Support Groups; Grandparents - Kinship Program

Age Requirements No Age Requirement Available 24/7 No Other Eligibility Criteria No residency requirement. Family No **Intake Contact** Nancy Coffey Intake Contact Email nancy.coffey@fairfaxcounty.gov Intake Process Call to find support group dates and times. Intake Contact Telephone (703) 246-3099 **Provider Refer** Yes Self Refer Yes Fairfax County Public Schools, Adult Education http://www.fcps.edu https://www.fcps.edu/resources/family-engagement/kinship-care-support Main (571) 423-3000 **Dunn Loring Center for Parent Services** 2334 Gallows Road 22027 VA **United States** Fee Structure No Fee Payment Method(s) Private Pay

Languages Spoken English

Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS), in partnership with other Fairfax County departments and agencies, offers services and programs for grandparents and other family members raising children.

Kinship care is increasing as a result of family challenges, including military responsibilities, serious physical illness, financial difficulties, serious mental illness, substance abuse, incarceration, child abuse and neglect, AIDS, domestic violence, and the death of the child's parent. In Fairfax County, according to the 2010 Census, approximately 5,000 households identified themselves as having a grandparent or other family member raising children.

Support groups for families raising children of relatives meet twice monthly at two sites in the county.

Contact Nancy Coffey, Department of Family Services, at <u>nancy.coffey@fairfaxcounty.gov</u> or (703) 246-3099.

Service Area(s) Fairfax City

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