

Our Mission

Gulf Coast Teaching Family Services (GCTFS) is now doing business as Gulf Coast Social Services (GCSS). We are a private, non-profit corporation founded in 1983 in Louisiana to provide comprehensive human service programs for Louisiana citizens, children and adults, with various physical and mental challenges.

Our mission is to empower people with mental, physical, behavioral, and other challenges to improve the quality of their lives and to live as independently as possible in the community.

We operate seven regional offices located in Alexandria, Baton Rouge, Hammond, Houma, Lafayette, Lake Charles, and New Orleans.

Contact Us

Alexandria Regional Office

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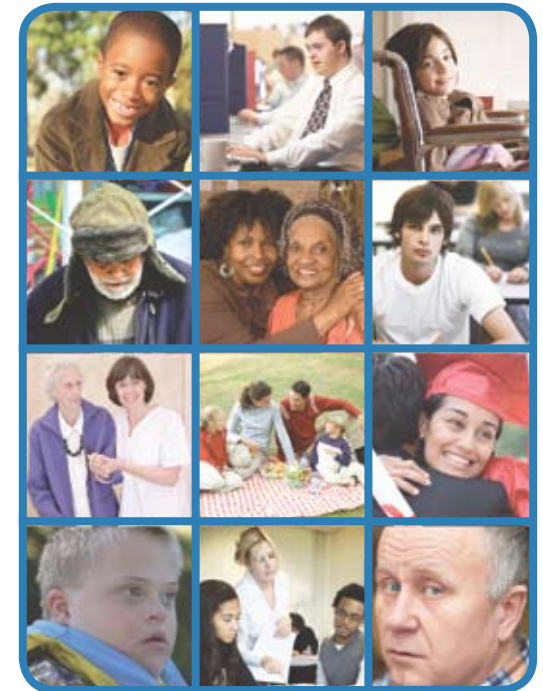
- If inquiring for a person with a disability onset after age 21, contact the OAAS (Office of Aging & Adult Services) at 1-866-758-5035
- If inquiring for a person with a disability onset from birth through age 21, contact the OCDD (Office for Citizens with Developmental Disabilities) at 1-866-783-5553
- To access services or report a problem, contact the Bureau of Community Supports and Services (BCSS) hotline at 1-800-660-0488

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Services Offered in the Alexandria Region*

*Avoyelles, Catahoula, Concordia, Grant, La Salle, Rapides, Vernon, and Winn parishes



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 **Gulf Coast
Social Services**

Elderly and Disabled Adults Personal Assistance Services (EDA-PAS)

This program provides services in a home setting for recipients 65 or older, or individuals 21 or older and disabled, according to Medicaid standards or Supplemental Security Income (SSI) disability criteria, who would otherwise require institutional or nursing care.

Long Term Personal Care Services (LT-PCS)

This is a Medicaid-funded program designed to supplement a recipient's family and/or community supports. LT-PCS enables a person (Medicaid recipient 65 years of age or older, or 21 years of age or older and disabled) who would otherwise require care in a nursing facility to remain in his/her home.



Supports Waiver

This program allows recipients to receive services in their home instead of institutional care.

About Us

The Alexandria Regional Office recently relocated at 1300 Jackson Street, near downtown.

We pride ourselves in having the best-trained staff in the region, highly skilled in meeting the varied needs of our consumers.

GCSS-Alexandria tailors its services to each individual consumer. Our goal is to promote the highest level of independence the individual is capable of, to help him or her be able to function in the community to his or her maximum potential.

We strive to meet or exceed the requirements of state and licensing agencies for providing direct care for persons with disabilities and the elderly.

Parishes served by GCSS Alexandria:



New Opportunities Waiver (NOW)

This Medicaid-funded waiver program provides personal care attendant (PCA) services to qualified individuals, ages 3 and older, with a developmental disability which manifested prior to age 22. It provides those individuals with assistance in performing necessary daily-living activities.



Personal Care Attendant Services (PCA) (NOW)

This Home and Community-Based Services program allows recipients to receive services in their home instead of institutional care. Recipients of this program must have been determined mentally retarded or developmentally disabled and must meet the financial and medical/psychological requirements for institutional care. The individuals must also be at least three years of age, with the onset of the disability prior to the age of 22.

Supervised Independent Living (SIL) (NOW)

This program provides skill training, personal care attendants, and other support services to enable developmentally disabled consumers 18 years or older to live independently in the community.