

Directions for Youth & Families

A Resiliency-Oriented/
Trauma-Informed Agency

Resiliency → the ability to return to being healthy & hopeful after difficult things happen in your life.

Trauma → any past event, situation, or experience resulting in distress.



→ **We believe** all individuals have rights and a voice in treatment that will be met with respect and dignity.

→ **We believe** children and families thrive best in physically and emotionally safe environments.

→ **We believe** all children and families have unique strengths, abilities, and talents and that with the right supports and encouragement youth can achieve their full potential.

→ **We know** parent/caregiver involvement is critical in helping children learn to interact in a healthy way with others, manage their emotions, and communicate their feelings and needs.



DFYF is 1 of 27 members of the National Crittenton family of agencies. Operating in 31 states, DFYF is the only one in Ohio.



DFYF is accredited by:
the Council on Accreditation for
Children and Family Services (COA)



DFYF is certified by:
Ohio Mental Health and Addiction
Services Department.

DFYF is a member of:

- Family Service Council of Ohio
- Ohio Council of Behavioral Healthcare Providers
- Ohio Association of Nonprofit Organizations

DFYF collaborations include:

- United Way of Central Ohio
- ADAMH Board of Franklin County
- Franklin County Dept of Job & Family Services
- City of Columbus
- Franklin County Juvenile Court
- Ohio Attorney General's Office
- Columbus City Schools
- South-Western City Schools
- The Columbus Foundation
- The Ohio State University



Additional Locations

East Office
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Inspiring Hope. Strengthening Families.
Transforming Communities.

Build and inspire hope, healing, and
resilience for youth, families,
and communities through
counseling and education



GUIDE TO OUR SERVICES

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Counseling & Clinical Services
Kindergarten Readiness Program
Prevention & Parenting Services
After-School / Summer Programs

EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Ready Set Grow Kindergarten Readiness

In-home kindergarten readiness program working directly with children and parent/guardian to enhance learning and assist parents with child development skills. For families with children 3 to 6 years old (who are not yet enrolled in kindergarten).

Positive Paths Parenting Classes

Parenting instruction to improve quality of family life, office-based in groups. In partnership with Franklin County Juvenile Court; parents are referred through the court.

Early Head Start Collaboration Program

Comprehensive case management services to the families of youth ages 6 weeks to 3 years who are enrolled in Early Head Start through our partnership with The Ohio State University.



AFTER-SCHOOL/SUMMER PROGRAMS

Our after-school and summer programming provides an environment that is safe, fun, and educational. Youth participate in art, music, dance, recreation, homework help and leadership development. Our prevention groups focus on healthy decision making and how to deal with challenges all youth face.

Ohio Avenue Youth Center - After school/summer community-based prevention program, arts and recreation for ages 8-18.

The Crittenton Center - After school/summer community-based prevention program, arts and recreation for ages 8-18. Located on Kimberly Parkway.

CLINICAL COUNSELING

Our staff of over 75 licensed social workers and counselors provide Treatment Programs that are resiliency-oriented/trauma-informed helping individuals and families address and overcome a range of issues including:

- school challenges
- domestic violence
- family conflict
- sexual abuse
- depression and anxiety
- grief and loss
- delinquency
- physical abuse/neglect
- substance abuse

Most programs are provided on an outreach basis - in client's homes, schools, or other community settings - to reduce barriers to treatment and provide services in the environment they are needed.

Outreach Counseling Program

Home/school/community-based individual and family counseling for youth ages 5-18 and their families. Services include counseling, community support services, advocacy, and referral.

School Connections

Partnership with South-Western City Schools and Columbus City Schools to provide counseling and support services to students and families.

Building Bright Futures (Youth at risk for school failure)

Home/school/community-based individual and family counseling for youth in grades 6-12 who are at risk for school failure. Services include counseling, community support services, advocacy, and referral.

PROMISES (for survivors of sexual abuse)

For youth ages 7-18 who are survivors of reported or suspected sexual abuse. In-home comprehensive therapeutic program with individual, group and family counseling.

Children Who Witness Violence

Home/school/community-based individual, family, and group counseling for youth ages 5-18 to reduce traumatic effects of witnessing violence and prevent future violence.

Building Bright Futures (Reclaim)

Partnership with Franklin County Juvenile Court to provide counseling services for youth referred through the court.

COMPS (Children of Murdered Parents and Siblings)

Home/school/community-based individual, family and group counseling for youth ages 6-18 who have lost a loved one to homicide.

Healthy Alternatives for Youth (Substance use counseling)

For youth ages 12 -18 who have substance use issues. Services can include individual counseling, family counseling, case management services, and group counseling.

Youth Pride

Home/school/community-based individual and family counseling for youth ages 10-22, who identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, questioning, intersex, asexual, or have gender identity issues.

Teen Parent Connection

Serves pregnant or parenting youth and their families through age 21. Home/school/community-based individual and family counseling offered along with community support and case management.

Office Based Counseling Program

Counseling and Psychiatric services are available for children, adolescents, and adults.

Outreach Counseling Program - Truancy

Partnership with Franklin County Juvenile Court to provide counseling services for youth referred through the Truancy Division Department.