

Community Resource List

Support Groups

Victory in the Valley, Inc. – 3755 E. Douglas, Wichita, KS 67218. A Non-Profit Cancer Support Organization offering support, assistance and encouragement to cancer patients/survivors and families. Victory in the Valley, Inc is not funded by United Way or any other cancer organization. For more information call: (316) 682-7400.

Breast Cancer Support Group (Women Only) - 1st and 3rd Tuesday at 7 p.m., 3755 E. Douglas (Victory House Support Group Room), Wichita, KS 67218.

Encouragers Cancer Support Group (General Cancers) - 1st and 3rd Wednesday at 10 a.m., 3755 E. Douglas (Victory House Support Group Room), Wichita, KS 67218.

Footprints at St. James Church Cancer Support Group- Every Wednesday from 5:30-6:30 p.m., St. James Episcopal Church, 3750 E. Douglas, Wichita, KS 67208.

East Side CSG (General Cancers) – 4th Wednesday at 1:30 p.m., McConnell AFB, Dental Clinic Conference Room.

McConnell AFB CSG (General Cancers) – 2nd Wednesday at 1 p.m., St. Stephens Episcopal Church, 7404 E. Killarney, Wichita, KS

Sharing Hope Cancer Support Group- 2nd Thursday at 6:30 p.m., Covenant Presbyterian Church, 1750 N. Tyler Road, Wichita, KS 67212. *No meetings in July or August.*

Victory Kids and Family Support Group- Quarterly Activities planned for kids with cancer and their families. Call for more information (316) 682-7400.

West Wichita Cancer Support Group (General Cancers)- 2nd Thursday at 7 p.m., Pathlink Church, 2001 N. Maize Road, Wichita, KS 67212, Room B100, Little Theater.

Growing Through Illness-(general cancer support group) - The support group meets Tuesday nights at Central Community Church at 7 p.m. in room 106. Please contact the church at (316) 943-1800 to sign up for the support group.

Sisters Helping Sisters-A cancer support group for African American Women. We are Sisters helping Sisters. We are a group of African American cancer survivors of all ages that meet the first Monday of each month at 6 p.m. at St. Francis Hospital, 929 St. Francis, Wichita, KS, in the 7th floor conference room. Please contact Gwendolyn DuBose at (316) 684-1076 for more information.

Victory in the Valley, Inc—Support Groups throughout the State

Seeds of Hope CSG- 3rd Thursday at 6:30 p.m., Scott County Library, 110 W 8th, Scott City, KS.

H.O.P.E. Cancer Support Group-3rd Thursday at 7 p.m., Oxford Christian Church, Oxford, KS 67119.

Hutchinson Area Cancer Support Group

Circle of Friends Lunch meeting: 1st Monday at 11:30 a.m., Sirloin Stockade, 1526 E. 13th, Hutchinson, KS 67501.

Regular CSG Evening meeting: 3rd Tuesday at 7 p.m., Eastwood Church of Christ, 2500 N. Plum, Hutchinson, KS 67502.

Derby Area CSG- 2nd Thursday at 7:00 p.m., Woodlawn United Methodist Church, 431 S. Woodlawn, Derby, KS. *No meetings in July or Aug.*

Newton Area CSG- 4th Thursday at 7 p.m., Shalom Mennonite Church, 800 E 1st, Newton, KS.

Transportation

Wichita Transit-Para Transit- 777 E. Waterman, Wichita, KS 67202. Ground transportation services within Wichita city limits only for ADA eligible riders. This is a transportation service for those who cannot ride the bus due to a disability. Times are Monday-Friday from 5:15 AM-6:45 PM and on Saturday from 6:25AM-5:30 PM. Reservations one week to one day in advance. No same day service provided. Call 316-352-4828 for details.

Victory in the Valley, Inc. - 3755 E. Douglas, Wichita, KS 67218. A Non-Profit Cancer Support Organization offering ground transportation services to cancer patients to & from cancer related appointments and treatment in the Wichita Area. Physician's verification and a completed application are required. Times are Monday-Friday, 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM. Please give 24 hours notice. Service is free of charge. A limited supply of Gasoline Cards are also available for out-of-town cancer patients receiving active cancer treatment in other cities. Physician referral is required. For more information, call 316-682-7400.

American Red Cross-Midway Kansas Chapter-1900 E. Douglas, Wichita, KS 67204. Organizations offering ground transportation services for cancer patients and/or family members. Senior Medical Transportation Program transports any person *60 years of age and older* to medically related appointments, Constituents must be ambulatory. Times are Monday-Friday 8:00 AM-11:00 AM and 12:30 PM-4:00 PM. Service is free of charge. For more information, please call 316-219-4040.

Medical Equipment and Supplies

Independent Living Resource Center-MERN program (Medical Equipment Recycling Network)- 3033 W. 2nd, Wichita, KS 67203. Durable medical equipment loans for all persons in need. Stock varies based on donations received. Accepts donations of gently used medical equipment. Does not loan or take donations of hospital beds. Times are Monday-Friday from 8:00 AM-5:00 PM. Service is free of charge. For more information, please call 316-942-6300.

Victory in the Valley, Inc. - 3755 E. Douglas, Wichita, KS 67218. Donated used as well as newly purchased medical equipment is available to loan through Victory in the Valley, Inc. They have a small supply of wheelchairs (adult and child), toilet risers; shower stools, and assorted other equipment, which can be loaned to cancer patients in need of them. A wig chosen from a fully stocked wig salon as well as hats, scarves, turbans and breast prostheses are available free of charge to any cancer patient. A trained volunteer will assist each patient in making their selection. Any female breast cancer patient that is uninsured may receive assistance for two new mastectomy bras and can also arrange to be fitted by a professional fitter for a free prosthesis. Times are Monday-Friday 8:30 AM-5:00 PM. Service is free of charge. Please call 316-682-7400 for more information.

Food Assistance

Catholic Charities- 437 N. Topeka, Wichita KS, 67202. To receive food assistance, the individual must make a personal visit to the office during pantry hours. Items to bring include: a photo ID, proof of identification for all other people living in the household (i.e. social security card, birth certificate, medical card, school ID., etc.), and proof of address. Food Pantry times are Tuesday – Thursday, 8:30 a.m. – noon, and 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month, 9 a.m. – noon. For more information, please call 316-264-8344, ext 1504.

Victory in the Valley, Inc. - 3755 E. Douglas, Wichita, KS 67218. Cancer patients currently on active treatment may receive assistance from the Victory House Food Pantry. Please call 316-682-7400 for more information.

Utilities Assistance

Catholic Charities- 437 N. Topeka, Wichita KS, 67202. Appointments are required for utility assistance and are taken on Mondays at 8:00 AM by telephone only. The telephone number is 316-262-8898. Times are from 8:00 AM-9:00 AM Mondays only.

Center of Hope- 400 N. Emporia, Wichita KS, 67202. The Center of Hope assists families in need by paying utility bills, thus enabling them to remain in their own homes. Appointments by telephone Monday 9AM-noon and 1:00PM-4:00 PM. Please note it is difficult to reach them by telephone and you should be persistent. If you are unable to obtain an appointment by phone on Mondays, and you have an eviction notice or utility shut-off notice, they do allow you to walk-in on Tuesday mornings to schedule an appointment for later in the week. The line begins forming early and they have a limited number of appointment times available, so most people must be there between 6:00 – 7:00 a.m.

Financial Assistance

CANCERCare- Up to \$150.00 in financial assistance to those who qualify. For more information or an application, visit their website at www.cancercare.org or call the toll free number at 1-800-813-HOPE.

Medication Assistance

Patient Advocate Foundation - Komen has partnered with Patient Advocate Foundation to launch a financial aid program allowing breast cancer patients greater monetary support services while involved in treatment and recovery. Patients needing assistance can call (855) 824-7941 or learn more about the eligibility guidelines at www.patientadvocate.org/gethelp.

Victory in the Valley, Inc. - 3755 East Douglas, Wichita KS, 67218. Cancer patients may receive assistance for prescriptions for pain and nausea through referrals from their physician. Victory in the Valley has established an Emergency Medical Fund (provided on a short-term basis) to assist with these needs. This fund is accessed through the direction of the patient's physician/nurse, and the pharmacy is paid directly by Victory in the Valley after authorization.. Please contact Victory in the Valley at 316-682-7400 to determine availability.

Sedgwick County Prescription Drug Discount program- 635 N. Main, Wichita, KS 67203. Any Sedgwick County resident without prescription plan benefit, uninsured, or if you have Medicare without supplemental prescription drug coverage may use the program. One card is issued per family and it provides discounts on medications. The discount card can only be utilized in participating pharmacies (over 75 pharmacies in Sedgwick County). Please contact the phone number for various locations to pick up the card.

Locations to pick up cards are as follows:

Sedgwick County Health Department

- Main Location, 1900 E. 9th Street; Phone: 316-660-7300
- Healthy Babies, 434 N. Oliver; Phone: 316-660-7433
- West Clinic, 2716 W. Central; Phone: 316-660-7300
- WIC Main Office, 1900 E. 9th Street; Phone: 316-660-7300
- WIC Colvin site, 2820 S. Roosevelt; Phone: 316-660-7300
- WIC Stanley site, 1749 S. Martinson; Phone: 316-660-7300

Division of Health and Human Services, 635 N. Main; Phone: 316-660-7670

Kansas Department of Children and Families, 230 E. Williams; Phone: 337-6314

United Way of the Plains, 245 N. Water; Phone: 316-267-1321

Partnership for Prescription Assistance-assists qualifying patients who lack prescription coverage get the medicines they need through the public or private program that is right for them. To access the Partnership for Prescription Assistance by phone call 1-888-477-2669 or receive information at www.pparx.org.

CancerCare Co-Payment Assistance Foundation- helps people being treated for cancer afford the insurance co-payments on the prescription medicines they need. To be eligible you must meet certain criteria related to your diagnosis, treatment and financial situation. You must also have private insurance or Medicare that covers a portion of the prescribed chemotherapy or cancer drug. Financial help is not available for radiation treatment or symptom management. To access CancerCare Co-Payment Assistance Foundation call 1-866-55-COPAY (1-866-552-6729) or go to www.cancercarecopay.org.

Wigs

Victory in the Valley, Inc. - 3755 East Douglas, Wichita KS, 67218. Victory in the Valley has a wonderful supply of wigs that are styled and available free of charge to any woman who is going through treatment for cancer. In addition to wigs, the Women's Boutique also has a supply of turbans and hats that have been generously donated to VV to offer to cancer patients. Contact (316) 682-7400 for an appointment. One of our caring VV Volunteers will be happy to assist you!

The Wig Lady - 4017 W. 13th Street Wichita, Kansas 67212, (316) 943-9447, 866-819-9447 (toll free). Specializes in women's hair loss due to: chemotherapy & radiation. Offer personal attention with a large inventory of the highest quality hair products and accessories. Please call for a no obligation consultation – by appointment only.

Prosthesis List

Designs by Darris – 1319 West 52nd Street South Wichita, KS 67217, (316) 529 BRAS (2727). Certified prosthesis fitting. Preferred provider for many insurance companies. Medicare approved.

Feminine Fashions – 3107 E. Central, Wichita, KS 67215, (316) 681-1842. Certified prosthesis fitting. Will process Medicare and other insurance. Preferred provider for many insurance companies. Swimwear available.

Personal Image Inc. – 1905 Maize Road, Wichita, KS 67212, (316) 260-8260. Mastectomy prosthesis, wigs, bras, personal apparel and custom breast forms.