

Ashland County Jail
220 Sixth Street E, Ashland, WI 54806
715-682-7050
www.ashlandcountysheriff.us

NEED HELP?

The list below shows a few of the MANY resources in our community that might be of help. For a complete listing, contact the UW-Extension office in your County.

COUNSELORS/THERAPISTS

Bad River Health Center, Odanah 715-682-7133
Bay Area Mental Health, Ashland and Washburn 715-373-2233
Behavioral Health Services (MMC), Ashland 715-682-8665
Karla Braski, Ashland 715-682-2007
Calm Waters Family Therapy, Bayfield 651-283-0608
Counseling and Psychological Services, Ashland & Hayward 715-682-4006
Mental Health Crisis Line, 866-317-9362
Northlakes, Ashland, Iron River, Hayward, & Minong 888-834-4551
Northland Counseling Services, Washburn 715-373-0160
Red Cliff Mental Health, Red Cliff 715-779-3707
Counseling and Development Center, Park Falls 715-339-3048

VICTIM SERVICES/Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault

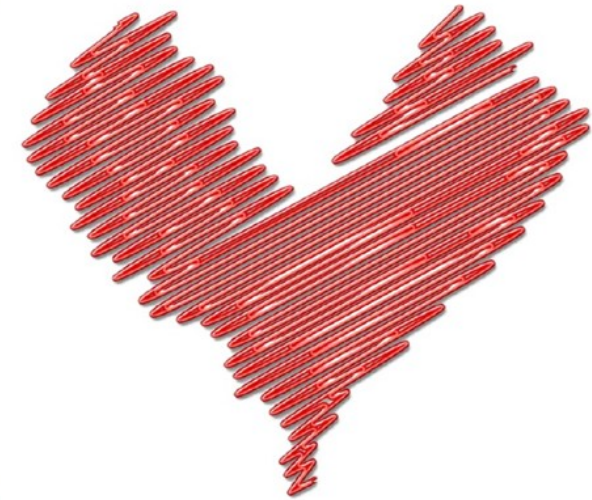
Bad River Shelter 715-682-8379
New Day Shelter 715-682-9566
VINE (Victim Information and Notification Everyday) 888-944-8463

OTHER SERVICES

The BRICK..... 715-682-7425
Ashland Area AODA 715-682-5207
Ashland County Child Support 715-682-7020
Applying for Food Share and Medicaid 888-794-5722
OR online contact: <https://access.wisconsin.gov>

PARENT TIP:

If your child is in school or daycare, call a trusted employee to let them know your child may be going through a stressful time and ask to be notified if there are concerns.



**When Your Loved One
Is Incarcerated**

A Guide for Families and Friends

Revised September 2013

WALKING THROUGH THE LEGAL SYSTEM

When you have a family member or co-parent involved in the criminal justice system, it can be difficult to get accurate information. Our goal with this brochure is to help make this a less stressful experience for families.

- To search and learn about charges, next court actions and other case information, visit the Wisconsin Circuit Court website: <http://www.wcca.wicourts.gov>
- To view an overall Legal System Flowchart, see: <http://www.bjs.gov/content/largechart.cfm>
- For questions about Ashland County Jail rules or jail issues contact Joanna at 715-682-7023 Extension 683.
- For confidential, free resources that can help you to manage relationship, financial, or parenting issues, contact Kathy Beeksmas, Family Living Educator at the Ashland County Extension office at 715-682-7017.
- If you have young children we have kits available produced by Sesame Street that include a DVD and books for children of incarcerated parents and their families to help families stay connected and know how to talk about the parent's incarceration. Contact Kathy or Joanna as listed above to get your free copy.

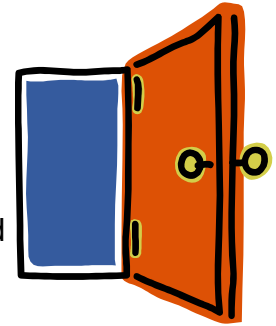
We are always looking to make improvements. If there is information that would be helpful to include, please contact us at the Ashland County Extension Office 715-682-7017.



UW-Extension provides equal opportunities in employment and programming, including Title IX requirements. Advise us at least 2 weeks in advance if you are handicapped and desire special accommodations. Requests will be kept confidential.
If you need these materials in an alternative format, please contact the program coordinator or the UWEX Affirmative Action Office.

RELEASE PRIVILEGES

When your loved one is sentenced to a jail term, the privilege of Huber Release, Child Care Release or Education Release **may** be granted by the Court. These privileges, established by statute, grant inmates the opportunity to seek or maintain employment, provide child care, or pursue education. Inmates are only allowed child care if their significant other/caretaker is employed and only while that person is at work. They are not allowed child-care privileges if another adult is living in the home or will be present in the home.



HEALTH CARE

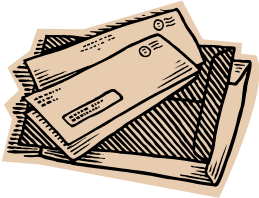
- The jail shall provide necessary medical treatment and emergency dental care for inmates while incarcerated.
- Medications are distributed by jail staff under the supervision of a doctor and nurse.
- No medications or treatments will be administered unless they are prescribed by a physician.
- Inmates are encouraged to bring their own medications and medical equipment to the jail.
- Inmates are responsible for payment of medical costs they incur while incarcerated.
- Inmates shall be served nutritionally balanced meals. An inmate shall be provided with a special diet only if ordered by a physician.

PERSONAL PROPERTY

- Items accepted into the jail are medications and medical equipment prescribed by a doctor.
- Property may be released from the inmate to a family or friend, after signing a property release form.

COMMISSARY PROGRAM

- Commissary Service is available to inmates for obtaining basic personal items. This service will be explained to the inmate upon arrival to the jail.
- Commissary items include: hygiene items, snack foods, beverages, stationary, phone minutes, and mail kits.



DEPOSITING FUNDS

- The only form of money that will be accepted by the jail is cash. Deposits can be made into the kiosk in the lobby of the jail at any time.
- Money can also be deposited electronically at: www.GovPayNow.com or by phone at: 1-888-277-2535 using the pay location code: 5500

No donated items such as books, games, etc.
will be accepted.

STAY CONNECTED AND PROVIDE POSITIVE, HEALTHY SUPPORT!



Research tells us that positive, healthy support from family members and friends is important for many reasons. Inmates have more successful re-entry into their families and communities when they have strong relationships.

When family interactions are positive, the inmate is less likely to reoffend and have a better chance at reducing alcohol and substance abuse. Inmates who leave jail and stay clean, sober and do not commit another offense, increase their chances of finding steady employment.

One way families can help is by staying in touch by visiting, writing letters or making phone calls to inmates. Visits and phone calls directly affect the inmate's emotional well-being during their stay. Keep in mind that those in jail often feel upset, ashamed, worried, angry, overwhelmed, powerless and frustrated; just like their families. Tools and support are available to help you successfully manage difficult conversations during the time a loved one is in jail and when they return home. Using these resources helps you take care of yourself and your family.

Families also benefit from continued contact. When children have a parent in jail, their caregivers are key to these relationships and can either support or sabotage this important bond. Incarcerated parents, children and other family members will benefit if they can find ways to stay connected.

STAYING CONNECTED BY MAIL

- Incoming and outgoing mail will be screened by staff.
- Incoming legal mail will be screened in the presence of the inmate.
- The mail you send *must* have a complete return address including your full name, clearly written.
- Note: A limited number of photos (no bigger than 5" x 7") are allowed. Photos can help inmates feel in touch with their family members. *However, images including nudity, sexual content, pornography, or illegal activities are **NOT** allowed.*



Address mail to:
Ashland County Jail
Your loved one's name
220 6th Street E
Ashland, WI 54806

STAYING CONNECTED BY PHONE

- Telephone services are provided by *IcSolutions*.
- Only outgoing phone calls from the jail are permitted.
- Phone calls may be monitored and/or recorded.
- Phone calls can be made by inmates via calling collect or by using the commissary.
- Jail staff will not take personal incoming messages for the inmate unless there is a verifiable emergency.

STAYING CONNECTED BY VISITS

VISITING HOURS

Sunday	1:00 - 3:30 PM 6:00 - 8:00 PM
Tuesday	6:30 - 8:30 PM
Wednesday	6:30 - 8:30 PM
Saturday	1:00 - 3:30 PM

VISITING RULES

- Visitors must be 18 years of age.
- On your first visit, you need to show a picture ID card to correctional staff.
- Visits last for 20 minutes.
- Visits start on the hour and half hour. You must always check in to register with the jail first.
- Inmates are allowed only 1 visit per day.
- There are only 2 visitors per inmate allowed at one time.
- Once a visitor leaves the visiting booth, they are not allowed back into the booth. Visitors cannot switch with other visitors during the visits.
- Visiting is on a first-come, first-serve basis.
- No children of an inmate under the age of 16 are allowed to visit. Children of an incarcerated parent that are 16 or 17 years old may visit, but must be accompanied by an adult.
- If you have been an inmate of the Ashland County Jail, you cannot visit for a period of 60 days after your release.
- If you break any of the jail visiting rules you may lose your visiting rights and be denied *future* visiting access.

