How KVC Kansas Helps Children & Families



KVC Kansas is a private, nonprofit organization that serves over 12,000 children and adults each year. During our 55-year history, our team of professionals has provided in-home family strengthening and preventative services, caregiver training, foster care case management, family reunification services, kinship care, foster family recruitment and support, adoption, aftercare, outpatient therapy and more. Our mission is to enrich and enhance the lives of children and families.

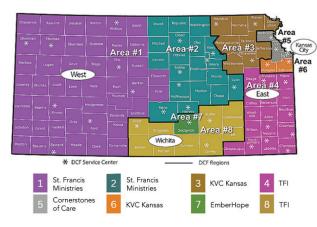
The families we serve face serious challenges including mental illness, addiction, financial stress, unhealthy relationships, child abuse and neglect, divorce, domestic violence, parental incarceration, the loss of loved ones, and ultimately, isolation. Our 435 team members

walk alongside them with professional expertise and compassion. They help them develop a personalized plan to achieve their goals and become the parents they have dreamed of becoming. We help stop the cycle of childhood adversity.



Nearly 30 Years of Foster Care Case Management Expertise

DCF Regions & Foster Care Catchment Areas



KVC Kansas is a partner of the Kansas Department for Children and Families, providing foster care case management services in Areas 3 and 6. This means we are responsible for children who enter foster care in 11 counties including Brown, Doniphan, Douglas, Jackson, Jefferson, Johnson, Marshall, Nemaha, Pottawatomie, Shawnee and Wabaunsee counties.

We have been a case management provider continuously for the last 29 years, dating back to the state's original decision to privatize child welfare service delivery in 1996. Being a case management provider means we work to safely reunify children with their families after foster care or, when not possible, matching children with loving 'no matter what' families through adoption.

This continuity across multiple decades and the opportunity to work closely with leaders of both parties has given us the time to learn, develop child welfare and mental health expertise, and implement transformative changes that have received national attention.

KVC's Continuum of Care

KVC Health Systems, KVC Kansas' parent organization, has one of the nation's broadest arrays of child welfare and behavioral health services. Nearly 200 years of serving children and families with the most complex needs has given KVC expertise that is sought both nationally and internationally.



In-Home Family Support

- Parenting education & support
- Family crisis stabilization
- In-home therapy
- Family preservation
- Peer-based solutions
- Respite care as prevention



School and Community-Based Services

- Early childhood education
- School-based interventions
- Day treatment (K-12 schools)
- Outpatient mental & behavioral health
- Intensive outpatient programs (IOP)
- Substance use treatment
- Intellectual and developmental disability (IDD) services



Kinship Care

- An alternative to foster care or adoption
- Care provided by a family member or someone who has a healthy relationship with the child such as a coach, family friend, teacher, or neighbor, when they are unable to live with their biological parents
- Care by relatives or non-related kin for children in foster care



Foster Care and Treatment Foster Care

- Highly trained caregiver families
- Family reunification services the primary goal of foster care
- Adoption services when needed
- TFC: Highly trained families caring for youth with behavioral health needs
- Independent living skills services



Children's Residential Mental Health Treatment

- Intensive, longer-term clinical treatment in a home-like environment
- Qualified Residential Treatment Programs (QRTPs)
- Psychiatric
 Residential
 Treatment Facilities
 (PRTFs)



Inpatient Mental Health Hospitals

- Acute hospitals for child mental health crisis stabilization
- Full medical, clinical, nursing, psychiatric, and medication management services
- Shorter term stays

SPANS THE ENTIRE CONTINUUM: STRENGTHENING FAMILIES | TRAUMA-INFORMED | CULTURALLY SENSITIVE

LEAST INTENSIVE

More People Served This Way Lowest Cost per Child/Family

Fewer People Served This Way Highest Cost per Child/Family

MOST INTENSIVE

How You Can Help Children & Families

1

Advocate for increased foster care prevention and mental health funding.

2

Learn more about becoming a foster or adoptive parent.

3

Volunteer or donate to help children.

You can get involved as a company, faith-based group, civic group, family or individual.

#1 foster care nonprofit

468 foster families

are licensed by KVC, making it the state's largest child placing agency.

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