



Kinship Support Services Program

Kinship Care is the full time parenting of children and youth by grandparents, biological relatives, or non-related extended family members. Our program offers various services to Kinship Families.

Services are provided in English and Spanish and include the following:

Assessment and Referral: Assessment services for families to assist in identifying and providing appropriate resources, services and other interventions based on the family needs.

Guardianship Assistance: Referrals are made to services aimed at promoting permanency, including kinship adoption and guardianship.

Case Management: Case managers are available to assist caregivers in resolving issues and to access needed social and supportive services within the community. These services include linking to WIC, Human Services, parenting classes, respite care, family resource centers, recreational activities and events.

Individual, Family, and Group Counseling: Counseling is provided on an as needed basis, with a goal of strengthening and maintaining the kinship family unit. These services are provided by a state licensed therapist experienced in parent-child relationships and conflict resolution.

Support Groups: Kinship caregivers meet each week to provide support and encouragement, share success stories, access resources, and to discuss issues relating to the kinship caregiving experience every Tuesday morning.

Tutor Time: Tutoring is offered to Kinship children in grades K-8th to help improve their academic performance as needed.

Kid's Night (ages 5-12): On the 2nd Thursday of every month, children participate in fun activities.

Teen Night (ages 13-17): On the 3rd Thursday of every month, youth participate in fun activities.

Family Night: On the 4th Thursday of every month, Kinship families share a fun evening of family centered activities in a friendly atmosphere.

Monthly reminder calls are made to provide information on events

Children who are unable to live with their parents benefit greatly from living in a loving environment with grandparents or other biological relatives. The Kinship Support Services Program provides supportive services to these caregivers and children to help strengthen their families and to provide opportunities for success.



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