

# KI BOIS COMMUNITY ACTION SERVICES DIRECTORY





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*Serving Eastern Oklahoma  
Since 1968*

# KI BOIS COMMUNITY ACTION

KI BOIS Community Action Foundation, Inc. is a private, non-profit corporation 501(c) 3 operating in Southeastern Oklahoma. The agency was organized as a part of the national “War on Poverty.” Administered by an 18 member Board of Directors, the agency represents all segments of the community i.e. elected officials, minority groups, businesses, social service, low income and foremost the clients served.

Today, KI BOIS Community Action Foundation is the major social service agency in Southeastern Oklahoma, with their programs touching every age, ethnic and gender group in its area of operation. From public transportation to Developmental Disabilities, from case management and senior programs to Veteran services, KI BOIS Community Action Foundation continues to be a leader in the community development social services.

KI BOIS Community Action Foundation is also recognized as Southeastern Oklahoma’s largest employee with approximately 1,000 employees in the service area of Haskell, Latimer, LeFlore, Muskogee, Pittsburg and Sequoyah Counties and those counties our programs additional serve. Bilingual staff is available, upon request, for the following: Spanish and sign language.

Since being founded in 1968, countless numbers of lives have been touched through the many services and programs administered by KI BOIS Community Action Foundation. The mission statement reads: KI BOIS Community Action Foundation, Incorporated is a community based organization dedicated to eliminating the causes of poverty and bettering the economic, mental, physical, and social well-being of all people, most importantly the disadvantaged, by utilizing effective coordination and administration of available resources and information.



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**FYI**

UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED, KI BOIS PROGRAMS ARE ADMINISTERED IN HASKELL, LATIMER, LEFLORE, MUSKOGEE, PITTSBURG AND SEQUOYAH COUNTIES, AS THESE COUNTIES ENCOMPASS THE SERVICE AREA OF KI BOIS COMMUNITY ACTION FOUNDATION, INC.

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## KI BOIS AREA TRANSIT SYSTEM

### FYI

EACH YEAR KI BOIS COMMUNITY ACTION CONDUCTS COMMUNITY NEEDS SURVEYS TO DETERMINE THE CAUSES OF POVERTY. LOW-INCOME FAMILIES, BUSINESS AND COMMUNITY LEADERS, AND ELECTED OFFICIALS RANK THOSE CAUSES IN ORDER OF SEVERITY. THE KI BOIS COMMUNITY ACTION BOARD OF DIRECTORS THEN DECIDES WHAT PROGRAMS KI BOIS COMMUNITY ACTION WILL OPERATE IN THE COMING YEAR.

KI BOIS Area Transit System (KATS) was started in 1983 to meet the growing transit needs of rural Oklahomans. KATS is a public transit system offering services to all individuals without regard to income. We have a fleet of over 230+ vehicles. These include vehicles that are accessible to the disabled and meet ADA requirements. Our type of service is demand response. That means, “You call, we pick you up”! Our service area includes Haskell, Latimer, LeFlore, Pittsburg, Adair, Cherokee, Sequoyah, Okmulgee, McIntosh, Hughes, Okfuskee, and Wagoner counties. Transit depots are located in all twelve counties. We connect to Amtrak, airports, and Greyhound bus depots in Ft. Smith, Tulsa, McAlester, Muskogee, and Oklahoma City.

Our services include transportation to jobs, social services, education, schools, shopping, medical, and recreation.

Our normal hours of operation are 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM, Monday through Friday.

Fares and schedules may vary and depend on the time and length of the trip.

“Our mission is to provide Oklahoman’s in our service area a safe, reliable, and affordable ride that meet their transportation needs”.

KATS is a proud partner with the Cherokee Nation, Muskogee (Creek) Nation, INCOG, SoonerRide, and the Oklahoma Department of Human Services.

Additional KATS transit information can be found on our website: [www.kibois.org](http://www.kibois.org)

For statewide transit information, check out the United We Ride (MY RIDE) website: [www.MyRide.ok.gov](http://www.MyRide.ok.gov)  
Administration and Operational Offices are located in Stigler, OK.

If you need transportation please contact your nearest KATS office:



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Wilburton	309 W. Main, Wilburton, OK 74578	918.465.5523

## DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

The Developmental Disabilities program mission is to provide services to individuals with developmental disabilities in the least restrictive environment. Our goal is to provide supports so that the individual served can work toward living independently in the community.

### GROUP HOMES

KI BOIS Community Action currently operates seven Group Homes serving 34 adults and children with developmental disabilities. The Group Homes provide residential placements for individuals meeting the criteria set forth by DHS, DDS Division. Group Homes are located in McAlester, Stigler, Poteau and Wilburton.

### ADULT DAYCARE

KI BOIS Community Action is currently operating Adult Daycares in Haskell, Leflore and Pittsburg Counties. This provides the recipient with help in the retention or improvement of self-help and socialization skills. It's also an opportunity to interact with peers. Service is provided in a non-residential setting separate from the home or facility that the recipient resides. Services are furnished 4 or more hours per day, five days per week, to recipients over 18-years of age who require ongoing support and supervision when outside their home, and who do not pose a threat to others.

**FYI**

WE ARE ON THE WORLD  
WIDE WEB. YOU CAN  
ACCESS INFORMATION TO  
ALL KI BOIS CAF  
PROGRAMS AT  
[WWW.KIBOIS.ORG](http://WWW.KIBOIS.ORG)

## SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT

Operation Jobs is a program designed to assist individuals with developmental disabilities in locating a job in the community. The individual is assigned a job coach who will train and assist the individual on how to do the job. The job coach will gradually fade from the individual.

## SUPPORTED LIVING

Supported Living provides assistance to individuals who have been mandated, by Federal Court, to move from an institutional setting to their own home in the community. Various community programs are available to assist these individuals. For more information, contact Stacy Boren at 918.426.1355.

## HABILITATION TRAINING SPECIALIST

This program is designed to assist developmentally disabled individuals who primarily reside in the community. To be eligible for the program, a person must meet the criteria for the Department of Human Services Home and Community Based Waivered Services.



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## Developmental Disabilities Offices

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	Sue Littlejohn House, 504 E. Buchanan, McAlester, OK 74501	918.423.6573
Poteau	Group Home 5, 34798 Old Wister Hwy, Poteau, OK 74953	918.647.3576
Stigler	Developmental Disabilities, 1102 Central Terrace, Stigler, OK 74462	918.967.3375
	Mary Griffith House, 200 S.E. 2 <sup>nd</sup> , Stigler, OK 74462	918.967.2028
	Group Home 4, 801 N.W. 8 <sup>th</sup> , Stigler, OK 74462	918.967.2353
	Group Home 10, 20010 NCR 4468 Loop, Stigler, Ok 74462	918.967.9336
	Recycling Center, 1007 E. Main, Stigler, OK 74462	918.967.9017
Wilburton	Stella Linney House, 315 E. Blair, Wilburton, OK 74578	918.465.9020

# HOUSING & WEATHERIZATION

## HOUSING

KI BOIS Community Action has rental properties throughout the service area. Tenants for these properties must meet the guidelines established by the funding source.

**FYI**

KI BOIS CAF HAS AN ANNUAL BUDGET OF OVER \$30 MILLION DOLLARS.

HUD Section 202 PRAC funded properties provides housing for the elderly with a rental subsidy on behalf of tenants in these properties that covers the difference between the HUD approved operating costs and the tenant's contribution toward rent.

Baysul Balentine Estates – Heavener

Marie Cleveland Estates – Stigler

Bob Miller Estates – McCurtain

Champ Hodgens Estates – Hartshorne

Eligible tenants must be age 62 or older and meet federally established income limits. Rent is based on income for qualified and approved applicants. Selection will be based on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Oklahoma Housing Finance Agency funded properties provides housing for tenants that meet federally established income limits and all other eligibility requirements.

### **WEATHERIZATION**

This is an energy conservation program that addresses measures to help eligible families to reduce their heating and cooling costs. This program now uses the National Energy Audit Computer Program (NEAt) to determine what measures need to be done to the home. These measures include but are not limited to attic, wall and floor insulation, reducing air leakage, base load measures and heating repairs.

Potential health and safety issues will be checked prior to any work being done on the home. These issues must be corrected before KI BOIS Community Action can weatherize the home.

The program is not a storm window and door program. These items will not be put on a house, unless it is recommended by the NEAt program.

Total household gross income not more than 200% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines:

### **HOUSING INFORMATION AND REFERRAL SERVICE**

KI BOIS Community Action offices give information and referrals on other various housing services available.



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#### **Weatherization Director**

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## **SUPPORTIVE SERVICES FOR VETERAN FAMILIES (SSVF)**

SSVF is a housing first program that provides case management services to qualifying veterans. Eligible participants must be a member of a Veteran family, must be “very low income” (less than 50% of area median income) and must be homeless or at imminent risk of becoming homeless.

SSVF aims to provide supportive services to improve Veteran families housing stability through case management which includes linkage or referral to local community services such as health care, daily living, financial planning, transportation, legal, child care and housing counseling.

**FYI**  
 KI BOIS CAF IS  
 RECOGNIZED AS A LEADER  
 ON A STATE, LOCAL AND  
 NATIONAL LEVEL.

KI BOIS SSVF may be able to provide limited-time assistance with expenses rather than payments, ie rental and utility assistance and/or other expenses that may be related to ensuring and maintaining stable housing.

Our offices are located throughout the 24 county service area

- Adair, Atoka, Bryan, Carter, Cherokee, Choctaw, Coal, Haskell, Hughes, Johnston, Latimer, LeFlore, Love, Marshall, McCurtain, McIntosh, Murray, Muskogee, Okfuskee, Okmulgee, Pittsburg, Pontotoc, Pushmataha, Sequoyah

**NO VETERAN WILL BE TURNED AWAY.** If a veteran does not qualify for our program we will link them with other services and resources.



**SSVF Director**

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McAlester	628 E. Creek Avenue, McAlester, OK 74501	918.421.3591
Muskogee	421 W. Broadway, Muskogee, OK 74403	918.681.7525





# FOSTER GRANDPARENT PROGRAM

## FYI

COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCIES ARE LOCALLY CONTROLLED NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS THAT WORK TO IMPROVE THE LIVES OF LOW-INCOME INDIVIDUALS BY CREATING OPPORTUNITIES FOR INCREASED SELF-SUFFICIENCY AND GREATER PARTICIPATION IN THE COMMUNITY. THE OKLAHOMA ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCIES PROVIDES ADVOCACY, INFORMATION, EDUCATION, AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOR ITS MEMBERS.

Foster Grandparents age 55 and above help children with special and exceptional needs: educational, social, emotional and/or physical. Foster Grandparents assist in local organizations -- including faith-based groups, Head Start Centers, schools, and other youth facilities. They help children learn to read, provide one-on-one tutoring, and guide children at a critical time in their lives.

Foster Grandparents act just like grandparents. They provide wisdom, experience and tranquil love. They may often fill a void sometimes created in today's fast and furious world. Working 15-40 hours a week, these unique people do not replace other workers.

Foster Grandparents receive a modest, tax-free stipend which does not affect their eligibility for other benefit programs such as Social Security, a Bridge Card, etc. They also receive a meal on the days they serve as a Foster Grandparent, a yearly physical exam, monthly training, 40 hours of orientation and are reimbursed for travel.

Volunteers driving their own vehicles receive excess auto insurance coverage and accident and personal liability insurance. Foster Grandparents also receive recognition for their special service to children throughout the year.

Foster Grandparents provide a good role model for children, are good listeners, give children consistent love and positive reinforcement, talk with their special child, walk with their special child, accompany children on field trips and special events, read stories, assist with craft activities, help a child develop self-esteem and self-confidence, and eat meals with their children.

Foster Grandparents, along with the Senior Companion Program and Retired and Senior Volunteer Program, is a National Senior Service Corp Program.



### Foster Grandparent

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# Foster Grandparents

## Share Today. Shape Tomorrow.

# DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SERVICES

The Mission of KI BOIS Community Action Foundation Domestic Violence Programs is to end domestic violence and sexual assault through emergency shelter services, education, advocacy, and prevention programs which empower men, women and their children to live free of fear and harm within their own families and the community.

Our 24-hour secure shelters offer a home-like environment for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault seeking refuge. The home are in a confidential locations and our staff strive to provide compassionate services, never compromising confidentiality. We provide 24-hour crises intervention through our crises lines.

We are here to help victims whether they seek shelter with us or not. Our non-resident services are available to assist victims and survivors seeking to escape abuse and live free from violence. Many clients find non-resident services beneficial after shelter departure. Many clients utilize this service through a social service referral as well.

Both KI BOIS Community Action Foundation Women's Shelter in Stigler and McAlester Care in McAlester are certified programs through the Oklahoma Office of Attorney General. Our resident and non-resident services are offered free of charge and include:

- Support Groups & Individual Services
- Case Management
- Court Advocacy
- Domestic Violence Education
- Employment Readiness
- Financial Education
- Life Skills Building
- Parenting Support
- Referrals



## Domestic Violence Services Director

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**FYI**

KI BOIS DOMESTIC SERVICES HAS THEIR OWN PRESENCE ON SOCIAL MEDIA.

PLEASE "LIKE" THEM ON FACEBOOK.

SEARCH "KI BOIS COMMUNITY ACTION DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROGRAMS."

# COMMUNITY CARE

## FYI

GO "LIKE" US ON FACEBOOK OR FOLLOW US ON TWITTER. KEEP UP WITH WHAT'S GOING ON IN THE AGENCY. VIEW PICTURES, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND MUCH MORE.

## ADvantage CASE MANAGEMENT

KI BOIS Community Care offers certified case management for the ADvantage program. To be eligible, you must meet nursing home level of care and meet certain income guidelines.

The goal of the KI BOIS Community Care Program is to help consumers stay healthy, safe and independent in their own homes and communities. KI BOIS Community Care is a certified Advantage Case Management Provider serving 28 counties in eastern and southeastern Oklahoma.

The Department of Human Services determines eligibility for the Advantage Program, but KI BOIS Community Care Case Managers can assist by walking the consumer through the process.

When eligibility is determined, the consumer can receive assistance with personal care, homemaking activities, laundry, errands, equipment and supply needs, and environmental modifications (wheelchair ramps, widening of doors, etc.), if needed.

KI BOIS Community Care currently serves the following counties in eastern and southeastern Oklahoma: Adair, Atoka, Bryan, Cherokee, Choctaw, Coal, Haskell, Johnston, Latimer, LeFlore, Mayes, Marshall, McCurtain, McIntosh, Muskogee, Okmulgee, Pittsburg, Pontotoc, Pushmataha, Sequoyah, Tulsa and Wagoner.

## MEDICALLY FRAGILE

Medically Fragile is a program administered by the Oklahoma Healthcare Authority. The guidelines are the same as AdVantage. Medically Fragile members have more advanced needs and require vents, etc. They are eligible for private duty nursing services.

If you or a loved one meet requirements to qualify, then a referral can be made by an individual, a family member or a physician for this program.



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# HALT PROJECT

The TSET Healthy Living Program for Haskell & Latimer Counties, better known as the HALT Project, is a program to help local residents 'eat better, move more and be tobacco free'

The five-year community grant program aims to prevent and reduce tobacco use and obesity by working with key public and private sectors within local communities. TSET awarded a Healthy Living grant to KI BOIS to work in partnership Schools, businesses, Congregations and Governments in Haskell and Latimer Counties.

**FYI**  
 KI BOIS CAF STRIVES  
 EACH DAY TO LIVE UP  
 TO ITS MOTTO....  
 HELPING PEOPLE.  
 CHANGING LIVES!

“This is an exciting time because with the TSET Healthy Living grant, we can create opportunities in Haskell County that make the healthy choice the easy choice where we live, work, learn and play,” said Denice Daniels, Program Coordinator. “We look forward to working with local business owners and managers, city officials, nonprofits, and school and community leaders to make that happen.”

The TSET Healthy Living program takes an integrated approach to addressing Oklahoma’s leading causes of death – cancer and cardiovascular disease – by preventing and reducing tobacco use and obesity.

The Healthy Living program builds on lessons learned from more than a decade of TSET community-based grants. The new program was designed with the best research available, previous evaluation results, input from existing grantees, partner organizations, and nationally recognized experts.



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**CHILD & ADULT CARE FOOD PROGRAM**

**FYI**  
 COVERING 5,895 SQUARE  
 MILES, THE TOTAL  
 POPULATION OF THE FIVE-  
 COUNTY SERVICE AREA IS  
 227,427 PERSONS  
 (2017)

The Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) is a federal food program that provides money for serving nutritious meals to children enrolled in licensed family daycare homes.

This program is funded by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) and administered at the state level by the State Department of Education, who funds organizations like KI BOIS Community Action to administer the program at the local level.

The program benefits to enrolled homes are as follows: monthly checks to cover your food costs for feeding the children in your care, you will be reimbursed for the meals your own children eat if your income is less than 185% of the poverty level, you will receive training that will improve your skills and increase your knowledge of nutrition, food preparation, and record keeping, and each child in your home will receive nutritious, tasty meals.

The Child and Adult Care Food Program serves the following counties: Adair, Bryan, Cherokee, Coal, Craig, Delaware, Haskell, Hughes, Latimer, LeFlore, Mayes, McIntosh, Muskogee, Nowata, Ottawa, Pittsburg, Rogers, Sequoyah, Tulsa and Wagoner.



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# VOLUNTEER INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE

## **FYI**

ALL VITA VOLUNTEERS ARE TRAINED BY THE IRS AND MUST SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETE TESTING BEFORE DOING TAXES.

The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program has provided free tax preparation services through local community coalitions for households since the early 1970s to ensure the distribution of EITC (Earned Income Tax Credit). IRS certified volunteers are trained to prepare basic tax returns and work to make sure that all tax credits the taxpayer qualifies for are taken, including EITC. And, because volunteers are trained and certified by the IRS, the taxpayer knows that taxes are filed quickly, correctly, confidentially, and securely.

Through the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program, volunteers and staff prepare basic Income tax returns and transmit them electronically using software provided by the Internal Revenue Service. KI BOIS Community Action offers this service free of charge to citizens in our Stigler, Wilburton, McAlester and Poteau offices.

To qualify for this free service the total household income must be below \$56,000.00 (2020). KI BOIS **WILL NOT** prepare the following returns:

- Rental Properties
- Schedule D (Capital Gains & Losses; Stocks)
- Farms
- Moving Expenses
- Minor's Investment Income
- Installment Sales Contracts
- Trusts and Partnerships
- Business Use of Home
- Employee Business Expenses
- Cancellation of Debt
- 

Our free e-filing service may take 7-10 days to receive the refund. But remember it's free and could save on average \$300.



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# Rx FOR OKLAHOMA

Rx for Oklahoma helps Oklahomans access prescription assistance programs provided by pharmaceutical companies. Rx for Oklahoma staff will take your information including name, age, address, income, as well as prescription(s) needed and dosages(s). This information is then entered into a special database that generates the appropriate paperwork for the pharmaceutical companies for which you are eligible.

## **FYI**

KI BOIS CAF CANNOT GUARANTEE THE APPROVAL FOR RX FOR OKLAHOMA, AS EACH DECISION IS MADE BY THE PHARMACEUTICAL COMPANY.

Rx for Oklahoma staff assists you with the completion of the applicants and required documentation for submission. The entire process takes approximately one month to complete so only long-term medications will qualify.

The list of medications changes often as companies adds new medications to their assistance programs. Call Rx for Oklahoma to find out if your medication is available.

Free and discounted medication assistance has been proven to be a much needed service for Oklahomans since the inception of Rx for Oklahoma on December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2005. Since then, more than 15,000 individuals have been helped across the state. Rx for Oklahoma provides better healthcare, improved medication compliance and fewer medical complications for those that qualify.

Oklahoma residents, regardless of age, who are uninsured or underinsured, are encouraged to apply. Medicare Part D and Medicaid beneficiaries with unique circumstances may qualify. Rx for Oklahoma is not an emergency service. It will take approximately four to six weeks from application to receive your medication, if you qualify.

Those wishing to apply for the program need to bring the following:

- Proof of age
- Residential Address
- Gross annual household income
- Complete list of medications and dosages you are taking and physician information
- Insurance coverage (if applicable)



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## RETIRED SENIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

**FYI**

KI BOIS CAF PROVIDES  
EMPLOYMENT FOR OVER  
1,000 PEOPLE, MAKING IT  
ONE OF THE LARGEST  
EMPLOYERS IN EASTERN  
OKLAHOMA.

You've gained a lifetime of experience. Now is the time to put your skills and talents to good use by volunteering through the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP). RSVP is America's largest volunteer network for people age 55 and over. Join RSVP and you join nearly 500,000 volunteers across the country who are tackling tough issues in their communities.

RSVP offers a full range of volunteer opportunities with thousands of local and national organizations. With RSVP, you choose how and where you want to serve.

You choose the amount of time you want to give and you choose whether you want to draw on your skills or develop new ones. In short, you find the opportunity that's right for you.

With RSVP, you'll receive pre-service orientation, training from the organization where you serve and supplemental insurance while on duty. And remember when you volunteer, you're not just helping others, you're helping yourself. Volunteering leads to new discoveries and new friends. Plus, studies show that volunteering helps you to live longer and promotes a positive outlook on life. So get involved and join RSVP today!



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# EMERGENCY SERVICES

This program will assist families with past due utility payments, past due rent and food. The Haskell County office in Stigler, the Latimer County office in Wilburton and the Pittsburg County office in McAlester serve as the Salvation Army Unit for their respective county. They offer yearly, one-time, one month utility assistance for up to \$100 to keep utilities from being shut off. This is emergency support only, not on-going support. All assistance is paid directly to the utility company.



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## **FOOD BANKS:**

LeFlore County, 108 West Witte – Poteau, 918.649.3999  
Latimer County, 300 W. Main – Wilburton, 918.465.3381  
Haskell County, 1007 East Main – Stigler, 918.967.9017



Each of our county offices can assist with emergency needs.

## **The Promise of Community Action**

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