

FamilyCore



Strengthening Families
for a Stronger Community

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Mission

Mobilizing and integrating critical resources and opportunities to strengthen families and develop sustainable communities.

Vision

Strong Families Building Strong Communities

How to Help

Volunteers and donations are essential to the success of clients we serve at FamilyCore—and they are greatly appreciated. Donations could be put to use in the following ways:

- \$50 provides fidgets, weighted blankets, sensory activities/therapeutic tools for children
- \$100 stocks the food pantry
- \$125 provides blankets, pillows and sheets, or a car seat
- \$150 gives a foster care child luggage, toiletries, essentials and a backpack
- \$225 allows for purchase of Lenovo tablet for mobile/virtual resources
- \$375 allows for purchase of sensory table for waiting room
- \$500 provides five sessions of counseling for a family/individual unable to pay
- Gift cards from major retailers secure personal hygiene products, school supplies, gas, etc.



FamilyCore understands that strong families, equipped with the tools and ties to succeed, are at the heart of any vibrant, tight-knit community. The organization (previously known as Counseling & Family Services) works with schools, the court system and other social service agencies to connect counseling, intervention and support with those who need it. FamilyCore is accredited by the Council on Accreditation of Services for Families and Children.

ADOPTION

One of FamilyCore's most rewarding tasks is matching children with families who can provide their new forever home. FamilyCore facilitates private, international and embryo adoptions for all ages and ethnic backgrounds.

COUNSELING

FamilyCore offers a variety of counseling services by licensed professional counselors. Specialty areas include: depression, anxiety, parent-child conflicts/parenting, school problems, pre-marital/marital concerns, drug and alcohol, job-related/joblessness concerns, grief/loss, adolescence, trauma and stages of life adjustments. A sliding fee scale is available due to generous contributions from five local United Way agencies.

FOSTER CARE

Foster care is often required because parents are unwilling or unable to provide adequate care during times of stress or crisis. When children need temporary living arrangements, FamilyCore connects them with safe and

caring home environments. Foster parents provide love and understanding to children until conflicts are resolved and they can be reunited with their families.

SINGLE PARENT SUPPORT

Much like trying to clap with only one hand, being a single parent is not easy! FamilyCore lends a hand by helping single parents learn to communicate effectively, discipline appropriately, apply good child development techniques and use self-care practices. These services are provided free of charge to single parents in the Tri-County area who have a child under 18 living with them.

YOUTH OUTREACH

The prospect of succeeding and staying in school can be challenging for some families. FamilyCore has built a wide-reaching spectrum of programs for at-risk youth to provide channels for success. Services include respite programs for children suspended from school; after-school and summer programs that focus on educational and recreational activities; family school liaisons who work to prevent suspensions and attendance problems; and a youth anger management program.

Upcoming Events

Spaghetti Supper Fundraiser

May 4, 2018
First English Lutheran Church, Peoria

Debbie Ryva Memorial Golf Outing

August 8, 2018
Pine Lakes Country Club, Washington

FamilyCore Bowling Fundraiser

November 10, 2018
Landmark Lanes, Peoria

20th Annual Frosty 5K

January 2019
Peoria Riverfront, starts at Running Central

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