

# About Us

Community Partnerships, Inc. is a nonprofit organization serving children with mental health concerns. We believe in using a “wraparound” approach when working with children and their families which includes:

- Promoting child & family strengths
- Valuing family voice, culture, and beliefs
- Providing individualized care
- Team-based collaboration
- Pursuing community-based resources and natural supports
- Ensuring continuity of care
- Setting measurable goals and celebrating success



# Our Mission

*Our mission is to support children with mental health needs to be successful in their community and to reduce their risk of institutional placement by creating and coordinating family-focused services that are flexible, strength-based, and culturally relevant.*



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# Our Programs:

## *Children Come First (CCF)*

The Children Come First (CCF) program is a specialty children's mental health managed care program of Dane County Department of Human Services and the State of Wisconsin Medicaid program. CCF offers comprehensive case management, family advocacy and wraparound services, and operates a provider network of traditional and nontraditional service providers to support children in their community. The primary mission of CCF is to stabilize children's mental health, emotional, and behavioral needs in order to prevent or reduce their length of placement in a psychiatric hospital, residential care center, or juvenile corrections.

*Funding for CCF provided by Dane County Department of Human Services.*

## *Case Management Services*

Similar to the wraparound services provided in the Children Come First program (see above), each case management plan is tailored to meet the unique needs and talents of the child and family with the goal of supporting the child in their home, school, and community. Services include safety planning, service coordination, and the development of a Child & Family Team (treatment professionals, school staff, natural supports, etc.) which serves as a network of support for the child and family. We specialize in case management for children struggling with mental health concerns but are also able to provide this service to meet the needs of children experiencing a variety of physical, emotional, and developmental needs.

*Case management services are available on a fee-for-service or contracted basis. Please contact Community Partnerships for more information.*

## *ArtSpeak*

ArtSpeak is a one-of-a-kind expressive art program designed for youth who struggle with mental illness and behavioral challenges, and who oftentimes don't benefit from traditional mental health interventions. ArtSpeak provides an alternative option of expression through art and art-making. Youth are encouraged to be creative and give voice to their artistic self without judgment or criticism from others. They are instructed to turn off their inner critic and freely use art materials in their own unique styles. Each participant is given an opportunity to share their art with the group, and speak about their creation.

*ArtSpeak is supported by the Dane County Cultural Affairs Commission, with additional funds from the American Girl's Fund for Children, the Overture Foundation, and Pleasant T. Rowland Foundation.*

## *The Engagement Project*

The Engagement Project is a collaborative program between Community Partnerships and the Madison Metropolitan School District, and currently operates at James Madison Memorial High School. The Engagement Project supports students with emotional and behavioral difficulties to successfully transition from middle school to high school. There is a strong link between school engagement, school success, and school completion. We work to build bridges from middle school to high school, address family needs and concerns, and support students in forming relationships—all to promote empowerment, skill building, and positive school engagement.

*Funding for the Engagement Project is provided by United Way of Dane County.*

## *Hospital Diversion Program*

The CCF Hospital Diversion Program provides 24/7 crisis stabilization and diversion services to families who have a child at risk of an involuntary hospitalization. This short-term program (30-90 days) offers in-home crisis stabilization, crisis planning, intensive case management, parent/child support and behavior management, medication management, wraparound services, and coordination and linkage to ongoing services and support.

## *Group Trainings*

Community Partnerships offers training opportunities on a variety of topics including strength-based practices, multi-systems collaboration, treatment plan and crisis plan development, facilitating child & family teams, and wraparound philosophy and practices. Trainings can easily be tailored to meet your organizational needs.



*Please visit our website at [www.community-partnerships.org](http://www.community-partnerships.org) for eligibility criteria and referral information.*