

# Family To Family

Is a Durham County Community Partnership

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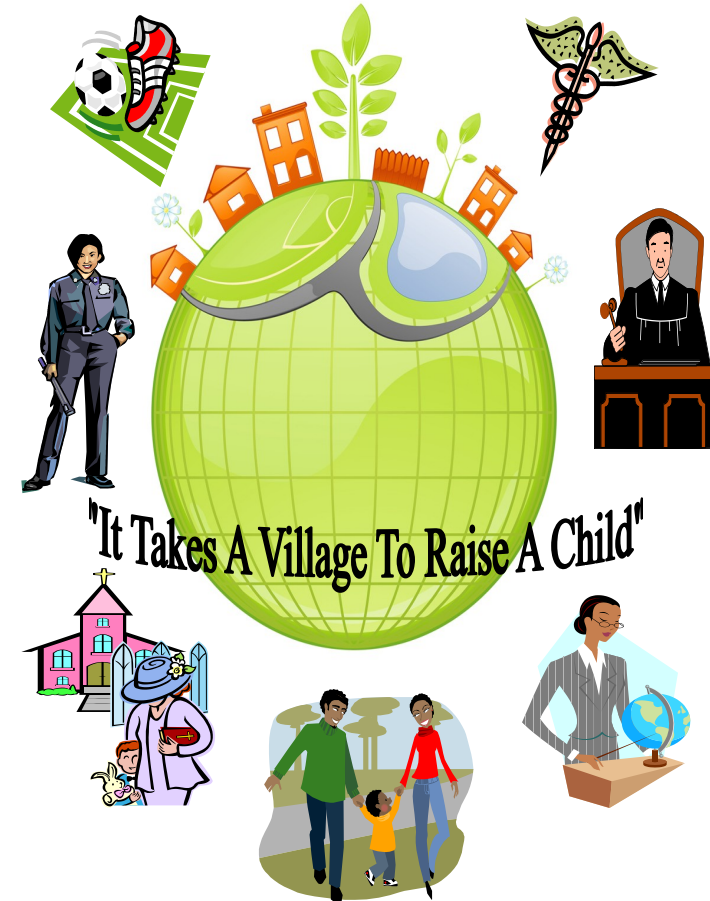


**Durham**  
*Social Services*

Neighbors Helping Neighbors  
Since 1918



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## **The Family to Family Initiative**

was designed in 1992, by the Annie E. Casey Foundation in consultation with national experts in child welfare. The goal of the Initiative is to help neighborhoods build effective responses to families and children at risk of abuse and neglect.

In keeping with the Annie E. Casey Foundation's guiding principles, the framework for the Initiative is grounded in the belief that family foster care must take a more family-centered approach that is:

- \* Tailored to the individual needs of children and their families
- \* Rooted in the child's community or neighborhood
- \* Sensitive to cultural differences and
- \* Able to serve many of the children now placed in group homes

## **4 Core Strategies**

### **The Family To Family Initiative**

Child Focused, Family Centered, Neighborhood Based and Incorporates 4 Core Strategies:

1. Building Neighborhood and Community Partners
2. Recruitment, Development and Support
3. Team Decision Making
4. Self-Evaluation



## **How You Can Get Involved/ How You Can Help**

- Become a Foster Parent
- Become an Adoptive Parent
- Be a Big SIB
- Assist a family with transportation needs
- Become a mentor for a child
- Provide in home services to a family
- Provide emergency child care
- Assist with foster parent training
- Take a parent grocery shopping
- Provide respite for a family in crisis
- Serve on the Department of Social Services Family To Family Performance Team
- Donate your time, talent and funds