

Youth/Family Programs

Boy Scouts of America Arrowhead District

www.sioux council.org/arrowhead-district
For more information, contact your elementary school and/or church to locate a Watertown unit.

Common Sense Parenting Program

605-886-4304
801 Jenson Ave SE
Email: denise@beaconcentersd.com
This 6 week program offers parents of 3 - 17 year olds an opportunity to enhance their parenting skills. Classes are held at the Beacon Center. These classes are free of charge, and no referral is needed. Call or email for next starting date/time.

Citizen's Police Academy

Watertown Police Dept.
Contact: Steve Rehorst
605-882-6210
Three hours of training one evening each week for 12 weeks. This interactive program focuses on educating citizens about the police department's mission, function, practices, and processes. It brings the police and the community close together in a setting that offers a sample of police training to each participant.

Codington County Diversion Program & Teen Court

1000 3rd Ave NE, PO Box 833
Contact: Louis Canfield
605-886-6666
E: canfieldl@bgcofwatertown.com
The Youth Diversion program is to rehabilitate juveniles, instill in the youth a sense of accountability for their actions, and give youth the ability to understand the detrimental impact criminal behavior can have on the community and their future. Youth are given 90 days to complete their tasks and assignments; if Diversion is not

completed, the case is sent back to the States Attorney's office.

Teen Court is a program designed to impose consequences upon youth who violate the law, and allows youth to volunteer to serve as a jury member, defense or prosecution attorneys. Adult volunteers are needed in order to operate.

Expectant Parent(s) Classes

401 9th Ave NW
605-882-7628
PLHS offers free expectant parent(s) classes year-round at Prairie Lakes presented by certified childbirth educators. Classes include Childbirth Class Series, Prenatal Breastfeeding, Sibling Preparation and more. View all classes online at www.prairielakes.com.

Girls Scouts – Dakota Horizons

Member Services: 800-666-2141
www.gsdakotahorizons.org
Facebook: [GirlScoutsofWatertownSD](https://www.facebook.com/GirlScoutsofWatertownSD)
A volunteer run organization. Girls participate in troop meetings and citywide events. Contact your school to help locate a Watertown troop.

Teen Police Academy

Watertown Police Dept.
Contact: Steve Rehorst
605-882-6210
This is an interactive program that focuses on educating young people about the police department's mission, function, and processes. It brings officers and youth close together in a setting that offers a sample of police training to each participant. This provides hands-on activities, along with classroom instruction and a behind-the-scenes tour of the department. There is no cost to attend. It is held in the afternoon for a week during the month of June. Applications are available www.watertownpd.com.

Understanding Me up to Age 3 classes

Pre-register call 605-688-5730 or

email: SDSU.FRN@sdstate.edu

This class is for parents of children birth to 3 years. Young children tell us what they are thinking, learning, and feeling through their behaviors. Understanding these behaviors can help you find out what your child is telling you. Classes are held at the Beacon Center. These classes are free.

Watertown Police Department Public Safety Cadet Program

128 N Maple St

605-882-6210

Contact: Officer Chad Stricherz

Email: cstricherz@watertownpd.com

Safety Cadets are a dedicated group of young adults (14-20) who have an interest in pursuing a law enforcement career.

These young adults become involved in many department activities and assist our officers in many different aspects of their job, including but not limited to, fingerprinting, ride-a-longs, and traffic control.

Youth/Family Services

Boys & Girls Club of Watertown

1000 3rd Avenue, PO Box 833

605-886-6666

www.bgcofwatertown.com

Contact: Liz Brownell

Email: lbrownell@bgcofwatertown.com

Main Club Site – Programming focuses on physical wellness, education, art, social recreation, and character and leadership development to grades 1-12. The annual membership fee of \$25 includes snacks & meals.

Kidscope - is a state licensed, out-of-school time, activities program, which provides quality care to children in Kindergarten through 6th grade. Kidscope is located at Lincoln and Jefferson Schools during the school year and at one elementary school during the summer. This is a fee-based program.

Other Programs Offered

Academic Assistance programs (G.I.F.T.) during the school year at McKinley, Mellette, and Roosevelt; and at the Watertown Intermediate and Watertown Middle School.

Leadership Programming; Youth Voice Group, Youth of the Year

Community Halloween Event

Teen Court (see page 33)

Prevention and Diversion Programs

Brothers and Sisters Behind Bars

PO Box 1512

<https://brothersandsistersbb.org>

Facebook: [BSBBWatertown](https://www.facebook.com/BSBBWatertown)

A non-profit organization to help individuals involved with the criminal justice system as a result of addiction. We provide three pillars of service – Advocacy; Providing positive social alternatives; and Providing essential unmet basic needs.

CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate) Program

PO Box 281, Watertown

605-520-8002

Contact: Terri Mielitz

Email: terri@eastcentralcasa.com

www.eastcentralcasa.com

This program provides special adult advocates, appointed through the court system, for children, when the need is present.

Child Protection Services

SD Dept. of Social Services

2001 9th Ave SW, Suite 300

To report child abuse or neglect, please call: 1-877-244-0864

Other services call 605-882-5000

Fax: 605-882-5045

www.dss.sd.gov

Contact: Jillian Lanphear

Email: Jillian.Lanphear@state.sd.us

Child Protection receives and assesses reports of child abuse/neglect. If a child is found to be unsafe in the parent's home,

CPS works with the family on a plan to ensure the child's safety.

Codington County Drug Court

14 1st Ave SE
605-882-5375

This program is designed for adults whose problems stem from substance abuse. As an individual enters this program, he or she must be motivated to work toward changing their lifestyle and becoming free of alcohol and chemical addiction. This program is accessible regardless of age, religion, sex, ethnic origin, sexual preference, marital status, or physical and/or mental disability. It is a court-managed, alcohol/drug intervention treatment program, designed to provide a cost-effective alternative to traditional criminal case processing.

Division of Long Term Services and Supports

2001 9th Ave. SW. Suite 300
P: 605-882-5010
F: 605-882-5045

Website:

<https://dhs.sd.gov/LTSS/default.aspx>

We provide in-home services to low income, elderly, and disabled individuals. Services available are homemaker, personal care (bathing assistance), nursing, medical supplies, and nutritional supplements. The individuals are assessed to determine the services needed. We are also a referral agency for community resources. The Ombudsman program provides advocacy services for individuals in assisted-living nursing facilities.

Lutheran Social Services CARES Wraparound Services

1424 9th Ave SE, Suite 7
605-882-2740 or 800-568-2401

CARES Wraparound is an early intervention service that provides care coordination based on the family's

strengths and needs. The CARES wraparound team works with family members to identify needs and make a plan to accomplish their goals. Referrals are made through school social worker or counselors.

Midwest Bible Camp & Conference Center (Midwest Ministries)

1500 N Hwy 20
605-886-3165

Email: info@midwestministries.org

www.midwestministries.org

We offer a Bible-based, hopeful, and fun Free Camp for Kids for two sessions the last half of June each year. Please see our website or call the camp for more information on this wonderful opportunity for your children. You can choose either a Day Camp or an Overnight Camp for either week.

Salvation Army

621 4th St SE
605-886-4030

Captains Dennis/Kelly Jolly

Youth/Family: We offer annual summer camps for children and families. Please call for more information. Our Ignite Youth Programs begin in September and are offered every Wednesday for boys and girls ages 4-18; Music Academy at 5pm; Supper Served 5:45pm, and Character Building at 6:15pm. Rides can be provided.

Family: We offer a NO COST, intensive case management support program to assist families with children in becoming more self-sufficient, as well as connecting them to local resources. The program is called Pathway of Hope. Please contact our case manager, Shannon, to discuss program interest and eligibility. There must be at least one child under the age of 18 within the household to qualify.

SD Dept. of Corrections – Juvenile Division

2001 9th Ave SW, Suite #400

605-882-5002

Fax: 605-882-5369

Supervise juvenile offenders in the community and in placement.

SD National Guard (SDNG) Service Member & Family Support (SMFS) Division

2823 West Main Street

Bldng 420 Room C154

Rapid City, SD 57702

SMFS Director: Major Sara Wetzler

E: sarah.i.wetzler.mil@army.mil

1-800-658-3930

The SMFS program is to promote healthy Military Families, who are self-reliant during both deployment and non-deployment, through education, outreach services and partnerships with community organizations.

The SMFS team also provides referrals to other programs and resources, crisis assistance, and other support. We promote Family wellness through benefits and programs available for service members and their families. Many of our programs provide on-going support to veterans, military retirees, and their families. Programs that encompass the Service Member and Family Support Division are as follows:

Family Readiness, Family Assistance Center, Airman & Family Readiness Center, Yellow Ribbon/Reintegration, Child and Youth Program, Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve, Military Funeral Honors, Survivor Outreach Services, Military OneSource, Suicide Prevention Program, Transition Assistance Advisor, Comprehensive Soldier Fitness, and Other Support Organizations such as Office of the Chaplain and Sexual Harassment/ Assault Response & Prevention

SDNG Child & Youth Program

Coordinator:

Contact: Taryn Broomfield

2823 West Main Street

Bldng 420 Room C154

Rapid City, SD 57702

605-737-6919

E: taryn.m.bloomfield.ctr@army.mil

SDNG Service Member and Family Support contacts for the Watertown Area:

Family Assistance Specialist:

Contact: Bill Flippo

300 5th St. S

Brookings, SD 57006

605-415-1013

E: bill.m.flippo.civ@army.mil

SDNG Psychological Health Program Psychological Health Coordinator:

Contact: Mark Francisco

1951 N. Hwy 20

Watertown, SD 57201

605-786-2922 or 605-882-3354

E: Mark.j.francisco2.mil@mail.mil

The primary purpose of the Psychological Health Coordinator is to facilitate preventive, remedial, and support services to optimize psychological health and readiness of National Guard (NG) military members and their families.

SDSU Extension Service Codington County

1910 W Kemp Ave

605-882-6300

Contact: Jodi Loehrer, SDSU Extension 4-H Youth Program Advisor

Email: jodi.loehrer@sdstate.edu

www.codington.org/extension-service
4-H & Youth Development

4-H; Cloverbuds; Character Education; Nutrition; Science; Farm Safety; After School Enrichment; Kid Kare Babysitting Clinic.

Spectrum Matters

810 S Maple Watertown SD 57201

605-878-0101

<https://spectrummattersSD.com>

Contact: Darcy Weber-Rohde

Description: Spectrum Matters provides Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) therapy for children with Autism and related behavioral disorders.

South Dakota Court Services

14 1st Ave SE, PO Box 1054

Codington County Courthouse

605-882-5110

Works within the Unified Judicial System for the State of South Dakota. The client base is derived through formal court proceedings as well as diversion programs referred through the local State's Attorney. Court Services' role is to monitor the compliance of all conditions set down by the Court in alleged juvenile delinquent matters and Child In Need of Supervision matters.