



Georgia Avenue

Family Support Collaborative

Healthy, Empowered, Connected



OUR STORY

- Georgia Avenue Family Support Collaborative (GAFSC) was formed in 1998 to respond to the needs of at-risk families and children in Northwest DC. With support from the D.C. child welfare agency, then under receivership, GAFSC engaged residents, conducted needs assessments and developed a governance body in the target areas.
- In 2002, the Collaborative became a separate 501(c) 3 nonprofit organization. GAFSC is one of five Healthy Families Thriving Communities Collaboratives (HFTCC) in the District of Columbia. Although these nonprofit organizations focus primarily on their communities and therefore are Ward-based, we work collectively to plan and provide prevention focused programs and services, advocate for low-income families, and implement and maintain common practice standards.



OUR MISSION

To support children, youth and families to become healthy, empowered and connected in a multi-cultural community.



OUR VISION

A diverse community where individuals and families prosper, are invested, are self-reliant and live safe and healthy lives.

OUR PROGRAMS & SERVICES



FAMILY SERVICES PROGRAM (FS)



Provides community-based child welfare services that use the Proctors Factors Framework and Motivational Interviewing to strengthen families.

Services include:

- Family engagement and support
- Case management
- Information & referral
- Crisis intervention
- Housing support
- Parent education
- Community capacity building



Monthly Parents Support Group and Parent Cafe provide safe spaces for support, growth & socialization.



BRIGHTWOOD FAMILY SUCCESS CENTER (BFSC)



BFSC offers programs, services and resources to support and strengthen families in the Brightwood sector and Ward 4 communities. Through service navigation and on-site support BFSC strives to improve family well-being and community safety.

Residents have access to an array of vital services and resources, including:

 Food Distribution – Every 3rd Friday 2 – 4:00 PM

 Computer Lab – Open Daily 10 AM – 5 PM

 Clothing Closet – Open Daily 10 AM – 5 PM

 Service Navigation – Helping connect families and residents to resources available beyond the BFSC.

 On-Site Support – Assistance to individuals and families at BFSC aimed at supporting immediate needs, including those cited above.



PARTNERSHIP FOR SCHOOL ATTENDANCE (PSA)



GAFSC, in partnership with Bridges Public Charter School (PCS), proposes to implement the Partnerships for School Attendance (PSA) program at Bridges PCS located in Ward 5.

- Designed to reduce chronic absenteeism, deliver targeted wraparound services, strengthen school-community partnerships, and support continuous improvement through a Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS).
- The PSA program will serve Bridges PCS students in grades K - 5 who:
 - Were chronically absent in the previous school year
 - Have experienced three to five consecutive absences in the current school year
 - Have accumulated five to nine total absences to date.



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