

Ways to be a Better Role Model

- Nurture
- Show compassion
- Listen
- Communicate
- Educate
- Support
- Engage in recreational activities
- Enhance self esteem
- Provide guidance
- Get involved and stay involved

Involved Dads Have A Direct Impact On Their Children's Future



Effecting Change across all Systems

- Community Mental Health
- Schools
- Child Welfare
- Courts
- Juvenile Justice
- Public Health
- Substance Abuse

"To the world you may be one person but to one person you may be the world."

~ Bill Wilson



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Ensuring Male Caregiver Involvement



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Imagine the first time you played ball

with your dad, or maybe played ponies. Think of the first time he took you to the movies, just you and him. Think of how after all these years you still hold onto that memory and what it means to you. For some children, they don't have that memory because there was no male caregiver in their life. It is beneficial to understand just how crucial a father, or someone standing in the role of a father, is to the development and nurturing of a child.

Through training, linking and mentoring we strive to spread the message to men and women on the essential fatherhood role.

Our Goal

The goal of the Wayne County Fatherhood Initiative is to provide support and education to men who are fathers or in the role of a father. We want to encourage them to be teachers, leaders and role models for those who look up to them.



Our Work

Our mission is to develop comprehensive social supports, programs, public awareness, and

policies that will assist fathers in engaging with their children to reach their fullest potential.

Our Future

Our group continues to grow. We would like to expand our work to include individual mentoring of fathers and male caregivers. We encourage and would like for you to be a part of the Wayne County Fatherhood Initiative, as it evolves.

Get Involved

Support the Wayne County Fatherhood Initiatives efforts to ensure that male caregivers are involved in the lives of their children across all systems within a System of Care.

"A girl's father is the first man in her life, and probably the most influential"

~David Jeremiah