



**“This has been a very helpful group in pointing me in directions for help.”**

— Kinship Caregiver

## King County Kinship Partner Organizations

- Advocates for the Rights of Children of King County
- Atlantic Street Center
- National Council on Aging, Benefits Check-up Project
- Casey Family Programs
- Childhaven
- Children’s Home Society of Washington
- Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS), Children’s Administration
- DSHS Economic Services, Child Support Enforcement
- DSHS Economic Services, Community Services Division
- Encompass
- Kent Youth and Family Services
- King County Bar Association
- Mockingbird Society
- Northwest Women’s Law Center
- Odessa Brown Clinic
- One Church, One Child of Washington State/UJIMA Community Services
- Renton Area Youth and Family Services
- Seattle Human Services Department, Aging and Disability Services
- Seattle University School of Law
- Secure a Kid
- Senior Services
- Southeast Youth & Family Services

**If you are interested in joining the Collaboration, please contact us.**

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**Are you raising a relative’s child?  
We can help.**

The King County Kinship Collaboration



Support and Services for Relative Caregivers

## Support

Children deserve every opportunity to succeed. As someone who is parenting the children of others, you want to provide these children with love, stability and security. By taking on additional responsibilities, you are offering a child the chance to stay connected to his or her family, culture, neighborhood and school.

However, we know it isn't always easy, and you may have many questions. Extra support and services may be just what you need right now as you provide a nurturing and loving home for the child or children in your care.

## You are not alone.

Many families face similar challenges. In King County, there are more than 18,000 kinship caregivers. They include grandparents, aunts, uncles, siblings, and others caring for family members' children when circumstances prevent their parents from caring for them.

The Collaboration is a diverse community of caregivers and public and private social service providers from across the county who have come together to provide a comprehensive and coordinated set of services, advocacy and community education to support the needs and interests of kinship families.

## Services

The King County Kinship Collaboration's partner agencies will connect you to services, resources, referrals and information in the following areas:

- Financial services and resources
- Medical and dental information and referrals
- Legal referrals
- Child care referrals
- Head Start/Early Head Start
- Free or reduced cost meals/Women Infants Children (WIC)
- Training opportunities (parenting, advocacy, CPR, etc.)
- Support groups
- Assistance and counsel on navigating through the various government systems for support, resources and services

**“The best result has been interaction between the children and confirmation that my grandson is not alone in being raised by grandparents.”**

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## Resources

**For assistance, services, referrals and resources, call:**

Kinship Navigator and Caregiver Outreach and Support  
[www.seniorservices.org](http://www.seniorservices.org)  
888.435.3377 or 206.448.3110

2.1.1. Community Information Line  
Dial the numbers 2.1.1. (referrals only)

### SUPPORT GROUPS

#### *Seattle Area*

Grandparents as Parents  
Rainier Family Center 206.595.9047

Grandparents and Relatives Re-parenting  
Casey Family Programs 206.731.2557

Grandparents and Kinship Caregivers in Action—Atlantic Street Center 206.723.1301

Kinship Caregivers Support Group  
Southeast Youth and Family Services  
206.721.5542, ext. 45

UJIMA Kinship Supports 206.760.3456, ext. 2

#### *South King County*

Renton Area Youth and Family Services Kinship Support Group 206.772.2050

Relatives as Parents Project—Kent Youth and Family Services 206.371.6642

#### *East King County*

Encompass Kinship Support Group  
425.888.2777, ext. 229

Mamas & Papas Support Group—Kindinger Center in Bellevue 425.653.4314