

September 2019 Webinar

Meet Them Where They Are: Building Protective Factors For The Future

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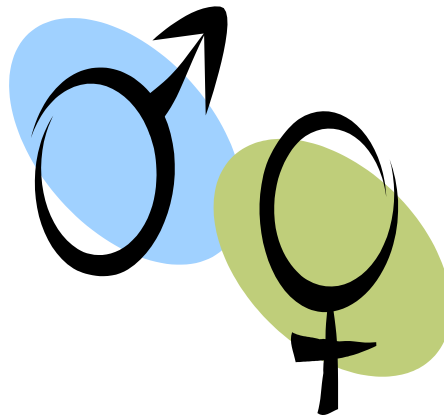
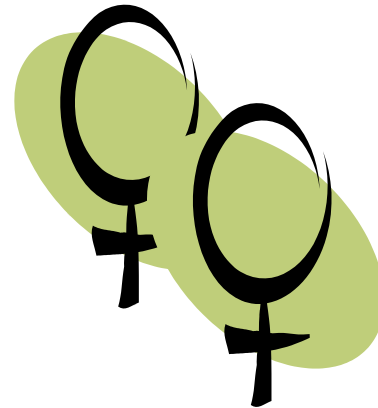
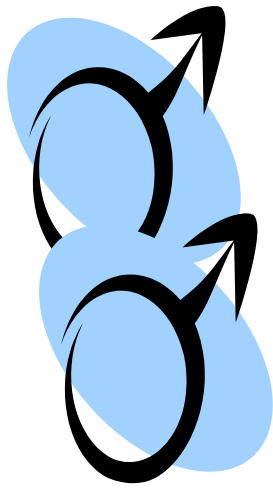
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The Dibble Institute
believes in stable, healthy families.



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all people deserve respect.



Definition of Protective Factors

According to the CDC (2019):

”Protective factors are individual or environmental characteristics, conditions, or behaviors that reduce the effects of stressful life events. These factors also increase an individual’s ability to avoid risks or hazards, and promote social and emotional competence to thrive in all aspects of life, now and in the future.”

<https://www.cdc.gov/healthyyouth/protective/index.htm>

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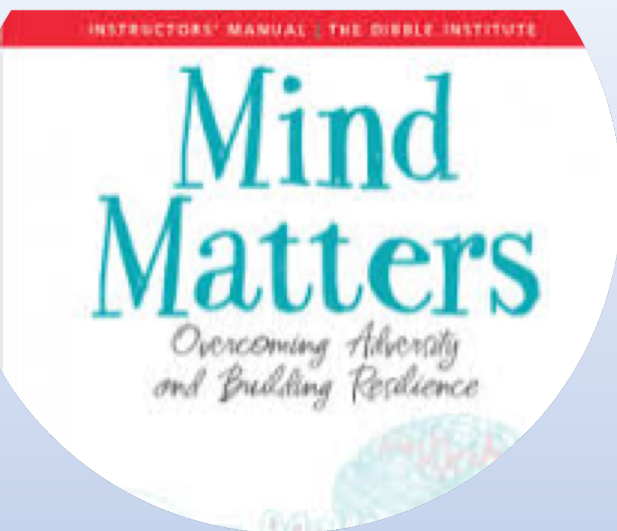


Advocates
for Children

Advocates for Children – Flowering Branch Children's Shelter



- Advocates for Children has been open since 1985. It originally started as a shelter for at risk youth in the community. It has grown to have multiple umbrella programs now-Rainbows, Hope in Your Home, ILP, CAC, FBCS, RHY, Safe Place, CASA, & First Steps. One of those being the Flowering Branch Children's Shelter. The shelter houses and looks after youth in DFCS custody, and homeless youth through our RHY program.
- All programs help at risk populations in the community.
- Our vision is that all children are respected and loved, happy and thriving.
- We aim to eliminate child neglect and abuse in the community.



Independent Living Program at FBCS

- ILP through DFCS
- FBCS realized the need for an ILP on site
- Life skills: post-secondary education, career prep, money management, home management, emergency preparedness, healthy relationships, nutrition, person fitness, coping skills, healthy boundaries, mental health, etc.
- Prep for when youth exit DFCS care or leave FBCS
- “No one can look out for you, better than you can.”

Funding Sources



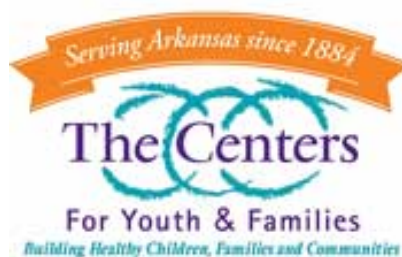
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The Centers for Youth and Families' Prevention Services PREP Program

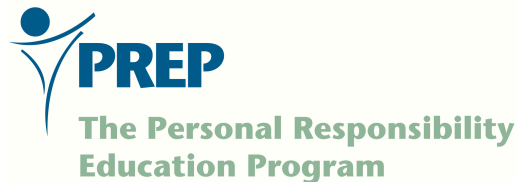
- Educates young people to reduce pregnancy
- Targets high risk youth populations, including youth in foster care, homeless youth, youth with HIV/AIDS, pregnant youth under 21 years old, mothers under 21 years old, and youth residing in areas with high birth rates
- Implements activities that address:
 - a) Healthy relationships
 - b) Positive adolescent development
 - c) Financial literacy
 - d) Parent-Child communication skills, education and employment preparation skills
 - a) Healthy life skills



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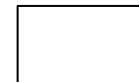
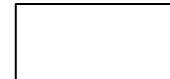
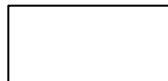
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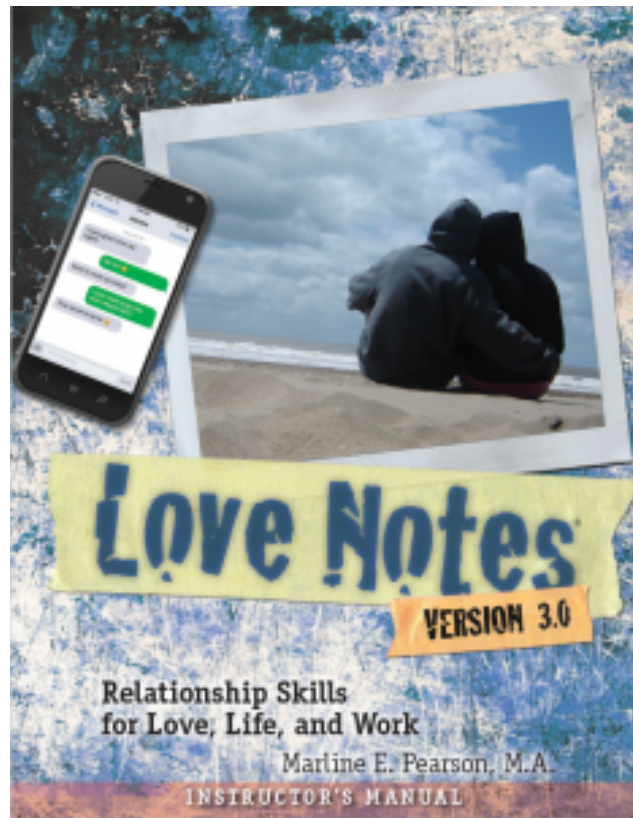


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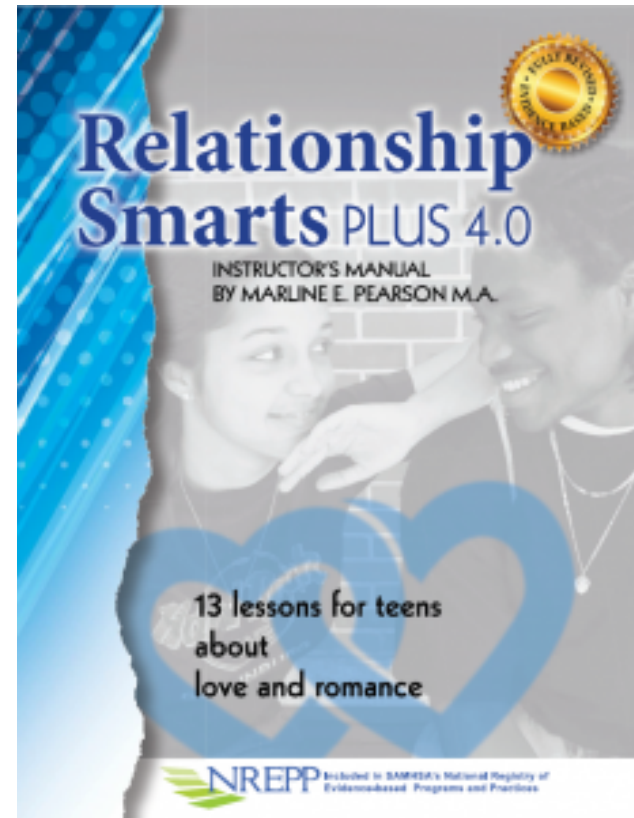
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Program curricula



Love Notes 3.0



Relationship Smarts Plus 4.0

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MILESTONE TRANSITIONAL LIVING PROGRAM

The Milestone Transitional Living Program (MTLP) is located in Salt Lake City, Utah. The mission of MTLP is to provide services for 25 youth 18 to under 22 years old experiencing homelessness. Our goals are to provide them with safe housing, stabilize employment, build life skills, connect them with ongoing resources and support within the community, help them become self-sufficient as they transition to adulthood, and break the cycle of homelessness and dependency. With the ultimate long-term goal of youth attaining middle class status.

FUNDING USED TO SERVE YOUTH

Salt Lake County
provides
\$217,0000 per
year

Federal Youth Services
Bureau Runaway
Homeless Youth Federal
Grant – provides
\$200,000 per year (3
year grand funds
starting in 2018 – total
of \$600,000)

Salt Lake County
Housing Authority:
Housing Connect
provides \$43,200
per year

PROGRAM CURRICULUM

The Dibble Institute
– Love Notes 3.0
Evidence Based
Curriculum. Focus
on relationship skills
for love, life and
work.

2 Groups per
month:
Offered 4 times
per month in the
AM and PM to
support schedules
and ensure
participation

All participants
in the program
are required to
attend group

Describe what protective factors
are being built in the youth you serve.
Share an example also.

We say that Dibble's Relationship Education is strength based.

Describe how have you seen this in practice.

(Name the strength and give example or anecdotal story)

What are some best practices for
connecting or engaging youth in
relationship
education programs?

Share how finding and working with a trusted adult has addressed the social and emotional needs your youth experience.

Tell us about your biggest take-away from using relationship education for your youth.

Using the question box, would you please share one way that your organization is building protective factors with the youth they serve?

Questions?????



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Presenter:

Carolyn Curtis PhD