Youth and Families Come First (YFCF)
Hillside Children’s Center

The Youth and Families Comes First (YFCF) program reduces the risk of out of home placement for youth by increasing the functioning level of the youth and his/her family. Primary strategies of the service focus on augmenting community resources to care for children through utilization of individualized care principles.

ABOUT THE SERVICE

Youth and Families Comes First is an intensive community based program designed to help children and families find solutions to problems they may be experiencing at home, in school, or in the community.

The family will work with a care coordinator (CC) to identify the family’s network of formal and informal supports that will become the basis for their child and family team. This team works together in developing a plan of care based on the family’s unique strengths and needs. Building upon natural and community supports the CC will assist in linking the family to services, monitoring those services, and advocating for the child/family as necessary.

Specific services might include:

- Supervision and skill building services designed to assist the child/adolescent in developing the skills needed to function more successfully in the community, home, and school.
- Collaboration with individual and family therapists.
- Family support services designed to help support the family as a unit. Families have access to support groups and one on-one parent mentors. This also includes more concrete services, such as advocacy training, parent education, development of communication skills, and community awareness.
- Respite care services that provide the family with a needed break. Respite can include planned activities both in and out of the home. Emergency overnight respite is also provided.
- Crisis response services that provide centralized on-call coverage 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to assist the family through crisis situations. Crisis response services are also provided to families from other community agencies and are aimed at stabilizing occurrences of crises.
CONTACT INFORMATION

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ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Gender: Male and female
Age Range: Birth – 18

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