

THE FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER AT  
THE HOME *for* LITTLE WANDERERS

# Strengthening Families Through Community Resources & Programs

The Home for Little Wanderers' Boston-Suffolk County Family Resource Center provides services that strengthen families by connecting them to resources within their own communities and through innovative programming. Our specialized staff, comprised of clinicians, family partners, family support workers, an attorney and school liaisons, help families address their needs and achieve their goals.

## What We Do:

- ♥ We **SUPPORT** families with youth who are at risk for civil or delinquency court involvement.
- ♥ We **ADVOCATE** for youth within schools and help children and families interpret IEPs. By way of a partnership with MHAP for Kids, we are also fortunate to have an Educational Attorney who works out of our office.
- ♥ We **HELP** families navigate city and state systems, including housing (both market and subsidy), WIC, MassHealth, DHCD, DTA, DCF and DMH.
- ♥ We **PROVIDE** emotional support, brief assessments and mental health referrals for long-term therapeutic support. (We do not provide counseling.) We also support families and individuals who are dealing with domestic violence and abusive or exploitative situations.
- ♥ We **ASSIST** with clothing referrals for infants, toddlers and youth.
- ♥ We **OFFER** skill-based, evidence-based and recreational programming designed to engage the whole family.



## About the Boston-Suffolk County Family Resource Center

Operated by The Home, The Boston-Suffolk County Family Resource Center is part of a statewide network of Family Resource Centers and primarily serves families from Boston, Chelsea, Winthrop and Revere, though families are welcome to receive services from any FRC in the Commonwealth. We require no referrals, are not insurance based and help families regardless of legal status. Our staff speaks English and Spanish. There are no eligibility requirements or costs associated with the program, and there is no waitlist. To learn more about Family Resource Centers in Massachusetts, visit [frcma.org](http://frcma.org).

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# Innovative Programming

The FRC at The Home for Little Wanderers offers ongoing support groups, workshops and practical programs for caregivers and youth, including:

- ♥ Evidenced-Based Parent Curriculums (Parenting Journey & Nurturing Families)
- ♥ Financial Literacy
- ♥ Programming for Youth: Life Skills Workshops; Social & Emotional Learning; Wellness Classes; Social Justice and Leadership; Creative Fun
- ♥ Parent Support
- ♥ English as a Second Language

## HOUSEHOLD RESOURCES AVAILABLE

Once a month, we offer the following necessities to households that have completed an intake with us.

Diapers & Wipes • Formula • Personal Hygiene Products • Household Cleaning Supplies • Non-Perishable Foods

## ADDITIONAL RESOURCES FOR FAMILIES

The FRC does not provide funding assistance, therapy or childcare. However, we can help with referrals. Additionally, the following resources may be helpful leads for providers and families.

### Rent & Utility Assistance

MetroHousing  
Low-Income Resources  
Boston Rental Relief Fund  
ABCD (Action for Boston Community Development)

### Early Education Options

Child Care Choices of Boston  
Mass 2-1-1

### Regional Mental Health Services

Massachusetts Behavioral Health Access

Visit [thehome.org/frc](http://thehome.org/frc) for more information on resources and direct links.

# About The Home for Little Wanderers

For over 200 years, The Home for Little Wanderers has helped build stable lives and hopeful tomorrows for vulnerable children and their families. Our 25+ community-based and residential programs serve thousands of at-risk youth from birth to age 26. Many of these children have experienced abuse, neglect, trauma or a disrupted family life. As the oldest child welfare agency in America, we provide them with safe surroundings, permanent loving relationships and a secure path toward a better, brighter future.

## Location & Contact

The Boston-Suffolk County Family Resource Center is located at 56 Dimock Street (lower level), Roxbury, Mass. We are open to the public Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 10am-5pm, and by appointment on Wednesdays and Fridays.



For more information and inquiries, call 617-469-8501 or email [FRC@thehome.org](mailto:FRC@thehome.org). Check out our Facebook page [@BostonFRC](https://www.facebook.com/BostonFRC) for updates, opportunities and events.