

we are

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we do

Casey Family Programs is the nation's largest private foundation focused entirely on foster care and improving the child welfare system.

Our mission is to provide and improve—and ultimately prevent the need for—foster care in the United States.

As champions for change, we are committed to our 2020 Strategy—a goal to safely reduce the need for foster care and improve the lives of those who remain in care.

Since our founding in 1966, we have invested more than **\$1.6 billion** in programs and services to benefit children and families in the child welfare system.

Over the next decade, we will invest at least \$1 billion more to fulfill the promise of our 2020 Strategy.



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our work

Casey Family Programs has decades of front-line experience in foster care and is committed to helping states, counties and tribes implement effective child welfare practices. We provide nonpartisan research and technical expertise to child welfare system leaders, members of Congress and state legislators so they may craft laws and policies to better the lives of children in foster care, children at risk of entering the system and their families.

- We operate nine field offices in five states—Arizona, California, Idaho, Texas and Washington—that each year serve about 20,000 children in foster care, their families and young adults who grew up in foster care. We like to think of our field offices as proving grounds for developing and demonstrating effective practice models that child welfare systems may adopt themselves.

- We offer strategic consulting services at no cost to child welfare systems in most of the 50 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico. Our consultants assist in putting practices in place that will benefit those systems—and, in turn, the children and families they serve.
- We educate state and federal policymakers on the need for public policy changes that will help child welfare systems improve services for children and families.
- We provide nonpartisan research so that child welfare professionals and policymakers can make informed decisions based on data and evidence.
- We team with child welfare systems to eliminate systemic biases that contribute to the disproportionate number of children of color in foster care.
- We engage with tribal communities to develop effective and culturally appropriate Indian Child Welfare programs.
- We partner with community organizations, associations, philanthropies and corporations to promote effective child welfare programs. This helps nurture the broad-based support that encourages lawmakers and policymakers to take action on behalf of children.

At Casey Family Programs, we support and assist child welfare systems in their efforts to protect children and create strong families. Children do best in stable families and familiar environments. This gives them the best chance to grow into successful adults.

And that is best for all of us.

- We can make sure that children who do not need to be in foster care are not in foster care.
- We can surround vulnerable families with early intervention and prevention services so that children never become victims of abuse or neglect.
- We can safely move children out of foster care and into permanent homes—with strong families that will stand beside them long after they leave the nest.
- We can reunite children in foster care with their birth families, when safe and appropriate to do so. And we can strengthen those families by providing them the means to thrive.
- We can encourage placements with relatives—such as grandparents, aunts and uncles—in order to maintain family ties. And we can provide those caregivers the resources they need to raise those children successfully.
- We can have practices and policies in place that encourage adoption and legal guardianship—including a commitment to support those families after adoption or guardianship has taken place.
- We can keep siblings together.



children



Casey Family Programs draws inspiration from our founder, Jim Casey, a visionary entrepreneur who recognized that a nation's most valuable resource is its children.

The founder of United Parcel Service, Jim Casey understood that children need the love and support of a stable family in order to thrive. To that end, he established Casey Family Programs in 1966 as a national operating foundation, based in Seattle.

Casey Family Programs works each day in Jim Casey's spirit of compassion and concern, singularly focused on satisfying the needs of those we serve: America's children.

To learn more about Casey Family Programs, visit www.casey.org

Jim Casey and his family left a lasting legacy to improve the lives of vulnerable children and families. In addition to Casey Family Programs, other organizations that bear the family name include:

Annie E. Casey Foundation (Baltimore)
www.aecf.org, and its direct services agency Casey Family Services (New Haven, Conn.)
www.caseyfamilyservices.org

Marguerite Casey Foundation (Seattle)
www.caseygrants.org

Jim Casey Youth Opportunities Initiative (St. Louis)
www.jimcaseyyouth.org

Success



One measure of your success will be the degree to which you build up others who work with you. While building up others, you will build up yourself.

— JIM CASEY
Founder, Casey Family Programs





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