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Our mission is to provide and improve – and ultimately prevent the need for – foster care.

# ABOUT CASEY FAMILY PROGRAMS

Casey Family Programs is the nation's largest operating foundation focused on **safely reducing the need for foster care and building Communities of Hope** for children and families in the United States.

We are committed to Building Communities of Hope, a nationwide effort to prevent the need for foster care by supporting families in raising safe, happy and healthy children. We work with a wide range of partners, including the children and families we serve each day, to:

- **Safely reduce the need for foster care by 50 percent.** We work in support of our partners at the federal, tribal, state and local levels to develop policies and practices that best meet the needs of families and their children. The result of this work reduces child abuse and neglect, increases safety and stability, and improves well-being and life outcomes.
- **Demonstrate how every child can have a safe and permanent family.** We work directly with children and families to provide and improve foster care and prevention services that promote their safety and well-being. From this work we demonstrate approaches that improve safety, address trauma, support healing, strengthen bonds and promote

progress in education, employment and mental health. We share what we learn from this work with our partners to support improvements in policy and practice across the United States.

- **Support more effective investments in strengthening families to keep children safely in their own homes and communities.** We contribute nonpartisan information, data and resources to policymakers at all levels of government to improve the impact and equity of our nation's investment in communities for supporting child and family safety and well-being.
- **Promote a shared responsibility for ensuring the well-being of every child and family across the nation.** We encourage leaders from all five sectors of a community – government, business, nonprofit and faith-based, philanthropic and the community members themselves – to think, plan and act in collaboration to improve the long-term safety, well-being and hope of children and their families. We call this Building Communities of Hope.



Casey Family Programs works in all 50 states, Washington, D.C., Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands and with tribal nations across North America to influence long-lasting improvements to the well-being of children, families and the communities where they live.

Our approach is based on learning from and collaborating with those who are working to improve the well-being of children and their families, especially those with lived experiences with the foster care system.

We do this in three ways:

- **Partner and support.** We share strategies and knowledge backed by technical assistance, data analysis, and research and evaluation at no cost to child welfare and other public systems, policymakers, courts, tribal nations and community partners to support policies and practices that improve child and family safety, stability and well-being.
- **Direct services.** We work with children and families by providing foster care and other direct services through community-based offices in nine locations. We demonstrate approaches that strengthen child

and family safety and stability, address trauma, promote healing and improve well-being. We share our knowledge with state and tribal child welfare systems, courts and community partners to support their improvement efforts.

- **Public policy.** We provide policymakers with comprehensive, nonpartisan child welfare information and education driven by data and based on evidence of what works best to improve the well-being of children and families.

Since our founding in 1966, we have invested more than \$2.9 billion to support improvements in programs, services and public policies that benefit children and families in the child welfare system. Over the next decade, we will invest at least \$1 billion more to influence improvements to the safety and success of children, families and the communities where they live.

A close-up photograph of three young children smiling. On the left is a Black boy with a blue and white striped shirt. In the center is a young girl with long dark hair. On the right is a young girl with curly brown hair. The background is softly blurred, showing other children and an indoor setting.

# BUILDING COMMUNITIES OF HOPE

Communities of Hope is a vision for how society can best support the safety and success of every child and family and a theory of change for how we can achieve sustainable, long-lasting transformation of the child welfare system into a true child and family well-being system.

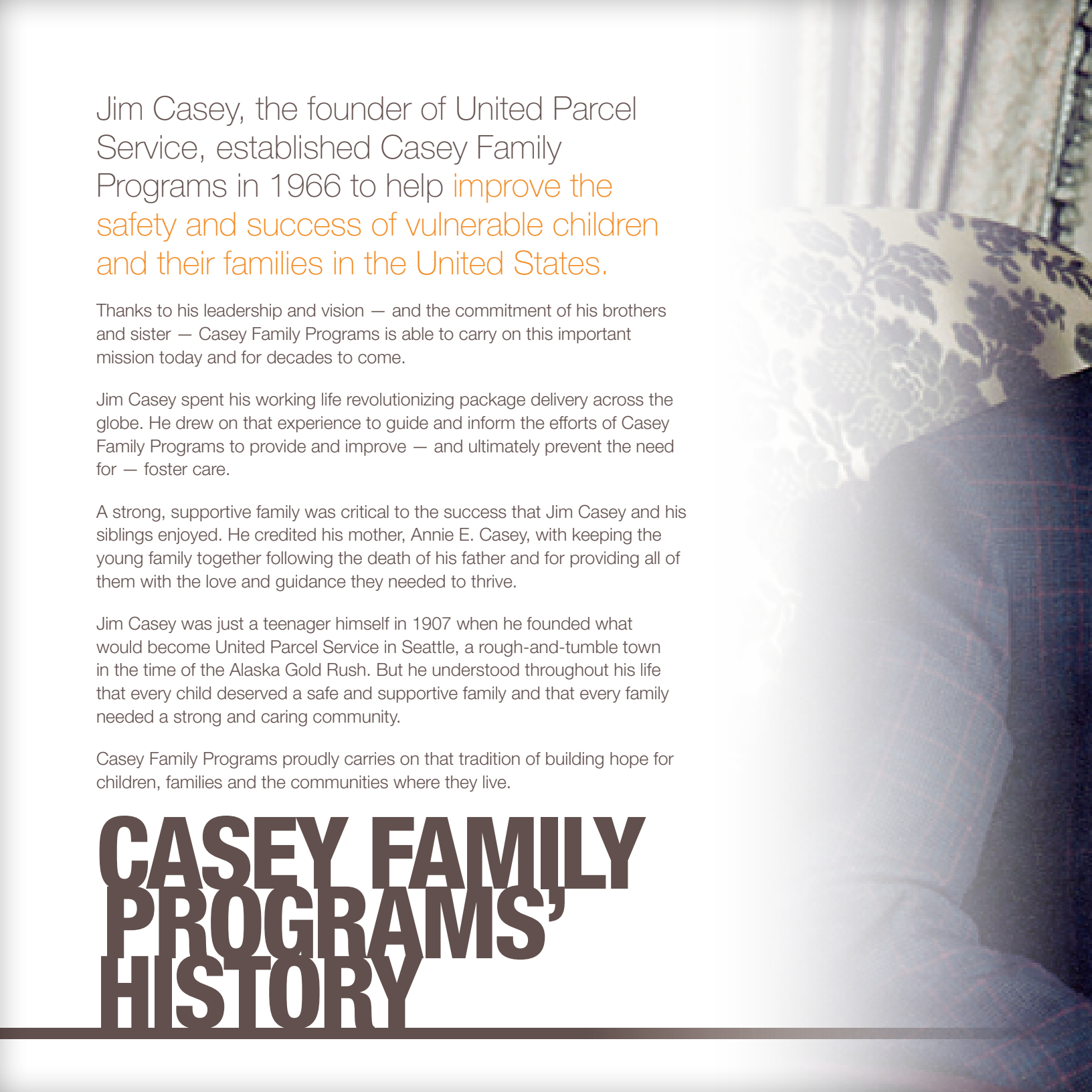
Achieving the vision of Building Communities of Hope is a shared responsibility that will require leadership in all five sectors – government, business, nonprofit and faith-based, philanthropic and the community members themselves – working together to build hope for children and their families.

## **Theory of Change**

The actions of local leaders must be the catalyst for improving the safety, opportunities and hope of children and their families. Casey Family Programs influences progress by working with local leaders to:

- Support the ability of families to improve their own lives and conditions.
- Increase the capacity of communities — and the organizations that serve them — to better meet the needs of children and families.
- Improve the effectiveness of government investments in services and supports.
- Align philanthropic and corporate giving with the community consensus to achieve sustainable results.

Visit [casey.org](https://casey.org) to learn more.

A person is sitting on a sofa with a floral pattern, looking out a window with vertical blinds. The scene is softly lit, suggesting a calm, domestic environment.

Jim Casey, the founder of United Parcel Service, established Casey Family Programs in 1966 to help improve the safety and success of vulnerable children and their families in the United States.

Thanks to his leadership and vision — and the commitment of his brothers and sister — Casey Family Programs is able to carry on this important mission today and for decades to come.

Jim Casey spent his working life revolutionizing package delivery across the globe. He drew on that experience to guide and inform the efforts of Casey Family Programs to provide and improve — and ultimately prevent the need for — foster care.

A strong, supportive family was critical to the success that Jim Casey and his siblings enjoyed. He credited his mother, Annie E. Casey, with keeping the young family together following the death of his father and for providing all of them with the love and guidance they needed to thrive.

Jim Casey was just a teenager himself in 1907 when he founded what would become United Parcel Service in Seattle, a rough-and-tumble town in the time of the Alaska Gold Rush. But he understood throughout his life that every child deserved a safe and supportive family and that every family needed a strong and caring community.

Casey Family Programs proudly carries on that tradition of building hope for children, families and the communities where they live.

# CASEY FAMILY PROGRAMS' HISTORY



“One  
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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

Casey Family Programs is headquartered in Seattle and has offices in Arizona, California, Colorado, the District of Columbia, Georgia, Idaho, New York, Texas and Washington.

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