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Targeted Ward: District-wide

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The Strong Families Program (SFPD) began operation in October 2002, and serves families with multiple, complex problems who are in crisis and at high risk.

Under the DCFI network, the SFPD will use intensive case management methods and techniques, provided by professional and clinical social workers. Services are tailored to the unique needs of the families. Upon completion or resolution of the crisis, SFPD will refer parents within the DCFI network to obtain services for parenting education, parenting support management, domestic violence issues and other services that promote responsible parenting.

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DCFI Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Grantees

ARCH Training Center

Targeted Ward: 8

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ARCH is a nonprofit, community-based organization, located in the historic Anacostia neighborhood. The mission of ARCH is to ensure access to quality education, livable wage jobs, cultural activities, affordable housing, neighborhood businesses and access to effective health and social services.

As a DCFI mentor group, ARCH provides GED preparation and Building Maintenance skills training. Parents enrolled in the program receive the case management services, work readiness workshops and job placement assistance as well as parenting skills classes.

Coalition for Economic Empowerment (CEE)

Targeted Ward: 5

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Founded in 1996, CEE's mission is to foster human dignity by helping low-income people achieve economic self-sufficiency through the creation and promotion of handmade crafts in the global marketplace. CEE harnesses available community resources and applies them toward breaking the chains of inter-generational welfare dependency.

As a DCFI mentor group, services provided by CEE include parenting-skills building, employment-readiness and placement assistance, and family reunification. Services target parents with previous incarceration experience.

Columbia Heights/Shaw Family Support Collaborative

Targeted Ward: District-wide

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Founded in 1996, the Columbia Heights/Shaw Family Support Collaborative is an association of community organizations and resident groups. The Collaborative offers direct services in Spanish and English, focusing on crisis intervention and family stabilization, delivered largely in partnership with the DC Child and Family Services Agency.

As a DCFI mentor group, the CHSFSC focuses on increasing custodial Latino parents' involvement with their children and reunifying non-custodial Latino parents with their families. Services provided include parenting-skills building, employment-readiness and placement assistance, and health insurance enrollment and advocacy.

Covenant House Washington

Targeted Ward: 5, 6, 7 & 8

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CHW was established in 1995 to address widespread problems of homelessness and poverty among teenagers and young adults. CHW provides multiple forms of direct assistance and intervention services to abused, neglected, homeless and at-risk youth including street outreach, health care, job placement, academic remediation, vocational training, substance abuse treatment and prevention programs, advocacy and legal services, recreation, and aftercare.

As a DCFI mentor group, services provided by CHW include parenting-skills building, employment-readiness and placement assistance, health insurance enrollment and advocacy, educational enhancements and mentoring services.

Falconsedge Male Task Force

Targeted Ward: 5

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Founded in 1988, Falconsedge Male Task Force provides character-building, educational and emotionally supportive programs for youths and adults, through organized bonding and mentoring activities for youths who have no positive male influence in their lives.

As a DCFI mentor group, the Fathers-to-Fathers Mentoring Program focuses on responsible parenting and self-sufficiency through leadership, manhood, empowerment and effective parenting training and mentoring services.

Greater Washington Urban League (GWUL)

Targeted Ward: District-wide

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GWUL is a civil rights and social service organization founded in 1938, with experience dealing effectively with a wide range of social and economic problems, by providing advocacy and direct services. Their mission is to increase economic and political empowerment in the community by bringing about equal opportunities and equal access. GWUL is a resource for youth internships and scholarships, parenting information, first-time homebuyer assistance, employment and technology training, aging services and environmental education.

As a DCFI mentor group, GWUL focuses on increasing participants' involvement in the personal growth, development and education of their children. Services include parenting-skills building, employment-readiness and placement assistance, family reunification and life-skills building.

National Organization of Concerned Black Men

Targeted Ward: 7 & 8

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CBM is a national nonprofit organization, founded in 1975, with a commitment to supporting the social, emotional, academic and psychological development of African American youth. In the District, CBM accomplishes this mission through the implementation of best practice programs in areas such as parent literacy, academic performance, abstinence, substance abuse and the DC Fatherhood Initiative.

As a DCFI mentor group, services provided by CBM include parenting-skills building, literacy-skills development, workforce and job-readiness training, mentoring services, relationship development, conflict management and case management.

Opportunities Industrialization Center of DC (OIC/DC)

Targeted Ward: 8

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OIC/DC is a licensed Post Secondary Education Institution for non-degree students in the District of Columbia and a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization with more than 42 years of experience in preparing youth and adults for work. OIC/DC is a part of a network of national affiliates. OIC/DC is also a part of a network of 46 international affiliates in 18 countries including several African nations, Poland and the Philippines.

OIC/DC provides literacy, occupational skills training, job-readiness, placement services and case management services to hundreds of DC residents.

As a DCFI mentor group, OIC/DC's services include parenting-skills building, employment-readiness and placement assistance, literacy-skills development, educational enhancements and life-skills building. The purpose of the OIC/DC Training Centers is to focus on occupational skills training and disadvantaged youth and adults, ages 14 and above.

Perry School Community Services Center

Targeted Ward: 6

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PSCSC is a comprehensive, social service center created in 1991, to address issues of chronic poverty in the North Capitol Street community through personal, social and economic independence. PSCSC has direct experience in family preservation, case management, and helping clients with issues including loss, crisis and HIV/AIDS.

As a DCFI mentor group, the PSCSC provides intervention services and case management to support parents striving for self-sufficiency, particularly teen parents and ex-offenders. Services include parenting-skills building, employment-readiness and placement assistance, and health insurance enrollment and advocacy.

Reintegrating Alternatives Personal Program (RAPP)

Targeted Ward: 8

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RAPP assists and prepares current and former residents of correctional facilities with reintegrating into mainstream society as productive law-abiding citizens. In addition to transitional services, RAPP focuses on lifestyle changes with the goal of self-sufficiency, for residents within targeted areas.

As a DCFI mentor group, services provided by RAPP include parenting classes, counseling, substance abuse treatment, family reunification, mentoring and life-skills building.

United Planning Organization (UPO)

Targeted Ward: 8

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UPO is a private, nonprofit human service corporation that has planned, coordinated, and implemented human service programs since 1962. The mission of UPO is to provide leadership, support and advocacy to advance the welfare of the residents of Washington, DC toward self-sufficiency and self-determination.

As a DCFI mentor group, services provided by UPO include parenting-skills building, employment-readiness and placement assistance, health insurance enrollment and advocacy, family reunification, and counseling.

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DCFI Community Access Program (CAP) Grantees

Anacostia Community Outreach Center (ACOC)

Targeted Ward: 8

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Founded in 1983, Anacostia Community Outreach Center (ACOC) is a community-based non-profit organization that provides crisis intervention, employment skills training, educational supports, and recreational activities to school age youth, adults and families living in or around the Woodland Terrace and Fort Stanton neighborhoods of Southeast Anacostia.

Under the DCFI program, ACOC will provide services to teens and young adult fathers and their families who are involved in the after school tutoring, recreational sports programs and who participate in the employment skills training. Programs will be self-paced and expected to take 4 weeks to complete, include workshops, rap sessions, job-readiness and job search, family tree projects and community meetings.

ARRIBA Center

Targeted Ward: District-wide

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The mission of the ARRIBA Center is to help individuals with physical and mental disabilities who are members of ethnic and minority groups to live independently by preparing them to undertake the activities of daily living, become integrated into the community, become job-ready and to find employment.

Under the DCFI program, the ARRIBA Center provides services in the area of economic stability through training in English as a Second Language, job-readiness, job search and placement and financial planning. Training is delivered in Spanish and takes into account any challenges resulting from disabilities and cultural adjustment needs.

Center for Empowerment and Employment Training

Targeted Ward: 5 & 6

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Founded in 1999, CEET was created to provide educational and job training services to low-income and disadvantaged adults.

Under the DCFI program, CEET provides seminars, parenting classes, case management, domestic violence referrals, resume development, financial literacy and management, GED and other services. Economic development training is designed to enhance a participant's employability and offer the skills necessary to maintain or increase their economic stability. CEET's target population includes teens, homeless, ex-offenders and persons with limited or no English.

Daniel A. Payne Reclamation Program (DAPRP)

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In 2006, DAPRP, a faith-based organization, implemented life skills training for previously incarcerated persons returning to their families. The goal of DAPRP is to prevent recidivism by strengthening family, community and spiritual relationships via collaboration with Metropolitan African Methodist Episcopal (AME) Church and Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency (CSOSA).

Under the DCFI program, DAPRP provides skill-based parenting education and encouragement of child support, followed by employment preparation, which includes job training, searching, referral, and placement services.

DC Metropolitan Healthy Marriage and Relationships Coalition (DCMHMRC)

Targeted Ward: 6

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Founded in April 2006, DC Metropolitan Healthy Marriage and Relationship Coalition (DCHMRC), is a non-profit organization in the District of Columbia with the mission of promoting, strengthening and restoring healthy marriages and relationships through education, training and research.

Under the DCFI Program, DCHMRC features a Teen Prevention and Intervention Project (TPIP) aimed at educating and modifying behaviors and attitudes of adolescent parents with the objective of building future healthy marriages and strong relationships through education, training and research.

EFFORTS

Targeted Ward: 2, 5, 7 & 8

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Employment for Former Offenders Receiving Treatment Services (EFFORTS) is a non-profit agency founded in 1993 with a mission to aid ex-offenders and recovering substance abusers in obtaining employment and to assist with facilitating a successful re-entry.

Under the DCFI program, EFFORTS will provide previously-incarcerated fathers with economic stability skills training. Additionally, financial planning, budgeting, computer training, basic home maintenance skills, and domestic violence resources will be offered.

Ethiopian Community Center (ECC)

Targeted Ward: 4

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Established in 1980, the mission of ECC is to meet the needs of immigrants and refugees from Ethiopia and other countries through a variety of education and social services designed to assist families and individuals in becoming self-sufficient, contributing members of society.

Under the DCFI program, ECC provides employment and educational services. Activities include computer literacy training, job-readiness and placement and referral services.

Ethiopian Community Services and Development Council (ECSDC)

Targeted Ward: District-wide

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The mission of ECSDC is to ensure the success and well-being of African immigrants residing in the District of Columbia, in order that they undergo a smooth transitional process and attain a self-sustainable status.

Under the DCFI program, ECSDC provides services in the area of healthy relationships through workshops on skill building, co-parenting, and aggressive behavior reduction and in the area of responsible parenting through workshops on domestic violence prevention and child support. The target population is teen fathers that have limited or no English.

Falconsedge Male Task Force

Targeted Ward: 5

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Father Factor

Targeted Ward: 6, 7 & 8

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Founded in 1998, Father Factor builds the resiliency skills of children, youth and families in order to prevent or stop the cycle of substance abuse, violence and other negative behaviors in the community. Father Factor provides counseling, education, referral, and training services for the entire family during various dates and times at Strive DC (715 I Street, NE) and Healthy Babies Project (801 17th Street, NE).

Under the DCFI program, Father Factor parenting skills-based program is designed to help participants develop and enhance their role as a responsible parent, increase their access to community-based social support and improve family relationships with their children and other primary caregivers.

Free Advice, Incorporated (FAI)

Targeted Ward: 8

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Founded in 1999, Free Advice works with youth to improve literacy, encourage reading and promote civic involvement. FAI teaches its participants how to observe, discover and develop service-learning opportunities that can improve their communities.

Under the DCFI program, Free Advice provides support services to fathers of students with special education needs. Parents are engaged through creative bonding activities designed to strengthen relationships and promote successful parenting. FAI also provides mentoring, counseling and workforce development training for teen fathers.

Humility Outreach Missionary Ministries Incorporated (HOMMI)

Targeted Ward: 6 & 8

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For 8 years HOMMI has offered programs including youth mentorship, DC Child and Family Services Administration tutoring, a mental health residential facility and life coach counseling to previously incarcerated persons. HOMMI takes a grassroots approach to community partnerships, with experience mentoring inner-city youth and their families.

Under the DCFI program, HOMMI will offer individual and relationship counseling and domestic violence workshops. HOMMI provides job-readiness counseling, training and referrals. They also offer apprenticeship opportunities in residential counseling, landscaping, home improvement and housing referrals.

The Keys to Canaan

Targeted Ward: 8

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The Keys to Canaan is a faith-based, non-profit organization. The organization's mission is to empower parents to nurture healthy families. Currently, the organization is working to establish a parenting center in Benning Terrace, which is located in Ward 7. The Keys to Canaan will partner with the East of the River Clergy Police and Community Partnership to facilitate this project.

Under the DCFI program, Keys to Canaan provides job-readiness and placement and financial planning seminars. Also offered are skill-based parenting education, encouragement of child support payments and information on domestic violence and good parenting practices.

Menzfit

Targeted Ward: 7

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Founded in 2001, Menzfit's mission is ensuring long-term, gainful employment and financial fitness to low-income participants. Menzfit provides preparation programs for re-entry into the workforce through interview coaching, providing appropriate interview clothing, and offering ongoing career development support and financial literacy.

Under the DCFI program, Menzfit assists participants in obtaining professional, interview-appropriate clothing and offers life skills, financial literacy and employment training workshops and employment referrals.

Significant Male Task Force (SMTF)

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SMTF was founded in 1994 under the auspices of the DC Public School Head Start Program and in collaboration with United Planning Organization, with the goal of involving men in the education, growth and development of their children. These organizations also work together to provide opportunities for men to serve as surrogates for children who do not have significant male figures in their lives.

Under the DCFI program, the Positive Men Self-Concept Program (PMSC) provides activities, which support classroom learning, cultural experiences and improved parenting and leadership skills. PMSC provides mentor training for at-risk, low-income participants.

St. Rose Pentecostal Church

Targeted Ward: 7

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St. Rose Pentecostal Church is a faith-based organization, which has historically worked to resolve serious neighborhood social issues in Ward 7. St. Rose serves troubled youth, the homeless, and families encountering child neglect and abuse.

Under the DCFI program, St. Rose offers services to parents, teens, previously-incarcerated persons and parents of children with developmental and behavioral problems. T&T HealthCare collaborates with St. Rose to provide case management services, a 24-hour crisis helpline and a neutral drop-in center.

TAPP - Fathers Care

Targeted Ward: District-wide

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TAPP provides social services to teen parents at various health centers and high schools across the city. Locations include: Congress Heights Health Center (3720 Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue, SE), Anacostia High School (1601 16th Street, SE), Eastern High School (1700 East Capitol Street, NE), and Washington Hospital Center (110 Irving Street, NW).

Under the DCFI program, Fathers Care provides job preparation, employment and responsible parenting services to teen parents who are unemployed or underemployed. Career services are available in the fields of business and customer relations, medical administrative assistance and building maintenance. Employment services for entry-level jobs are also provided.

Vietnamese-American Community Service Center (VACSC)

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VACSC provides cultural, educational, recreational, and other programs while assisting with the assimilation and integration of Vietnamese immigrants and refugees. Additionally, VACSC operates the *Safe Place for Learning* program, which offers holistic childcare services to a diverse range of students in the District.

Under the DCFI program, VACSC has established a comprehensive program aimed at providing Vietnamese-American parents with the support necessary for responsible parenting. Services include skill-based parenting education, counseling sessions, dissemination of good parenting practices and domestic violence and child abuse reduction.

Wedded Bliss Foundation

Targeted Ward: 8

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Founded in 2001 to promote marriage, the Wedded Bliss Foundation facilitates marriage education groups for low-income couples around Washington, train others to provide marriage education services, speak to groups on the importance of marriage and provide technical assistance to organizations interested in providing marriage education services. In addition, the organization provides linkages to social services for the couples.

Under the DCFI program, Wedded Bliss focuses on skill-based parenting education, information about good parenting, domestic violence and child abuse prevention/awareness. They offer marriage preparation programs, marriage education and relationship education to assist with effective co-parenting.

Youth Technology Institute (YouthTech)

Targeted Ward: 5

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Founded in 1997, YouthTech provides youth and their families with exposure to quality programs in the areas of cultural enrichment, technology, athletics, entrepreneurial development, life skills training and volunteer experiences.

Under the DCFI program, YouthTech offers skills-based parenting classes, counseling, mentoring, job-readiness and placement assistance and financial management.

**DC Fatherhood Initiative Community Access Program (DCFI/CAP)
Program Access Notice**

Grantees must provide services to all eligible persons, regardless of a potential participant's race, gender, age, disability or religion. Grantees cannot, on the basis of race, gender, age, disability or religion, treat one person differently from another in determining eligibility, benefits or services provided, or applicable rules. The projects and activities assisted under these awards must be available to fathers and expectant fathers who are able to benefit from the activities on the same basis as mothers and expectant mothers.

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