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Division of Rehabilitation Services (DORS)	TORS OF DEPARTMENT OF BEING	DORS is a division of the Maryland State Dept. of Education.DORS offers programs that help individuals with disabilities to go to work, stay on the job, or prepare for the world of work. DORS helps high school students, college students, and students in other approved programs by providing or arranging for services that may include career counseling, assistive technology, vocational training and/or job placement.	For Individuals Who: -Have a disability which results in a substantial impediment to employment - Can benefit from services in terms of employment outcome -Require vocational services to achieve employment	https://dors.maryland.gov/ Contact: Tara White, DORS Counselor Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist Division of Rehabilitation Services 301-733-1209 240-313-9243 Email: tara.white@maryland.gov		
Maryland Division of Labor (MDL) Western Maryland Consortium (WMC)	WESTERN MARYLAND CONSORTIUM	MDL Office of Workforce Development Youth Service Division provides programs and services to help young adults reach educational and employment goals. The One Stop Career Centers are available to job seekers of any age with or without disabilities. Western Maryland Consortium provides services to Garrett County residents seeking job placement and training funding assistance.	The Youth Services Division serves young adults, with or without disabilities, ages 14-24.	http://labor.mayland.gov/county/ Contact: Danielle Roth, Career Counselor Western Maryland Consortium 23789 Garrett Hwy McHenry, Maryland 21541 Phone: 301-334-8136 Email: droth@westmdcon.org https://westernmarylandconsortium.org/		
Behavioral Health Administration (BHA)	Maryland Behavioral Health Administration	The BHA is part of the Maryland Department of Health (MDH) that serves individuals with mental illness and/or problems with alcohol and drug use. Through its local agencies, BHA funds and administers programs including but not limited to: psychiatric inpatient care, residential treatment, routine and intensive outpatient care, crisis services, rehabilitation services, family support, supported housing and supported employment for individuals with mental illness.	For Individuals Who: Have mental health care needs who are Medicaid-eligible. In some cases, people with significant mental health needs, who are not Medicaid-eligible for financial reasons may still qualify for assistance.	https://garretthealth.org/behavioral-health/ Garrett County Health Dept. 1025 Memorial Drive Oakland, MD 21550 Phone: 301- 334-7777 Email: https://garretthealth.org/behavioral-health/		
Developmental Disabilities Administration (DDA)	MARYLAND Department of Health Developmental Disabilities Administration	The Developmental Disabilities Administration provides a coordinated service delivery system, to ensure that people with developmental disabilities receive appropriate services toward the goal of living in the community as well as obtaining and maintaining integrated competitive employment.	For Individuals Who: Have a developmental disability that: causes physical or mental impairment which started before the person was 22, is permanent, and prevents the person from living independently without assistance and qualifies for Medicaid.	https://health.maryland.gov/dda/Pages/home.aspx Contact: Stacey Walters Western Maryland Regional Office 1360 Marshall Street Hagerstown, MD 21740 Telephone: 301-791-4670 Toll Free: 888-791-0193 stacey.walters@maryland.gov		

Resources for Independence (RFI)	To For Indian	Resource for Independence provides the following services to Allegany, Garrett, and Washington Counties. Advocacy, Independent Living Skills, Information and Referral, Peer Mentors with disabilities, Transition services, and Assistive Technology.	For Individuals Who: Have significant disabilities, which affects a person in a limiting way in one or more areas of life functions such as: mobility, cognitive reasoning, communication, etc.)	https://rficil.org/ Contact: Michelle Holliday, Resources For Independence Director of Independent Living 735 East Oldtown Road Cumberland, MD 21502 Phone: 301-784-1774 ext. 103 voice Phone: Toll free: 1-800-371-1986 Email: mholliday@rficil.orgg
Appalachian Crossroads (APA)	APPALACHIAN CROSSROADS Our new life is LIVE! appalachian crossroads.com	APA's Supported Employment Program provides services to Garrett County Residents who are active in the public mental health system and/or individuals who qualify for services based on a qualified vocational or developmental diagnosis. The purpose of Supported Employment services is to aid individuals in seeking and maintaining employment and community resources that align with the individual's goals, needs, and benefits. Appalachian Crossroads, in partnership with Garrett County Public Schools and the Maryland Division of Rehabilitation Services, offers a School to Work program for high school students with disabilities to build work experience in order to transition successfully to employment upon graduation. The program utilizes a mix of in-class instruction, job shadowing, job tryouts, and paid internships. The School to Work program helps students discover who they are and what they want to do. Building on the identification of personal strengths, students prepare for the job search process creating resumes, practicing for interviews, and roleplaying real work situations. Appalachian Crossroads Encircles individuals with the community living, employment support, and day services that they may need to choose lives rich with meaning, friendship and inclusivity.	For Students Who: Are interested in participating in a paid, or unpaid Work Based Learning Experience and meet eligibility criteria. For Individuals: A licensed provider referral must be sent to the Employment Office for the qualified individual. This starts the process of calling to make the appointment, bringing in documents, and discussing the future.	https://www.appalachiancrossroads.com/ Contact: Melissa Margraff, Community Employment Coordinator Global Career Development Facilitator Appalachian Parent Association Appalachian Crossroads 39 South 3 rd Street Oakland, MD 21550 Phone: 301-334-8449 ext 165 Email: mmargraff@appalachiancrossroads.com Contact: Bryan Moore, Director of Day and Employment Services Phone: 301-334-8449. ext 141 Email: bmoore@appalachiancrossroads.com

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Garrett Transit Services (GTS)	GIS .	GTS is the public transportation provider for Garrett County, Monday through Friday, GTS provides transportation services.	For Individuals Who: Require access to transportation to participate in employment and/or community.	https://garrettcac.org/transportation/ Contact: Mike Hill, Director of Transportation Garrett Transit Service 225 Francis Sanders Dr W Oakland, MD 21550 Phone: 301- 533-9010
GCPS Apprenticeship Program	enteress innotation committee to committee t	This program, offered throughout the state, allows high school juniors and seniors to be considered for a paid apprenticeship with top employers.	For Individuals Who: Have junior or senior status and meet the criteria for an apprenticeship.	https://www.marylandpublicschools.org/programs/Pages/CTE/ApprenticeshipMD.aspx Contact: Southern High: Mary Keller, Career Coach Email: mary.keller@garrettcountyschools.org Northern High: John Hinebaugh, Career Coach Email: john.hinebaugh@garrettcountyschools.org
Garrett College and Garrett College Student Support Services	TO THE PART OF THE	Disability Support Services is dedicated to helping students with documented disabilities access all of the educational opportunities and services offered by the College. Garrett College seeks to provide complete and open access to higher education for all. In this spirit, Garrett College offers support services to enable students with special needs and/or disabilities to gain from their educational experience. There are significant differences in how students obtain accommodations in college than in high school. Academic accommodations are not automatically put in place; students must be self-advocates and request services. Students who wish to obtain accommodations for their classes must follow Disability Support Services (DSS) procedures.	For Individuals Who: Have a documented disability and require accommodations to access all of the educational opportunities and services offered by the college.	https://www.garrettcollege.edu/disability-support -services.php Contact: Kym Newman, Coordinator of Student Affairs Garrett College 687 Mosser Rd McHenry, MD 21541 Phone: 301-387-3749 Email: kym.newmann@garrettcollege.edu

Garrett College Career and Technical Center	THE EXECUTE	Workforce Training at Garrett College is dedicated to delivering accessible, affordable, and top-notch career education and preparing students for career success, bolstering the regional workforce, and enriching our business community. GC Workforce Training Program prioritizes individual skill development and offers valuable training for students, ensuring productivity and prosperity in the workplace. This dual commitment benefits both employers and workers alike, fostering a thriving, dynamic workforce. Join us in shaping a brighter future!	For Individuals Who: Are interested in gaining certification to enter the workforce.	https://www.garrettcollege.edu/cewd-workforce.php Contact: Donna Bittinger, Assistant Director of Workforce Development Garrett College- Career Technology Training Center 116 Industrial Park Drive Accident, MD 21520 Phone: 301-387-3136 Email: donna.bittinger@garrettcollege.edu
Maryland Service Year Option	Maryland Department of Service and Civic Innovation	Service Year Option offers a year of professional growth and career exploration where individuals can earn a living wage, gain new skills, and identify where talents and purpose intersect, all while serving your community with your fellow Marylanders.	For Individuals Who: Are Maryland residents who have recently earned a high school diploma or certificate of completion and have an Interest in meeting new people, developing new professional skills and discovering new possibilities for their career and/or educational journey.	https://dsci.maryland.gov/Pages/default.aspx Contact: Patrick Sawyer, Partnership Development Associate Maryland Department of Service and Civic Innovation 45 Calvert Street Annapolis, MD 21401 Phone: 443-603-7715 Email: dsci.maryland.gov