

FamilyWorx

2022 Montgomery County Recovery and Resiliency Award Recipient

The entire "team" of Parent Peer Support Staff at FamilyWorx is being recognized for their work. Since they began the program in July 2021, they hit the ground running, and never looked back. This team of 7 parents supports over 145 families in Montgomery County, in all aspects of the Children's System, including kids in the community, hospital and residential programs. Whether the child is involved in the Child Welfare System, the Juvenile Justice System, or simply needing community support, the Parent Peer Support Staff are a guiding light at school meetings, team meetings, and peer led support groups. They are a go-to partner in many county initiatives, including our System of Care, Suicide Prevention Taskforce, Truancy Taskforce and Children's Roundtable as well as State run workgroups. They recently developed a pilot program with our Mobile Crisis folks to provide Parent Peer support in "live" time to parents experiencing crisis with their child in conjunction with the Mobile Crisis team. Together, they use their own personal stories to help other parents become the best advocates for their children. They are truly a wonderful asset and partner to our Children's Mental Health System and Montgomery County is so very fortunate to have them supporting our families.

