

What is 2-1-1 VIRGINIA?

- ◆ 2-1-1 is an easy to remember, 3 digit phone number connecting people with information on available community services. The 2-1-1 number is available throughout most of the United States and Canada.
- ◆ 2-1-1 VIRGINIA is a free service available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia.
- ◆ When people call 2-1-1 VIRGINIA, they are connected to a trained professional who listens to caller situations and suggests sources of help using one of the largest health and human services databases in Virginia.
- ◆ 2-1-1 VIRGINIA maintains a resource database of more than 6,000 agencies, with more than 20,000 active and seasonal programs across Virginia and is constantly adding new agencies and programs.
- ◆ 2-1-1 VIRGINIA uses a highly mobile, cloud-based phone system and resource database allowing specialists to operate from anywhere there is access to phone and high speed internet.
- ◆ 2-1-1 VIRGINIA provides translation services for callers in over 240 languages through third party interpreters and the Virginia Relay for the Deaf.
- ◆ 2-1-1 VIRGINIA operates 2 AIRS accredited call centers with 13 AIRS Certified Information & Referral Specialists, 3 AIRS Certified Resource Specialists and 1 RCCSP Certified Call Center Manager.
- ◆ 2-1-1 VIRGINIA is also on line where people can search the resource database, compare services side-by-side and get directions to an agency.

Call **2-1-1**, email
211info@councilofcommunityservices.org
or visit www.211virginia.org today.



Between July 1, 2016 and June 30 2017, 2-1-1 VIRGINIA:

- ◆ Handled 139,688 in & outbound calls
- ◆ Assisted more than 85,000 callers
- ◆ Identified 99,189 individual caller needs
- ◆ Provided 202,465 referrals
- ◆ Updated 15,890 program listings
- ◆ Added 638 new program listings
- ◆ Conducted outreach at 236 events
- ◆ Received more than 45,000 visitors to the website with 62,851 sessions
- ◆ Worked with the Virginia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services on new MOA
- ◆ Transitioned to a new database platform

Contact Statistics:

- ◆ Average speed of answer 44.4 seconds
 - ◆ Average length of call 4.71 minutes
 - ◆ Abandons (caller hang ups) 11% of calls
- Call times vary from a few minutes to a half hour or more based on the caller's needs*

Top 10 Requested Needs by Category

1. Utility Assistance	56,511
2. Housing	30,440
3. Health Care	10,882
4. Food/Meals	8,540
5. Family & Community Support	6,142
6. Income Support/Assistance	6,099
7. Legal, Consumer & Public Safety	4,561
8. Clothing & Household Needs	2,482
9. Mental Health/Addictions	2,368
10. Employment	2,148

2-1-1 VIRGINIA is a service of the Virginia Department of Social Services provided in collaboration with:

- ◆ Council of Community Services
- ◆ The Planning Council of Norfolk
- ◆ United Way of Central Virginia
- ◆ United Way of Greater Richmond & Petersburg



Projects

- ◆ Call center for Family Reunification during mass casualty events
- ◆ Call center for the Virginia Dominion Nuclear Power Station emergency plan
- ◆ Call center for the Infant & Toddler Connection
- ◆ Public information call center for state, regional and local emergencies in partnership with emergency managers
- ◆ Participant in the CDC/United Way Worldwide Flu On Call annual exercise
- ◆ Participant in the 211 Counts data dashboard at www.211Counts.org
- ◆ Provides custom data reports and resource lists to state, regional and local government and non-profit agencies
- ◆ Provides referral services for Dominion Virginia Power's Energy Share assistance program

Partnerships

- ◆ Virginia Department of Social Services
- ◆ Virginia Department of Emergency Management
- ◆ Virginia Department of Medical Assistance Services
- ◆ Virginia Department of Veteran Services
- ◆ Virginia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services
- ◆ Virginia Department of Health
- ◆ Virginia Hospital & Healthcare Association
- ◆ United Way Worldwide
- ◆ Alliance of Information & Referral Systems
- ◆ Virginia Alliance of Information & Referral Systems
- ◆ Dominion Virginia Power

