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FACT BOOK FOR GOGEBIC & IRON COUNTIES



LOCAL COLOR

CLOCKWISE FROM top left, four Ironwood parks: Miners Memorial Heritage Park, the Pocket Park, the Downtown City Square and the Art Park (Globe photos)



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Area Chambers of Commerce and Tourism Offices

Hurley Area Chamber of Commerce

316 Silver St.
Hurley, WI 54534
715-561-4334
hurleywi.com

Iron County Development Zone Council

100 Cary Rd.
Hurley, WI 54534
715-561-2922
ironcountywi.com

Ironwood Area Chamber of Commerce

150 N. Lowell St.
Ironwood, MI 49938
906-932-1122
ironwoodchamber.org

Travel Ironwood

City of Ironwood
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Ironwood, MI 49938
906-932-5050, ext. 131
travelironwood.com

Mercer Area Chamber of Commerce

5150 N. U.S. 51
Mercer, WI 54547
715-476-2389
mercerc.com

Wakefield Chamber of Commerce

P.O. Box 93
Wakefield, MI 49968
906-224-2222
wakefieldmi.org

Watersmeet Chamber of Commerce

P.O. Box 593
Watersmeet, MI 49969
906-358-9961
watersmeet.org

Western Upper Peninsula Convention & Visitors Bureau

P.O. Box 706
Ironwood, MI 49938
906-932-4850
explorewesternup.com

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Historical Resources

MICHIGAN

Ironwood Area Historical Society Museum, The Old Depot, 150 N. Lowell St. 906-932-0287. ironwoodhistoricalsociety@gmail.com.

Bessemer Area Historical Society Heritage Center, 403 S. Sophie St., Bessemer. Write bessemerhistory@gmail.com.

Wakefield Historical Society and Museum, 306 Sunday Lake St.; 906-224-1045. Wakefield-mihistoricalsociety@gmail.com

Erwin Township Historical Society and Museum, 8970 VanBuskirk Road, Ironwood. Wr-erwintownshiphistoricalsociety@gmail.com.

Marenisco Township Historical Society and Museum, Center Street, Marenisco. Write Mareniscohistoricalsociety@gmail.com.



The Iron County Historical Society and Museum, a multi-room complex that once served as the Iron County Courthouse and still includes an intact courtroom (Globe photo)

WISCONSIN

Iron County Historical Society and Museum, 303 Iron St., Hurley; 715-561-2244. On-line: ironcountymuseum.org.

Mercer Area Historical Society Depot Museum, 5278 N. Lakeview Ave., Mercer; 715-476-2714. The society's address is P.O. Box 638, Mercer WI 54547.

Little Finland, 5750 W. U.S. 2, Kimball, just outside of the city of Hurley; 715-561-4360. kenber01@charter.net.

Little Finland — which celebrated its 60th anniversary this year — features a Heritage Center and gift shop, along with historical housing, a sauna and a trail. It features events throughout the year, including dances, picnics and a mid-summer bonfire.

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Gogebic County Facts and figures

As the westernmost area of the Upper Peninsula of Michigan, Gogebic County serves as Michigan's "western gateway."

The county's northern border runs along Lake Superior. The county also borders Ontonagon and Iron counties in Michigan and Iron and Vilas counties in northeastern Wisconsin.

Gogebic County is predominately rural and is home to Lake Gogebic, the largest inland lake in the U.P. It also includes the Ottawa National Forest; Lake Gogebic State Park; and part of the Porcupine Mountains Wilderness State Park, which is Michigan's largest state park.

Major U.S. highways that run through the county include U.S. 2 and U.S. 45. State highways include M-28 and M-64.

Distance between Gogebic County's county-seat of Bessemer and:

Chicago	409
Duluth, Minn.	114
Milwaukee	310
Minneapolis	233
Lansing	534
Marquette	139
St. Ignace	297
Detroit	602
Grand Rapids	541

About the land and its uses

Total area in county: Approximately 944,864 acres (1,476.35 square miles)

Water: Approximately 25% of the total area is surface water (374.5 square miles)

The county has 201 lakes and more than 30 miles of shoreline along Lake Superior.

Places

County seat: Bessemer

Cities: Bessemer, Ironwood and Wakefield

Townships: Bessemer, Erwin, Ironwood, Marenisco, Wakefield and Watersmeet



Nee-Gaw-Nee-Gaw-Bow in Wakefield
(Globe photo)

Population

Census	2020	2010	2000
Bessemer	1,805	1,905	2,148
Ironwood	5,045	5,387	6,293
Wakefield	1,702	1,851	2,085
Bessemer Twp.	1,135	1,176	1,270
Erwin Twp.	267	326	357
Ironwood Twp.	2,214	2,333	2,330
Marenisco Twp.	455	1,727*	1,051*
Wakefield Twp.	301	305	364
Watersmeet Twp.	1,456	1,417	1,472
County total	14,380	16,427	17,370

*Includes Ojibwe Correctional Facility

Characteristics (2020 U.S. Census)

	Gogebic County	Michigan
2020 Census	14,380	10,077,325
People per square mile	9.74	178.0
2010 Census	16,427	9,883,640
2000 Census	17,370	9,938,444
1990 Census	18,052	9,295,297
1980 Census	19,686	9,262,078
1970 Census	20,676	8,881,826
1960 Census	24,370	7,823,194
1950 Census	27,053	6,371,766
1940 Census	31,797	5,256,106
1930 Census	31,577	4,842,325
1920 Census	33,225	3,668,412

Sex and Age

Males	51.4%	49.7%
Females	48.6%	50.3%
Under 5 years	3.8%	5.3%
Under 18 years	16.5%	21.0%
65 and over	28.9%	18.7%
Median age	50.2	40.2

Race

Caucasian	93.1%	78.8%
American Indian	3.2%	0.7%
Hispanic or Latino	2.2%	5.7%
African American	0.8%	14.1%
Asian	0.5%	3.5%

Households

Median household income	\$41,948	\$63,498
Below poverty rate	13.6%	13.1%
Without health care	6.8%	5.0%
Adults with:		
High school diploma	94.2%	91.6%
Bachelor's degree	21.7%	31.7%
Veterans	11.3%	6.0%

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City of Ironwood fees

(A partial listing)		Moving permits	
Building permits		—A building that is under 10 feet wide, 2,500 cubic feet max	\$ 15
New home construction for homes		—A building that is more than 2,500 cubic feet	\$ 30
up to 1,800 square feet of living area	\$475	Demolition permit for a building having up to 500 sq. ft.	\$ 40
Prefab Home Construction (includes foundation)	\$250	Demolition permit for a building from 501 to 10,000 sq. ft.	\$ 60
Residential garage construction up to 576 sq. ft.	\$ 85	Demolition permit for a building having more than 10,000 sq. ft.	\$ 75
Residential garage construction more than 576 sq. ft.	\$100	Sidewalk construction or repair permit fee	\$ 50
Room additions up to 200 sq. ft.	\$ 70	Cemetery Charges	
Room additions up to 300 sq. ft.	\$ 80		
Room additions more than 300 sq. ft.	\$ 90	Opening and closing adult grave	Resident \$925 Non-Resident \$1,250 Indigent \$150
Sundry repairs, remodeling and alterations		7 a.m.-1 p.m., Monday-Friday	
(limited to replacement of windows, doors, roof, siding)		Opening and closing infant grave	\$400 \$600
under \$1,000 cost (materials and labor)	\$ 60	7 a.m.-1 p.m., Monday-Friday	
\$1,000- \$20,000	\$ 60	Additional overtime fee (for above)	\$425
\$20,001- \$50,000	\$ 75	1-6 p.m., Monday-Friday; 7-11 a.m., Saturday	
\$50,001-\$100,000	\$125	Opening and closing grave for ashes	\$600 \$800 \$100
More than \$100,000	\$175	7 a.m.-1 p.m., Monday-Friday	
Room addition more than 500 sq. ft. and any other type of construction,		Additional overtime charges (ashes)	\$300 \$300
repair, remodeling and alteration not otherwise specified — Fees to be de-		Ironwood Memorial Building rental	
termined by Building Inspector based upon the Bureau of Construction		Non-profits: \$125; For-profits: \$400 (weekdays, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.)	
Codes cost table.		Private social event: \$800 for residents, \$900 for non-residents	
Fence permit—(Material and labor) value up to \$500	\$ 20	Bingo organizations: \$175	
more than \$500	\$ 20	Pavilion rental	
Fee for construction or erection of sign having a value of		Non-profits: No charge	
material and labor up to \$1,000	\$ 40	Norrie Park pavilion: \$25 for residents, \$50 for non-residents	
material and labor value more than \$1,000	\$ 60	Depot Park pavilion: \$25 for residents, \$50 for non-residents	
		Depot Park pavilion/kitchen: \$50 for residents, \$75 for non-residents	



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svdpironwood@gmail.com

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906-932-4325

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday

9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Thrift Store

**103 N. Case St.
Bessemer, MI 49911**

svdpbessemer@gmail.com

906-663-0089

Open Mon-Fri 9 a.m.-3 p.m. CT

Donations Mon, Tues & Wed

10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Food Pantry

906-663-4436

Tuesday & Thursday

10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Financial Aid

906-663-4436

Tuesday & Thursday

9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.

Thrift Store

**205 Quartz St.
Ontonagon, MI 49953**

906-884-4977

Open Mon-Fri 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m. ET

Saturday 11 a.m.-3 p.m. ET

Food Pantry

122 Greenland Rd., Ontonagon

906-884-4978 (message line)

Tues & Thurs 1 p.m.-4 p.m.

Financial Aid

**122 Greenland Rd., Suite B
Ontonagon, MI 49953**

906-884-4177

Mon & Thur 11 a.m.-2 p.m. By appointment

Gogebic County at a glance

County seat: Bessemer
Total area of 1,476.35 square miles
Land: 1,101.85 square miles, 75%
Water: 374.5 square miles, 25%
2020 Census: 14,380
2010 Census: 16,427
2000 Census: 17,370

Ironwood

Population: 5,045 (2020)
Zip Code: 49938
Latitude: 46.489462 N
Longitude: 90.203995 W
Elevation: 1,506 feet
2010 Census: 5,387
2000 Census: 6,293
ironwoodchamber.org
cityofironwood.org

Bessemer

Population: 1,805 (2020)
Zip Code: 49911
Latitude: 46.560759 N
Longitude: 90.055927 W
Elevation: 1,424 feet
2010 Census: 1,905
2000 Census: 2,148
cityofbessemer.org

Wakefield

Population: 1,702 (2020)
Zip Code: 49968
Latitude: 46.514702 N
Longitude: 89.894522 W
Elevation: 1,539 feet
2010 Census: 1,851
2000 Census: 2,085
cityofwakefield.org
wakefieldmi.org

City of Wakefield fees

Building Permit Fees

New Homes:

First \$20,000= \$50.00; then \$2 for every \$1,000 more
Single and double mobile homes: \$150
Double-occupancy homes: \$300
Garages up to 24x24 feet: \$75 or larger: \$125
Commercial units — 50% Bureau of Construction fee
Additions up to 12x12 feet: \$50 or larger: \$100
Repairs up to \$1,000: \$30 or more than \$1,000: \$40
New roof: \$40, Sheds: \$15, Deck: \$40
Fence: \$25, No permit fee: \$75, Demolition permit: \$5

Facility Rental

John Siira Pavilion: \$75 (resident), \$100 (non-resident)
Beach Pavilion: \$50 (resident), \$75 (non-resident)
Event room: \$100 resident, \$150 non-resident
Event room/kitchen, \$125 (resident), \$175 (non-resident)
Alcohol Fee \$50

Cemetery

	Resident	Non-Resident
Grave opening		
Adults/Children over 2	\$625	\$850
Children under age of 2	\$325	\$450
After hours/weekends	\$925	\$1,150
Burial of ashes	\$425	\$550
Weekend burial of ashes	\$725	\$850



DOVE, Inc.

Serving Children, Teens & Adults
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Victims/Survivors of Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault

24hr Crisis Line: 906-932-0310 • Business Line: 906-932-4990

Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) costs everyone.

The CDC estimates costs related to IPV exceeds \$8.3 billion per year in the U.S. due to medical and mental health costs – both immediate and long-term, lost work productivity, and in some instances, lost lives. It can, and does, happen to our family, friends, and visitors of Gogebic County, MI and Iron County, WI.

We should all be able to enjoy the many joys our area offers without fear for our safety whether we live here or are visiting.

Domestic Violence Escape (DOVE), Inc. can help. If you, a loved one, friend, employee, or visitor needs help due to Intimate Partner Violence, please call us at 906.932.0310.

SERVICES INCLUDE:

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Lake Superior: not only a great lake but also a great refuge (Globe photo)

DOVE serves community’s victims of domestic violence

Domestic Violence Escape Inc., also known as DOVE, was started in the early 1980s by a group of caring individuals who wished to serve people in need. More than 40 years later, DOVE is still providing services to survivors of domestic and/or sexual violence in Gogebic and Iron counties.

From October 2022 through September 2023, DOVE provided services to more than 160 new clients. Men, women and children have received more than 2,000 supportive services, including advocacy, referrals, financial and food assistance, transportation, court accompaniment and 24-hour access to crisis services. DOVE also provided more than 700 shelter nights for individuals fleeing abusive situations.

While DOVE receives grants from Wisconsin and Michigan, donations from community members and businesses allow DOVE to provide more assistance to survivors and to fill gaps when grant funding is cut.

Volunteers also have helped to maintain the shelter and to move clients into homes.

In addition, volunteers from the Altruists RC and Eagle Allsports helped put together a swing set for our younger clients at the shelter.

DOVE continues to put informational displays in the Gogebic and Iron county courthouses for Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Awareness months. These displays include local and national statistics regarding the impact of Intimate Partner Violence on the community. Staff also provide community presentations in both counties to help spread awareness and increase support for survivors.

DOVE provides monthly support groups for survivors. An adult Sexual Assault survivors group is being held twice a month, and an adult Domestic Assault survivors support group is being held once a month. Transportation can be provided for survivors if arranged prior to the meeting date. Snacks and beverages also are provided.

For more information, call DOVE at 906-932-4990 or 906-932-0310, or visit dove-inc.net.

City of Bessemer fees

(A partial listing)
Building Permits
(A partial listing)
Building Permits
New Residential Building Construction, for the first \$20,000: \$50 + \$2 for every additional \$1,000
Pre-fab Home Construction with foundation: \$125
Residential Garage Construction under 24x24 ft.: \$75 or more than 24x24 ft.: \$125
Room Additions up to 200 sq. ft.: \$60
Room Additions up to 300 sq. ft.: \$75
Room Additions more than 300 sq. ft.: \$85
Sundry repairs, remodeling and alterations (limited to replacement of windows, doors, roof, siding): \$50
Sidewalk inspection: \$20
Sign permits for construction/erection of a sign with A cost of up to \$1,000 for labor and materials: \$30
A cost of over \$1,000 for labor and materials: \$40
New home construction with living area more than 1,800 sq. ft.: Fees to be determined by building inspector, based upon 50% of the Bureau of Construction Codes sq. ft. construction cost table.

Moving Permits
Moving a building under 10 feet wide that does not contain more than 2,500 cubic ft.: \$10
Moving a building more than 2,500 cubic ft.: \$25

Demolition Permits
Demolition of a building more than 750 sq. ft.: \$40
Demolition of a building fewer than 750 sq. ft.: \$15

Fence Permits
Material and labor value up to \$500: \$10
Material and labor value more than \$500: \$15

Cemetery Fees		
Grave opening	Resident	Non-res
Adult 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.		
Monday-Friday	\$1,000	\$1,200
Overtime hours	\$1,350	\$1,550
Infant 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.		
Monday-Friday	\$475	\$625
Overtime hours	\$950	\$1,100
Ashes 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.		
Monday-Friday	\$450	\$600
Overtime hours	\$950	\$1,100
Sale of lots		
Space for one grave	\$325	\$625
Perpetual care	\$275	\$475

City Hall Auditorium Rental
\$75 per use, plus \$100 refundable deposit, to rent the City Hall auditorium. Classes or events that meet twice per month will pay a fee of \$100 per month, and if they meet there three or more times a month, the fee will be \$125 per month.

Bluff Valley Park pavilion, kitchen rental
\$75 per use, plus a \$100 refundable deposit, to rent the Bluff Valley Park pavilion. Keys will provide access to the kitchen and restroom facilities. Renters may use the stove, refrigerator, other kitchen facilities, a chest of toys and games, and cleaning supplies.

Community Mental Health serves county

The goal of the Gogebic County Community Mental Health Authority is to “enhance the quality of life for our community by offering comprehensive behavioral health services in a trauma-informed culture of care, promoting person-centered planning, integrated health care, recovery, and community inclusion” to area residents.

Community Mental Health is an accredited member of the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation

Facilities, a member of the National Council for Community Behavioral Health, and a member of the Community Mental Health Association of Michigan.

Gogebic CMH is one of five community mental health service programs contracted by NorthCare Network, which manages the delivery system of specialty mental health and substance use disorder services in the Upper Peninsula, so as to provide mental health services

to adults with serious mental illness, children with a serious emotional disturbance, and/or individuals with an intellectual/developmental disability.

All information is confidential, and a signed release of information is required to release or attain personal information.

The cost of services per visit is based on income, and insurances – including Medicare and Medicaid – are accepted.

CMH is located at 103 W. U.S. 2 in Wakefield, and is open from Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For more information, call the facility at 906-229-6120 or visit gcmh.org.

If services are needed, call GCMH Access toll-free at 833-906-5437 or 906-663-1892. Gogebic County residents can call a toll-free crisis/emergency service hotline at 800-348-0032, or dial 911, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

CMH Services

Crisis intervention: Unscheduled individual or group services aimed at reducing or eliminating the impact of unexpected events on mental health and wellbeing.

Home-based services: These services for children and families are provided in the family home or in another community setting and are designed individually for each family.

Services can include mental health therapy, crisis intervention, service coordination or other support to the family.

Mental health therapy and counseling for adults, children and families: Outpatient therapy or counseling is designed to help improve functioning and relationships with other people.

Peer specialist services: These services are activities designed to help persons with serious mental illness in their individual recovery journey and are provided by individuals who are in recovery from serious mental illness.

Support/integrated employment services: These involve initial and ongoing support

that includes services and training, usually provided at the job site, to help adults who are eligible for mental health services find and who maintain paid employment in the community.

Supports coordination and targeted case management: A supports coordinator or case manager is a staff person who helps write an individual plan of service and makes sure the services are delivered.

His or her role is to listen to a person's goals and to help facilitate those goals by finding services and providers from a mental health services program, whether inside or outside of the local community.

A coordinator or case manager also may connect a person to resources in community living, education, public benefits and recreational activities.

Evidence-based practices: CMH providers have been trained, or are currently receiving training, in a variety of evidence-based practices, including the following:

Family Psycho-Education, Co-Occurring Disorders, Integrated Dual Disorders Treatment, Supported Employment, Children's Trauma-Informed Care and Trauma-Focused Cognitive

Behavioral Therapy, Dialectical Behavioral Therapy and Applied Behavior Analysis.

Jail diversion: This program aims to divert those with serious mental illness, emotional disturbance or developmental disability that have committed criminal acts. The related referral to CMH is an alternative (or an addition) to being charged and placed in a county jail and must be approved by the local judicial system.

Family support subsidy: This can pay for special expenses the family has while caring for a child with severe disabilities. The purpose of the subsidy is to help families to stay together.

Pre-vocational support: This provides work and day programming activities, with emphasis on skills, development and behavior.

Specialized residential program: This certified program provides support toward community living, as well as training.

Community education, consultation and training: CMH staff also is available to speak to groups and organizations.

In addition, the staff provides training for community members about mental health topics. CMH also offers First-Aid training as it relates to mental health concerns.



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WUP Health Department offers many services

Established in 1936, the Western Upper Peninsula Health Department is a special governmental unit meeting the public health needs of the Western U.P. It provides both state-mandated public health services and a variety of additional programs that enhance the lives of residents at every stage of life.

The department's regional office is located in Bessemer in the Gogebic County Courthouse Annex at 210 N. Moore St. The phone number is 906-482-7382, option 4.

The WUPHD's main office is in Hancock at 540 Depot St. The phone number is 906-482-7382, option 1.

The department's stated mission is "to lead the community toward better health through education, advocacy and disease prevention."

Its services include the following interests:

Environmental health

Food protection programs to ensure food preparation in sanitary conditions

On-site sewage program to protect public health and ground water quality

Water supply program that enforces drinking water standards of public and private supplies

Beach monitoring

Inspections at campgrounds, mobile home parks and public swimming pools

Response to citizen complaints

Investigations of communicable disease outbreaks

Tattoo and body art licensing

Maternal and child health

WIC supplemental food program for pregnant women, postpartum women, infants and children under age five

Maternal and infant health support for Medicaid-eligible pregnant women, new mothers and infants

Breastfeeding support

Healthy Families America home-visiting to support families who are overburdened and are at-risk for adverse childhood experiences

Dental varnish applications

Lead screening and case management

Children's Special Health Care Services, including certain approved medical service coverage to children and some adults with health care needs

Disease prevention

Immunization for all ages

Travel vaccinations (Yellow Fever provider, Houghton branch, by appointment)

Vaccine assistance programs

Communicable disease-tracking

Smoking cessation

Reproductive health

Confidential and affordable family-planning and contraceptive counseling for men and women

Pregnancy testing

Basic reproductive health exams

STD testing and treatment by appointment for men and women

Free rapid HIV testing by appointment

Community health wellness

Hearing and vision school/pre-school screenings

Community health assessment

Emergency preparedness

School-based prevention programs to lead community efforts in smoking cessation, health wellness and disease prevention

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Jason Gustafson -
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Kari Seifert- *Science*

Heather Lauzon - *Math*

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Language Arts*

Chris Tweiten -
Social Studies

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Music/Band

Heather Skulan -
*Elementary Special
Education*

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Kassidee Yon - *1st grade*

Beth Billie - *2nd Grade*

Diane Jaskie - *3rd Grade*

Elizabeth Servia- *4th Grade*

Sue Obradovich - *5th Grade*

Connor Drier - *6th Grade*

Kim Leinon - *Title 1*

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MSU-Extension supports community

The Gogebic County Michigan State University Extension office provides a wide variety of services for residents of all ages, working with businesses, clubs and organizations to provide programming to meet the needs of the community.

With an office located at 500 N. Moore St. in Bessemer, MSU-Extension provides services in areas such as 4-H and youth development, disease prevention and management, nutrition, and social emotional well-being. The office is also a resource for agriculture, business, community relations, lawn and garden and natural resources.

The staff supports community activities for children and adults as partners in events, working to ensure a flourishing environment for families at festivals, health fairs, holiday community events, farmers' markets and other venues.

For more information, call the MSU-Extension office at 906-663-4045.

4-H Program

As part of MSU Extension, 4-H is the largest youth development program in the state. The program provides young people with opportunities to explore new interests, gain knowledge, enhance their skills and discover their passion while learning valuable life skills that prepare youth for the future.

In Gogebic County, they are looking for more volunteers and they don't have to be 4-H leaders.

They can chaperone an event, offer skills training, help at the fair, or serve on an advisory group or council.

"Volunteers are the cornerstone of 4-H," said Julie Chapin, former director of MSU Extension children and youth programs. "They engage the kids in healthy, hands-on learning opportunities and act as positive adult role models who teach youth critical life skills. Without volunteers, we wouldn't have the resources to help these youth become responsible and active members of society."

"If you want to make an impact on the next generation, becoming a Michigan 4-H volunteer is one of the best ways you can do that," said Ashley Dennis, Gogebic County 4-H program coordinator. "Anyone can volunteer, and it's a great opportunity to make your mark on the next generation."

Disease Prevention

There are a wide variety of health programs offered for free to the community to support adults at all stages of life. These research and evidence-based programs include:

—Fall Prevention Management programming such "Tai Chi for Fall Arthritis and Fall Prevention" and "Matter of Balance": Both programs are researched and evidenced programs to help seniors with issues around balance and the fear of falling.

—"Walk with Ease": This pro-

gram from the American Arthritis Foundation helps adults keep moving by implementing a five-step cycle for walking and by increasing physical endurance, flexibility and strength.

—"SLEEP" helps participants to learn how sleep enhances physical and mental health and how sleep hygiene and other strategies can lead to more and better quality sleep.

—"Relax: Alternatives to Anger" is a four-week curriculum that presents a step-by-step approach to controlling anger and its causes.

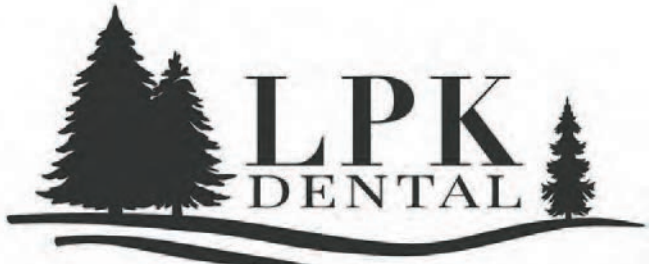
—"Stress Less with Mindfulness" is a five-week course that focuses on presenting strategies for adults and children to stay in the present. Research-based strategies of all kinds are shared, along with the understanding of how mindfulness works on the brain.

Nutrition

Snap-Ed programming is provided to many local school districts and Head Start divisions. Grade-specific topics address nutrition, healthy movement and food safety. Classroom visits support teachers in providing healthy experiences for children.

"Healthy Choices for Every Body" is a curriculum for adults. Topics such as sugar, salt, shopping and label-reading are incorporated into the six-week course. The program at times is bundled with Tai Chi to provide a whole health opportunity.


The "Senior Project Fresh" education and coupon distribution program provides vouchers to eligible older adults to get Michigan-grown fruit, vegetables, herbs, spices and honey from farmers' markets and roadside stands.



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- District 2: Thomas Laabs, 906-932-4617
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Ironwood
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Ironwood, Bessemer/Erwin townships
+ Ironwood Precinct 2
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Bessemer + Bessemer/Ironwood townships
- District 6: Robert Orlich, 906-364-4040
Wakefield + Wakefield Township
- District 7: George Peterson III, 906-358-0551
Watersmeet/Marenisco townships

Elected and appointed officials

- County Clerk/Register of Deeds: Ramona Collins; Clerk's office: 906-663-4518; Register of Deeds: 906-667-0381
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- County Equalization Director: Kathy Jo Koval, 906-663-4414
- County Airport Manager: Jeremy Busch, 906-932-3121
- County Forester: Greg Ryskey, 906-663-4687
- MSU-Extension Office, 4-H coordinator: Ashley Dennis, 906-663-4045
- County Emergency Services: Heidi DeRosso, 906-667-1118
- Animal Control Officer: Sheriff department, 906-667-0203

Gogebic County courts

- 32nd Circuit Court: The Hon. Michael Pope, 906-663-4211
- Gogebic County Probate Court-98th District Court: The Hon. Anna Talaska, 906-667-0421
- Friend of the Court: Linda Dean, 906-667-0218
- Circuit Court Probation and Parole Office: 906-667-0323
- District Court Probation Office: 906-663-4611
- Gogebic County Juvenile Court: 906-663-4147

Gogebic County Road Commission

Courthouse Annex, Bessemer MI 49911

Office, 906-667-0233

- Manager, Garth Stengard



Gogebic County Courthouse restoration in 2024 (Globe photo)

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City of Bessemer

Bessemer City Hall

411 S. Sophie St., Bessemer, MI 49911

906-667-0333

- Interim city manager and treasurer/clerk Mandy Lake
- Deputy clerk Samantha Dorr
- Utility clerk Lisa Selin
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- Mark Movrich, mark.movrich@cityofbessemer.org
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- Adam Zak, 906-364-2306
- Mark Serwe, mark.serwe@cityofbessemer.org



LOOK-OUT MOUNTAIN, as created by Bessemer's Gogebic Range Trail Authority (Globe photo)

HEALTH CARE

Aspirus Ironwood Clinic

N. 10565 Grand View Lane, Ironwood, 906-932-1500

Aspirus Ironwood Hospital

N. 10561 Grand View Lane, Ironwood, 906-932-2525

Aspirus Hurley Clinic

501 Granite St., Hurley, 715-561-2255

Gogebic Community Mental Health Authority

103 U.S. 2, Wakefield, 906-229-6120

Gogebic County — Michigan Department of Health and Human Services

301 E. Lead St. Bessemer, 906-663-6200

Howard Young Medical Center

240 Maple St., Woodruff, 715-356-8000

Iron County Human Services Department

300 Taconite St., Suite 201, Hurley, 715-561-3636

Iron County Health Department

210 N. Fifth Ave., Hurley, 715-561-2191 iron-countyhealthdept.org

Lac Vieux Desert Health Center

N. 5241 U.S. 45, Watersmeet, 906-358-4588

Marshfield Clinic

5110 U.S. 51 N., Mercer, 715-476-2345 or 800-347-0673

Memorial Medical Center

1615 Maple Lane, Ashland, 715-685-5500

North Lakes Community Clinic

115 5th Ave. N., Hurley, 715-329-1334, nlccwi.org

Regional Hospice Services and Palliative Care

216 E. Aurora St., Ironwood, 906-663-0308

Western U.P. District Health Department

210 N. Moore Street Bessemer, 906-667-0200, wupdhd.org

HOME CARE

Avanti Home Care

110 Iron St., Hurley, 715-561-3206

HOUSING

Bessemer Housing Commission

709 W. Iron St., Bessemer, 906-667-0288

Birchwood Terrace

5350 Lakewood Road, Mercer, 608-822-7368

Brentlee Apartments

401 Florian St., Hurley, 715-561-4599

Echo Hollow

5350 Lakewood Road, Mercer, 608-822-7368

Garden Estates

300 Taconite St., Hurley, 715-561-3100

Gogebic-Ontonagon Community Action Agency

100 S. Mill St., Bessemer, 906-667-0283 gocaa.org

Hometown Village

5231 N. Vaughn St., Mercer, 715-635-3031

Hurley Housing LP

1012 LaBlonde Lane, Hurley, 715-561-5220

Hurley Housing Authority

410 3rd Ave S., #1, Hurley, 715-561-4344

Hometown Village

5231 N. Vaughn St., Mercer, 715-476-2747

Ironwood Housing Commission and Pioneer Park Apartments

515 E. Vaughn St., Ironwood, 906-932-3341, ironwoodhousing.org

Michigan State Housing Development Authority

735 E. Michigan Ave, Lansing, michigan.gov/mshda, 517-373-8370

Northwoods Estates Apartments

E5113 MacDonald Lane, Ironwood, 800-305-8137 x3036

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HOUSING (continued)

Villa Manor

126 W. Arch St., Ironwood, 906-932-5222

Wakefield Housing Commission

Sunset Manor

200 Pierce St., Wakefield, 906-224-5204

Wildwood Apartments

5132 E. Wildwood Lane, Ironwood, 906-932-6355

Woodland Court Apartments

638 Sutherland St., Ironwood, 906-932-5222

LEGAL SERVICES

Iron County Child Support

300 Taconite St., Hurley, 715-561-4485

Judicare

800-472-1638, judicare.org
Legal help for eligible low-income persons. Cases involving bankruptcy, Social Security and SSI, family law, health, housing, income maintenance, tax controversies, and Indian law will be reviewed for approval or denial on an individual basis.

A person may apply at the following:
—DOVE Inc. Ironwood, 906-932-4990
—Iron County Aging Unit, 307 3rd Ave., Hurley, 715-561-2108
—Iron County Human Services, 300 Taconite St., Hurley, 715-561-3636

State Bar of Michigan

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800-968-0738

State Bar of Wisconsin

Lawyer Referral and Information Service
800-362-9082

MENTORING

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57 Huron Houghton, 906-487-9855

NURSING HOMES

Gogebic Medical Care Facility

402 North St., Wakefield, 906-224-9811

Sky View Nursing Center

309 Iron St., Hurley, 715-561-5646

Villa Maria Health and Rehabilitation Center

300 Taconite St., Hurley, 715-561-3200

Westgate Nursing Rehabilitation and Assisted Living Community

1500 N. Lowell St., Ironwood, 906-932-3867

Libraries

Bessemer Public Library

Melissa Lupino, library director

City Hall, 411 S. Sophie St.; 906-667-0404, uproc.lib.mi.us/bessemer. Hours: Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (closed noon to 12:30 p.m. for lunch); and Saturday 9 a.m. to noon.

Ironwood Carnegie Library

Lynne Wiercinski, library director

235 E. Aurora St.; 906-932-0203 or joomla.uproc.lib.mi.us/ironwood. Hours: Monday and Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Tuesday and Thursday, noon to 6 p.m.; Saturday, 9 a.m. to noon. Closed Wednesday and Sunday.

Wakefield Public Library

Lakin Ozzello, library director

401 Hancock St.; 906-229-5236 or joomla.uproc.lib.mi.us/wakefield. Hours: Monday and Thursday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Tuesday and Friday, noon to 4 p.m. Closed Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday.

Marenisco Public Library

Friends of the Library

321 Fair Ave.; 906-787-2501 or mareniscopubliclibrary@gmail.com. Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, noon to 4 p.m. For more info, check facebook.com/pages/Marenisco-Friends-of-the-Library.



A "Little Library," one of many throughout the county that allow children and adults to take a free book or to leave one for someone else to enjoy (Globe photo)

Mercer Public Library

Julia Pusateri, library director

2648 W. Margaret St.; 715-476-2366 or merc.wislib.org. Summer hours (Memorial Day-Labor Day): Monday-Thursday, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday, 9 a.m. to noon; closed Sundays. Winter hours: Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Tuesday and Thursday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Saturday, 9 a.m. to noon. Closed Sunday.

Hurley Public Library

Joseph Miller, library director

City Hall, 405 Fifth Ave. N.; 715-561-5707 or hurley.wislib.org. Hours: Monday, Tuesday and Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Wednesday noon to 4 p.m. and Thursday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Closed Saturday and Sunday.

Editor's Note: Local libraries also offer reading programs, holiday fun, live music, etc.

PREGNANCY SUPPORT

New Beginnings

130 W. Aurora St., Ironwood, 906-932-7472
ironwoodpregnancy.org

RECYCLING

Iron County

606 3rd Ave. N., Hurley, 715-561-4802
Recycling Hours
—Hurley, 606 3rd Ave N., Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.
—Mercer, 2553 W County Road J., Wednesday and Saturday, 7:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. (Closed on Loon Day)
—Saxon, Clement Road, Saturday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
—Sherman, Town Garage, Hwy 182, Summer: Wednesday, noon to 4 p.m., Saturday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. (After Labor Day: Saturday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.)
—Oma, Saturday, Town Hall 8 a.m. to 10 a.m.; Town Garage 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; Lucky Pierre's 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.
—Montreal, curbside collection, Tuesday.
—Pence, curbside collection, every other Tuesday 9 a.m.
—Knight, curbside collection, Tuesday.

Gogebic County Gogebic Range Solid Waste Management Authority

Transfer Station, E. 5917 U.S. 2, Ironwood, 906-932-0600
Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday, 8 a.m. to noon

RED CROSS

Superior Upper Peninsula Chapter

Marquette, 906-228-3659

TRANSPORTATION

ADRC of the North-Iron County

307 3rd Ave., Hurley, 715-561-2108
Buses are wheelchair-accessible. They run on a fixed schedule, Tuesday through Friday, for seniors age 60 and up. The bus goes to numerous points around northern Iron County; rides are on a donation basis. Seniors may call for individual home pickup if their home is near a scheduled stop. Runs take riders to Hurley and Ironwood for shopping. The Aging Unit also has a 10-passenger van to take people to medical appointments, based on a co-pay schedule. The van makes runs to Aspirus Ironwood Hospital and area clinics; medical facilities in Ashland, Woodruff and Marshfield; Duluth, Minn.; and the Veterans Administration Medical Center in Iron Mountain. A volunteer driver program is also available for these services.

Gogebic County Department of Health and Human Services

301 E. Lead St. Bessemer, 906-663-6200

Gogebic Country Club

Country Club Road, Ironwood, 18 holes with pro shop and restaurant-bar, 906-932-2515. Cart and club rentals available. Open to the public.

Eagle Bluff Golf Club

County Trunk D, just off U.S. 2, Hurley, 18 holes with restaurant-bar, pro shop and cart rentals, 715-561-3552. Open to the public. eaglebluffgolfclub.com.

Tahoe Lynx Golf Course

5195 N. Pierpont Drive, Mercer, Wis., nine holes, 715-476-0050. Open to the public. tahoe lynxgolfcourse.com.

Gogebic County Transit

235 E. McLeod Ave., Ironwood, 906-932-2523
Provides six round trips per day between Ironwood and Wakefield, as well as a dial-a-ride program Monday through Friday. Weekly services to the townships. All buses are lift equipped and radio dispatched.

Indian Trails Bus Line

Indian Trails makes daily runs through Ironwood between Duluth, Minnesota and Escanaba. A bus arrives in Ironwood at the Gogebic County Transit building from Escanaba headed to Duluth at 6:15 a.m. A bus comes from Duluth at 9:15 p.m. and goes to Escanaba. Gogebic County Transit, 906-932-2523. Indian Trails, 800-292-3831 or indiantrails.com.

Gogebic-Iron County Airport

The Gogebic-Iron County Airport is serviced by Key Lime Air's Denver Air Connection with flights Sunday through Friday to and from Chicago and Minneapolis-St. Paul. For ticketing information, call 866-373-8513 or visit denverairconnection.com. For information on the airport, located at E. 5560 Airport Road in Ironwood Township, call 906-932-3121 or visit flyfromironwood.com.

Golf courses

Lac Vieux Desert Golf Course

Located on 200 acres of Ottawa National Forest on U.S. 45 in Watersmeet, 18 holes, 906-358-0303. Open to the public. lvdcasino.com/golf.

Gateway Golf Club

4126 County B, Land O'Lakes, Wis., 715-547-3929, nine holes along the Wisconsin-Michigan border. Open to the public.

VETERANS

Gogebic County Veterans Services Office

John Frello
Gogebic County Courthouse, 200 N. Moore St., Bessemer, 906-667-1110

Iron County Veterans Service Office

Erick Nasi
300 Taconite St. Suite 106, Hurley, 715-561-2190 Hours: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. In Mercer on Wednesdays from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Oscar G. Johnson VA Medical Center

325 E. H St., Iron Mountain, 906-774-3300

VA Outreach Clinic — Ironwood

629 W. Cloverland Drive, Ironwood, 906-932-0032

WEATHERIZATION

Gogebic-Ontonagon Community Action Agency

100 S. Mill St., Bessemer, 906-667-0283
gocaa.org

Iron County Human Services

300 Taconite St., Suite 201, Hurley, 715-561-3636



2024 Peace Memorial honoring fallen members of regional law enforcement (Globe photo)

MICHIGAN

IRONWOOD

Apostolic Lutheran. 326 W. Aurora. Sunday, 9:30 a.m. Sunday School, 10 a.m. Bible Study, 10:45 a.m. worship, Wednesday, Bible Study, 7 p.m.

Assembly of God. 2100 E. Cloverland Drive. Worship, 10 a.m.

Immanuel Lutheran (Missouri). Little Girl's Point, Sunday worship, 2 p.m. on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month.

Jehovah's Witnesses. 1112 Superior. Sunday, public talk, 9:30 a.m.; Watchtower study, 10:30 a.m.

Lighthouse Faith Center. 301 E. Aurora; Sunday worship, 10 a.m.; Wednesday Bible study, 6:30 p.m.

Our Lady of Peace Catholic. 108 S. Marquette. Saturday confession, 11 a.m. to noon; Mass, 4 p.m.; Sunday Mass, 8 and 11 a.m.

St. John Lutheran (ELCA). E. 5071 Airport Road, Ironwood Township. Service on third Sunday of the month at 9 a.m.

St. Paul Lutheran (ELCA). 111 S. Curry. Worship with Holy Communion, 10 a.m., followed by Coffee Talk at 11 a.m.

St. Simon Eastern Orthodox. 226 E. Harding. Sunday, liturgy, 10 a.m. 906-932-0674.

Salem Lutheran (ELCA). 333 E. Aurora. Services first and third Sundays of the month, 9 a.m.

Transfiguration, Episcopal. 336 E. Aurora. Sunday, 11 a.m.

Trinity Lutheran (Missouri). E. 5104 Margaret. Sunday worship, 9 a.m.

Wesley United Methodist. 500 E. McLeod. Sunday worship service 10 a.m. wesleyumcironwood.org.

Woodland Church (Converge Baptist). N. 10234 Curry. Thursday Bible study, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday worship, 10 a.m.; fellowship to follow. 906-932-1102 or woodlandcc.org.

Zion Lutheran (ELCA). 100 W. Midland. Saturday praise worship, 5 p.m.; Sunday services, second and fourth Sundays of the month, 9 a.m.

BESSEMER

Christ Community Church of SDA. 507 E. Cinnabar. Saturday, 11 a.m., Sabbath school, 9:30 a.m.; Wednesday prayer meeting, 6:30 p.m.

Our Redeemer Lutheran (Missouri). E. 8223 Sanders Road. Sunday, worship, 10:30 a.m.; Bible studies, Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. and Thursday, 10:30 a.m.

St. Sebastian Catholic. Saturday Mass, 4 p.m.; Sunday Mass, 8:30 a.m.

Sharon Lutheran (ELCA). Sunday worship, 8:30 a.m. with fellowship following.

MARENISCO

St. Catherine's Catholic. Sunday Mass, 1 p.m.

RAMSAY

Cornerstone Christian. Sunday worship, 9:30 a.m., children's church, following worship;



St. Sebastian Catholic Church, Bessemer (Globe photo)

Revelation (young adults), meets second and fourth Sundays at 6 p.m.

Grace Open Fellowship. 9 a.m., worship, 9:30 a.m.; Wednesday, Bible study, prayer meeting, 6:30 p.m.

WAKEFIELD

All Saints Lutheran (ELCA). Saturday worship, 5 p.m.; Sunday worship, 10:30 a.m.

Calvary Baptist. Sunday school, 10 a.m., Sunday worship, 11 a.m.; afternoon service, 1:30 p.m.; Wednesday, prayer and praise, 6 p.m.

Immaculate Conception Catholic. Saturday Mass, 6 p.m.; Sunday Mass, 10:30 a.m.

United Methodist. Sunday service, 12:30 p.m.

WATERSMEET

Immaculate Conception Catholic. Saturday Mass, 4 p.m.; Sunday Mass, 9:30 a.m.

Watersmeet Bible Church. Sunday worship, 10:30 a.m.; men's and ladies' Bible study, Wednesday, 6 p.m.

WISCONSIN

HURLEY

First Presbyterian. Sunday, 9:30 a.m. worship, Sunday school and nursery.

Havenwood Baptist. 501 Copper. Prayer, 9:30 a.m., Sunday school, 10 a.m., services, 11 a.m. Lunch and afternoon service following.

Range Community Bible. Worship, Sunday, 10 a.m.

St. Mary's Catholic. Saturday Mass, 4 p.m., Sunday Mass, 7 and 11 a.m., Tuesday, 5:30 p.m., Wednesday, 8 a.m., Thursday, 8 a.m., Friday, 8 a.m.

St. Paul's Lutheran (Wisconsin). Sunday school, 9:45 a.m.; worship, 11 a.m.; Thursday adult Bible class, 5 p.m.

KIMBALL

Good Shepherd Community Apostolic Lutheran. Sunday worship, 10:30 a.m., Sunday Bible study, 10 a.m. Communion first Sunday.

LAC DU FLAMBEAU

Bible Baptist. Sunday, 10 a.m.

St. Anthony's Catholic. Saturday Mass, 4 p.m.; Sunday Mass, 9:30 a.m.

LAND O'LAKES

Hope Lutheran (Missouri). 1764 U.S. 45, just north of County B. Divine service, Sunday, 9:30 a.m.; Bible study, call 906-544-2259 or visit hopelcms@alphacomm.net for schedule.

Land O' Lakes Bible. 5937 U.S. 45. Sunday school 9 a.m.; Sunday worship, 10 a.m.; Sunday afternoon prayer, 5 p.m.; Thursday table talk and Bible study, 6:30 p.m. 715-547-3183.

MERCER

Community Church of Nazarene. Sunday, worship, 10 a.m.

Faith Lutheran (Missouri). Sunday, worship, 9 a.m., Bible study, 10:30 a.m.

St. Isaac Jogues Catholic. Masses Sunday, 11 a.m.; Tuesday, 8:30 a.m.

United Methodist. Worship in person or via Zoom, Sunday, 9:30 a.m. Call Martha at 715-776-3993.

Zion Lutheran (Wisconsin). Sunday, 9 a.m., Bible class, 10:15 a.m.

PRESQUE ISLE

Bethel Lutheran (Missouri). Sunday, 11 a.m.

St. Rita's Catholic. Saturday, confessions, 3:30 p.m., Mass, 4 p.m.; Sunday Mass, 9 a.m.

SAXON

St. Ann's Catholic. Sunday Mass, 8:45 a.m.;

WINCHESTER

Living Hope. Sunday, 9:30 a.m.; Thursday, Bible study, 7 p.m.

Gogebic Community College

Serving the Gogebic Range since 1932, Gogebic Community College offers more than 40 academic programs that lead to certificates, associate degrees or admission into transfer programs at four-year universities.

GCC has grown into a comprehensive college that serves many academic needs. For instance, the college has increased its work with area and regional high school students through its dual enrollment and early college programs. The college also provides student housing and support services and also hosts various speakers, forums and other events.

The college continues to pride itself on personal attention with a student-to-faculty ratio of 13:1.

GCC opened its doors on Sept. 6, 1932. It then was known as Ironwood Junior College and was located on the third floor of Luther L. Wright High School in Ironwood. Now on its own campus in Ironwood Township, GCC has grown over the years to include several academic and technical buildings, as well as the Jacob Solin Center for Business, the David G. Lindquist Student Center, and the Campus Suites student housing complex. In January 2020, the college's Skilled Trades Facility also opened its doors, boasting "the most technologically advanced training facility in the Upper Midwest." The college's welding program is housed there.

The college offers affordable



GCC's Lindquist and Student Center in Ironwood (Globe photo)

two-year degrees and transfer credits.

With a wide variety of certificate and associate degree occupational programs to choose from, students can learn skills to get them into the workforce quickly. Such programs include practical nursing, forestry technology, welding, cosmetology, mechanical engineering technology and building trades.

In addition, approximately one-half of Gogebic's students are enrolled in academic transfer programs like business administra-

tion, engineering, criminal justice, social work or psychology, along with a teacher education program and a wide range of other programs across the college's curriculum. All programs adhere to the goal of a smooth and seamless transfer to colleges and universities throughout the country.

The college's varsity sports include men's and women's basketball, women's volleyball and esports.

GCC also boasts the oldest winter recreation complex, Mt. Zion, in

Big Snow Country. Owned and operated by GCC, Mt. Zion is open to the public and serves as the laboratory for the college's nationally recognized Ski Area Management program. Mt. Zion offers 10 downhill ski runs, a cross country ski trail and a snow tubing park.

Although GCC continues to change, its commitment remains the same to its students.

The college is located at E. 4946 Jackson Road in Ironwood Township. For more information, go to gogebic.edu or call 906-307-1207.

Northwood Technical College

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Formerly Wisconsin Indianhead Technical College, the nationally top-ranked college serves the educational needs of 11 counties in northwestern Wisconsin. With multiple campuses, NTC offers career-focused associate degree programs, technical diplomas, short-term certificates, customized business training, and a wide array of courses for personal or career enrichment. NTC is a member of the Wisconsin Technical College System and is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission.

Parochial Schools

Hurley — Northwoods Christian Academy, 715-561-2545. nca-k12.org.

Bessemer — Bluffview Christian School, K-8, Seventh-Day Adventist, 507 Cinnabar St.; 906-663-6959 daytime, 906-285-2192 after hours. bluffviewchristianschool.com.

Public school districts in Gogebic, Iron counties

Ironwood Area Schools

The Ironwood Area Schools District has gone through major changes within the past several years, including renovations to the Luther L. Wright school building on Ayer Street, converting it into a K-12 facility in 2014.

The Gogebic County Community Schools, which is an alternative high school serving all of the county, is located at Gogebic Community College in Ironwood.

Enrollment for the Ironwood Area Schools is around 700.

Luther L. Wright School was built in 1924, and the district is celebrating the building's centennial this year. The man for whom the school building was named helped establish a proud educational heritage early in the 20th century. He oversaw the burgeoning district in its early days. He later became Michigan's superintendent of public education.

A wide variety of vocational programs are offered in Ironwood. Students also may qualify for dual enrollment at Gogebic Community College, beginning work on a college degree in association with a high school diploma.

Ironwood competes in the Copper Mountain Conference for most sports and in Division 4 come playoff time in Michigan. The Red Devils began playing eight-player football in 2021 and compete in the Great Lakes West Conference.

The Ironwood Area Schools Board of Education generally meets the fourth Monday of the month at 6 p.m. in the board room on the second floor of LLW.

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Bessemer Area Schools

The Bessemer Area Schools serve students in the city of Bessemer and Bessemer Township. The district includes two buildings: A.D. Johnston Junior-Senior High School for grades 7-12, and Washington Elementary for grades K-6.

Enrollment is around 370.

The high school was dedicated in 1907. It was later named after Albert David Johnston, who served on the school board from 1900 until 1923.

Construction for Washington School started in 1919 and was completed in the mid-1920s. It served as a replacement for multiple area grade schools at the time. When Washington was built, its swimming pool – now closed – was the only one in the U.P.

In 1994, A.D. Johnston was renovated and an addition was added with office space and more classrooms to accommodate the move of the junior high grades to ADJ from Washington.

Voters later approved sinking funds that were used for various projects including tuckpointing Washington School and improvements at Massie Field and to the food service program. In 2020, the district replaced windows in Washington School and did roof work on Washington and ADJ schools.

Bessemer has had an eight-player co-op football team with Wakefield-Marenisco under the name Gogebic Miners since 2021 and competes in the Great Lakes West Conference. Otherwise, the Division 4 Speedboys and Speedgirls compete in various sports in the Copper Mountain Conference.



The Bessemer Area Schools Board of Education generally meet on the fourth Monday of the month at 5 p.m. in the ADJ library.

Board of Education

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Administration

District superintendent is Richard Matrella, 906-667-0802, ext. 201; Nicholas Heikkila is 7-12 dean of students, 906-667-0413; K-6 principal, 906-667-0802, ext. 101; A.D. Johnston school secretary is Jeannine Simcoe, 906-667-0413; athletic director is Nicholas Heikkila, 906-667-0413; and business manager is Kelly Traczyk, 906-667-0802, ext. 402.

Wakefield-Marenisco

K-12 School

The Wakefield-Marenisco School District serves the city of Wakefield and the townships of Wakefield and Marenisco.

The W-M district was created in June 2004, when the Wakefield and Marenisco districts consolidated following voter approval.

Enrollment at the school is around 252.

The district's K-12 building and grounds have received periodic updates in keeping with instructional demands, technology advances, safety concerns and other issues.

In 2003, the school reconfigured its athletic field, adding a new 400-meter track.

In 2009, W-M and Bessemer began a co-op football program. In 2012, the team took the name Gogebic Miners with new team colors and logo. Ironwood was part of the co-op from 2017-2020. In 2021, the W-M and Bessemer co-op began playing eight-player football and is in the Great Lakes West Conference. W-M also offers other sports in Division 4 that compete in the Copper Mountain Conference.

In 2003, the school reconfigured its athletic field, adding a new 400-meter track.



Public school districts in Gogebic, Iron counties

The Wakefield-Marenisco school board meets each month, generally on the fourth Monday at 5 p.m. Most meetings are held at the school in the administrative offices board room on the second floor, although occasional meetings are held at the Marenisco Township Hall.

Board of Education

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Administration

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Watersmeet

Township School

Watersmeet School, home of the Nimrods, is located on U.S. 45 in Watersmeet.

Enrollment is around 151 K-12.

A major renovation in 2003 gave an aging building and the 1970s addition a major upgrade. A new gymnasium, library, lunch room, community weight room and suite of offices also were added, as well as a new playground and parking lot.

The Nimrods compete in Division 4 in the Copper Mountain Conference.

The Watersmeet Township School Board of Education generally meets the third Monday of the month at 4 p.m. at the school.

Board of Education

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Administration

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Main office, 906-358-4504, ext. 2.

Hurley K-12 School

The Hurley K-12 School District continues to work to meet the challenges of education in the 21st century. The school district continues to invest in the future by providing personal computers for students and staff, expanding the Northwoods Manufacturing facility, renovating



libraries and improving athletic fields.

The Hurley Education Foundation works closely with the school district in alumni and community fundraising. The HEF has surpassed more than \$2 million in donations since its inception more than 20 years ago.

Hurley K-12 enrollment is more than 500.

The Hurley School Board, usually meets at 5:30 p.m. on the third Monday of every month. The board meets in the library at the school on Range View Drive in Hurley.

An annual meeting is conducted in October. Any district resident can vote on items covered at the annual meeting. The electorate authorizes the school board to levy taxes at the annual meeting, but the board sets the annual tax levy.

The Northstars football team plays in the Lakeland Conference. The other Northstars boys and girls teams play in the Indianhead Conference.

Board of Education

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Administration

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Mercer K-12 School

The Mercer School District is one of the smallest public school districts in the state of Wisconsin, operating in one K-12 school building.

There were 109 students enrolled in K-12 in 2021-2022 school year. The school also runs a program for two- and three-year-olds.

The small school district provides smaller class sizes and increased individual attention. The district enjoys strong local support with organizations, businesses and individuals donating tens of thousands of dollars in annual scholarships for graduating seniors.

School boosters organized the Mercer Education Foundation in 2006 to raise funds for scholarships, special classrooms projects and other enrichment opportunities for students.

The Mercer Tigers compete in volleyball, cross-country, basketball and track in the Indianhead Conference. Mercer has a co-op football program with Chequamegon High School in Park Falls. The eight-player team competes in the Marawood Conference.

Mercer students also have found success in forensics, patriotic essay-writing contests, robotics contests and youth government endeavors.

The five-member Mercer School Board meets at 5 p.m. on the fourth Monday of the month in the school commons.

Board of Education

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Administration

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Bad River Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians

Odanah, Wisconsin, 715-682-7111

The Bad River Tribe has more than 7,000 members, with about 1,500 members living on the 125,000-plus acre reservation in Ashland and Iron counties. The band has another near 200 acres on Madeline Island, and more than 90% of the land is kept wild.

Chippewa, or Ojibwe Nation, is one of the three largest native nations in North America. Historically, the Ojibwe were known as semi-nomadic hunters, fishermen and gatherers. A patrilineal society is organized by clans, of which the following survive here: the Crane, Loon, Eagle, Bear, Marten, Lynx, Bullhead, Sucker and Turtle.

Many people still belong to the Midewin



OF LAKE SUPERIOR CHIPPEWAS

Lodge, the Ojibwe's original religious society. Others belong to one of the Big Drum societies or to the Catholic or Methodist religions.

The band originally migrated here in search of food that grows on water, or wild rice, from

the East Coast.

Primary game animals are deer, bear, rabbit, grouse, ducks, geese and rabbits. Not many families harvest maple syrup from the maple trees that edge the rivers these days. The Bad River Natural Resource Department brings millions of walleye fry and fingerlings to the Bad and Kagon rivers. Most people fish for subsistence only, with northern pike, trout, salmon, burbot, bass and sturgeon also being fished.

Tribal government social programs and casino operations are primary employers on the reservation.

The tribe has a grocery store, gas station, domestic violence shelter, Head Start, clinic, day care and law enforcement.

Lac du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians

Lac du Flambeau, Wisconsin, 715-588-4264

The band settled in the Lac du Flambeau area in 1745. Members got their name from the way they harvested fish by torchlight at night, as "Lac du Flambeau" means "Lake of the Torches."

The LDF reservation was established by treaties in 1837 and 1842. It became a tourist destination near the turn of the century.

The tribe began bingo and casino operations to increase economic activity and foster self-reliance, as the revenues would benefit the tribe and community.

Strawberry Island, or "the place of the little people," is a sacred site located in Lac du Flambeau and is recognized in the National Register of Historical Places. The island is the site of the last battle between the Sioux and Ojibwe in 1745. In 1966 an archaeological survey identified artifacts and remains on the island dated back to 200 B.C.

The LDF reservation has 65 miles of streams, lakes, and rivers and 24,000 acres of wetlands,



which are stocked with over 200,000 fish per year by the tribal fish hatchery. The fish hatchery has restocked the lakes with more than 415 walleye fry in the past 30 years.

The world's largest sturgeon speared came out of LDF's Pokegama Lake, measuring 7 feet, 1 inch, and weighing 195 pounds with a 40-inch girth. It is located in the local museum.

"Old Abe," the most famous bird in American history, was found in 1861 by Chief Sky, during

a spring expedition into the northern forests. Chief Sky found two eaglets in a pine tree and brought them along with them. The travelers came to the home of Dan McCann, and they gave one of the eaglets to him.

McCann cared for the eagle and presented it to the 8th Wisconsin Regiment of Union Soldiers at Eau Claire. The company changed its name from the Badgers to the War Eagles, and Old Abe was their mascot for many years, carried into battles on a perch along with the American flag. He saw battles in Wisconsin, Illinois, Alabama, Tennessee and Mississippi. After the war ended, he attended many major events including national conventions and the centennial celebration. He lived in the Wisconsin capitol building at the end of his life.

Old Abe was awarded honors by the United States government and military. In 1999, the Old Abe statue in Jim's Falls, Wisconsin, was rededicated by the 8th of Wisconsin, along with a 20-mile trail in his name.

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Members of the Lac Vieux Desert Band of Lake Superior Chippewa, along with other community members, at a 2024 pow wow at the Watersmeet Township School (Globe photo)

Lac Vieux Desert Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians

**Watersmeet MI 49969
906-358-4577**

Early accounts of the Lac Vieux Desert Band date back to the 1600s when French missionaries wrote of wintering with the band.

Members of the Lac Vieux Desert Band originally lived on South Island at Lac Vieux Desert, until they moved to the south shore of the lake in the 1800s.

Fishing, hunting and gathering natural foods have sustained the members of the Lac Vieux Desert Band for years. These treaty rights and traditions are maintained to this day.

After the treaty of 1854, a large portion of the Lac Vieux Desert Band members returned to their original village, Ketegitigaaning.

When the ceded Indian lands were placed on public sale, the members of Ketegitigaaning pooled part of the yield of their winter hunting, and took the furs to the Public Land Office in Marquette to purchase the land they were living on. That is where they remain to this day.

In recent history, LVD was recognized by most as members of the Keweenaw Bay Band and resided in the Watersmeet area.

However, in the decade of 1960s, members of LVD began the effort to reorganize as a separate and distinct band.

In 1988, after years of persistence, President Ronald Reagan signed the Lac Vieux Desert Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians



Act that made Lac Vieux Desert a federally recognized tribe.

The 1990s found LVD very active in operating a resort facility, including a 76-room motel, golf course, gaming facility, restaurant and a host of small businesses.

Also during that time, LVD developed a limited care facility, mental health, pharmaceutical, dental

and optometry services. Members also expanded day care and child care services, opened a convenience store, created a tribal water and wastewater utility to manage a complete public water system and wastewater lagoon system, constructed a new law enforcement facility, donated significant funds to outside communities to assist in development efforts, and started constructing new homes for tribal members and their families.

Today, LVD is operating a casino resort, 18-hole golf course, health center and other tribal businesses, while continuing to strengthen and protect the band's cultural resources, as well as continuing to develop strategies to allow for continued growth.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS



2024 Iron County Fair tractor parade (Globe photo)

January

- Snowmobile races at fairgrounds in Ironwood. ironwoodsnowmobileolympus.com
- Sisu Ski Fest, cross-country ski race with ski expo and leisure events in Ironwood. sisuskifest.com

February

- Yooperbeiner Snowshoe Race, Wolverine Nordic Ski Trails, wolverinenordic.com/yooperbeiner

March

- Spring skiing events at area ski hills

April

- Easter egg hunts at various local schools

May

- Fishing seasons open in Michigan and Wisconsin. michigan.gov/dnr or dnr.wi.gov
- Memorial Day Weekend ATV Rally in Iron County with ATV parade, mud run and more. hurleywi.com. mercercc.com
- John Jarvi Jr. Memorial Run, 5-kilometer, 10K and tot trot, Ironwood. uprrc.org
- Memorial Day observances at area cemeteries

June

- Free fishing weekends in Michigan and Wisconsin. michigan.gov/dnr or dnr.wi.gov
- Lupine Junefest, bike rides, photo contest and more, Mercer, Wis. mercercc.com

July

- Area towns celebrate the Fourth of July with parades, fireworks, picnics, games, etc.
- Hometown Run, 2-mile, 10-kilometer and tot trot, Bessemer. Part of Bessemer Blast Fourth of July celebration. bessemer4th.com
- Sunday Lake Run, 2.8 miles around Sunday Lake, Wakefield. wakefield-chamber.com

- Emberlight Festival runs July through August featuring music performances, art shows and a film festival at various locations in Ironwood

- Festival Ironwood, Depot Park, downtown Ironwood. Music, food, games and more. ironwoodchamber.org

- Festival Ironwood Walk, Run and Roll, 2- and 5-mile, downtown Ironwood. aspirusgrandview.org

- Garden tours offered by local garden clubs
- Iron County Heritage Festival begins; runs through early August. Activities include golf tournament, open houses, Hurley Hall of Fame induction, Hurley Education Foundation honors, parade, all-class reunion and more. hurleywi.com. mercercc.com

August

- Loon Day, craft and artist booths, food and loon-calling contest, Mercer, Wisconsin. mercercc.com

- Iron County Fair in Saxon, Wisconsin
- Ironwood Sports Hall of Fame induction
- Gogebic County Fair in Ironwood
- Paavo Nurmi Marathon in Hurley with a full marathon, 2- and 5-person relays. paavonurmi-marathon.com

- Springstead Corn Roast
- Festival Italiano on Saturday of Labor Day weekend with food, live music and vendors in Hurley. hurleywi.com

September

- Bridges and Bluffs Half Marathon and Run-Walk, Iron Belle Trail, bridgesandbluffs.com
- Pumpkin Fest in Bessemer

October

- Pumpkin Run ATV Rally, in Iron County. Poker runs, games, raffles, music, parade and more. hurleywi.com. mercercc.com
- Halloween fun frolic events at various local schools

November

- Veterans Day observances
- Firearm deer season opens in Michigan and Wisconsin. michigan.gov/dnr or dnr.wi.gov

December

- Snowmobile trails open (weather permitting) in Michigan and Wisconsin
- Jack Frost Festival of Lights with parade, concert and more in downtown Ironwood. ironwoodchamber.org

Editor's Note: In addition, the Historic Ironwood Theatre and Theatre North, also in Ironwood, offer performances such as concerts, recitals, plays, variety shows, movies and more in all seasons.



Brianna Cross in a 2024 Theatre North variety show called "Step It, Sing, it, Wing It" (Globe photo)



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Community Action Agency offers much
The Gogebic-Ontonagon Community Action Agency is a nonprofit organization that offers a

HOPE Animal Shelter serves regional needs

HOPE, or Help Orphaned Pets Everywhere, is a nonprofit organization that is committed to preventing suffering and cruelty to animals. HOPE takes in lost, neglected and abused animals and places them in new loving homes. HOPE receives, on average, more than 400 dogs and cats each year.

HOPE is a no-kill animal shelter, meaning that it does not euthanize the animals that it receives unless they are needlessly suffering or have a history of being a threat to the public.

HOPE opened its doors in 1992 in a remodeled house in the Aurora Location of Ironwood. After two years, it moved its operations to a

trailer on Easy Street in the Industrial Park, where it remained for five years. In August 1998, voters of Gogebic County approved a millage that allowed the county to hire an animal control officer through the sheriff's office and helped support a new 2,800-square-foot building at the same location – nearly double the size of the old trailer. The millage has been renewed every four years since.

Gogebic County owns the building with HOPE leasing it from the county. HOPE is responsible for all the furnishings and equipment, medical care, vaccines, food and utilities. HOPE takes in animals from both Gogebic County in

Michigan and from Iron County in Wisconsin.

To help control the population of stray and abandoned animals, HOPE enforces the Michigan requirement that all animals are spayed or neutered before they can be adopted. HOPE also partners with local veterinarians to provide low-cost spay and neuter vouchers to help control the animal population.

At HOPE, there are separate rooms for cats and dogs, as well as isolation rooms for new arrivals. The dog room houses about 25 dogs, and the cat room can hold up to 30 cats if some are kittens. There is also a room for bathing the ani-

mals when they first arrive.

Donations are key to the operation, and the top of the organization's wish list includes spay/neuter donation funds; laundry detergent, bleach and dryer sheets; dog, puppy, cat and kitten food; dog and cat toys; cat litter (non-clumping); small cat beds; and dog leashes and collars. But what is most needed, according to officials are adopters.

The HOPE Animal Shelter is located at 590 Easy St., just south of U.S. 2 in the Ironwood Industrial Park. HOPE is open seven days a week, 365 days a year. Call 906-932-1511 for more information and hours of operation.

Gogebic-Ontonagon Community Action Agency offers much

The Gogebic-Ontonagon Community Action Agency is a non-profit organization that offers a variety of services to the community.

GOCAA's mission is as follows: "Improving the quality of life, reducing the causes of hardship, and building self-sufficiency for the people of Gogebic and Ontonagon counties."

GOCAA's main office is located at 100 S. Mill St. in Bessemer and is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The phone number is 906-667-0283. There are also offices in Ontonagon and Ewen. More information can be found at gocaa.org.

Nutrition-Health

GOCAA offers individuals age 60 and over both congregated and home-delivered meals that are nutritionally balanced. The meals meet one-third of the USDA-recommended daily allowance of vita-

mins and minerals needed for that age group. Meals are served at various locations throughout Gogebic and Ontonagon counties.

The commodity supplemental food program is a monthly food distribution program for income-eligible residents, age 60 and older, of both counties.

Light housekeeping, meal preparation and other basic household needs are offered. There is also help to keep an individual clean and comfortable, as well as respite, or time relief, for a primary caregiver of a home-bound elderly person.

Education-Families

GOCAA offers program services for pregnant women, as well as families with children aged 0-5 who meet income guidelines.

A home-based Early Head Start program is available to pregnant women and those with infants and children under the age of three. Weekly home visits provide sup-

port and guidance in parenting, as well as in child development.

Head Start programming is available for children who will turn three years old by Dec. 1, as well as those that will not turn five years old by Sept. 1 of the current year. Developmentally appropriate learning activities, free healthy meals, screenings and assessments are offered.

Programming is available in Gogebic and Ontonagon counties, with Head Start classroom sites located in Ironwood, Bessemer and Ontonagon. Currently, transportation is available only at the Ontonagon Head Start site, which is located within the Ontonagon public school. The school collaborates with the effort. Both programs include services for children with disabilities, as well as support for families to address their child's health, nutritional, dental and age-appropriate developmental needs. The programs strive to support family engagement within the school and community, and to build collaborative partnerships within the communities served.

The diaper bank program offers a free box of diapers monthly for children of all ages in both Gogebic and Ontonagon counties to income-qualified households. Diapers can be picked up at the Bessemer, Ontonagon and Ewen Community Action locations during business hours.

Household

The weatherization program assists income-eligible households with keeping the home comfortable and energy efficient. This program is available to homeowners, renters

and apartment dwellers.

Weatherization services include energy-saving measures such as attic, wall and basement insulation; air-sealing and caulking; door air-sealing and possible replacement; window air-sealing; replacement of inefficient refrigerators and water heaters; furnace and boiler evaluations and replacement if needed; installation of CO and smoke alarms; and other measures determined at an energy audit. Call 906-667-0283, ext. 21 or 22, for an over-the-phone home assessment. This is a federal grant program that is free to qualified clients.

GOCAA's housing program offers assistance to those at risk of homelessness. It can assist those who are homeless by offering short-term motel shelter and housing search assistance. This program also offers short-term rental assistance to families and individuals who need assistance getting into permanent housing if they qualify.

The millage household program offers deep housecleaning, yard work and snow shoveling for residents aged 60 and older.

Other Services

The local water utility affordability program offers assistance with delinquent water and sewer bills and/or plumbing repairs for metered clients to income-qualified households in both counties.

The incontinence products program provides a free box of incontinence products monthly for any adults that need them. They can be picked up at the Bessemer, Ewen and Ontonagon Community Action offices during normal business hours.

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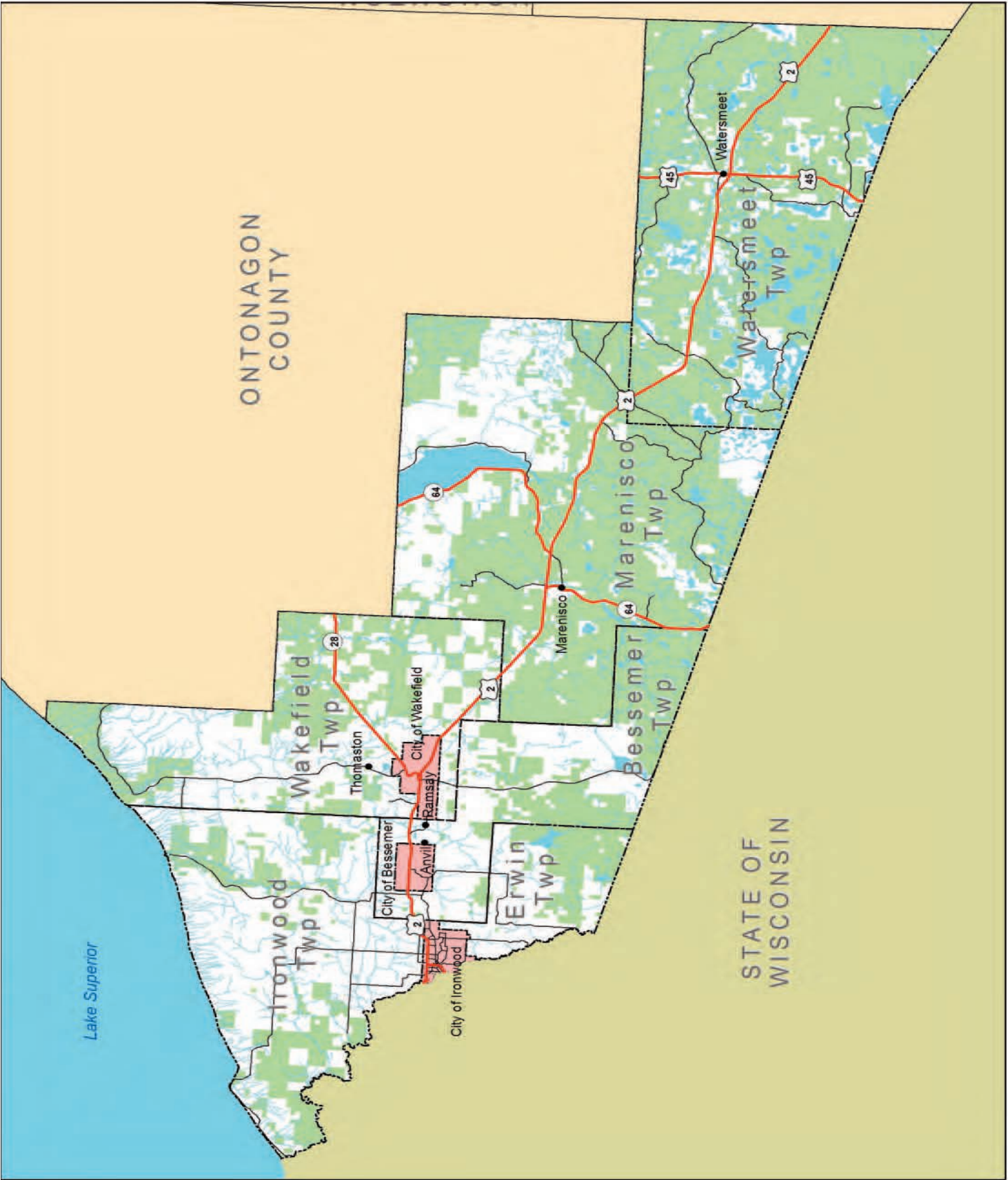
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Gogebic Range Snow Season Totals

2023-24: 66.3 in.
2022-23: 253.4
2021-22: 182.3
2020-21: 84.4
2019-20: 169.3
2018-19: 182.8

2017-18: 172.3
2016-17: 121.2
2015-16: 187.5
2014-15: 198.1
2013-14: 192.7
2012-13: 223.7



Michigan's elected officials

Editor's Note: U.S. Sen. Debbie Stabenow (D-MI) opted not to re-run for election this year. Several candidates representing both major parties will compete for her seat in the Nov. 5 election. U.S. Rep. Jack Bergman (R-Watersmeet) and State Rep. Greg Markkanen (R-Hancock) are running as incumbents to try to keep their seats, and they both also face competition in November.

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Wisconsin's elected officials

Editor's Note: U.S. Sen. Tammy Baldwin (D-WI), U.S. Rep. Tom Tiffany (R-Hazelhurst) and State Rep. Chanz Green (R-Grandview) all faced competition in Wisconsin's Aug. 13 primary election, for which results were unknown at the time this publication went to press.

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Wisconsin, Michigan invite insurance complaints

GOGEBIC RANGE — Michigan and Wisconsin each have state offices to which citizens may submit complaints regarding insurance.

Wisconsin's Office of the Commissioner of Insurance invites anyone with questions about insurance to contact that office.

In Michigan, the Department of Insurance and Financial Services has an Office of Consumer Services that processes insurance complaints in that state.

The Wisconsin insurance commissioner is responsible for administering and enforcing the

insurance laws of Wisconsin.

This includes monitoring the financial and marketing practices of individuals and companies. Each month, OCI publishes the administrative actions it has taken against these entities. The actions are issued by OCI when licensing applicants, or licensed individuals or companies, have violated Wisconsin insurance statutes or regulations.

Wisconsin citizens with concerns or complaints regarding an insurance company or agent can use an online complaint form on the insurance commissioner's website, oci.wi.gov, or they can call OCI at 1-800-236-8517.

In Michigan, DIFS' Office of Consumer Services can provide consumer information and investigate consumer complaints related to insurance, banks, credit unions, mortgages and other consumer fi-

nancial products. That office works to assist consumers in resolving insurance complaints whenever possible and also helps consumers understand their options.

Anyone unable to file a consumer complaint or health care appeal online may obtain a copy of the complaint form and then either may mail, email or fax it to DIFS.

Below are the types of complaints that can be filed only by email, fax or USPS mail:


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Iron County: Facts and figures

Iron County is located in northeast Wisconsin, along the shoreline of Lake Superior and bordering Gogebic County in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan. It also borders Ashland, Price, Vilas and Oneida counties in Wisconsin.

The county is predominately rural and is centrally located near Duluth, Minnesota; Marquette, Michigan; and Wausau, Wisconsin.

Major U.S. highways that run through the county include U.S. 51 and U.S. 2. Other state highways include WI-77, WI-122, WI-169, WI-47 and WI-182.

Distance between Iron County's county-seat of Hurley and:

Chicago	408
Duluth, Minn.	108
Milwaukee	310
Minneapolis	226
Green Bay	218
Wausau	124
La Crosse	238
Madison	264
Fargo, N.D.	361

About the land and its uses

Total area in county: Approximately 588,160 acres (919 square miles).

Forested land: Approximately 85% of the county, with northern hardwoods the largest forested type.

Non-forested land: About 15%.

County forest: The Iron County forest is the third largest county forest in the state, with 174,261 acres.

Surface water: Approximately 239,744 acres (374.6 square miles).

The county has 457 lakes (243 unnamed), eight flowages, 29 springs, 81 rivers and streams and eight miles of shoreline along Lake Superior.



MISS WISCONSIN Mandi Genord and **Iron County commissioners** William Thomas and Paul Mullard (Globe photo)

Places

County seat: Hurley

Two cities: Hurley and Montreal

10 towns: Anderson, Carey, Gurney, Kimball, Knight, Mercer, Oma, Pence, Saxon and Sherman.

Everyone in the state of Wisconsin lives in a city, town or village.

Population

Census	2020	2010	2000
Anderson	59	58	61
Carey	173	163	191
Gurney	140	159	158
Hurley	1,558	1,547	1,818
Kimball	490	498	540
Knight	206	211	284
Mercer	1,649	1,407	1,732
Montreal	801	807	838
Oma	319	298	355
Pence	161	163	198
Saxon	295	324	350
Sherman	286	290	336
Total	6,137	5,916	6,861

	Iron County	Wisconsin
2020 Census	6,137	5,893,718
People per square mile	8.1	108.8
2010 Census	5,916	5,686,986
2000 Census	6,861	5,363,675
1990 Census	6,153	4,891,769
1980 Census	6,730	4,705,767
1970 Census	6,533	4,417,821
1960 Census	7,830	3,951,777
1950 Census	8,714	3,434,575
1940 Census	10,049	3,137,587
1930 Census	9,933	2,939,006
1920 Census	10,261	2,632,067

Characteristics (2020 Census)

	Iron County	Wisconsin
Males	50.9%	50.2%
Females	49.1%	49.8%

Age

under 5 years	3.7%	5.3%
under 18 years	15.3%	21.6%
65 and over	30.6%	17.9%
Median age	55.3	40.1

Race

Caucasian	95.6%	86.6%
Hispanic or Latino	1.7%	7.6%
American Indian	1.7%	1.2%
African American	0.4%	6.6%
Asian	0.4%	3.2%

Households

Median household income	\$48,908	\$67,125
Below poverty rate	13.2%	10.8%
Without health care	5.6%	5.4%
Adults with:		
High school diploma	95.7%	88.9%
Bachelor's degree	23.0%	32.5%
Veterans	10.7%	6.6%



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Iron County Human Services offers help to community

Iron County Human Services provides a variety of aid to area residents, including economic support, preventative services, child care, behavioral health services, aging and disability services, finding assistance in cases of abuse, and more.

The department is located inside the Iron County Courthouse at 300 Taconite St., Suite 201, in Hurley. Some programs are run out of the Aging and Disability Resource Center building located at 307 3rd Ave. S. in Hurley.

For more information about services, call Iron County Human Services at 715-561-3636, the ADRC at 715-561-2108 or the ADRC of the North at 888-663-3607.

SERVICES

Adult services

Assistance includes elder abuse and adult at-risk investigations and support services, coordination of adult mental health and alcohol and drug services, protective placement and guardianship services.

Children and families services

Assistance includes child abuse/neglect investigations and services, youth justice services, placement and aftercare, crisis intervention, assistance for children with disabilities and foster care recruitment/licensing. To make a report of suspected child abuse/neglect during business hours, call 715-561-3636 and ask to speak to a children's worker. After hours, weekends and holidays, call the Iron County Sheriff's Office at 715-561-3800. Programs include mentoring, kinship care, Children's Long-Term Support, and a youth justice and truancy prevention program.

Prevention Services for youth

Iron County receives special funding by the state for prevention services. The services provided include:

- Youth mentoring for youth who qualify for this program
- Community Coalition to prevent or reduce AODA use among youth

– Support and assistance from other community coalitions in relation to their work with at-risk youth

– Coordinated Services Team

Economic Support Unit

The Northern IM Consortium is a partnership of 12 counties, including Ashland, Bayfield, Florence, Forest, Iron, Lincoln, Price, Rusk, Sawyer, Taylor, Vilas and Wood. Anyone living within these counties may contact the Northern IM Call Center to apply for benefits, report changes to cases, check benefits, process eligibility, complete reviews, or ask questions for the following programs: Medicaid, BadgerCare Plus, Medicaid Purchase Plan (MAPP), Qualified Medicare Beneficiary (QMB), Specified Low-Income Medicare Beneficiary (SLMB & SLMB+), Family Planning-Only Services, Long-Term Care, Family Care, FoodShare, Child Care and Wisconsin's Caretaker Supplement (CTS).

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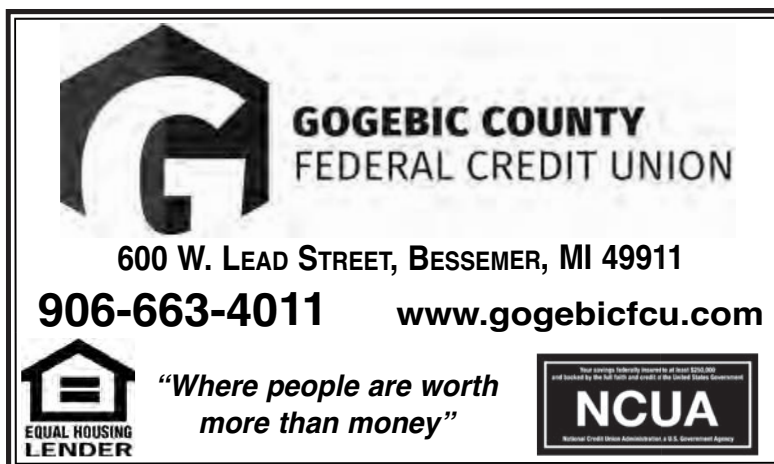
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You also can apply for these programs by mail or in person at the Iron County Human Services office.

Home Energy Plus

Energy assistance and weatherization services are provided under the Wisconsin Home Energy Assistance Program.

Applications are accepted from Oct. 1 to May 15. Contact Iron County Human Services at 715-561-3636, ext. 0, or by e-mail to adrier@iron-countywi.org or yatesj@ironcountyywi.org to set up an appointment or for information, including required documentation, income limits and application process.

Behavioral Health Services

Iron County is certified by the state of Wisconsin to provide alcohol and drug outpatient

counseling and mental health therapy. While the county maintains the status of the clinic, the county contracts with private organizations for therapists and other providers.

The clinic accepts Medicaid, Medicare and most private insurances.

Services to adults and children include Comprehensive Community Services (CCS), mental health therapy, the Community Support Program (CSP), substance use counseling, court-ordered intoxicated driver assessments and treatment, psychiatric assessments and medication management.

Aging and Disability Resource Center

The Aging and Disability Resource Center of offers older adults and individuals with disabilities and their family information and assistance to navigate the local community resources and state benefits.

For more information, call 866-663-3607 or visit adrc-n-wi.org.

Services include, but are not limited to, information and assistance, long-term care options counseling, short-term service coordination, enrollment counseling into publicly funded Medicaid programs, benefit counseling, prevention

and early intervention services, and transition services for youth with disabilities.

Iron County provides a wide array of Aging Services that include nutrition, family caregiver support program, volunteer driver program, specialized transportation service for elderly and disabled, and elderly benefit specialist services.

Wisconsin Works Program

Eligible residents who need helping finding or keeping a job, or help applying for Supplemental Security Income, are eligible for the Wisconsin Works, or W-2, program.

The program is available to low-income parents with minor children who meet eligibility requirements and who are willing to work to their ability.

Each W-2 eligible participant meets with a financial and employment planner, who helps the individual develop an employability plan.

Qualified residents also may be eligible for monthly cash payments while working with the W-2 program to look for a job or to do other activities that will help them get a job or SSI.

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IRON COUNTY

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County seat: Hurley
Total area: 757.23 square miles
Land area: 595.22 square miles (78.6%)
Water area: 162.01 square miles (21.4%)

Population

2020 census: 6,137
2010 census: 5916
2000 census: 6,861

Hurley

Population: 1,506
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Elevation: 1,493 feet
2010 Census: 1,547
2000 Census: 1,818

Mercer

Population: 1,445
(2020)
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Longitude:
90.0633 W
Elevation: 1,611 feet
2010 Census: 1,547

Montreal

Population: 795
(2020)
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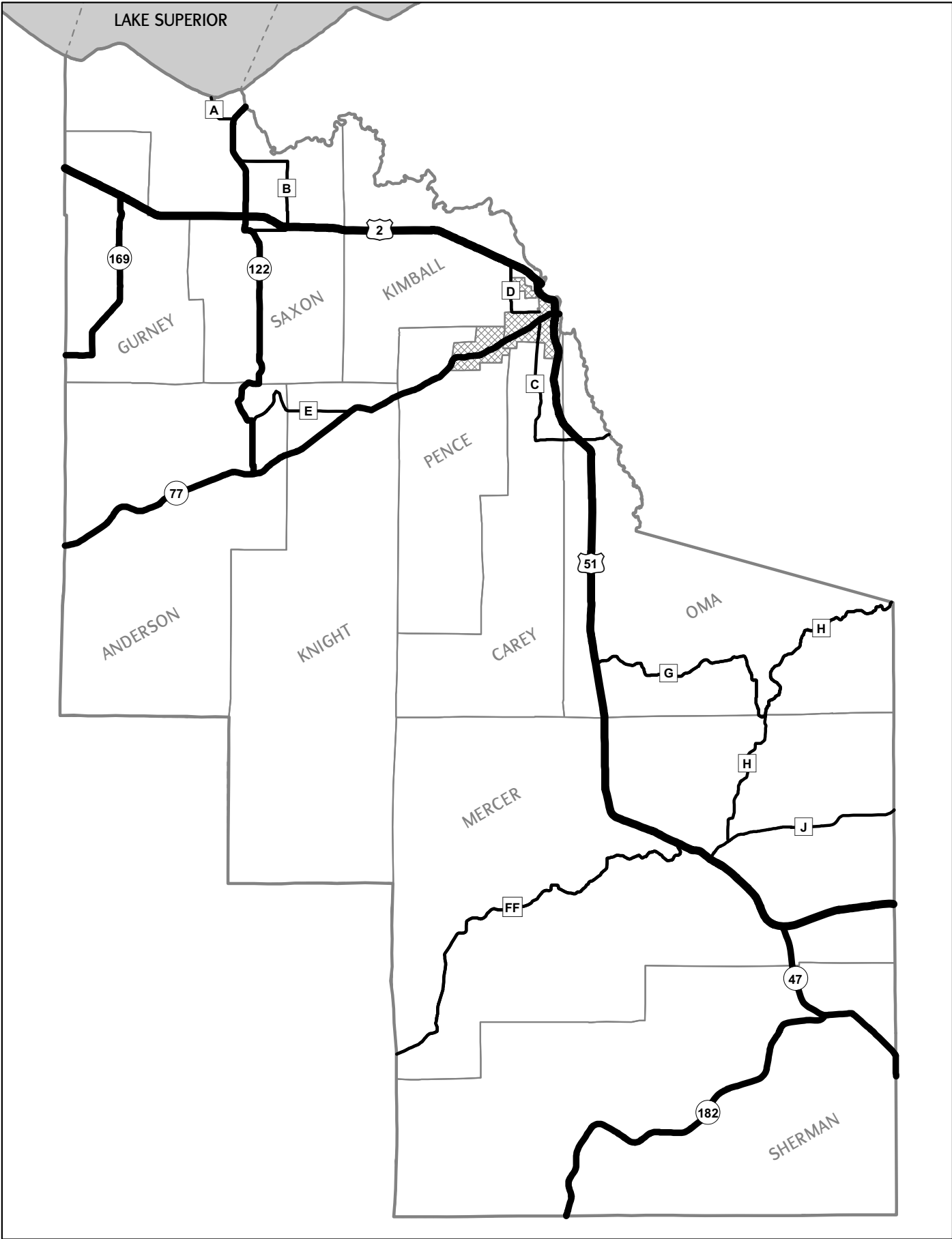
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The Iron County Health Department in Hurley (Globe photo)

Iron County Health Department services

The Iron County Health Department serves the residents of Iron County by promoting health, protecting the environment and preventing disease and injury.

This department features a variety of programs and services for residents of all ages.

The Iron County Health Department is located at 210 5th Ave. N. in Hurley.

For more information, call 715-561-2191, visit the department’s web-site – ironcountypublichealth.org – or the ICHD Facebook page. Programs and services offered include the following:

Family Health Programs

- Immunizations for children and adults
- Wisconsin Well Women Program Prenatal care coordination WIC
- Child passenger safety education and car seat inspection
- Breastfeeding education and support
- Birth to 3 program
- Lead testing

Reproductive Health Programs

- Routine reproductive exams and services
- Pregnancy testing
- STD testing and treatment
- Contraceptive supplies

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- Radon test kits
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- Human health hazard investigations
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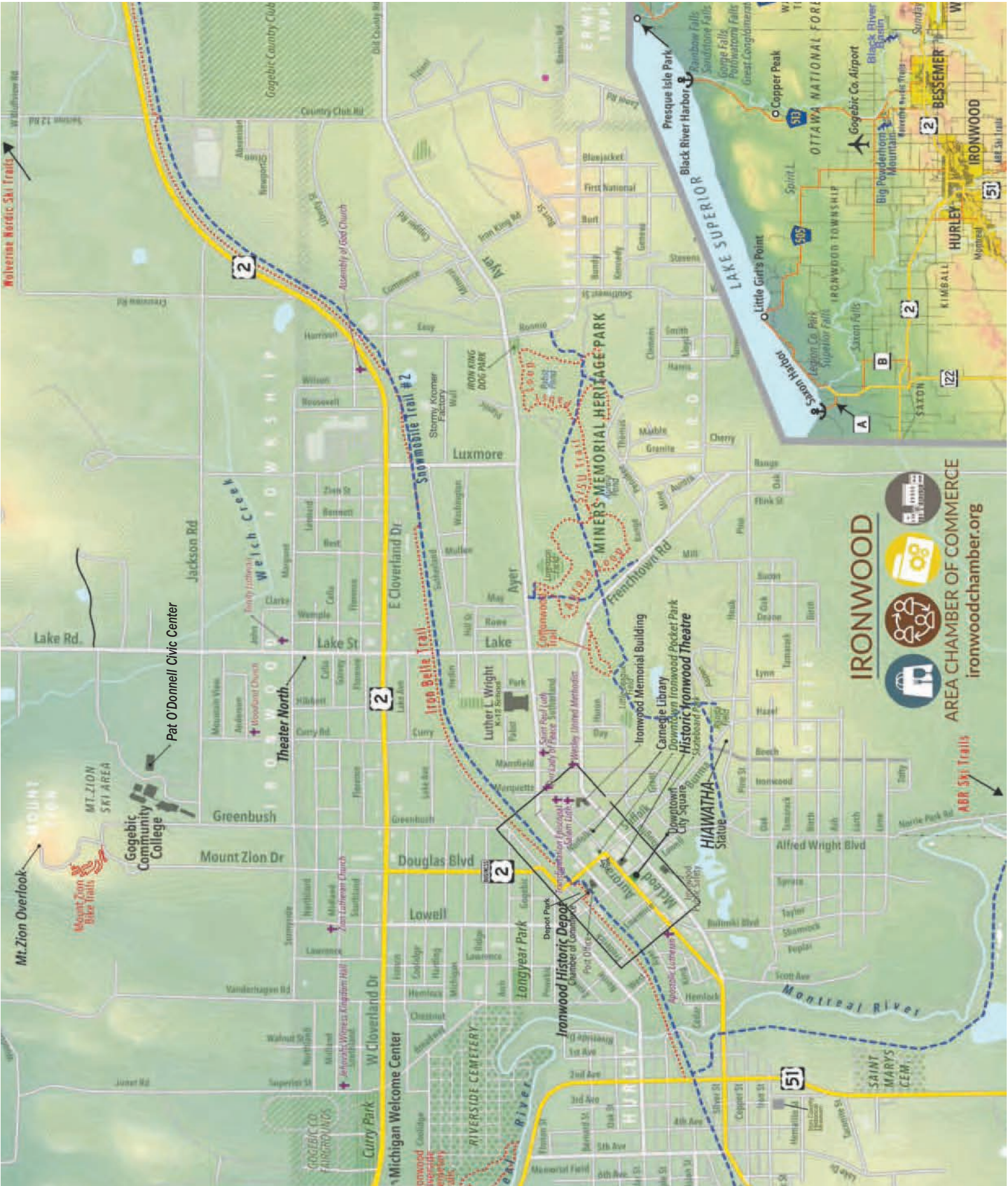
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Weekdays	\$925	\$1,250
Weekends	\$1,350	\$1,725
Holidays	\$1,350	\$1,725
Winter months	\$1,500	\$1,600
Cremains		
Weekdays	\$600	\$800
Weekends	\$900	\$1,100
Winter	\$1,500	\$1,600

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*Winter months are December through March
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Iron County Courthouse

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 - Deputy Treasurer Debra Massoglia, 715-561-2883

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 - Chief Deputy Jason Geach, 715-561-3800
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 - Zoning Administrator Erika Roeder, 715-561-5414
 - Veterans Services Director Erick Nasi, 715-561-2190
 - Emergency Government Director Stacy Ofstad, 715-561-3266
 - Coroner Robert Barnabo, 715-561-3800
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 - Circuit Court Clerk, Karen Ransanici, 715-561-4084
 - Register in Probate Rachel Peck
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UW-Extension office provides many services

The University of Wisconsin-Madison Division of Extension, Iron County is a partnership among the University of Wisconsin, the Iron County Board of Supervisors, state and federal governments and community organizations.

Extension staff are community-based educators who teach university resources in formal and informal settings. Extension programs address a variety of subjects and projects such as youth development, horticulture, community development and nutrition education.

At the core of all Extension programs is the goal to create and link a vibrant community and university faculty across the state and region.

Extension also provides access to independent learning courses through the University of Wisconsin System, along with audio and video conferencing and Extension media collections and publications.

The Extension office is located inside the

Community Development

Economic development
Grant writing assistance
Technology and cybersecurity training
Meeting facilitation
Research assistance
Community surveys

FoodWise Program

Nutrition and health education
Food Safety and safe food preparation
Food security and budgeting education
Health coalition and policy support
Serving low-income audiences

Horticulture and Agriculture

Soil tests

Disease, insect and plant diagnostics
Gardening and local food presentations
Northwoods Yard & Garden newsletters

Youth Development

4-H clubs and projects
Youth engagement
Youth-adult partnerships
Volunteer development
Youth summer camp
Youth running and ski clubs

Resources available upon request

Food preservation equipment and materials lent to community members for free
Iron County Mobile Food Pantry
Youth and adult snowshoe rentals

Iron County Courthouse at 300 Taconite St., Suite 118 in Hurley. The office is open Monday through Thursday, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 11 a.m.

For more information, call the Extension office at 715-561-2695 or 888-561-2695, or visit iron.extension.wisc.edu for an updated staff directory.

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2024 IRON COUNTY Fair pie auction (Globe photo)

Iron County

CARY ROAD PARK

Cary Road

Hurley

715-561-4715

Play equipment, bathrooms, pavilion, picnic area, ball fields, sand volleyball and bocce ball courts. Walking trail.

GILE PARK

Park Street

Gile

715-561-3841

Play equipment, bathrooms, pavilion, picnic area, swimming area, boat launch, fishing, camping on islands.

KIMBALL TOWN PARK

Town Park Drive

Kimball

715-561-2993

Picnic area, pavilion, swings, restrooms,

volleyball court, basketball court, walking trail, fishing and a handicapped accessible fishing deck.

LAKE OF THE FALLS

County FF on Turtle Flambeau Flowage

Mercer

715-329-0826

Features a 40-acre, 30-spot campground with a boat launch area, fishing, pavilion, fireplaces, picnic tables, electricity and drinking water.

MERCER CAROW PARK

County J

Mercer

715-476-2403

Located on Grand Portage Lake, features picnic area with tables, pavilion, restrooms, ballfields, playground and swimming beach.

OMA TOWN PARK

West of U.S. 51 on County G on Pine Lake

Oma

715-561-4704

Pavilion, picnic area, play equipment, boat ramp, fishing, swimming.

POTATO RIVER FALLS

Falls Road off Wisconsin 169

Gurney

715-561-2697

Hiking trails, picnic area, camping, trout fishing and waterfalls, as well as pit toilets.

RICCELLI PARK

Poplar Street

Hurley

715-561-4715

Play equipment, bathrooms, pavilion, picnic area, basketball court, ball fields.



Wakefield's Eddy Park, next to Sunday Lake (Globe photo)

Iron County

SANDY BEACH LAKE

South of Manitowish Waters off Wisconsin 47 on Powell Marsh Road

Sherman

715-385-2727

110-acre lake with boat launch, swimming beach, park, fishing, 37 rustic camping sites.

SAXON HARBOR

County A

Saxon

715-893-2370

Lake Superior harbor with boat and kayak launch, 81 slips, picnic area, pavilion, bathrooms, park and campground with 27 campsites.

SCHOMBERG PARK

U.S. 51 between Mercer and Hurley.

715-329-0826

Camping with electricity, toilets, showers, fire rings, a pavilion and picnic area, ATV trail access, wash station and a trailhead parking lot with a loading ramp.

SHAY'S MILL DAM

Fisher Lake Road

Mercer

Hiking trails, a picnic area, fire pits, camping, toilets and a boat launch.

TURTLE FLAMBEAU FLOWAGE

Various landings off County F and FF, Wisconsin highways 47 and 182

Mercer, Sherman

715-476-2240

19,000 acres of water, 212 miles of shoreline, 35,500 acres of public land, 16 natural lakes. Camping, boating, fishing and picnic areas. Maps available at Mercer Ranger Station. dnr.wisconsin.gov

UPSON COMMUNITY PARK

Upson Park Road

715-561-2096

Features picnic area, camping, trout fishing, waterfalls, a picnic area and restrooms. ATV trail accessible.

WEBER LAKE

County E

Iron Belt

715-561-2697

Ten acres of camping with electricity and fireplaces, swimming with a picnic area, pavilion, rest and changing rooms, boat launch ramps and fishing.



Volunteers on the North Country Trail (Globe photo)

North Country Trail

As the longest trail in the National Trail System, the North Country National Scenic Trail stretches 4,600 miles from the New York-Vermont border to North Dakota – including running through parts of Gogebic and Ontonagon counties and Iron County, Wisconsin.

Marked by blue blazes along the route, the North Country Trail offers an excellent route to explore many of the area's forests and waterfalls.

The roughly 40 miles of trail in Iron County is a mix of on-road and off-road hiking between Copper Falls State Park in Ashland County and the Michigan border near Superior Falls. The North Country Trail's website describes the section as running

through a "land of waterfalls and rock outcrops" and being moderately difficult.

Once in Michigan, the trail continues east toward Airport and Black River roads before going off-road near Copper Peak. The trail runs north to Black River Harbor before crossing the river and heading east toward M-64 and the Porcupine Mountains.

The section of the trail in the Western Upper Peninsula is rated as difficult, although this varies, depending on where in the 192 miles between the state border and the Marquette/Baraga county line people are hiking.

More information on the trail can be found at northcountrytrail.org.

Gogebic County

ART PARK

Aurora Street
Ironwood
906-932-5050

A small downtown Ironwood park dedicated to displaying and experiencing art.

BLACK RIVER HARBOR

County Road 513
Ironwood Township
906-932-1330

Black River Harbor is part of the Ottawa National Forest and includes a campground with 40 sites, toilets and drinking water, picnic and grilling areas, pavilion and access to the North Country Trail along the Black River and several scenic waterfalls.

BLUFF VALLEY PARK

North Moore Street
Bessemer
906-663-4311

Located at the base of one of the bluffs that overlook the city. Pavilion with restrooms. Kitchen rental available. Picnic area, play equipment, pond and walking path.

BOBCAT LAKE

Marenisco Township
906-932-1330

Campground three miles southeast of Marenisco is managed by Ottawa National Forest and offers 11 campsites, picnic tables, water, toilets and boat ramp. Day use area offers sandy beach, picnic tables, toilets and changing house.

BURNED DAM

Watersmeet Township
906-358-4724

Campground nine miles east of Watersmeet is managed by Ottawa National Forest and is a short walk from Mex-i-mine Falls. No services.

CURRY PARK

U.S. 2-Cloverland Drive
Ironwood
906-932-5050

RV campsites, including nine full service hookups, modern toilets and a sanitation station, as well as playground equipment.



Ottawa National Forest (Globe photo)

DEPOT PARK

Lowell Street
Ironwood
906-932-5050

Depot Park is between Lowell and Suffolk streets, just north of downtown. Includes the former Chicago and North Western railroad depot, which is now home to the Ironwood Area Historical Society and the Ironwood Chamber of Commerce. Park includes fountain, pavilion with bathrooms, picnic area, play equipment and sand volleyball court. Access to snowmobile-ATV trail and Iron Belle non-motorized trail.

DOWNTOWN CITY SQUARE

Corner of Aurora and Lowell
Ironwood
906-932-5050

Outdoor stage, fire pit, picnic tables and benches, splash pad, electric car charging station.

ETHNIC COMMONS PARK

Mary Street

Bessemer
906-663-4311

Located downtown between Sophie and Moore streets. Picnic area includes flags of various nations that played a major role in the area's heritage.

HENRY LAKE

Marenisco Township
906-932-1330

Campground nine miles southwest of Marenisco is managed by Ottawa National Forest and offers 11 campsites, picnic tables, water, toilets, boat landing and fishing pier.

HIAWATHA PARK

Burma Road
Ironwood
906-932-5050

Statue of Hiawatha rises above the tree-line on a parcel of land bordered by Burma Road, Houk Street and Beech Street. Pavilion and picnic area.

Gogebic County

IMP LAKE

Watersmeet Township
906-358-4724
Campground 6 miles southeast of Watersmeet is managed by Ottawa National Forest and offers 11 campsites, picnic tables, water, toilets and boat ramp.

IRON BELLE TRAIL

Paved non-motorized trail from Ironwood to Ramsay is part of a planned statewide trail from Ironwood to Detroit’s Belle Isle. Trail crosses to Hurley over Montreal River on former Soo Line Railroad bridge.

IRON KING DOG PARK

Corner of Ayer Street and Bonnie Street
Ironwood
906-932-5050
Fenced dog park is at the eastern end of the Miners Memorial Heritage Park.

IRONWOOD TOWNSHIP BALL FIELD

Lake Road
Ironwood Township
906-932-5800
Ball field is behind the township hall on the corner of Lake and Sunset roads. Tennis courts and play equipment.

LAKE AND AYER PARK

Lake and Ayer streets
Ironwood
906-932-5050
Play equipment and picnic area.

LAKE GOGEBIC COUNTY PARK

N. 8598 M-64
Marenisco
906-663-4428
Features 53 camping sites, restrooms, picnic area, pavilion, playground, swimming area.



A bluff view from Bessemer’s Bluff Valley Park (Globe photo)

PARKS & RECREATION



2024 GOGEBIC County Fair (Globe photo)

LAKE GOGEBIC STATE PARK

N. 9995 M-64
Near Marenisco
906-842-3341

Featuring a beach, boat launch, picnic area, restrooms, hiking, paddling and 117 campsites, 105 which are modern and 12 of which are rustic.

LANGFORD LAKE

Marenisco Township
906-932-1330

Campground 11 miles southeast of Marenisco is managed by Ottawa National Forest and offers 11 campsites, picnic tables, water, toilets and boat ramp.

LITTLE GIRL'S POINT COUNTY PARK

County Road 519
Ironwood Township
906-663-4428

Features a beach and 31 campsites, 28 of which have electricity.

LONGYEAR PARK

Hemlock Street
Ironwood
906-932-5050

A residential city block bordered by Hemlock, Gogebic, Lawrence and Arch streets. Play equipment, picnic area and band shell.

LOST LAKE

Ironwood Township
906-932-5800

Located on Lake Road. Features picnic shelter, beach, fishing pier on what is also known as Spirit Lake.

MARENISCO MEMORIAL PARK

Marenisco Township
906-787-2463

Pavilion with restrooms, picnic area and play equipment. Parking for ATV trailers and access to trails.

MARION LAKE

Watersmeet Township
906-358-4724

Campground four miles southeast of Watersmeet is managed by Ottawa National Forest and offers 39 campsites, picnic tables, water, toilets and boat ramp.

MCDONALD LAKE COUNTY PARK

McDonald Dam Road
Erwin Township
906-663-4428

Rustic campground features three sites for tents, picnic tables.

MEMORY LANE ROADSIDE PARK

U.S. 2
Bessemer

906-663-4311

Located on the east end of town on U.S. 2. Dedicated in 1949, the park honors those who served their country. Includes picnic area and restrooms.

MINERS MEMORIAL HERITAGE PARK

Ayer Street
Ironwood
906-932-5050

Various trailheads, including one along Ayer Street at Lorenson Baseball Field. Wooded trails for walking and mountain biking.

MOOSEHEAD LAKE

Marenisco Township
906-932-1330

Campground 10 miles southeast of Marenisco is managed by Ottawa National Forest and offers 13 campsites, picnic tables, water, toilets and boat ramp.

MOUNT ZION OVERLOOK

Greenbush Road
Ironwood
906-932-5050

Located on the top of Mount Zion on the campus of Gogebic Community College, where an expansive view can be appreciated from a deck amidst a woodsy setting with picnic tables.

PARKS & RECREATION

NORRIE PARK

Norrie Park Road
Ironwood
906-932-5050

Located along the Montreal River. Pavilion, picnic areas, walking trail, play equipment, bathrooms and disc golf course.

OTTAWA NATIONAL PARK

Headquarters
U.S. 2, Ironwood
906-932-1330

Covering nearly a million acres in the Western Upper Peninsula, the Ottawa National Forest has 22 campgrounds with a wide range of camping experiences.

POCKET PARK

Aurora & Suffolk Streets
Ironwood
906-932-5050

Located on the corner of Aurora and Suffolk streets in downtown Ironwood includes flower gardens and park benches.

POMEROY LAKE

Marenisco Township
906-932-1330

Campground eight miles southeast of Marenisco is managed by Ottawa National Forest and offers 17 campsites, picnic tables, water, toilets and boat ramp.

RAMSAY MEMORIAL PARK

Bessemer Township
906-667-0333

Nestled along the Black River just south of the Keystone Bridge, the park features picnic area, pavilion and playground.

ROBBINS POND

Watersmeet Township
906-358-4724

Campground 10 miles north of Watersmeet is managed by Ottawa National Forest and offers three campsites. No services.

SUNDAY LAKE PARK AND CAMPGROUND

Sunday Lake
Wakefield
906-229-5131

Wakefield's Eddy Park has two pavilions, a playground, beach and a campground that is open from Memorial Day weekend through the end of September.

SYLVANIA WILDERNESS AND RECREATION AREA

Watersmeet Township
906-358-4404

The Sylvania Wilderness encompasses 18,327 acres of primitive lands and is part of the National Wilderness Preservation System. Visitors can camp in 50 designated campsites. Visitors enjoy endless canoeing, fishing, hiking and wildlife viewing opportunities. Sylvania is part of the Ottawa National Forest.

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RESOURCE GUIDE

ABUSE

Gogebic County Human Services Department
301 E. Lead St., Bessemer, 906-663-6200

Iron County Human Services
300 Taconite Street, Hurley, 715-561-3636

Domestic Violence, Stalking, Sexual Assault DOVE Inc.

906-932-4990 or 800-711-6744 dove-inc.net
Services include:

- 24-hour crisis line 906-932-0310
- 24-hour emergency shelter
- Advocacy
- Counseling
- Education and prevention
- Emergency response
- Group support
- Information and referrals
- Legal advocacy
- Volunteer opportunities

ADOPTION

U.P. Kids

57 Huron Houghton, MI 49931
906-482-0520

AGING

Aging and Disability Resource Center of the North

307 3rd Ave. South, Hurley, 866-663-3607,
adrc-n-wi.org

American Association of Retired Persons
888-687-2277, aarp.org

Association of Mature American Citizens
888-262-2006, amac.us

Gogebic-Ontonagon Community Action Agency

100 S. Mill St. Bessemer, 906-667-0283,
gocaa.org

Iron County Senior Center

308 3rd Av. S., Hurley, 715-561-2108

Michigan Office of Services to the Aging

P.O. Box 30676, Lansing, MI 48909, 517-241-4100, michigan.gov/osa

Social Security Administration

213 S. Marquette St., Ironwood, 800-325-0778 or 906-932-4034, ssa.gov

AIDS

Vivent Health

Board of Trade Building, 1507 Tower Ave., Suite 230, Superior, WI 54880, 715-394-4009 or 877-242-0282, viventhealth.org

Services include:

- Intensified confidential and anonymous HIV testing and counseling
- Early intervention program, providing newly diagnosed individuals with referrals to local primary care physicians and obtaining financial assistance for medical care.
- Case management, financial assistance, housing and utility assistance, legal assistance, clinical drug trials, public benefits planning, emotional and practical support, networking and referrals.

ALCOHOL, OTHER DRUG ABUSE

Alcoholics Anonymous

Gogebic County, 906-932-0250, area74.org
Iron County, 715-339-2012

Memorial Medical Center

1615 Maple Lane, Ashland, 715-685-5500

Northland Counseling Services

Iron County HSD & Associates 300 Taconite St., Hurley, 715-561-3636 northlandcounselingsvcs.com

Phoenix House

Outpatient Counseling 101 E Mary St., Bessemer, 906-663-2141 phoenixhousebessemer@gmail.com phoenixhouse.com

Providing substance abuse/mental health counseling, driver's license and alcohol/drug assessments, lethality assessment & drug/DWI court monitoring OWI.

ALZHEIMER'S

Alzheimer's Assoc. of Greater Wisconsin

Rhineland Outreach Office 8A W. Davenport St. Suite 224, Rhineland, WI 54501, 715-352-4091, alz.org/wi

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Ironwood Twp. 49938
Bessemer 49911
Bessemer Twp. 49959
Ramsay 49959
Erwin Twp. 49938
Wakefield 49968
Wakefield Twp. 49968
Marenisco Twp. 49947
Watersmeet Twp. 49969

Iron County

Hurley 54534
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Gile 54525
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Gurney 54528
Anderson 54565
Carey 54534
Pence 54550
Knight 54536
Sherman 54552
Mercer 54547
Oma 54534

Phone Prefixes

Gogebic County

Area code 906

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Ironwood Twp. 932, 364
Bessemer 663, 667
Bessemer Twp. 663, 667
Ramsay 663, 667
Erwin Twp. 932, 364
Wakefield 224, 229
Wakefield Twp. 224, 229
Marenisco Twp. 787, 842
Watersmeet Twp. 358, 366

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Area code 715

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Mercer 476, 776
Oma 561



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peanimalshelter.org

BUDGETING

Gogebic-Ontonagon Community Action
Agency 100 S. Mill St., Bessemer, 906-667-
0283 gocaa.org
University of Wisconsin-Extension—Iron
County Courthouse
300 Taconite St. Suite 118, Hurley, 715-561-
2695, iron.uwex.edu

BLOODMOBILE

American Red Cross
Badger-Hawkeye Region
800-733-2767

U.P. Regional Blood Center
Marquette General Hospital
906-225-4610

CHILDCARE

4C of Upper Peninsula
Great Start Regional Resource Center Child-
care referral agency, 906-228-3362, greatstart-
toquality.org

Northwest Connection Family Resources
15896 W. 3rd St., Hayward, 800-733-5437,
wisconsinchild.org

Iron County W-2 Childcare Program
300 Taconite St., Hurley, 715-561-3636

Kids Club
Hurley K-12 School 5503 West Range View
Drive, Hurley, 715-561-4900

Veteran Organizations

American Legion

Ironwood American Legion Post 5
and Auxiliary, Memorial Building.
Bessemer Peter Gedda-Francis
American Legion Post 27 and Auxiliary,
209 N. Moore St.; 906-667-0422.

Wakefield American Legion Geroux
Post 11 and Auxiliary, 605 River St.; 906-
229-5222.

Marenisco American Legion Post
523, 101 Memorial Drive, Marenisco, MI
49947.

Watersmeet American Legion Post
417, P.O. Box 491, Watersmeet, MI 49969.

Hurley American Legion Post 35 and
Auxiliary, 201 Iron St.; 715-561-5737.

Saxon Mercier-Kero American Legion
Post 371 and Auxiliary, meets at Saxon
Community Center; 715-893-2333.

Mercer Area American Legion Post
424 and Auxiliary; meets at VFW club-
house on Old U.S. 51 near U.S. 51; 715-
476-2210.

Veterans of Foreign Wars

Bessemer VFW Post 3673, W. Lead
St.; 906-667-0812.

Wakefield VFW Post 9084 and Auxil-
iary, W. U.S. 2; 906-224-3071.

Iron County (Hurley) VFW Post 1580
and Auxiliary, 201 Iron St., 715-561-5737.

Mercer-Manitowish Waters VFW Post
9536, meets at clubhouse on Old U.S. 51
near U.S. 51; 715-476-2210.

Others

Disabled American Veterans, North-
land Chapter 66, meets at Bessemer VFW
Post; 906-667-0812.

Vietnam Veterans of America, Goge-
bic-Iron Range Chapter 529, meets at 507
Hematite St., Hurley; 906-561-3006.

Great Start to Quality U.P. Resource Center
104 Coles Drive, Suite F, Marquette, 877-
614-7328 or 906-228-3362, greatstarttoquality.org

CLOTHING

Iron County Food Pantry
72 Michigan Ave., Montreal, 715-561-4450

New Beginnings Resale Store
130 W. Aurora St., Ironwood, 906-932-7472

Northwest Community Services
Superior, Wis., 715-392-5127

St. Vincent De Paul
103 North Case St., Bessemer, 906-663-0089

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Cemeteries

Michigan

Ironwood — Riverside Cemetery, Broadway and Hemlock; 906-932-4441.

Ironwood Township — Sunset Acres Cemetery, Airport Road; 906-932-8446.

Bessemer — Hillcrest Cemetery, Clayberg and Cinnabar streets; 906-663-4831.

Wakefield — Lakeside Cemetery, Old U.S. 2 and Cemetery Road; 906-229-5131.

Watersmeet — Watersmeet Township Cemetery, Old U.S. 2 and Rosemont Avenue; 906-358-4501.

Wisconsin

Hurley — Hurley City Cemetery, U.S. 51, across from courthouse; 715-561-4715.

Hurley — St. Mary's Cemetery (Catholic), U.S. 51, across from courthouse; 715-561-2606.

Hurley — Sharey Zedek (Jewish), U.S. 51, across from courthouse; 715-561-4715.

Mercer — Mercer Cemetery, Beachway Drive, Mercer Lake; 715-476-2403.

Iron Belt — Hillside Cemetery, Wisconsin 77 and County E; 715-561-2091.

Upsan — Greenwood Cemetery (Protestant), Wisconsin 122; 715-561-3501.

Upsan — Calvary Cemetery (Catholic), Wisconsin 122; 715-561-3501.

Saxon — Lakeview Cemetery, U.S. 2, west of Wisconsin 122; 715-893-2245.

Gurney — Edgewood Cemetery, Wisconsin 169, near U.S. 2; 715-893-2315.

COUNSELING

Advocate Counseling

101 E. Mary St., Suite 5, Bessemer, advocatecounseling.org, 906-285-2738

Mental Health Crisis Line

Iron County, 866-317-9362, familyservicesnew.org/crisis-center

NorthLakes Community Clinic

115 5th Ave. N., Hurley, 715-329-1334, nlccwi.org

Northland Counseling Services

300 Taconite St., Hurley, 715-561-3636, northlandcounselingsvcs.com

DISABILITIES

Aging and Disability Resource Center of the North

307 3rd Ave. South, Hurley, 866-663-3607, adrc-n-wi.org

Services for adults 60-plus, adults with physical or developmental disabilities, adults with mental health or substance abuse concerns and families and caregivers:

- Adult protective services
- Long-term care options counseling
- Elderly and disabilities counseling
- Emergency referrals
- Health promotion, prevention, early intervention
- Short-term care management

Disability Rights Wisconsin

Rice Lake, Wisconsin, 715-736-1232 or 800-928-8778 disabilityrightswi.org

Highline Corporation

100 Cary Road, Hurley, 715-561-4515, highlinecorp.org

- Services:
- Community support programs
 - Vocational rehab & employment services
 - Day service program
 - School-to-work transition program
 - Recreational opportunities
 - Transportation services

Katie Beckett Program

608-266-1865

North Country Independent Living

2911 Tower Ave., Suite 9, Superior, Wisconsin. Services to people with disabilities. 800-924-1220

EARLY CHILDHOOD

Hurley Head Start

205 5th Ave S., Hurley, 715-561-2365

GOCAA Head Start

Serving Gogebic and Ontonagon Counties 304 E. Iron St., Bessemer, 906-663-4302 gocaa.org

Great Start Programs in U.P.

906-228-3362 or 877-614-7328 greatstarttoquality.org

EASTER SEALS

Children behavioral health and early intervention, 800-75-SEALS, easterseals.com/michigan

ELECTRIC CAR CHARGING STATION

An electric car charging station is located in the Ironwood Downtown City Square along McLeod Avenue. There are two plugs.

FOOD

Gogebic-Ontonagon Community Action Agency

100 S. Mill St., Bessemer, 906-667-0283 gocaa.org. Food programs: commodities for seniors and families with children under 6 who don't receive WIC and quarterly emergency food assistance program.

Iron County Food Pantry

72 Michigan Ave., Montreal, 715-561-4450

Iron County Mobile Food Pantry

UW-Extension Office, 715-561-2695

Meals on Wheels, Senior Meals

Iron County Aging Services — Hurley: 715-561-2108; Saxon: 893-2333; Mercer: 476-2113

Mercer Area Food Pantry

2657 Railroad St., Mercer, 715-476-7655

St. Vincent De Paul Food Pantry

Bessemer, 906-663-4436

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