MINISTERING

with Self-Reliance Tools

Which of these tools could help you or those to whom you minister? How can you actively encourage others to grow, develop and reach their full potential? Is there room for improvement Need help assessing your temporally, spiritually or skills and abilities or emotionally? determining educational and career goals? Self-Reliance Groups **Development Counseling** Are there emotional issues, Is there an addictive condition to overcome? Help is available. marital struggles, or child Family behavior challenges? Services **Professional Counseling Addiction Recovery Groups** Are basic needs being met? Need someone to talk to about a career you're considering or about a specific employer? **Food and Commodities** Member Skills and Networks Would improving English Would a low cost Bachelor's language skills help find a better degree open up improved job and increase community ties? financial opportunities? **PathwayConnect EnglishConnect** Want an opportunity to serve? What community programs are available to address personal Serving others adds and family needs? perspective to life's challenges **Community Resources Volunteering** Would a review of income and Want to improve your expenses provide a clearer employment, learn job-search skills, or start a business? picture of financial realities? **Self-Reliance Plan** Self-Reliance Groups

Self-Reliance is the ability, commitment and effort to provide the spiritual and temporal necessities of life for yourself and your family.

Contact your Elders Quorum or Relief Society leaders or go to <u>MemberResources.wixsite.com/main</u> (Password: main) for more information.

Self-Reliance Tools Quick Reference

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	Community Resources	Community nonprofit organizations that offer resources such as food, shelter, employment assistance, and crisis management.
	Development Counselling Services (DCS)	DCS provides resources to individuals with barriers to employment such as one-on-one counselling, the WOWI career assessment, online courses through LearnKey, business partnerships. In some situations funds may be available. Requires a bishop's authorization form.
	English <i>Connect</i>	25-week English courses designed to increase conversational English proficiency in a gospel-centered environment. The program includes one class per week with additional home-study.
	Fast Offerings / Self-Reliance Plan	Fast offerings are used at the discretion of the bishop for temporary assistance; the 2-page Self-Reliance Plan is completed with help from an assigned mentor to assess needs, income, expenses and plan a path to self-reliance.
	Food and Commodities	At the discretion of the bishop and where available, food and basic commodities may be supplied from the Bishops' Storehouse or purchased with fast offering funds. Recipients give service in return for the funds received.
	Humanitarian Services/Emergency Response	Latter-day Saint Charities provides support for disaster relief, community services for the needy, and refugee and immigrant support. Stakes can also request funds or commodities from the church to assist other community non-profit organizations.
	Member Skills and Networks	Submit your employment information to your Stake Self-Reliance Specialist or make use of the large list of members that have already done so and are willing to talk to you about where they work and what they do for a living to assist you in your educational and career endeavours.
BYU ATHWX VOLD WID	Pathway <i>Connect</i> and BYU Pathway Worldwide	PathwayConnect is a 1-year online university preparation program that continues into BYU Pathway Worldwide with almost 40 online Bachelor degrees available at a greatly reduced cost to members and their friends.
Family Services	Professional Counselling	Family Services is Church-provided, professional counselling for emotional and mental issues. A bishop's authorization form is required to access services. Leaders may also call to receive guidance on member situations. Services also include pre-mission assessments and early-returned missionary assistance.
	Self-Reliance Groups	12-week courses combine practical skills with spiritual principles in a way that changes lives. Topics focus on employment, education, personal finances, or starting and growing a business. A Life Skills course for Youth/YSA is also available. Contact EQ/RS leaders for availability.
	Stake Self-Reliance Resource Centre	Some stakes have developed physical Self-Reliance Resource centres to assist members while others make use of online resources through the website listed at the bottom of the page and by clicking on "My Stake and Community Resources" in the Welfare and Self-Reliance Toolbox.
JUST SERVE	Volunteering	Service is a fundamental gospel principle and promotes self-reliance; JustServe is a public website (<u>www.justserve.org</u>) that connects volunteers to service opportunities in the local community. Service may be done by groups, families, or individuals.

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