

Family Support & Advocacy

Helping families grow stronger

Why Family Support & Advocacy?

- ✧ We know what it feels like to live with children who are at risk
...and we can help.
- ✧ FSA makes connections between families in crisis and the professional help they need.
- ✧ Advocates provide support in dealing with issues such as substance abuse, depression, psychiatric disorders, behavioral problems, social problems, trouble with the law, school truancy and running away.

"My 9-year-old refuses to go to school"

"My 12-year-old is angry and aggressive"

"My 15-year old won't come home"

Family Support & Advocacy Provides...

- ✧ The expertise and understanding of Advocates who have been through the mental health system with their own families.
- ✧ Information about realities, timeframes, options and mandates of service providers.
- ✧ Help seeking timely assistance from the courts, psychiatric hospitals, residential placement facilities, the schools, and the community.
- ✧ Skill-building and parenting support through peer groups and classes, such as The Parenting Journey and Common Sense Parenting.

Program Goals Include...

- ✧ Helping families in crisis realize that they are not alone.
- ✧ Sharing firsthand knowledge and experience to help families make sense of the system.
- ✧ Making referrals and teaching families how to access services for themselves.
- ✧ Creating a positive family environment where children and parents can flourish.

Fee Information

As a not-for-profit agency, we are pleased to provide advocacy and support services at no charge.

The Parenting Journey and Common Sense Parenting are available at a reasonable cost; please call for details regarding class schedules and fees.

For further information,
please call

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