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Generational Change,
One Child at a Time

Chicago

Family & Community Resource Guide

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What is F.A.C.E.S.?

As the Family and Community Engagement Specialists, we nurture long-term relationships from a foundation of love, acceptance, and culturally informed practice. F.A.C.E.S connects Caregivers to different resources to build Caregiver stability. We aim to empower and build trusting relationships.

F.A.C.E.S is committed to establishing authentic relationships with Caregivers. Specialists support approximately 40 families each and have a minimum of three meetings quarterly with each family. Initial meetings are designed to get to know our Caregivers and establish shared goals.

Friends of the Children-Chicago is about more than prevention. It's about possibility. As a part of a national network with 30 years of proven results, we know our model works.

Why?

At Friends of the Children-Chicago our values are:

- ▶ Put Children First
- ▶ Build Relationships on Love
- ▶ Commitment to Empowerment
- ▶ Pursue Goals Relentlessly
- ▶ Amplify Voices

We would like to bring that village of support back to our Caregivers and strengthen their knowledge about the many resources available to enable them to advocate for themselves and their youth.

How?

Youth Enrollment | F.A.C.E.S. facilitates our enrollment process for bringing youth in our program. We work with schools and community partners to identify youth who could benefit from our program. We are part of the initial meetings with Caregivers and our community partners.

Quarterly Parent Cafés | Caregivers are encouraged to participate in Parent Cafés that allow them to connect and build relationships with their peers while gathering information on a variety of topics such as Financial Literacy, Landlord and Tenant Rights, and Family Game Days. Parent Cafés are held on Zoom or in person at either our at either our South or West Side Clubhouse.

Family Group Outings | Events that the entire family can attend, at no cost to the family.

Caregiver Newsletter | Designed to keep Caregivers in the loop of what's going on at Friends of the Children-Chicago, including upcoming events (Parent Cafés, Family Group Outings, Holiday Giveaways), CPS important dates (report card pickup, holidays, parent-teacher conferences), local resources, community events, staff contact information, mentor spotlight, Caregiver spotlight, Caregiver tips.

Caregiver Assessments & Goal Setting | Our team works with each Caregiver to identify their needs and help Caregivers set and achieve goals for themselves and their families.

Connections to Other Resources | Healthcare, Food and Nutrition, Employment, Legal, Childcare, Counseling, Violence Prevention and Victim Services, Behavioral Health.

**Children's Community Closet of La Grange Park**

500 E. 31st St
La Grange Park, IL 60526
cccflgp@gmail.com

Cradles to Crayons

500 W. Bradley Pl
Chicago, IL 60618
773-767-1008
www.cradlestocrayons.org

**Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.
Community Service Center**

4314 S. Cottage Grove
Chicago, IL 60653
312-747-2300

Englewood Red Shield Center

945 W. 69th St
Chicago, IL 60621
773-358-3200
www.salvationarmyusa.org

Family Focus Lawndale

3517 W. Arthington St
Chicago, IL 60624
773-722-5057
www.family-focus.org

Garfield Community Service Center

10 S. Kedzie Ave
Chicago, IL 60612
312-746-5400

Hope Community Church

5900 W. Iowa St
Chicago, IL 60651
773-921-2243
www.onehopenation.org

Illinois Department of Human Services

1-800-843-6154

North Area Community Service Center

845 W. Wilson Ave
Chicago, IL 60640
312-744-2580

Pilsen Clothes Closet

1850 S. Throop
Chicago, IL 60608
773-230-9525

South Chicago Community Service Center

8650 S. Commercial Ave
Chicago, IL 60617
312-747-0500

Trina Davila Community Service Center

4300 W. North Ave
Chicago, IL 60639
312-744-2014



Above and Beyond Food Pantry

817 S. Pulaski
Chicago, IL 60624
773-823-1660
Mon–Fri: 12:00 pm – 3:00 pm
Saturdays: 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

A Safe Haven Foundation

2750 W. Roosevelt Rd
Chicago, IL 60608
773-463-8331
www.asafehaven.org

Breakthrough Ministries Food Pantry (Lawndale)

3334 W. Carroll Ave
Chicago, IL 60624
Tuesdays: 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm
Thursdays: 10:00 am – 2:00 pm
Saturdays: 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

Greater Chicago Food Bank

4100 W. Ann Lurie Place
Chicago, IL 60632
773-247-3663
8:00 am – 5:00 pm
www.chicagosfoodbank.org/findfood

Type your address in the website and it will tell you food pantries near you!

Greater Garfield MBC

3757 W. Douglas Blvd
Chicago, IL 60623
773-277-1700

Hope Community Church Food Pantry (Austin)

5912 W. Iowa St
Chicago, IL 60651
Fridays: 12:00 pm – 2:00 pm
Saturdays: 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

New Life Centers

2657 S. Lawndale Ave
Chicago, IL 60623
312-736-2466
www.newlifecenters.org

Pan de Vida Food Pantry

2701 S. Lawndale
Chicago, IL 60623
773-247-3663

Shepherd's Hope

838 W. Marquette Rd
Chicago, IL 60621
773-351-3336
shepherdshopechicago.org



**American Job Center at Malcolm X College's
Westside Learning Center Campus**

4624 W. Madison St
Chicago, IL 60644
773-638-1825
www.levelupajc.org

Chicago Women In Trades

2444 W. 16th St
Chicago, IL 60608
312-942-1444
www.cwit.org

Inspiration Kitchen

3504 W. Lake St
Chicago, IL 60624
www.inspirationcorp.org

North Lawndale Employment Network

1111 S. Homan Ave
Chicago, IL 60624
773-638-1825
www.nlen.org

Revolution Workshop

3410 W. Lake St
Chicago, IL 60624
708-529-6288
www.revolutionworkshop.org

Skills For Chicago (Englewood)

815 W. 63rd St, 2nd Fl
Chicago, IL 60621
www.skillsforchicago.org

Skills For Chicago (Gage Park)

3357 W. 55th St
Chicago, IL 60632
312-906-7200
www.skillsforchicago.org

Skills For Chicago (North Lawndale)

1111 S. Homan Ave
Chicago, IL 60624
www.skillsforchicago.org



A Little Bit of Heaven

11321 S. Wentworth Ave
Chicago, IL 60628
773-264-5334

All Chicago Coordinated Entry Intake

651 W. Washington Blvd, Suite 504
Chicago, IL 60661
312-379-0301
www.allchicago.org

Cook County Legal Aid

Housing and Debt Early Resolution Program:
855-956-5763
Mortgage Foreclosure Mediation Program:
855-452-2637
www.cookcountylegalaid.org

Facing Forward to End Homelessness

642 N. Kedzie
Chicago, IL 60612
773-265-1207
www.ffchicago.org

Housing Forward

1851 S. 9th Ave
Maywood, IL 60153
708-338-1724

Housing Opportunities for Women

1607 W. Howard
Chicago, IL 60626
773-465-5770
www.how-inc.org

Law Center for Better Housing

100 N. LaSalle St, Suite 2500
Chicago, IL 60602
312-347-7600

Lawndale Development Christian Corp

3843 W. Ogden
Chicago, IL 60623
www.lcdc.net

Mercy Home for Boys and Girls (Southside)

11600 S. Longwood Dr
Chicago, IL 60643
773-881-3999
www.mercyhome.org

Mercy Home for Boys and Girls (West Loop)

1140 W. Jackson Blvd
Chicago, IL 60607
312-738-7560
www.mercyhome.org

The Salvation Army

773-205-5520
www.salvationarmyusa.org

Sankofa House

4041 W. Roosevelt Rd
Chicago, IL 60624
773-542-9900
www.sankofasafechildinitiative.org

Sarah's Inn

1547 Circle Ave, Forest Park, IL 60130
708-386-4225
www.sarahsinn.org

Southwest PADS

3121 W. 71st
Chicago, IL 60629
773-737-7070



Action Coalition of Englewood

6455 S. Peoria
Chicago, IL 60621
773-846-0080

Community and Economic Development Association (C.E.D.A.)

567 W. Lake St, Suite 1200
Chicago, IL 60661
312-782-2332
8:30 am - 4:00 pm
www.cedaorg.net

C.E.D.A. Albany Park

2754 W. Lawrence
Chicago, IL 60625
773-878-0578

C.E.D.A. Cicero

6140 Roosevelt Rd
Chicago, IL 60804
312-795-8948

PLCCA Inc

411 W. Madison
Maywood, IL 60153
708-450-3500

South Austin Coalition Community Council

5071 W. Congress
Chicago, IL 60644
312-743-1538



Connections for Abused Women

1900 W. Harrison St
Chicago, IL 60612
312-433-2390

Deborah's Place

3140 W. Roosevelt Rd
Chicago, IL 60624
773-826-2929
www.deborahsplace.org

Illinois Domestic Violence Hotline

877-863-6338

National Domestic Violence Hotline

800-799-7233

Wings Program

P.O. Box 29309
Chicago, IL 60629
847-519-7820
wings@wingsprogram.com



Above and Beyond Family Recovery Center

2942 W. Lake St
Chicago, IL 60612
773-940-2960
www.recovery.com

Gateway Foundation

1706 N. Kedzie
Chicago, IL 60647
877-321-7326

Haymarket Center

120 N. Sangamon
Chicago, IL 60607
312-226-7984
www.haymarketcenter.org

I Am Able

3410 W. Roosevelt Rd
Chicago, IL 60624
773-826-2929

Jesse Brown Addiction Program and Treatment

820 S. Damen Ave
Chicago, IL 60612
312-569-8387

**Lawndale Christian Legal Center**

1530 S. Hamlin
Chicago, IL 60623
773-762-6381
www.lclc.net

Legal Aid Chicago

120 S. LaSalle St, Suite 900
Chicago, IL 60623
312-341-1070
www.legalaidchicago.org

National Immigration Justice Center

111 W. Jackson Blvd, Suite 800
Chicago, IL 60604
312-660-1370
www.immigrantjustice.org

The Village Legal and Community Project

5113 S. Harper, Suite 2C
Chicago, IL 60615
773-234-0027



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