danbury in the King Street, Pembroke, and Mill Ridge school districts.

**Fees:** Membership fee.

**Access:** Email for information.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** N/A

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** N/A

**Languages Spoken:** English

# Home and Personal Visits

## Catholic Charities

30 Main St., Suite 503, Danbury CT 06810

203-743-4412

[www.bridgeportdiocese.com/index.php/catholiccharities](http://www.bridgeportdiocese.com/index.php/catholiccharities)

**Services Provided: Intensive Family Preservation** provides short-term, intensive, in-home services to reduce the risk of further abuse for families with children at imminent risk. Services include parenting education, advocacy, counseling, crisis intervention, and training about child development, life management, problem solving and home maintenance.

**Eligibility:** Must be referred from the Department of Children and Families

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** Yes

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish

## Connecticut Birth to Three System

Department of Developmental Services, 460 Capitol Ave.,  
Hartford, CT 06106

800-505-7000

[www.birth23.org](http://www.birth23.org)

**Services Provided:** Operated under the requirements of Part C of IDEA, Birth to Three is a system of supports for families to help them meet the needs of their infants and toddlers who have delays or disabilities. A total of 13 programs serve Danbury, including six general, four Autism-specific, and three serving children with hearing impairments.

**Eligibility:** Children under 3 years of age with a significant delay in development. (Children must be 2 deviations below the mean in one area of development or 1.5 deviations below the mean in two or more areas as defined by standardized tests, or have a diagnosed condition with a high probability of resulting in a developmental delay).

**Fees:** Evaluation is free. Fees for services vary based on parents' income.

**Access:** Call 800-505-7000 for information about a free

evaluation of your child.

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** N/A

**Handicapped Accessibility:** N/A

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish. Translation services provided for other languages.

## **Education Connection**

345 Main St., Danbury, CT 06810

203-791-1904

[www.educationconnection.org](http://www.educationconnection.org)

**Services Provided: Services for Early Education and Development (SEED)** Birth to Three program is a home-based early intervention program for children ages birth to three with developmental delays or disabilities. **Education Connection Autism Program (ECAP)** provides comprehensive early intervention services and assessment to children with characteristics of Autism Spectrum Disorders.

**Eligibility:** Children must be 2 deviations below the mean in one area of development or 1.5 deviations below the mean in two or more areas as defined by standardized tests.

**Fees:** Varies by family income.

**Access:** Call for information.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** Yes

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish/Portuguese

## **Family & Children's Aid**

75 West St., Danbury CT 6810

203-748-5689

[www.fcaweb.org](http://www.fcaweb.org)

**Services Provided: Positive Parenting Program:** Provides support, information, and parenting skills development for families at high risk of child abuse and neglect. Weekly home visits help parents develop positive discipline, improve parent-child relationships, and improve household management. These contribute to the parent's ability to provide for the emotional, physical, and psychological needs of their children.

**Reconnecting Families:** The program is designed to expedite

the reunification of children who are first-time removals from their homes as a result of a DCF investigation. The purpose is to educate the caregivers, supervise visits and reduce the amount of time a child is in placement.

**IICAPS** (Intensive In-Home Child and Adolescent Psychiatric Services): Provide in-home services to children and families where the child is either at risk of being placed out of the home, returning from a residential placement, being discharged from a psychiatric hospital, or who has had multiple outpatient interventions that have not been successful. IICAPS is in the home 5 to 8 hours a week and works with the child, family, school and community resources to maintain the child in the community.

**Child First:** Provides intensive in-home visitation services, care coordination, and mental health consultation to families with multiple challenges. Serves prenatal women and families with children up to age 5.

**Eligibility:** Positive Parenting Program: Parents of children 0-18 in the greater Danbury area at risk of child abuse/neglect as determined by referral and intake assessment.

Reconnecting Families: DCF determines eligibility as per the contract for the program.

IICAPS (Intensive In-Home Child and Adolescent Psychiatric Services): The child who is referred must have an axis V diagnosis of 55 or less.

Child First: Prenatal women and families with children up to age 5 living in Danbury.

**Fees:** Vary based on service. Accepts, HUSKY, Medicaid, and private insurance.

**Access:** Call for information.

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** Yes

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish

## **Families Network of Western Connecticut**

5 Library Place, Danbury, CT 06810

203-791-8773

[www.fnwc.org](http://www.fnwc.org)

**Services Provided:** **Nurturing Families Network** offers a home visiting component that provides early identification of overburdened families, parenting education, supportive services

for new families, child development screenings, and access to appropriate community resources in order to enable healthy family relationships, improve child development and health, reduce the risk of abuse and neglect, and prepare children for healthy, responsible, productive lives. **Parents as Teachers** provides home visitation services to expectant parents and parents of children up to the age of 5. The program provides a supportive home visitor to reduce the stress of parenting, connect families with resources, provide developmental screenings, and help parents prepare children for kindergarten.

**Eligibility:** Nurturing Families serves first-time parents identified as “at-risk” (using standardized screening tool) that reside in the Greater Danbury area. No other income or age requirements. Parents As Teachers can serve any expectant parent or parent of a child under the age of 5 living in Danbury.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call for information.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** Yes

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish

## **Family Resource Centers/Danbury Public School District**

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203-790-2683

[www.danbury.k12.ct.us/crc/el/family\\_resource\\_centers.html](http://www.danbury.k12.ct.us/crc/el/family_resource_centers.html)

**Mill Ridge School Complex**, 1 School Ridge Road, Danbury CT 06810

203-790-2689

[www.danbury.k12.ct.us/crc/el/family\\_resource\\_centers.html](http://www.danbury.k12.ct.us/crc/el/family_resource_centers.html)

**Services Provided:** **Parents as Teachers** is a home visitation program for new and expectant parents. The goal is to help parents give their children the best possible start in life and gain knowledge of child development.

**Eligibility:** Danbury children, ages birth to 5, and their parents.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call or visit the school for information.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** Yes

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish/Portuguese

## Child Care and Preschool Resources

### 211 Child Care

Dial 2-1-1

[www.211childcare.org](http://www.211childcare.org)

**Services Provided:** Confidential child care referral service. Dial 2-1-1 and Child Care Counselors are available to assist parents and child care professionals in locating appropriate resources and referrals. Maintains current listings of child care programs as well as listings for nanny agencies, nursery schools, play groups, summer camps, Head Start, and School Readiness Programs

**Eligibility:** Any Connecticut resident.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Dial 2-1-1 or log on to [www.211childcare.org](http://www.211childcare.org)

**Handicapped Accessibility:** N/A

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** N/A

**Languages Spoken:** Multiple languages available.

### Care4Kids

1344 Silas Deane Highway, Rocky Hill, CT 06067

Toll-Free: 1-888-214-KIDS (5437)

[www.ctcare4kids.com](http://www.ctcare4kids.com)

**Services Provided:** The goal of the Care4Kids program is to make child care affordable for low to moderate income families in Connecticut. The program is a partnership between the State of Connecticut, the families in the program, and the providers who take care of the children.

**Eligibility:** Families must be Connecticut residents and be working or attending a temporary family cash assistance (Jobs First) approved education or training activity and meet the program's income requirements. Children must be under age 13,

or if the child has special needs, be under age 19.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call the toll-free number or log on to the website to obtain application information.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** N/A

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** N/A

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish. Translation services provided for other languages.

## **Danbury Public Schools Early Childhood Program**

1 School Ridge Road, Danbury, CT 06810

203-797-4832

[www.Danbury.K12.ct.us](http://www.Danbury.K12.ct.us)

**Services Provided:** Provides services to 3- and 4-year old children who may have difficulty listening, talking, playing, thinking, moving, understanding, or learning.

**Eligibility:** Danbury residents, ages 3 and 4.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call for information and an evaluation.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** Yes

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish/Portuguese

## **Danbury School Readiness Programs**

345 Main Street, Danbury, CT 06810

203-791-1904 ext.168

[www.DanburySR.org](http://www.DanburySR.org)

**Services Provided:** Offers accessible, affordable, high-quality early childhood programs. Full-time and part-time care is available, Monday through Friday. Programs are provided through NAEYC accredited child care centers and Head Start.

**Eligibility:** All preschool-aged children (3 to 5 years) who reside in Danbury.

**Fees:** Sliding fee scale based on family size and income.

**Access:** Call for information.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Varies by location.

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** Varies by location.

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish/Portuguese

## **Head Start of Northern Fairfield County**

A program of the Connecticut Institute for Communities, Inc.  
(CIFC)

7 Old Sherman Turnpike, Suite 206, Danbury, CT 06810

203-743-3993

[www.ct-institute.org](http://www.ct-institute.org)

**Services Provided:** **Head Start** provides preschool education for low-income children ages 3 to 5 in full- and part-day classrooms throughout the City of Danbury. The program includes health, nutrition, disabilities, social, mental health, parent involvement, and education services. Head Start helps families access other community services that offer adult education and career development, ESL courses, family counseling, and employment search assistance. Family Nights are offered monthly.

**Early Head Start** serves lower-income pregnant women, infants, toddlers (6 weeks through age 3), and their families through home-based and center-based options designed to provide early, continuous, and comprehensive pre-natal, early child development and family support services on a year-round basis.

**Eligibility:** Families must generally meet the Federal Poverty Guidelines, with over-income placements available for children with special needs.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call for more information. Walk-ins accepted between 9 am and 1 pm, Monday through Fridays.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** N/A

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** Varies by location.

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish/Portuguese

## **Basic Needs, Housing, Homeless Shelters**

### **Amos House**

34 Rocky Glen Road, Danbury, CT 06810

203-791-9277

[www.amoshouse.org](http://www.amoshouse.org)

**Services Provided:** Transitional living facility that serves the Greater Danbury area. It is dedicated to ensuring that individuals and families have the opportunity to achieve the competency and productivity required for permanent, self-sufficient, independent living.

**Eligibility:** Applicants must demonstrate the ability and willingness to help themselves and accept professional guidance. They must be without a permanent home; be referred by an agency; complete the application process; demonstrate the ability to live in a semi-communal setting; be drug-free; and commit to complete their program steps in a specific period of time.

**Fees:** Program fee, 30% of income.

**Access:** Via agency referral.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** No

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** Directly on bus line.

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish

## **Association of Religious Communities (ARC)**

66 North St., Danbury, CT 06810

203-792-9450

[www.arcforpeace.org](http://www.arcforpeace.org)

**Services Provided:** **Dream Homes Community Center** serves as a single point of entry for homeless services in Danbury. Also provides rental budget guidance, links to landlords, financial assistance and case management. **Financial Assistance** program offers help with security deposits and short-term rental assistance. **Emergency Aid Network** provides grants to individuals of up to \$99 for utility assistance, food vouchers, and employment related expenses.

**Eligibility:** Varies by program.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call or walk-in for information.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** Directly on bus line.

**Languages Spoken:** English

## **Community Action Committee of Danbury and Northwest Connecticut (CACD)**

66 North St., Danbury, CT 06810

203-744-4700  
www.cacd-caa.org

**Services Provided:** Food pantry, housing mediation, eviction and homelessness prevention, rapid re-housing, heating/energy assistance, diaper program, financial literacy, and tax preparation assistance.

**Eligibility:** Serves low-income individuals and families. Income eligibility varies by program.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call for information. Walk-ins accepted between 9 am and 5 pm, Monday through Friday.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** One block from bus line.

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish/Portuguese

## Catholic Charities

30 Main St., Danbury, CT 06810

203-743-4412

[www.bridgeportdiocese.com/index.php/catholiccharities](http://www.bridgeportdiocese.com/index.php/catholiccharities)

**Services Provided: Family Loan/Key Rings Program** provides small loans to cover job-related expenses, transportation, and housing costs. Applicants who are approved for loans will also receive budget and credit counseling. Loans are used for car purchases, car repairs, tools for trade, and child care. Security deposits are also provided in the form of small loans as part of the Key Rings program.

**Eligibility:** Parent must be employed at least 6 months on the same job. Family must be in the custodial care parent of at least one child under age 17 and live in the Greater Danbury area.

**Fees:** Family must demonstrate the ability to make a modest monthly payment depending on loan amounts and terms.

**Access:** Call for information.

Handicapped Accessibility: N/A

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** N/A

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish

## Financial Resource Center

85 West St., Danbury, CT 06810

203-297-6674  
www.uwwesternct.org

**Services Provided:** The **Financial Resource Center** addresses the financial needs of families and individuals by offering the resources to help them increase income and savings, decrease debt, and build assets.

**Eligibility:** Residents of Northern Fairfield and Southern Litchfield Counties

**Fees:** None

**Access:** Call for an appointment.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes

**Accessibility to bus line:** On bus line.

**Languages spoken:** English/Spanish

## **Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)**

(Formerly known as the Food Stamp Program)

Connecticut Department of Social Services

342 Main St., Danbury, CT 06810

203-207-8900

www.ct.gov/dss

**Services Provided:** Helps low-income individuals and families afford the cost of food at grocery stores and farmers' markets.

**Eligibility:** Low-income individuals and families. Call or walk-in for income eligibility guidelines.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Visit the office between 8:30 am and 4 pm, Monday through Friday. Or call for an application.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** Yes

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish/Portuguese. Language line is also available.

## **Food Pantries**

### **Community Action Committee of Danbury and Northwest Connecticut (CACD)**

66 North Street, Danbury, CT 06810  
203-744-4700  
www.cacd-caa.org

**Services Provided:** Emergency food for residents of Bethel, Bridgewater, Danbury, New Fairfield, New Milford, Newtown, Redding, and Ridgefield who are in need. Clients may only come once a month.

**Eligibility:** Residents of the towns/cities listed above. Must provide identification, proof of income, proof of rent. Registration is at 66 North Street or at New Hope Baptist Church.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Call or walk-in for information.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** Yes

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish

## **Danbury Food Collaborative**

c/o United Way of Western CT  
85 West Street, Danbury, CT 06810  
203-792-5330  
www.uwwesternct.org

**Services Provided:** Nonprofit agencies and city food programs working together to improve access to food, quality of food, and sustainability of food for all members of our city. Publishes **A Guide to Accessing Food in Danbury** in English and Spanish.

**Eligibility:** Food pantries, congregate meal sites, or any organization supporting food services to Danbury residents.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Contact Karen Mello at 203-297-6687.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** N/A

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** N/A

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish

## **New Hope Baptist Church**

10 Dr. Aaron B. Samuels Boulevard, Danbury, CT 06810  
203-748-5461  
www.cacd-caa.org

**Services Provided:** Mobile food pantry provides outdoor food distribution for low-income families and individuals on second Wednesday of the month at 11 am.

**Eligibility:** Residents of the Greater Danbury.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Arrive at the church at 10 am on the second Wednesday of the month to receive services.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** Two blocks from bus line.

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish

## **St. James Episcopal Church Daily Bread Ecumenical Food Pantry**

25 West St., Danbury, CT 06810

(located in rear of church off of Terrace Place)

203-748-3561

**Services Provided:** Food pantry for individuals and families in need. Open Monday and Friday, 10 am to 11:30 am. Clients can access food pantry once a month.

**Eligibility:** Anyone in need. Must have some form of identification with address.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Walk-in on days the service is offered.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** On bus line.

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish

## **Salvation Army**

15 Foster St., Danbury, CT 06810

203-792-7505

**Services Provided:** Nonperishable food is provided to individuals and families who are in need of emergency assistance. The food pantry is open Monday through Friday, 10 am to 11:45 am and Tuesdays and Wednesdays 1 pm to 3:30 pm. Free bread is provided on Mondays and Wednesdays, beginning at 11 am.

**Eligibility:** Low-income families and individuals living in Greater Danbury. Must have picture identification, proof of income, and proof of address.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Walk-ins and referrals from local social service agencies.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** One block from bus line.

**Languages Spoken:** English/Spanish/Portuguese

## **St. Thomas Episcopal Church Food Pantry**

95 Greenwood Ave., Bethel, CT 06801

203-743-1494

**Services Provided:** Offers food to residents of Bethel, Brookfield, Danbury, and New Fairfield who are receiving state assistance or who have referrals from churches or town social service departments. Pantry is open every other Tuesday, 3:30 pm to 5:30 pm. Pantry is open for emergencies at other times by appointment.

**Eligibility:** Low-income residents of Bethel, Brookfield, Danbury, New Fairfield who are on state assistance or have need as verified by area churches or town social workers.

**Fees:** None.

**Access:** Individuals who have Department of Social Services card, Medicaid card, or note from clergy person or social service agencies stating need can walk-in to receive services.

**Handicapped Accessibility:** Yes

**Accessibility to Bus Line:** Yes (in Bethel)

**Languages Spoken:** English

## **Danbury Public School District**

63 Beaver Brook Road, Danbury, CT 06810

[www.danbury.k12.ct.us](http://www.danbury.k12.ct.us)

**Superintendent of Schools** .....203-797-4701

**ESL Reception Center** .....203-790-2849

49 Osborne Street, Danbury, CT 06810

Provides a central location for registration, English proficiency assessment, and school placement recommendations for elementary, middle, and high school age students whose first language is other than English. Information is provided regarding

transportation, and school rules and regulations to both students and parents.

**Elementary Schools**

AIS Magnet School .....	203-778-7462
Ellsworth Avenue .....	203-797-4740
Great Plain .....	203-797-4749
Hayestown .....	203-797-4771
King Street Intermediate .....	203-797-4761
King Street Primary .....	203-797-4744
Mill Ridge Primary .....	203-797-4781
Morris Street .....	203-797-4809
Park Avenue .....	203-797-4763
Pembroke .....	203-797-4751
Shelter Rock .....	203-797-4778
South Street .....	203-797-4789
Stadley Rough .....	203-797-4774

**Middle Schools**

Broadview .....	203-797-4861
Rogers Park .....	203-797-4881

**Danbury High School** ..... 203-797-4800

**Alternative Center for Excellence (ACE)** ....203-797-4762

**Henry Abbott Technical School** ..... 203-797-4460

**City of Danbury Services**

**To request a service or report a problem, dial 3-1-1 (CityLine)**

[www.ci.danbury.ct.us](http://www.ci.danbury.ct.us)

**Mayor’s Office**

203-797-4511

**City Council**

Joe Cavo, President

203-796-8083

**HART/Housatonic Area Regional Transit**

Schedules and information.

203-748-2034

**Housing Authority**

Safe/affordable housing for Danbury families. Sliding scale.  
203-744-2500

**Office of Early Childhood**

Provides information on services and supports available to families with children under the age of 8.  
203-616-5073 or 203-300-1486

**Parks and Recreation**

Affordable recreation, summer programs, playgrounds, swimming lessons.  
203-797-4632

**Police Department**

203-797-4614

**Fire Department**

203-796-1550

**Human Services**

Provides back rent assistance, emergency prescription medication assistance, and operates the City of Danbury homeless shelter.  
203-797-4569

**State Government****State of Connecticut Website:**

[www.ct.gov](http://www.ct.gov)

**Department of Children and Families Abuse and Neglect Hotline**

24 hours a day, 7 days a week  
Toll-Free: 800-842-2288

**Governor's Office**

State Capitol  
210 Capitol Avenue  
Hartford, CT 06106  
[www.governor.ct.gov](http://www.governor.ct.gov)  
860-566-4840

Toll-Free: 800-406-1527

**House Democrats**

Legislative Office Building  
300 Capitol Avenue  
Hartford, CT 06106  
Toll-Free: 800-842-1902  
[www.housedems.ct.gov](http://www.housedems.ct.gov)

**House Republicans**

Legislative Office Building, Room 4200  
300 Capitol Avenue  
Hartford, CT 06106  
Toll-Free: 800-842-1423  
[www.cthousegop.org](http://www.cthousegop.org)

**Senate Democrats**

Legislative Office Building, Room 3300  
300 Capitol Avenue  
Hartford, CT 06106-1591  
Toll-Free: 800-842-1420  
[www.senatedems.ct.gov](http://www.senatedems.ct.gov)

**Senate Republicans**

Legislative Office Building, Room 3400  
300 Capitol Avenue  
Hartford, CT 06106  
Toll-Free: 800-842-1421  
[www.ctsenaterepublicans.com](http://www.ctsenaterepublicans.com)

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- Parenting That Supports Healthy Development and Learning
- Readiness for School and School Success

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