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# Community Resource Guide DeMotte, Rensselaer, Wheatfield



Jasper County Public Library  
*Inform, Enrich, Empower*  
Rensselaer, DeMotte, Wheatfield  
[www.myjcpl.org](http://www.myjcpl.org)

**DeMotte Public Library**  
901 Birch St. (P.O. Box 16)  
DeMotte, IN 46310  
(219) 987-2221

**Rensselaer Public Library**  
208 W Susan St  
Rensselaer IN 47978  
(219) 866-5881

**Wheatfield Public Library**  
350 S. Bierma St  
Wheatfield, IN 46392  
(219) 956-3774

**Hours**  
**DeMotte**  
Mon, Tues, Thurs-9-8  
Wed. 9-6  
Fri & Sat 9-5

**Rensselaer**  
Mon-Thurs 9-8  
Fri & Sat 9-5

**Wheatfield**  
Mon, Wed, Thurs 9:30-5:30  
Tues 9:30-8  
Fri & Sat 9-5



**More information on Community Helping Agencies**

**Emergency**

**911**

**Jasper County**

Sheriff's Department	(219) 866-7344
Jasper County REMC	(219) 866-4601
	1-888-866-7362
<b>Emergency Line-to report an outage</b>	<b>(219) 866-5911</b>
NIPSCO (power outage)	<b>1-800-464-7726</b>

**Rensselaer**

Police - Chief: Matthew Anderson	(219) 866-7602
Fire - Chief: Kenny Haun	(219) 866-5221
Utility office: <b>Emergency Number</b>	<b>(219) 866-7602</b>
Rensselaer Gas Department	(219) 866-5206
Rensselaer City Electric	(219) 866-8475
Rensselaer Water & Sewage	(219) 866-5530

**DeMotte**

Police - Chief Thomas Jarrette	(219) 987-3344
Police Department (Non-Emergency)	(219) 987-3344
Anonymous Tip Line	(219) 987-2891
Keener Township Fire Dept.	(219) 987-2122
<b>Emergency Line</b>	<b>(219) 987-2121</b>
Keener Township Ambulance	(219) 987-2021
<b>Non-Emergency Line</b>	
Wheatfield Volunteer Fire Dept.	(219) 956-2319
Wheatfield Ambulance Service	(219) 956-4865
Town Marshal : Jaime Patrick	(219) 866-7344

**\*All numbers are non-emergency unless noted**

**TRANSIENTS-** If you are in need of assistance please contact one of the following agencies:

- DEMOTTE: Police Department: (219) 987-3344
- RENSELAER: Police Department: (219) 866-7602
- WHEATFIELD: Jasper County Sherriff: (219) 866-7344
- Jasper House** (Homeless): (219) 866-7740 (leave message)

**RESIDENTS-** There are several agencies in Jasper County that may be of help. However, their funding is limited.

**Township Trustees:** (See pg. 3) May be able to assist with rent, utilities and telephone bills. (Funding varies in each township)

**Jasper County Community Services:** Federal funding access that will help with utility bills on a very generously calculated sliding scale. (219) 866-8071

**Crisis Center:** Offers shelter and outreach for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. (219) 866-8825 OR (219) 866-8281 OR **800-933-0374** - [www.domesticshelters.org](http://www.domesticshelters.org)

**Christian Church:** Open Thursdays 12-2pm and 6:30-7:30pm (219) 987-5403 Located at 703 15th St. S.W.; DeMotte

**Good Neighbor Food Pantry:** Open Wednesdays 9:30am-Noon (219) 987-3025 Located: 715B Almond St; DeMotte

**Good Samaritan Food Pantry:** Open Tuesdays 10am-Noon, Thursdays 1pm-3 pm & the 3rd Saturday of each month 8am-10am A five day supply of food is offered, but only ONCE a month. (219) 866-5594 Located at 130 S. Van Rensselaer St.; Rensselaer

**The Bridge Church:** Open 2nd Saturday 9-11am Located at 615 W Clark St.; Rensselaer- (219) 866-5860

**Sorrowful Mother Church Food Pantry** Open Saturday's 9-11 am Located at Sorrowful Mother Catholic Church, 157 S. Grace St.; Wheatfield, IN; Linda Duttlinger, Manager (219) 828-7611

## Social Services

**Alcoholics Anonymous**  
[registrar@area22indiana.org](mailto:registrar@area22indiana.org)

DeMotte Library - Thursdays - 8 pm (219) 844-6695

First Presbyterian Church  
 Saturdays -7 pm (219) 866-7005  
 220 N Cullen St.; Rensselaer

### Narcotics Anonymous

Church of the Nazarene  
 200 S McKinley St. Rensselaer (219) 866-8243  
 Tuesdays 7 pm

**AL- ANON (888) 425-2666**

Comprehensive Developmental Centers  
 (Physical & Mental Disabilities) (219) 866-3282  
 Heartland Employment Services

**Crisis Center (Domestic Violence Shelter) (800) 933-0374**

Dunebrook: Families in Crisis [www.dunebrook.org](http://www.dunebrook.org)

**National Suicide Prevention Lifeline (800) 273-8255**

National Sexual Assault Hotline (800) 656-4673

**RAINN (Rape, Abuse & Incest National Network) www.rainn.org**

**Jasper County Recovery House (574) 226-0789**  
 Men 18 and older  
 One year Program  
**Ask for Andy in Jasper County**

**Recovering Hope (219) 775-7380**  
**Substance Abuse Help Danielle**

### WARMING CENTERS

To find a location near you  
 call 2-1-1 OR 3-1-1

You can also TEXT: **SHELTER** and your  
**zip code to 43362**

## Emergency Financial Assistance

Jasper County Community Services (219) 866-8071  
 Emergency Energy Assistance Program

Helping Hands- Burr Oak Church (219) 394-2339  
**Appointment ONLY** Leave message

KV Ministerial Association (219) 987-2005  
 (219) 987-2771

### Salvation Army

Burr Oak Church **Appointment ONLY** (219) 394-2339  
 Newton Co.-Trinity United Methodist Church (219) 474-6225

### Township Trustees (See pg 11 for details)

Barkley- Richard "Rick" Bozell (219) 866-8891

Carpenter- Gloria Hawkes (219) 261-2374

Gillam- Dennis Wireman (219) 843-1922

Hanging Grove- Rebecca Brandenburg (219) 253-7300

Jordan- Sandra E. Putt (219) 866-7227

Kankakee- Randy Allen (219) 956-4985

Keener- Robert Bryan (219) 987-7825

Marion- Dain Hayworth (219) 866-7740

Milroy- C. David Webb (219) 866-5397

Newton- Margaret Miller (219) 866-5473

Union- Nicole Davis (219) 866-2299

Walker- Hildi Smith (219) 956-4185

Wheatfield- Rachel Myers (219) 816-0072

### Health Care/Medical Services

Franciscan ExpressCare **Mon-Sat 8am-6pm** (219) 866-0411

Jasper County Health Department (219) 866-4917

Shot Clinic (Vaccines) (219) 866-9430

Jasper County Step Ahead (219) 866-4918

Franciscan Health Rensselaer (219) 866-5141

### Counseling Services

Ed Bontreger (219) 394-2581

Chad Pulver (219) 866-3617

Gracepoint Resource Center LLC (219) 866-0740

New Leaf Resources (219) 270-3395 ext. 2112

Rose Wierzba Counseling (219) 964-3773

Ryan & Ryan (219) 866-3331

Valley Oaks Health (219) 866-4194

After Hours Emergency (800) 859-5553

Local pastors are willing to be of assistance as well. Feel free to  
 contact the church of your choice

## Legal Services

CASA- Court appointed advocates for children	(219) 866-0843
Child Support Assistance	(219) 866-5475
Ind. Legal Services-Hispanic Law Center	(800) 288-8121
Indiana Legal Services - Pro Bono	(888) 255-5104

## Senior Services

Jasper Co. Community Services-Admin In Home Services, Energy Assist, etc (60+) Nutrition Centers—DeMotte	(219) 866-8071
Remington	(219) 987-7909
Rensselaer	(219) 261-2228 (219) 866-4333

Autumn Trace Community	(219) 964-2110
FirstCare: Home Care Services	(219) 476-5785
Golden Gems-DeMotte United Methodist Church	(219) 987-3671
Help at Home (incl Adult day programs)	(219) 866-3084
Rensselaer Care Center	(219) 866-4181

## Transportation (Public)

Jasper Co Community Services - DeMotte	(219) 987-7909
- Rensselaer	(219) 866-8071
- Wheatfield	(219) 956-2600

## Nutrition/Food Assistance

Backpack Programs— See your School for information

Food Pantries	(See Page 11 for details)
Meals On Wheels (www.mownwi.org)	(219) 756-3663
Purdue Cooperative Extension Service:	(219) 866-5741 (219) 956-3606
WIC	(219) 866-8662

## Pregnancy Assistance

Birthright of Rensselaer <a href="http://birthright.org/en/landingpage/lp-reusselaer">http://birthright.org/en/landingpage/lp-reusselaer</a>	(219) 866-4555
Birthright 24 hour helpline	(800) 550-4900
Car Seat Fitting Stations: DeMotte Police	(219) 987-3344
Rensselaer Police	(219) 866-7602
Healthy Families & Family Focus	(800) 582-4198
Valparaiso Office	(219) 462-9200
WIC	(219) 866-8662
Women's Center— DeMotte	(219) 987-8000

## Employment

A.S.G. Staffing, Inc	(765) 204-5500
Express Employment Professionals	(219) 964-4222
Heartland Employment Services	(219) 866-3282
WorkOne Express	(219) 866-4330

## City of Rensselaer <http://www.cityofrensselaerin.com/>

Mayor— Stephen A. Wood	(219) 866-5212
Clerk/Treasurer Office	(219) 866-5213

## City Council

William A. Hollerman - 1 <sup>st</sup> Ward	(219) 866-5212
Noelle Weishaar -2 <sup>nd</sup> Ward	(219) 866-5212
George T Cover - 3 <sup>rd</sup> Ward	(219) 866-5212
Ernest J. Watson Jr. - 4 <sup>th</sup> Ward	(219) 866-5212
Russ Overton - At Large	(219) 866-5212

## Other

Electric Department	(219) 866-8475
Gas Department— Carol Lockridge	(219) 866-5206
Parks Department- Joseph G. Effinger	(219) 866-7014
Street / Sanitation- Recycling Dept.	(219) 866-7833
Utilities Office	(219) 866-7884
Water/Sewage	(219) 866-7833

## Jasper County Offices Courthouse located in Rensselaer

Assessor- Courthouse	(219) 866-4914
Auditor- Courthouse	(219) 866-4930
Circuit Clerks Office Marriage Licenses— Criminal-Civil-Venue Cases	(219) 866-4926
Circuit Clerks Office Guardianship-Probate-Voter Registration	(219) 866-4929
Division of Family & Children/ Child Protective Services	(219) 866-4186 (800) 800-5556
Highway Department	highway@co.jasper.in.us
Probation Department	(219) 866-4902
Prosecuting Attorney	(219) 866-5321
Recorder— Courthouse	recorder@co.jasper.in.us
Surveyor— Courthouse	(219) 866-4907
Treasurer— Courthouse	Donya.Jordan@co.jasper.in.us
Veterans Affairs— Courthouse	(219) 866-4901

**Town of DeMotte:** <http://www.townofdemotte.com/>

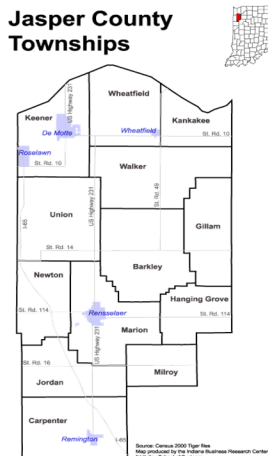
Clerk Treasurer	Peggy Michelin
DeMotte Parks Department	(219) 987-3831
Office Manager	Donna Shear
Police Chief	Thomas Jarrette
Sewer Department	(219) 987-5350
Sewer Superintendent	David Yurko
Street Department	(219) 987-2301
Street Superintendent	Jeff Powers
Town Hall	(219) 987-3831
Town Manager	Heather Tokarz

**Town Council**

President	Jeff Cambe
Vice President	Alana Bauman
Park Commissioner	Alana Bauman
Police Commissioner	Mark Boer
Sewer Commissioner	Terry Schultz
Street Commissioner	Dale Eenigenberg

**Town of Wheatfield**

Municipal Building	(219) 956-3119
Town Clerk/Treasurer	Debbie Norberg
Town Council Member	Robin Schaezel
Town Council Member	Diana Borg
Town Council Member	Don (Robin) Gear
Town Marshal	Jaime Patrick



**General**

KV Post News	(219) 987-5111
Rensselaer Republican	(219) 866-5111
WLQI 97.7	(219) 866-4104
License Bureau– DeMotte (Mon.-Wed.-Fri.)	(888) 692-6841
License Bureau– Rensselaer (Tues.- Thurs.)	(888) 692-6841
Animal Control Shelter	(219) 866-5756
Pet Neutering & Adoption Services - DeMotte	(219) 987-7297 (219) 345-4204
Post Office- DeMotte	(219) 987-3293
Post Office- Rensselaer (window open until 4:30 pm)	(219) 866-5322
Post Office- Wheatfield	(219) 956-3761

**Notary Services**

Court House: Assessor—\$2.00/ seal	(219) 866-4914
DeMotte State Bank —\$2.00/seal	(219) 866-0013 (219) 987-4141
First Trust Credit Union- \$1.00/seal	(219) 956-3922
Wheatfield Town Hall (free)	(219) 956-3119
<b>*Alliance Bank</b>	<b>*For customers only</b> (888) 567-2101
<b>*Fifth-Third Bank</b>	(219) 866-7194
<b>*First Merchants Bank</b>	(219) 866-7121 (219) 261-2161
<b>*Jasper County REMC</b>	(219) 866-4601
<b>*Kentland Bank</b>	(219) 866-4142 (219) 345-4646

**Family Recreation**

4-H/Youth Development	(219) 866-5741
Boy Scouts/Sagamore Council	(800) 844-0537
DeMotte Little League	<a href="http://www.demottelittleleague.com">www.demottelittleleague.com</a>
DeMotte Parks	(219) 987-3831
DeMotte Public Pool	(219) 987-2906
Girl Scouts/Greater Chicago/NW Indiana Council	(855) 456-8347
Kankakee Valley Little Gridiron Football	<a href="http://www.kvlittlegridiron.com">www.kvlittlegridiron.com</a>
KV Pop Warner	<a href="https://www.facebook.com/kvpwevents">www.facebook.com/kvpwevents</a>
LaRue Memorial Pool-Rensselaer	(219) 866-5287
Prairie Arts Council and Fendig Gallery	(219) 866-5278
Rensselaer Parks (Youth & Adult ball leagues)	(219) 866-7014
River Valley Soccer Association	<a href="http://www.rivervalleysoccer.org">www.rivervalleysoccer.org</a>
Upward Baseball & Cheerleading	(219) 987-5156
Wheatfield Little League	<a href="http://wheatfieldlittleleague.com">wheatfieldlittleleague.com</a>

## Education

Cooperative School Services	(219) 866-8540 (800) 832-3394
Purdue Cooperative Extension Service	(219) 866-5741 (219) 866-4961
Jasper County Adult Learning Center (TASC test) Mon 9-1 / Tue 10-2 / Wed 5pm-9pm	(219) 863-8591

**ESL**– English as a Second Language  
Church of the Nazarene (219) 866-8243  
200 S McKinley St. Rensselaer  
Wednesdays 6:30 pm

## Rensselaer

Rensselaer Central Schools Admin.	(219) 866-7822
Rensselaer Central Primary School (K-2)	(219) 866-5441
Van Rensselaer Elementary (3-5)	(219) 866-8212
Rensselaer Central Middle School (6-8)	(219) 866-4661
Rensselaer Central High School (9-12)	(219) 866-5175
St. Augustine Catholic School (pre K-5)	(219) 866-5480

## DeMotte/Wheatfield Area

Covenant Christian High School	(219) 987-7651
DeMotte Christian School	(219) 987-3721
DeMotte Elementary (Pre-K-3)	(219) 987-2789
KV School Corporation Office	(219) 987-4711
KV Alternative Program	(219) 956-3143
KV High School (9-12)	(219) 956-3143
KV Intermediate School (4-5)	(219) 987-2027
KV Middle School (6-8)	(219) 987-8810
Wheatfield Elementary School (K-3)	(219) 956-3221

## West Central School <http://www.wcsc.k12.in.us/>

School Corporation	(219) 567-9161
High School	(219) 567-9119
Middle School	(219) 567-2534
Elementary School	(219) 567-9741



## Area Preschools

Alphabet Soup Early Learning	(219) 863-4327
Community Christian Preschool	(219) 345-3388
Cre-8-tive Kids Corner (Wheatfield)	(219) 204-0156
DeMotte Christian Preschool	(219) 987-3721
DeMotte United Methodist Preschool	(219) 987-3671
Faith Lutheran Preschool	(219) 987-3430
Head Start	Rensselaer (219) 866-8007 DeMotte (North Jasper) (219) 987-7075
	Goodland (K-IRPC) (219) 297-3888
	Roselawn (KIRPC) (219) 345-2011
Kougar Pride Preschool	10 & 49 Location (219) 956-4028 DeMotte Location (219) 869-2009
Rensselaer Central Primary School	(219) 866-5441
St Augustine Preschool	(219) 866-5480
St. Luke Lutheran Preschool	(219) 866-7681

## Local Organizations

DeMotte Chamber of Commerce	(219) 987-5800
Greater Rensselaer Chamber of Commerce	(219) 866-8223
Wheatfield Chamber of Commerce	<a href="http://www.wheatfieldchamber.org">http://www.wheatfieldchamber.org</a>
American Legion	DeMotte (219) 987-2961 Rensselaer (219) 866-7003 Wheatfield (219) 956-4773
American Revolution, Daughters of the	<a href="http://www.darindiana.org/in/chapters.html">www.darindiana.org/in/chapters.html</a>
American Revolution, Sons of the W. Craig Jackson	<a href="http://inssar.org/chapters/craigj@netnitco.net">http://inssar.org/chapters/craigj@netnitco.net</a>
DeMotte Garden Club	(219) 866-5770
DeMotte Historical Society:	Norm Chappell (219) 987-3013 Patricia Kopanda (219) 987-3403
Fairchild House:	<a href="https://www.facebook.com/TheFairchildHouse">https://www.facebook.com/TheFairchildHouse</a>
Friends of the Library Groups-	Contact your local Library for Information
Jasper Co. Tourism	<a href="http://southshorecva.com/discover-jasper-county">southshorecva.com/discover-jasper-county</a>
Jasper County Art League	<a href="https://www.facebook.com/jaspercountyart">https://www.facebook.com/jaspercountyart</a>
Jasper Co. Economic Development	<a href="http://jaspercountyin.com">jaspercountyin.com</a>
Jasper Foundation/Newton Co. Community Foundation	(219) 866-5899
Lion's Club — Glasses drop off locations –	Franciscan Hospital, City Hall, Alliance Bank, First Merchants Bank & 5/3 Bank
Prairie Arts Council	(219) 866-5278
Rensselaer Historical Society: Judy Kanne	(219) 866-7825
Rotary– DeMotte-KV	<a href="http://demotterotary.com">demotterotary.com</a>
Rotary– Rensselaer	<a href="http://www.rensselaerrotary.org">http://www.rensselaerrotary.org</a>