

Scenario 1:

You are a single parent with three children. You have been approved for Section 8 (Low-income) housing while holding down a part-time job. With monthly income of about \$600 and an inconsistent amount of child support, life is very difficult for you to deal with as it is. However, you have just discovered that, since you did not apply in time, you have lost your health insurance, a crucial part of everyday life. Also, your oldest child is starting kindergarten.

You have many specific needs which include:

- Free or low-cost daycare
- School supplies for your child
- Affordable health care
- How can you go to court, inexpensively, to get better and more regular child support?

Where and how can you meet these needs in the Marion County area? Using the tools available to you, find clear and specific information about resources you can access to find solutions to the above needs.

Scenario 2:

You are an alcoholic. The addiction has been going on for several years. However, you've just been fired because your boss is fed up with you coming to work hungover so many times. That job was you and your spouse's only source of income. This pushed your spouse over the edge and they are threatening to divorce. You want to get over your problem and keep your marriage together.

Your specific needs include:

- Group meetings and therapy (for alcoholism)
- Free or low-cost detoxification (purging the alcohol from your body)
- Job opportunities or unemployment services
- Couples therapy (How much does it cost? Can you get it for free?)

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Scenario 3:

You are homeless and have just been befriended by a stray dog. It's lonely on the streets. You manage to take care of yourself, but you want to take care of the dog as well. However, you do not have the money to pay for all of those needs. It would be really great to have a companion. Since it's a stray, you need to have everything cleared up before it's safe to keep it, or you might contract a disease like rabies.

Your specific needs include:

- Free dog food
- Free or low cost pet immunizations
- Free or low cost pet licensing
- Spaying/Neutering this pet

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Scenario 4:

You're in an abusive relationship. Every day you get harshly beaten and you're tired of it. After three years you want out. But, you don't know where to go or who to turn to. They know all of your friends and family and where they live. You're scared and done and ready to leave but need an absolutely safe place.

Your specific needs include:

- Shelter from an abusive partner
- Steps to report abusive partner to the authorities
- A new work location (Because partner knows old job)
- Free mental health counseling or therapy

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Scenario 5:

You've felt very sick...for almost three or four weeks. You're homeless and unemployed and you do not want to be sick any longer. To make matters worse, you have a terrible toothache that has persisted for over three months. The trouble is, you don't have the money for doctor visits of either kind.

Your specific needs include:

- Free health screening/ check up
- Free medicine (after diagnosis)
- Free dental check-up
- Free dental care (to fix toothache)

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Scenario 6:

You've been homeless for a while and you don't really like it. So you go out and interview for a job. One week later your interviewer calls back and informs you that they have a position for you. However, this is a fast food restaurant. Your boss warns you that good hygiene is essential to keeping this job. He also tells you that in order to start work you need a food handler's license. On top of that, you are really dying to have an apartment again.

Your specific needs include:

- The lowest cost housing available
- A way to cheaply get a food handler's card
- A place to clean up and maintain good hygiene at no cost
- Free hygiene supplies (soap, shampoo, razors, etc.)

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Scenario 7:

You've recently become a teen parent. You now have a very small child. You have no home and the parents that raised you do not have room for you because they think you made too big of a mistake. You are left with almost nothing. No family, no friends and no opportunities.

Your specific needs include:

- Shelter (where can you live?)
- Food (for you and the baby)
- Employment Opportunities
- Medical insurance (no cost)
- Free Child care

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Scenario 8:

You've just been released from prison where you served a sentence of ten years for a felony. You have no money and no possessions at home for you. Your family has shunned you and your spouse has left you. You need to start over.

Your specific needs include:

- Food
- Employment
- A place to live
- Health Care

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Scenario 9:

You are a low-income individual. You are successfully meeting all of your needs, but barely. You get a call one day that informs you that your elderly mother has just been diagnosed with Alzheimer's. You do not have enough money to send her somewhere safe. Nor do you have the ability to shelter her in your own home. You are an only child and cannot let her stay with anyone else.

Your specific needs include:

- Health care for your mother
- Low-cost senior citizen assistance
- Access to Social Security benefits (if any)
- Low-Income Senior Housing

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Scenario 10:

You are an undocumented immigrant. You've come to the United States believing that success and happiness are always available. However, you do not have much money and are finding it hard to hold down employment due to your citizenship. Also, you do not speak very much English, making it hard to communicate your needs to others.

Your specific needs include:

- The process of becoming a citizen (or resident alien)
- Free English classes
- Identification (How much will it cost?)
- Housing
- Employment

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