

“The problem with the world is that we draw the circle of our family too small.”

Mother Teresa



Established in Chicago in 2003, Safe Families for Children (SFFC) has collaborated with hundreds of churches, local community partners and agencies, as well as volunteer families and government organizations.

Our mission is to support parents confronting crisis situations, working together to keep children safe and families together.

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A movement of families
supporting
children and parents
in their community

Who We Are

Safe Families for Children (SFFC) is a national family preservation movement passionate about keeping children safe and families together. We desire to prevent child abuse and decrease the number of children unnecessarily entering the foster care system.

SFFC seeks to reframe how families are served and supported when facing challenging and unmanageable circumstances. The goal is to provide a safe alternative for parents and help build strong, resilient families in the community.

What We Do

When a crisis strikes, many of us rely on relatives and friends for support. For some families, poverty and social isolation mean they lack necessary support networks when they need them the most.

Safe Families temporarily hosts children and provides family-like support to parents through a community of compassionate volunteers. We stand in the gap and provide a safety net for families dealing with a crisis on their own. Our volunteers are vetted and trained to provide relationships and resources to parents while they get back on their feet.



Circle of Support Volunteer Roles

Host Families are screened and approved by SFFC to host children for short periods of time with an average length of six weeks, but hosting can range from two days to one year.

Family Friends provide friendship and support to parents or host families through community, encouragement, transportation, hot meals, babysitting, etc.

Resource Friends give tangible items to families, such as groceries and household goods, as needed.

Family Coaches walk alongside parents to help them reach their goals and support volunteers while in service.



Who We Serve

We help build social support systems around families who are experiencing:

Homelessness
Unemployment
Hospitalization of Parent
Domestic Violence
Incarceration
Substance Abuse Treatment



SFFC Distinctives

- Faith-motivated and family-focused
- Built on establishing relationships, not a program
- Volunteer-driven and professionally supported
- Parents voluntarily request hosting and maintain full custody of children
- Volunteers motivated by compassion to serve without financial compensation
- Permanent support systems built to provide continued community