BUILD STABILITY AND PURSUE INDEPENDENCE

A Wider Circle is proud to launch the Washington Highlands Family Success Center! We aim, together, to support parents, families, residents, and the community as a whole to access services, seek opportunities, develop local solutions, and thrive.

WHAT IS THE FAMILY SUCCESS CENTER?

A Wider Circle’s Family Success Center at Washington Highlands is staffed by people who, along with partners and resident leaders, seek to support all who come through our doors in a safe and convenient location. Our service menu is based directly on feedback from residents. When you get in touch with us you can access:

- Free services
- Confidential consultations and referrals
- Workshops, events, and individualized family and parent support
- Other services from A Wider Circle, such as our furniture and professional clothing initiatives

WHY SHOULD I CONNECT WITH THE CENTER?

We offer a range of services:

- Parental support
- Multi-generational programming
- Housing support
- Wellness programming
- Referral opportunities, resource connections, and follow-up services
- 1:1 coaching

We continue to welcome families as we finish construction at our new Family Success Center and work virtually during the COVID-19 pandemic. Evening and Saturday hours will be offered when in person services resume. Select workshops will be offered in the evenings during virtual programming.

ABOUT A WIDER CIRCLE

The mission of A Wider Circle is to end poverty through on-the-ground programs and services, as well as through the development of large-scale solutions to its root causes. Our holistic approach focuses on the creation of stable homes; workforce development; neighborhood revitalization; and the creation of greater awareness and engagement by the community, as a whole. Since 2001, A Wider Circle serves more than 16,000 children and families each year and delivers educational programs to thousands of youth and families in and around Washington, DC.

DON’T WAIT! CALL OR EMAIL US TODAY!

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 Washington Highlands Family Success Center
PUTTING FAMILIES FIRST IN DC

Mayor Muriel Bowser’s Families First DC initiative has committed 10 grants to community-based non-profits in Wards 7 and 8 to create five Family Success Centers in each ward. The Families First DC network will work with families to increase their overall well-being and the well-being of the community to give all families a fair shot in our rapidly changing city.

The coronavirus pandemic has impacted every family in our city in various ways—some families more so than others. The Family Success Centers are needed more than ever before. Investments are focused in areas of the city where deeper focus on “place-based” services by trusted community organizations with the backing of city agencies will help families thrive.

Ward 7 Centers and Organizations
- Benning Terrace/Benning Park: East River Family Strengthening Collaborative
- Clay Terrace: Sasha Bruce Youthwork
- Mayfair/Paradise: North Capital Collaborative
- Stoddert Terrace/37th Street: Life Deeds
- Benning Rd & Minnesota Ave.: East River Family Strengthening Collaborative

Ward 8 Centers and Organizations
- Woodland Terrace: Smart from the Start
- Anacostia: Martha’s Table
- Congress Heights: Far Southeast Family Strengthening Collaborative
- Washington Highlands: A Wider Circle
- Bellevue: Community of Hope

Families from anywhere in DC can access services and build new relationships at any of the ten centers. Services are rooted in five “protective factors” to empower communities and families, modeled after work by the Center for the Study of Social Policy and the National Family Support Network.

PROTECTIVE FACTORS FOR FAMILY SUCCESS

- PARENTAL RESILIENCE
- SOCIAL CONNECTIONS
- CONCRETE SUPPORT IN TIMES OF NEED
- KNOWLEDGE OF PARENTING AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT
- SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL COMPETENCE OF CHILDREN

LEARN MORE!

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