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Happenings

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Wells Fargo Awards Family Support

On September 17th, at a ceremony in downtown Mobile, Family Support was awarded a Community Connection Grant. The recognition of Family Support for its work addressing the critical needs of families is a great honor, and it helps raise awareness of our organization. Dr. Jerry Oveson, Dianne and Jenny attended the ceremony

along with Jared Alvarez, the Cottage Hill Store manager where our organization regularly banks. The Cottage Hill Store nominated Family Support for this \$1000 grant which is given for general operating expenses. Family Support uses this award to help fund our outreach efforts.









Hargrove employees in Mobile are planning a special christmas party for several area families who need assistance in this holiday season. This is the second year that this group has reached out to partner with Family Support in this time of need. The generosity and caring attitude of these team members is very impressive!

Our new Reachout Kit has been completed. This will go out to organizations and agencies who regularly refer individuals and families to the Individual & Family Support service in our 10 county region (Mobile, Baldwin, Clarke, Monroe, Escambia, Conecuh, Dallas, Wilcox, Perry & Washington Counties). The materials in this kit will raise awareness of the services we provide and also provide the current Application for Assistance Forms necessary to access these support services. In addition, the kit includes information about becoming a member of a

local volunteer council which oversees all functions of the Individual & Family Support program in its related counties. The Reachout Kit will be used as a tool to raise awareness of this source of help for individuals and families while, at the same time, encouraging volunteers which are so critical to this program. Funding for this assistance comes from donations and state funding through the Alabama Department of Mental Health. Email go@famsupport to order.





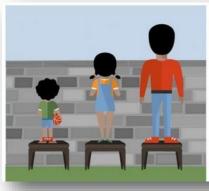
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One size doesn't fit all

Family Support assumes all families are different as to what they may need so we first ask the individual or family, "what is needed". Then the local volunteer council members try to address their needs.



Tis-the-Season



The final meeting of the Tis-the-Season Task Group was held Wednesday, November 18th. The invitations (180 of them) have all gone out and now the waiting for responses is underway. Last minute checks with Heron Lakes Country

Club have been completed and excitement is rising. The very special annual fundraiser is a much anticipated kickoff to the busy holiday season. <u>Click here</u> to go to our website and click on "Short Info Videos" to see a video of last years event. If you did not receive an invitation and would like to attend, click on the wreath.









NEW BROCHURE COMING!

What people pick up and read often has to do with what it looks like, so after more than 15 years the primary services brochure for the Individual & Family Support program in our region will undergo a makeover. A little more colorful and easier to read, this brochure will also include the Application for Assistance. Look for it in January.

