

Grantees Cohort 24-26



Cohort 24

Carson Valley Children's Aid (CVCA) Norristown Family and Housing Resource Center

Parents as Teachers
(610) 279-2755
www.CVCA-PA.org

CVCA's grant provides Parents as Teachers (PAT) to young parents in the greater Norristown area.

Enrolled families receive:

- An initial home visit focusing on relationship building, engagement and assessment*
- Bi-monthly in-home PAT visits with parent and child together and additional contacts if needed*
- Monthly individual session with each parent focusing on their development
- Monthly parent/child activity*
- Quarterly teen only groups
- Ages and Stages Developmental screening for enrolled children*
- Concrete assistance such as clothing, diapers, emergency food, and holiday gifts
- Seasonal family events such as holiday parties
- Referrals to additional community services

**Essential PAT program requirements*

Employment Opportunity and Training Center of Northeastern Pennsylvania

Parents as Teachers
(570) 348-6484
www.EOTCworks.org

Children's Trust Fund (CTF) funds are being used to address significant needs among families referred by the Scranton School District to the Parents as Teachers (PAT) program. PAT is a home-based, early childhood curriculum that supports the parent's role in promoting early learning. Several years ago, parent educators identified a need for additional support for PAT families.

As a result, funding was obtained from the Children's Trust Fund making it possible to provide supplemental intensive case management for children and/or parents identified as "high need." Parent Educators can attend meetings and appointments with families, make referrals and provide additional support.

H.A.N.D.S. of Wyoming County

Parents as Teachers
(570) 836-2350

www.WyomingCountyFamilyResourceCenter.org

H.A.N.D.S. (Helping Area Needs for Diverse (Early Childhood) Services) of Wyoming County was started in 2002. The mission of H.A.N.D.S is designed to meet the following priorities:

- To promote positive child development through effective parenting, early intervention, and outreach services
- To support and preserve the family unit as the foundation for success for children.
- To assure healthy development and health services for children.
- To provide a seamless, comprehensive, and easily accessed network of services.
- To provide support to the educators working with children and families on a daily basis.
- To commit to promoting school readiness.

H.A.N.D.S of Wyoming County is an official affiliate of the Parents as Teachers (PAT) Program. The PAT curriculum focuses on building parental self-esteem and empowering parents to be their child's first and most important teacher.

Jewish Family and Children's Services of Greater Philadelphia

Incredible Years
(267) 273-4223

www.JFCSphilly.org

The Early Positive Parenting Program at Jewish Family and Children's Service of Greater Philadelphia provides comprehensive services to parents and families of children in Head Start centers and day care centers throughout the North Philadelphia area.

Families have the opportunity to participate in the evidence-based curriculum Incredible Years. The Incredible Years curriculum aims to teach parenting skills that include building strong relationships with your child, positive reinforcement, setting limits, the importance of play and more. Our educators meet with families once per week for 12 weeks. Our program offers a small group setting of four to ten participants per session.

In addition to our parenting education sessions, Jewish Family and Children's Service of Greater Philadelphia offers a case management component to ensure efficacy and continuity of services and outcomes.

Turning Points for Children
Nurturing Fathers Parenting Program
(215) 875-8200
www.TurningPointsForChildren.org

Turning Points for Children's Strengthening Families program focuses specifically on parent education for fathers, both teens and adults, within the community of Southwest Philadelphia. Our father-specific parenting education is an intentional effort to recognize and engage fathers in order to strengthen their relationship with and improve outcomes for their children. Through our programs, our fathers access resources that support them in their quest to develop more nurturing, effective parenting skills. The program has also provided a platform for participants to share their life experiences and establish a network of support that can help them realize their potential as parents and attain goals.

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Community Action Program of Somerset County – The Family Center
Parents as Teachers
(814) 662-2721

Working under the auspices of Community Action Partnership for Somerset County, The Family Center offers comprehensive home visits using the evidence-based Parents as Teachers (PAT) curriculum to families struggling with substance abuse in Somerset County. By integrating the Protective Factors within PAT, the Family Center provides developmental screenings, weekly group connections, and referrals to community-based supports and services. The Family Center has a strong collaborative relationship with the Day Reporting Center (DRC) and adult probation which is a center for first-time offenders to come and receive personalized support. The DRC refers families experiencing addiction to the Family Center.

Community Action Southwest
Parents as Teachers
(724) 225-9550
www.CASWG.org

Community Action Southwest received a Children's Trust Fund grant to implement the Parents as Teachers (PAT) program into our Head Start and Early Head Start home-based services for pregnant women and families of children ages birth-5 years of age in Washington & Greene Counties. The PAT Model enhances our ability to provide comprehensive support for young families and is designed to achieve four primary goals:

- Increase parent knowledge of early childhood development and improve parenting practices

- Provide early detection of developmental delays and health issues
- Prevent child abuse and neglect
- Increase children's school readiness and school success.

Family Services of Montgomery County
Systematic Training for Effective Parenting (STEP)
(610) 326-1610
www.FSMontCo.org

The Early Childhood STEP program is an evidence-based program designed to assist parents in dealing with challenging behaviors of their children and build family strengths in an effort to prevent neglect and abuse of children throughout Pottstown. The program is presented in a group format through seven weekly, 90-minute sessions in community settings. STEP promotes a more participatory family structure by fostering responsibility, independence, and competence in children; improves communication between parent and child; and helps children learn from the natural and logical consequences of their own choices. Case management and family support services are provided to parents as needed.

Maternity Care Coalition
Healthy Families America
(610) 713-0570
www.MaternityCareCoalition.org

Maternity Care Coalition, Healthy Families America (HFA) is an evidence-based home visiting program that works with pregnant women and parenting families with children from birth to age 3. The MOMobile HFA is a free and voluntary home visiting program that provides support to families with the changes and challenges that come with parenting. MOMobile HFA services promote positive parenting, healthy child development, and overall family well-being. MOMobile HFA teaches fun and educational activities that families can enjoy together. Families are eligible for services if they live in Delaware, Montgomery, or Philadelphia Counties; and are pregnant or have a child under the age of 3.

SafeNet Domestic Violence Safety Network
Strengthening Families Program
(814) 455-1774
www.SafeNetErie.org

SafeNet is implementing the Strengthening Families program for parents of any age with children ages 3-5. This is an evidence based program that runs for 14 weeks. The two hour program includes family dinner, separate parent and child lessons and concludes with a shared family activity. During the family activity the parents and children are able to apply what they just learned and see the skills in "action."

Union-Snyder Community Action Agency
Nurturing Parenting Program
(570) 374-0181
www.union-snydercaa.org

The Family Nurturing Program offers parenting classes, and uses an approach that encourages nurturing within the family. This program encourages families to know what to expect and what not to expect from their children, builds care and compassion, discourages physical punishment, allows families to understand each member's role, and empowers independence within each family member. We hope to be a stepping stone for families that wish to better their parenting skills.

Wordsworth
Community Umbrella Agency 10
Triple P Positive Parenting Program
(215) 643-5400
www.wordsworth.org

Triple P (Positive Parenting Program) is a multi-tiered system of evidence-based education and support for parents and caregivers of infants and children 0-12 years old. The system works both as an early intervention and prevention tool. After thorough family assessments, parents set their own goals, learn ways to cope with parental stress, and encourage the positive behavior and development of their children. Parents also learn ways to use appropriate consequences for misbehaviors. Triple P is delivered in a number of ways at Wordsworth. Visitation Coaches provide individualized services with parents before or after supervised visits or in their homes. Triple P groups are offered in our office and throughout the community.

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Children's Aid Society in Clearfield County
Triple P Positive Parenting Program
(814) 765-2686
www.ChildAid.org

Children's Aid Society will expand our Triple P Positive Parenting Program targeting parents of children ages 0-16. Triple P is an evidence-based program designed to prevent social, emotional, behavioral, and developmental problems in children by enhancing their parents' knowledge, skills, and confidence. We will implement Level 4 Group Triple P in Year One. In Year Two, in addition to Level 4 Group, Level 4 Standard Triple P and Level 5 Pathways Triple P will be implemented. In Year Three, in addition to the levels listed above, Level 5 Transitions Triple P will be implemented.

Columbia County Family Center
Parents as Teachers
(570) 387-9086

The Columbia County Family Center will utilize the evidence-based Parents as Teachers (PAT) curriculum to serve additional at-risk families in the Berwick community. Berwick continues to be the county's area of greatest need. Families enrolled in the Berwick PAT Expansion Program will receive a minimum of bi-weekly visits, developmental and health screenings, monthly playgroups and socialization opportunities, and connections to community resources in order to build and further strengthen protective factors. In addition to PAT, families will also be able to take part in Be Strong Parent Cafés in their community.

Family Services Association of Bucks County
Nurturing Parenting Program
(215) 757-6916
www.FSABC.org

The Nurturing Parenting program will serve families who are struggling with substance use issues within the family system including past and present use by the parent, grandparents, guardians or other family members. Families receive parenting education in their homes that is tailored to fit their needs.

Fulton County Family Partnership
Nurturing Parenting Program
(717) 485-6767

The Fulton County Family Partnership COPE program will implement the Nurturing Parenting evidence-based program. Using the experience COPE staff have gained using the program with clients involved with the Child Welfare System, we will expand the program by incorporating it into our existing School Success program to provide a strong prevention option. We seek to prevent children from becoming part of the abuse cycle and to prevent their families from entering into the Child Welfare System. In addition to providing child abuse prevention parent education with the Nurturing Parent Program, COPE staff will assist in numerous community initiatives designed to raise community awareness and support of child abuse prevention.

Carbon County Right from the Start
Jim Thorpe Area School District
Parents as Teachers
(570) 325-2771

Carbon County Right from the Start is a county-wide home-visiting program administered by the Jim Thorpe Area School District. Right from the Start (RFTS) utilizes the evidence-based Parents as Teachers curriculum. Certified parent educators conduct personal visits, concentrating on incorporating the Strengthening Families

Protective Factors Framework. Parents also meet in groups to discuss important topics. We promote parent-child interaction through activities such as story reading and play. RFTS focuses on helping parents to prepare their children for school, increase parental confidence, and promote the prevention of abuse and neglect. We target pregnant women/families with children up to age 5.

National Nurse-Led Care Consortium

Nursing-Legal Partnership

(215) 731-7140

www.NNCC.us

National Nurse-Led Care Consortium (NNCC) operates Philadelphia Nurse-Family Partnership (Philadelphia NFP) and the Mabel Morris Family Home Visit Program (MM-PAT), which provide home visiting and education to low-income families using the NFP and Parents as Teachers models. Children's Trust Fund supports the Nursing-Legal Partnership, which integrates legal aid services into the daily operations of NNCC's early childhood programs. As nurses educate parents, lawyers from the Health, Education and Legal Assistance Project: A Medical-Legal Partnership offer concrete support to families in crisis. This interdisciplinary approach strengthens families' capacity to manage stressful situations, ensures basic needs are met, and reduces toxic maternal stress.