



Parent Child Home Program (PCHP)

Soaring to Success

The PCHP has been helping parents in the Greater Lawrence Area understand the importance of reading, talking and playing with their young children in order to encourage healthy development and to ensure children enter school ready to learn. Also through reading and play, parents and children will bond in a healthy stress free environment. Through 2 weekly home visits for two years the children receive free toys and books to enhance language skills and prepare for preschool. **For More Info Contact:** 978-681-4985 x4992

Parent Education Program (PEP)

This 12 week course centers on the exploration of where and why parents learn to parent the way they do. Parents examine various aspects of parenting.

Such as discipline, cultural traditions and ideologies. Participants explore what is considered abusive physically, emotionally and sexually, understanding needs of children, perceptions of others especially children, and effective communication skill.

Through weekly discussions, activities (individual and group), weekly homework assignments, and real-life examples, participants begin to understand the broad issues of the dynamics of family.

For More Info Contact: 978-681-4985 x4796

GLCPC Family Network



GLCPC Family Network provides family education and support to the Greater Lawrence Area that builds on and enhances family strengths, facilitates active family involvement, and promotes family literacy and school readiness. Services for families with young children from 0 to 3 years old are provided through a variety of activities including: Structured Play Groups, Drop-in Playtimes, Field Trips and Special Child Focused Events.

For More Info Contact: Mercedes Rondon or Manuela Su at 978-722-2505

Greater Lawrence Community Action Council, Inc.

Fiscal Lead Agency:

305 Essex St.

Lawrence, MA 01840

978-681-4900

www.glcac.org



Funded by:

**MA Dept. of Early Education & Care
US Dept. of Education
Exchange Clubs of Merrimack Valley
Dept. of Children & Families (DCF)
Dept. of Elementary & Secondary
Education ((DESE)**



**Serving
Merrimack Valley &
Lower Rockingham
County**

**Greater Lawrence Community Action
Council, Inc**

**in partnership with
Exchange Clubs of the
Merrimack Valley**

Michael B. Christensen Community & Family Support Center



**For more information contact the CFSC
offices at:**

**Susan Mitchell, Co-Director -FSC Division
978-681-4985 x4991**

**Maureen Pasek, Co-Director-GLCPC Division
978-681-4996 x4724**

www.greaterlawrencecpc.org



twitter



Michael B. Christensen
Community & Family Support Center

The Greater Lawrence Community Action Council, Inc. (GLCAC, Inc.) in partnership with the Exchange Clubs of the Merrimack Valley established the Family Support Center in 1996 as part of the National Exchange Club campaign to prevent child abuse and neglect and community and family engagement. The Community & Family Support Center increases the ability of families to nurture their children, to foster a sense of family, self-sufficiency, and empowerment. Included in the Community & Family Support Center's array of services are the following programs:



Greater Lawrence Community Partnerships for Children

The Greater Lawrence Community Partnerships for Children (GLCPC) and its member organizations, develop, deliver and provide access to high quality care programs, education, resources and services to families with children in the communities they serve to ensure that all children - prenatal through school-age - are well-adjusted and succeed in school to families in the Greater Lawrence Area.

The GLCPC equips early education and care programs and providers with the information, education, technical assistance and training needed for them to develop, deliver and provide access to high quality education and care; and informs and educates local leaders and the community on the benefits of comprehensive services to young children and their caregivers.

The culturally diverse council is committed to facilitating planning and fostering collaboration among the programs, providers and community leaders so that all families know about and take advantage of programs that offer social connections, health and wellness, cultivate parent resilience, develop parenting skills, and provide emotional, social, financial and concrete support in time of need.

For More Info Contact: at 978-681-4996 x4724



Project FOCUS

GLCAC Inc. in collaboration with the Lawrence Public Schools and a variety of community partners will increase student academic achievement at the South Lawrence East Full Service Community School through the provision of empirically-based wrap around support services which will be offered to students, their families and the community.

For More Info Contact: Coordinator located at the South Lawrence East School at 978-975-5993 x21308

Early Reading First



The Early Reading First program is a federally funded program that supports the development of early childhood "Centers of Excellence" that focus on all areas of

development, especially on the early language, cognitive, and pre-reading skills that prepare children for continued school success and that serve primarily children from low-income families. The YMCA and the YWCA in Lawrence and the YMCA in Methuen are participating in the ERF program.

For More Info Contact: Coordinators at 978-681-4996 x4725 or 4729

Supervised Visitation Center

Supervised Visitation Center is a safe place for parents to visit with the children under the supervision of a Case Manager/Parent Aide Worker. The center provides parents an environment to obtain supervised visits, which may be ordered by the court system, Department of Children and Families or other community resource. The center offers a sliding fee based on the visiting parent's income.

For More Info Contact: 978-681-4985 x4796

Region 3 Professional Development (RR3P)/Education Provider Support (EPS)

The Department of Early Education and Care (EEC) funded six regional 'Educator and Provider Support' grants for professional development and North Shore Community College is leading the initiative for the 50 cities and towns in Region 3. Since the region is so large, "Hubs" have been developed in the three major cities (Lynn, Lowell and Lawrence) and the Greater Lawrence Hub is located at GLCAC Inc. The coordinator's role is to link early educators and out of school time staff to educational opportunities in the Northeast Region, and to provide programs/providers with supports for NAEYC, NAFCC, CDA, and QRIS.

For More Info Contact Lawrence HUB Coordinator: at 978-681-4996 x4724



Pathways to Family Success

Pathways to Family Success was established in 2002. The mission of the program is to create a true human service coalition providing a seamless system of integrated literacy and support services which help families in Lawrence improve their quality of life. Family literacy is parents and children learning together and improving literacy skills at the same time. The program serves the whole family because parents are the child's first teacher. Literacy begins at home; when a parent is supported, the parent is able to support their child's educational journey. The higher a parent's educational level the more stable the economics of a family. A seamless system is community organizations working together and sharing resources to minimize duplication and maximize results.

For More Info Contact: Coordinator at 978-620-4729.



Family Preservation Parent-Aide / Case Management Program

The GLCAC, Inc. Social Services Family Preservation and Support Program provides comprehensive services and fosters inter-agency coordination in order to support families with children up to age 18. The staff conducts extensive client assessments to investigate family strengths and areas for necessity, environmental factors, and the family life cycle. Based on findings, working service plans are developed which identify both short-range and long-range family goals. Services offered directly by the Social Services / Family Preservation and Support Program included transportation, Parent Education Programs, family and individual counseling, home management skills counseling, financial management training, and comprehensive case management. Program staff also provide advocacy for families by working with existing community agencies and promoting the development of needed services. Networking systems, linkages, and affiliation agreements are extensive.

For More Info Contact: For More Info Contact: 978-681-4985 x4796