

United Way of West Ellis County

2019 Agency Overview

American Red Cross -

The American Red Cross provides relief to families affected by disasters in West Ellis County. The Red Cross arrives at the scene of local disasters and provides immediate aid to victims. Long-term needs for victims can also be provided when applicable.

Avalon Summer Rec Program -

The Avalon Summer Rec Program provides supervised summer recreation activities for students of Avalon ISD. It runs in conjunction with the school's "Free Summer Lunch" program. The program runs for approximately six weeks. "Promoting healthy bodies and minds for the youth of the Avalon community."

Boys and Girls Club of Waxahachie -

The Boys and Girls Club of Waxahachie provides an after school enrichment program during the regular school year and a day camp over the summer. Children have the opportunity to fill idle time with education, exercise and extracurricular activities. Staff and after school carer workers are utilized as role models and provide an array of programs for youth 6-18.

Boy Scouts of America -

The Circle Ten Council (Boy Scouts of America) strives to shape and mold the values and character of youth by helping members, families and communities through comprehensive development program. Priorities include building strong families, nurturing children, meeting basic needs and developing positive youth. The Council also provides a positive impact on crime prevention, substance abuse, child abuse, cultural diversity, unemployment, personal well being and independence.

Believing Restoration is Attainable -

BRA was created to support and uplift separated, divorced or suddenly widowed women. BRA promotes servant leadership and believes that ladies that are giving and uplifting of others in the program, become more loyal to their own restoration in the process.

CASA of Ellis County -

Court Appointed Special Advocates is an organization that serves the children of Ellis County as they anxiously face dealing with the legal system through no fault of their own. Through CASA, volunteers are trained and recruited to serve as advocates for every child victim who comes into the foster care system in Ellis County. CASA volunteers help thousands of neglected or abused children in Texas get out of foster care into happy homes. Fifty-four children a day are removed from their home and enter the foster care system.

Common Ground Ministries -

Common Ground Ministries is a Christian outreach to children and youth in east Waxahachie, Texas. Their mission is to provide a safe and structured environment for children and youth to meet their spiritual, educational and physical needs. Common Ground Ministries also hosts a program for youth after school, during Spring Break and the duration of the Summer.

Daniel's Den -

Daniel's Den is a faith-based, interdenominational Christian ministry providing emergency assistance and transitional housing in Ellis County. Their purpose is to restore and strengthen the lives of homeless people in Ellis County.

Ellis County 4H -

A unique education agency, the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service teaches Texans wherever they live, extending research-based knowledge to benefit their families and communities. The mission of 4-H is to offer its members the opportunity to grow intellectually and develop life skills through a wide array of programs so that they develop into productive and contributing members of society.

Ellis County Children's Advocacy -

Ellis County Children's Advocacy Center provides a child-friendly environment that facilitates a coordinated intervention process reducing further trauma to the child. Their goal is to optimize the investigative and prosecution process, provide quality legal, psychological, social and medical services to abused children and to heighten community awareness.

Family Abuse Center -

Family Abuse Center exists to eliminate domestic violence in Central Texas by sheltering victims of domestic violence and by preventing abuse from occurring through intervention and education. They recently expanded their services in Ellis County & have an office at the Waxahachie police station.

Girl Scouts -

The Girl Scout mission, promise and law are shared by every member of Girl Scouting and define the way Girl Scouts agree to act every day toward one another, other people and the world. The Girl Scout Leadership Experience (GSLE) engages girls in discovering self, connecting with others, and taking action to make the world a better place. Discover, Connect and Take Action are the three keys to Leadership.

Manna House -

Manna House is dedicated to serving the physical, emotional and spiritual well being of people in crisis, striving to bring hope, encouragement and stability as they build a stronger & healthier community. Manna offers a food pantry and other needs such as clothing. All funds made by Heaven's Attic Thrift Store are directed back to Manna House and to the community.

Meals on Wheels -

Meals on Wheels of Johnson and Ellis Counties provide daily meals for the homebound elderly and disabled residents of both Johnson and Ellis County.

Mentor's Care -

Mentors Care reaches high school students at risk for not graduating due to unfortunate circumstances in their home or school life. Mentors Care pairs community volunteers with students to increase their likelihood for graduation and also create a plan for after high school.

Midlothian Senior Activity Center -

The Midlothian Senior center provides a positive, caring environment for local residents. They offer a wide range of classes, educational seminars, health screenings, flu shots, foot care, musical performances, field trips to local venues, transportation services to and from the center and local doctors, the hairdresser and stores. Free hot lunches are served daily and there is also a weekly food pantry. Senior Citizens consider the Center a home away from home.

Milford Senior Center -

The Senior Citizens Center of Milford offers fellowship, recreation, fun games, quilting and meals. Programs are designed to help with health concerns, fitness and spiritual needs.

Milford Summer Rec Program -

The Milford ISD Summer Recreation program provides a safe environment for Milford-area youth for recreation activities. The program runs the month of June. After having a free lunch, students go to supervised locations for games, basketball, volleyball or weightlifting.

PAWS for Reflection Ranch -

At Paws for Reflection Ranch, professional therapists will help you design a counseling program that is right for you and/or your child. Working alongside equine professionals and our animal team, sessions will be structured to help you reach your goals, to assist you on your way to optimal mental health.

REACH Council -

REACH is a nonprofit organization that provides school and community based prevention programs and services to youth and their families in Ellis and Johnson Counties. It utilizes nationally recognized and research based prevention programs that are a cooperative effort between REACH and participating school districts. REACH provides a number of programs for all ages.

Salvation Army -

The Salvation Army, an international movement, is an evangelical part of the universal Christian Church. Its message is based on the Bible. Its ministry is motivated by the love of God. Its mission is to preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ and to meet human needs in His name without discrimination.

Waxahachie CARE -

Waxahachie Care provides counseling/ referrals, food, toiletries and financial assistance. Counseling with clients is designed to ensure an effective delivery of assistance. Food is provided through the in house food pantry service. Financial assistance based on availability, is primarily to help with utilities, rent, gas, elderly needs and transportation needs.

Waxahachie Senior Citizens Center -

The Waxahachie Senior Center provides a social outlet for Seniors age 50 and over. The center serves lunch daily and hosts a variety of activities, including games, cards, fitness classes, exercise equipment, sewing, dancing, computer classes, dancing, ceramics and much more.

Waxahachie YMCA -

The YMCA provides programs and services for children, families and seniors. Some programs available include: After School Care, Swimming Lessons, Summer Day Camps, Fitness Classes, Sports, Teen Programs and much more.