



**Fannin County Family Connection Inc.  
FY26 Annual Plan  
July 01, 2025 - June 30, 2026**

**Year 2 of FY25-27 Planning and Implementation Cycle**

**Governance Type:** Private nonprofit body (even if not serving as your own fiscal agent)

**Governance Subtype:** Not applicable

**Collaborative Functional Type:** Programs and Services Coordination

**Plan Focus:**

Priority work in FY26 will focus on increasing the overall effectiveness of activities, services, and programs. This includes establishing strong collaborative and outreach networks with clear expectations. To ensure that Fannin County Family Connection (FCFC) is the leader in being the connector between partners we want to focus on growing a large volunteer base and utilizing various communications and technologies to provide a wide awareness about the work of the collaborative.

The Collaborative will work together with the implementation of one-on-one supports to the clientele that we serve. Partners will help identify needs and provide a strong base of who to contact when working with clients on an individualized basis. This effort will include adding bilingual volunteers and utilizing technology to efficiently serve families. To further assist families, FCFC will be starting a financial assistance program to help the families we serve with concrete supports. A task force will be formed to ensure proper guidelines are created for the program.

Finally, FCFC will continue to operate a Family Resource Center (FRC) which houses a food pantry, clothing closet, library, and unsheltered day services. Last year there were 22,000 logged visits to the food pantry. Our Family Care Program will continue to provide support and financial assistance to kinship care families. Around 30 families participate in this program who are dedicated to attending support group meetings and events. FCFC will work with the collaborative to continue regular activities such as the Civic Luncheon, literacy outreach, summer meals, medical services, collaborative meetings, and frequent communications.

**Strategy Name:** Improved stability for children and families.

**Phase of Strategy Implementation:** Partial Implementation

**Desired Outcome:** Improved stability for children and families

**Strategy Statement:** Fannin County Family Connection will work with partners to coordinate programs and services to help families thrive.

**Child and Family Indicators:**

Indicator	Result Area	Data Source	Notes
Children with a substantiated incident of neglect (per 1,000) [SF3b]	Stable, Self-Sufficient and Productive Families	KIDS COUNT Website	
Children living in poverty [SC3]	Thriving Communities	KIDS COUNT Website	
Families, with children, with annual incomes less than 150% of the federal poverty threshold [SC5]	Thriving Communities	KIDS COUNT Website	

**Activities:**

Type	Name	Description	Population of Focus
Systems Change	Resource Connection Team	The Resource Connection Team will be a new volunteer position within our resource center working one-on-one with our clients, advocating for our clients, shifting the mindsets of poverty in the community, and creating a continuous feedback loop.	Volunteers with knowledge of community resources
Systems Change	Affordable Housing	Identify and work to support partner efforts that involve expanding availability for workforce/affordable housing.	Board members, Collaborative partners, and leadership in the community
Collaborative Development	Collaborative Recruitment	Continue networking in the community to recruit a broader collaborative membership to strengthen areas of expertise by adding partners such as educators, healthcare professionals, faith	Executive Board members and Collaborative members to recruit from their peer groups.

		community representatives, youth, and local government.	
Collaborative Development	Collaborative Expectations MOA	Develop clear expectations and requirements of board and collaborative members so that each are clear about their roles and responsibilities.	Executive Board and Collaborative Partners
Family Engagement	Civic Luncheon	Conduct Civic Luncheon during Resource Center's hours to gather feedback and build consensus for informed strategy development and implementation.	Families who are in need of services, community and faith-based organizations, governmental leaders
Results Accountability	Provide data analysis	Research local data about at-risk populations. Share and report data with Collaborative and Board Members. Utilize data findings to adequately prepare the annual plan and inform collaborative decision-making.	Collaborative Members; Board Members
Sustainability	Volunteer Development	Focus on growing large and capable volunteer pool to strengthen program implementation.	Collaborative partners, business community, foundation and grant sources, faith-based organizations community
Sustainability	Facility Upgrades	Develop plans and identify funding sources for facility upgrades to include roof, refurbishment, administrative office expansion, and new flooring in community room.	
Sustainability	Round-Up Programs	Connect with local businesses to host round up programs for FCFC.	Local businesses, community
Sustainability	Christmas Tour of Homes (CTOH)	Conduct FY26 Christmas Tour of Homes to provide funding and market services of FCFC.	Board members, collaborative partners, all community, visitors
Sustainability	Soap Box Derby (SBD)	Conduct FY26 Soap Box Derby to provide funding to FCFC and the Children's Fund.	Board members, collaborative partners, all community, visitors
Sustainability	Re-Energize Fundraising	Identify and implement a plan for any new fundraising opportunities, including first time fundraiser at Chateau Meichtry.	Board members and collaborative partners
Communications	Priority One Resource Guide	Develop and distribute resource guide so the community is aware of available resources.	Community Wide

Communications	Comprehensive Communications	Utilize Facebook, Instagram, and our website to share community events, trainings, resources, and ensure that the community understands all programs and partnerships. Publish quarterly newsletters and the annual report to be distributed by mail and electronically. Identify any other technological avenues to enhance our communications.	Community Wide
Operations	Technology Utilization	Develop a technology plan for FY27	Board & FCFC staff

#### Programs & Services:

Type	Name	Description	Population of Focus	Number to be Served	Lead Implementing Partner	Collaborative Responsibility	Resource Status	Resources End
Child Development	Preschooler and Caregiver Morning Out program	Host monthly meetings with the Craddock Center to provide snacks, reading and other supports to strengthen family bond and educate parents about developmental growth.	Preschoolers aged 18mo-5yrs and their Caregivers	10 families annually	Fannin County Family Connection	Market the program to clients served by Collaborative Partners	Partially Resourced	<1 Year
Youth Development	Reality Day	Conduct Reality Day at local high school to help students understand the importance of money management and job choice when planning for their success after high school.	High School Freshman & Businesses	300 High school Freshman & 50 local business owners	Fannin County Family Connection	Promote event and serve in role player positions. Recruit role players from the community.	Partially Resourced	1-2 Years

Family/Adult Development	Family Resource Center	Run the FRC that provides clothing, free library, unsheltered services, counseling and other health services so families in need have access to needed resources.	Families and children at or below 150% poverty level	20,000+ client visits per year	Fannin County Family Connection	Share information regarding program with families who would benefit from the services offered.	Partially Resourced	3 Years+
Family/Adult Development	Family Care	Host education sessions, respite care, monthly support group meetings, quarterly events, and provide one-on-one support.	Kinship care families in the community	35 kinship families per year	Fannin County Family Connection	Share information regarding program to families who can benefit from the services provided.	Partially Resourced	1-2 Years
Physical Health Development	Mobile Mammogram Clinic	Offer the Memorial Hospital mobile mammogram clinic a minimum of two times at FCFC per year.	Low income or uninsured women	15 uninsured women	Fannin County Family Connection & Memorial Hospital	Share information regarding program to families who can benefit from the services provided.	Fully Resourced	1-2 years
Physical Health Development	CORE	CORE (Community Organized Relief Effort) sets up monthly in the Family Resource Center to offer health services and vaccines to underserved communities.	Low-income individuals or families	15 clientele	Fannin County Family Connection & CORE	Share information regarding program to families who can benefit from the services provided.	Fully Resourced	1-2 Years
Mental Health Development	Provide AA & Al-anon meeting location	Provide meeting space at FCFC for 12 step recovery groups that offer social connections	Area individuals participating in Alcoholics	60+ per week	FCFC	Provide meeting schedule to clients and families who request AA or Al-Anon information. Provide the space within	Fully Resourced	3 Years+

		and assistance with building healthy coping skills.	Anonymous or Al-Anon			the center for meetings to be held.		
Economic Development	Financial Literacy Class	Offer quarterly classes to improve education regarding loans, credit scores, and budgeting.	All area families	40 families	Copper Basin Federal Credit Union	Market the educational opportunity through all partner channels.	Partially Resourced	1-2 Years
Economic Development	Financial Assistance	Provide \$10K financial assistance in FY26 to families that are in need to minimize economic hardship. Create guidelines for program.	Families living at or below poverty level.	150 families	Fannin County Family Connection	Share resources with families in need and refer them to FCFC for financial assistance.	Expansion Resources Needed	1-2 Years
Community-Wide	Community Food Pantry	Through local food pantry and by distribution of partners we reduce food insecurity among children and families.	Families experiencing economic hardship	20,000+ client visits per year	Fannin County Family Connection	Share information of available food sources. Manage the logistics of the food pantry and mobile pantry run by the collaborative.	Partially Resourced	1-2 Years
Community-Wide	Coat & Blanket Distribution	Distribute children's coats and blankets to low-income families so they have necessary clothing.	Families with children at or below 150% poverty level	250 families	The News Observer	Share collection and distribution information. Volunteer to staff coat distribution activity.	Partially Resourced	1-2 Years
Community-Wide	Soap Box Derby (SBD)	Implement Soap Box Derby to provide a day of fun for local families through racing, touch a truck, and other activities	All local families	150 families	Fannin County Family Connection	Share information of event, support by participating with their organization's derby car, sponsoring, and identifying drivers.	Partially Resourced	1-2 Years

		planned at partner booths.						
Community-Wide	Bilingual Supports	Offer bilingual support through translation from bilingual volunteers and providing resources in Spanish.	Non-English-speaking families	100+ families	Fannin County Family Connection	Identifying bilingual volunteers	Expansion Resources Needed	1-2 Years
Community-Wide	Toys for Tots	Partner with Toys for Tots to ensure families have toys for children during the holidays.	Families with children	300+ families	Toys for Tots	Connect families with Toys for Tots and support the program by collecting toys at their businesses/organizations.	Fully Resourced	3 Years+
Community-Wide	Collaborative Meetings	Host monthly Collaborative meetings to provide knowledge about resources and encourage further collaboration between organizations.	Non-profit organizations, businesses, & community members	50+ organizations	Fannin County Family Connection	Encourage partners to attend meeting	Fully Resourced	1-2 Years

**To Document and Monitor Progress:**

Activity Name	What is being measured?	What is the data source?	Who will be responsible?	How often will the data be collected?	How will you communicate these results?
Child & Family Indicator	Children with a substantiated incident of neglect (per 1,000)	KIDS COUNT Website	Coordinator	Annually	Present to community members, partners, board, strategy teams/workgroups to inform decision making
Child & Family Indicator	Children living in poverty	KIDS COUNT Website	Coordinator	Annually	Present to community members, partners, board, strategy teams/workgroups to inform decision making

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Child & Family Indicator	Families, with children, with annual incomes less than 150% of the federal poverty threshold	KIDS COUNT Website	Coordinator	Annually	Present to community members, partners, board, strategy teams/workgroups to inform decision making
Resource Connection Team	Resource Connection Team Outcomes	Volunteers trained & number of hours volunteered	FCFC staff	Monthly	Results will be shared in annual report, newsletters, and presented to partners and board
Board/Collaborative Development	Number of new collaborative partners & frequency of their partnership.	Collaborative Minutes & sign-in sheets; partner engagement matrix	FCFC Staff	As meetings are conducted	The Collaborative board will review sign in sheets and the Partner Engagement Matrix to determine which partners are missing and need to be engaged.
Civic Luncheon	Number of attendees	Sign in sheets from event & total number of facilitators	FCFC Staff	When event occurs	Posted on social media platforms, reported in newsletter, recorded on quarterly reports, board meetings, and collaborative
Provide data analysis	Effectiveness, productivity, participation and accountability of Collaborative	Vitality Survey	FCFC Executive Board and Staff	Annually	Conduct survey in fall. FCFC Board and Director review findings and adjust program plans as necessary.
Volunteer Development	Number of volunteers & logged hours	volunteer sign in sheets & hours recorded	FCFC Staff	Monthly	Shared in annual report & newsletter
Sustainability (CTOH, SBD, Round-Up Program, Chateau Fundraiser)	Funds raised & participation of event	Record of ticket sales, sponsorships, and silent auction	FCFC Staff	As events occur	Share in annual report, newsletter, & quarterly reports
Priority One Resource Guide	Number of downloads, clicks, and distribution	Website metrics, total number printed	FCFC Staff	Quarterly	Reported quarterly to GaFCP & partners



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Comprehensive Communications	Number of views, likes, clicks	Website metrics, Facebook & Instagram stats	FCFC Staff	Quarterly	Report to board
Preschool & Caregiver Morning Out Program	Number of meetings held & number of attendees	Sign in sheet at program	FCFC Staff	Monthly	Reported in newsletter, quarterly reports
Reality Day	Number of participants & volunteers	Volunteer registration & sign in sheets	FCFC Staff	When event occurs	Reported in newsletter, quarterly reports, partners, and board
Family Resource Center	Clients served by resource center	Pantry Soft database, sign in sheets, clothing log	Pantry Manager and volunteers	Daily	Count & report to GaFCP, partners, board, social media platforms & newsletters how many clients come to pantry, utilize showers, washer & dryer, receive free wood, and how many clothes come in and go out of the clothing closet.
Family Care Program	Family Care Support Group & Programs	Registration and attendance records	FCFC Staff	As meetings occur	Board meetings, FRC reports, quarterly reports, newsletters
Physical Health (CORE & Mammogram)	Clients served by partners	Appointments & registration	Health Partners	As partners are scheduled	Quarterly reports, Facebook, & Instagram
AA & Al-Anon Meetings	How many meetings are held	FCFC calendar with scheduled meetings	FCFC Staff	Quarterly	Quarterly Report to GaFCP
Financial Literacy Class	Number of attendees	Sign-in sheets	FCFC Staff	Quarterly	Quarterly GaFCP, FRC reports, & board meetings
Coat Distribution	Number of coats distributed	Tally sheets	Volunteers	Daily during distribution	Reported to board, partners, newspaper, and published in newsletter
Financial Assistance	Number of families help & number of funds distributed	monthly financial reports, donation logs, & reporting sheet for recipient	FCFC Treasurer & staff	monthly	Board meetings, partners, quarterly GaFCP reports, newsletter, annual report

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		and reason for assistance			
Community Food Pantry	Clients served by pantry & comparisons year to year	Pantry Soft data base	FCFC Staff	Daily	Maintain service date, family information and pounds of food delivered to pantry and outgoing to clients. Reported to partner food banks weekly and monthly. Reported to funding partner Feed Fannin and FCFC Board monthly. Reported to partners and community via annual report. Shared on social media, newsletters, and in annual data review.
Bilingual Supports	Number of clients served; number of volunteer hours	Pantry soft & volunteer sign in sheets	FCFC Staff	Annually	Report to partners, board, & recorded as over all volunteer hours in annual report
Toys for Tots	Number of families served	Sign up sheets & toys picked up by families	Toys for Tots Volunteers	Annually	Newsletter, partners
Collaborative Meetings	Number of organizations in attendance	Sign-in sheets & partner matrix	FCFC Staff	Monthly	Newsletters, all social media platforms