

WHAT IS **Kinship Care?**

Kinship care is the full-time care, nurturing and protection of children by family members, close family friends or other important adults in the child's life. This could include grandparents, aunts, uncles, older siblings, family friends or members of their tribes or clans.

WE CAN **Lend a Hand**

We connect kinship families to the resources, tools and networks that support them. We've made it our mission to support and empower kinship families across Michigan to ensure the children they are raising are safe, healthy, nurtured and loved.



**Supporting kinship
caregivers across Michigan.**

Give us a call

TOLL FREE:
800-535-1218

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9:00 AM - 4:00 PM*

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Family is what you make it.

Kinship Care Resource
Center is here to help.



OUR SERVICES

Kinship Care Navigators

Kinship Care Navigators are trained professionals who connect caregivers to helpful resources and assistance. They have experience as kinship caregivers themselves and understand the many challenges kinship families face.

Training

We offer regular workshops and other events for kinship caregivers, service providers, and policymakers. We raise awareness about kinship care and provide learning opportunities to improve the wellbeing of kinship families.



Local Kinship Support Groups

We connect kinship caregivers to support groups and organizations across the state.

Kinship care support groups provide connection and an opportunity for caregivers to find support, share their experiences with other caregivers. A full list of support groups and their meeting information can be found on our website at kinship.msu.edu.

Respite Care Program

Respite funds provide a break from everyday caregiving by helping to pay for children's activities.

Caregivers age 55 and older in some counties are eligible for this program at no cost to the family. Visit our website for more information.

Our partners, the Tri-County Office on Aging and the Area Agency on Aging Region 1B, provide funds for families who live in Washtenaw, Ingham, Eaton or Clinton counties.



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