

# Prioritizing Community-Based Family Support

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Prevention is rooted in family and community well-being. Robust cross-sector partnerships among child welfare agencies and community-based providers ensure that providers can evolve, adjust, and respond proactively to the needs of the children and families in their communities before they reach a level of risk or danger that puts their children in harm's way. Here is a list of resources found on the Child Welfare Information Gateway website that focus on enhancing quality community-based collaboration.

# RESOURCES

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## [Building Partnerships to Support Stable Housing for Child Welfare-Involved Families and Youth](#)

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Child Welfare Information Gateway (2019)

Outlines affordable housing and homelessness services and how child welfare professionals can collaborate with those systems to help families.

## [Child Welfare—Early Education Partnerships to Expand Protective Factors for Children With Child Welfare Involvement](#)

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Child Welfare Information Gateway (2015)

Provides a summary of the lessons learned from eight Children’s Bureau grants focused on comprehensive, high-quality early care and education services for infants and young children in foster care or under the supervision of child welfare services.

## [Community-Based Family Support: Exemplars With Implementation and Evaluation Strategies](#)

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Casey Family Programs (2016)

Focuses on the need for community-based initiatives and summarizes lessons learned from the design and implementation of current and past community-based support programs.

# Engaging Communities to Support Families

Child Welfare Information Gateway

Provides a list of resources that address how to engage community members to support children, youth, and families, including State and local examples.

# Engaging Families and Communities

National Child Abuse and Neglect Technical Assistance and Strategic Dissemination Center

Provides video and audio stories to promote community engagement in supporting children and families and preventing child maltreatment.



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