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Where hope meets possibility

Who We Are

Far too many people and families in our communities **struggle with serious challenges** – from trauma and mental illness to substance use, domestic violence, and child abuse. Family Connections is here to make sure **no one has to face these challenges alone**.

Across Northern New Jersey, we deliver a wide range of services, including counseling, prevention and training, family bonding, family reunification, social-emotional skills-building – and more.

In the past decade, the number of people participating in our services has quadrupled to **more than 4,000/year**. We rigorously track data across our programs, measuring both the soft and hard impact of our work. So we know that **what we do really works**.

Our highly-trained staff brings their **many skills and big hearts** to work every day – not only **in our offices**, but on-site **in schools** and directly **in the home**. We work with people as they define their own needs, goals, and plans for better lives, so that children, teens, mothers, fathers, veterans, seniors, and others can **heal and succeed** in school, work, and life.

Since 1879, Family Connections has proven that communities thrive when everyone is invested in each other's wellbeing. We are **where hope meets possibility**.

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Our Vision

We see a world where no one faces life's challenges alone—where we all have the opportunities, connections, and resources we need to thrive.

Our Mission

Growth happens here every day. With our counseling, skills-building, training and prevention services, people take control of their own healing and foster connections that make our entire community stronger, safer, and healthier.

Leading with values, empathy, and science

At Family Connections, we succeed because we approach our work with strong values, big hearts, and the latest science. **No one of these is enough without the other two**. We pride ourselves on our entire staff's dedication to all three. Whether we're working with a toddler, teen, parent, veteran, or older adult – and whether we're delivering mental health care or supportive housing, linkage to concrete services or skills-building education – our success depends on leveraging our **core values**, our **deep empathy**, and our application of the **best science-based practices**.

As with our Mission, we strive every day to **live our Core Values** by being:

- **Inclusive**
- **Strengths-based**
- **Relationship-driven**
- **Outcome-oriented and**
- **Collaborative**

One of New Jersey's leading social service organizations, Family Connections is **known for excellence and for always reaching higher**. We pride ourselves on living our mission every day and on our commitment to **diversity, equity, and inclusion** in all aspects of our work. Centering our services on **the needs of our communities**, we deliver dozens of counseling, skills-building, training, and prevention programs rooted in cutting-edge research, including:

What We Do

Advocacy and Training Services

Domestic Violence Services

Early Childhood Services

Family Support Services

Housing Services

Mental Health and Substance Use Services

Older Adult Services

Veterans Services

Youth Services

Connect With Us

Connect with us to build a stronger, safer, and healthier New Jersey.

For anyone seeking services, please call our Main Number and Directory: **973-675-3817**

For more information on specific services, as well as employment and volunteer opportunities, visit our website at: **familyconnectionsnj.org**

Administration
7 Glenwood Avenue, Suite 101, East Orange, NJ 07017

Locations
395 South Center Street, Orange, NJ 07050
7 Glenwood Avenue, East Orange, NJ 07017
122 Irvington Avenue, South Orange, NJ 07079
48 13th Avenue, Paterson, NJ 07504

School-Based Programs
• **The Space** at Orange High School
• **The Zone** at Orange Preparatory Academy
• **The Loft** at Columbia High School
• **The Hub** at Maplewood Middle School
• **The Den** at Bloomfield High School

In-Home, In-Community, and Training Services
Operating throughout Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Hunterdon, Middlesex, Morris, Passaic, Somerset, Sussex, Union, and Warren Counties

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