

CHILD AND FAMILY WELL-BEING SERIES

Faith Engagement Playbook

The roadmap to engaging faith leaders in courageous conversations to help families thrive in Georgia.

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Purpose

Inclusivv has partnered with the Georgia Division of Family and Children's Services to create 6 unique conversation topics with 3 structured questions that will lead you and your audience on a shared learning journey - followed up by calls to actions that increase engagement, provide resources, and continue to foster change in Georgia.

The purpose of this playbook is to introduce you to an opportunity to engage your faith-based community in conversations about family well-being, inspiring community engagement to uplift and nurture Georgia's families.

Faith communities and families in Georgia share a common goal: they both play an important role in the positive development of children. Faith communities are places of safety, support, and love for children and their families. Your community offers safe haven during the turbulent times as well as a place to celebrate in the joyous times. Supporting Georgia's children and families is not an individual endeavor – it requires a multifaceted approach and collaboration across many different sectors working together. As a faith community, you offer a foundation of trust and support to provide space to hold courageous conversations on family well-being.

"Faith matters to people, and matters to development. In many parts of the world, faith-based organizations (FBOs) and religious leaders (RLs) are influential in both the political and social spheres, and have a broad following in society. Their presence in local communities, coupled with their capacity to deliver critical services, allow them to mobilize grassroots support, earn the trust of vulnerable groups, and influence cultural norms – all of which make them vital stakeholders in development."

-United Nations Development Programme

Where to host

Host a Family and Child Well-Being conversation.

Family Well-Being conversations give space for families and community members to inform you and your peers about important issues that affect their day to day lives – issues that you may be a support in solving.

Invite your congregation to attend a conversation that will allow you to hear individual concerns from families and community members that can inform your decision making for a better, more thriving community for all.

You can host these conversations as part of your direct service in your local faith-based institution. You can also introduce your community to how to host their own conversations.

Host a conversation at:

- a local church during a luncheon with members
- · a children's ministry during an arts and craft event
- a synagogue during a fundraising event



Who to invite

Do you belong to a place of worship where families and children attend?

Consider hosting a conversation with members of your faith community.

You can also invite:

- · Leaders in your faith community
- Community members
- Members of the congregation
- Other faith organizations
- Nonprofits focused on development within the faith communities

Develop a deeper understanding of what children and families need to thrive in your community and build further trust and stronger relationships with your community members as you engage them in conversations about their families' well-being. As well as, foster new relationships with other faith organizations as you unite for the common goal of uplifting families for a thriving community.

What you get

With an Inclusivv Family & Child Well-Being conversation, we provide an easy framework to structure your conversation. You simply lead the conversation, let each participant share, listen, and learn. By hosting these conversations, you obtain real life evidence to support your policy making decisions.

From these conversations you will:

- Increase congregation and/or collective satisfaction.
- Create positive community engagement.
- Grow your social network.
- Increase community engagement.
- Nurture safe environments for Georgia's families.
- Uphold your commitment to the public - engaging diverse communities and addressing public needs.



"Conversation is a powerful engagement method to encourage self-organizing communities to listen, debate and share ideas on a set of issues, challenges or opportunities."

How to host

How to Host a Family and Child Well-Being Conversation in 8 Quick Steps!

- Step 1 Sign up for an Inclusivy account
- Step 2 Pick a topic in the Child and Family Well-Being Series to host
- Step 3 Decide where you will host the conversation you can do online or in-person.
- Step 4 Set up your conversation on the Inclusivv platform. Here's a short video on how!
- Step 5 Receive your host guide and host toolkit.
- Step 6 <u>Invite your guests</u>
- Step 7 Host your conversation.
- Step 8 Listen, share, and learn

Family and Child Well-Being Series Conversation Topics

The Big Picture of Child Well-Being

Let's talk about Georgia's children, and how we create a better future by ensuring they have what they need to thrive.



Early Learning for Lifelong Success

A conversation about how child care and early learning strengthen child well-being and brighten Georgia's future.



Building Resilience for Brighter Futures

A conversation about building resilience — and how it helps families and children live safe, happy and healthy lives.



Family Health and Child Well-Being

A conversation about protecting the well-being of Georgia's children by nurturing family physical and mental health.



Economic Opportunities for Promising Futures

A conversation about how family economic well-being keeps our children safe and our communities thriving.



Advocating for Family and Child Well-Being

A conversation about how we can educate, advocate and inspire action on behalf of Georgia's children.



Inclusivy provides everything you need to host your Family Well-Being conversations - the registration page, the questions, the timing, sample email invitations, social media posts, and the follow up actions - you provide the space, time, and dedication to faith engagement.

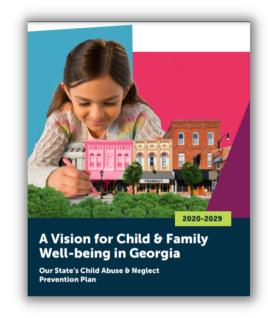
Learn More About Inclusivy

Click here to watch a short video.

Or scan this QR code:



Learn More About the CANNP



Contact DFCS Child Protective Services:

1.855.GACHILD

Resources

The Family & Child Well-Being Series

A Vision for Child & Family Well-Being in Georgia Inclusivy Engagement
Strategies for Clients

Host Resources







