

ABOUT

The Annie E. Casey Foundation



Helping vulnerable kids & families succeed

The Annie E. Casey Foundation is one of the largest private foundations in the nation, with assets of more than \$3 billion. The Foundation provides about \$190 million in grants each year and is ranked among the top philanthropies for charitable giving. The Foundation's primary mission is to foster public policies, human services, and community supports that more effectively meet the needs of vulnerable children and families.

Headquartered in Baltimore, Maryland, the Annie E. Casey Foundation has been working to promote the well-being of our nation's most vulnerable children for 60 years. Established in 1948 by UPS co-founder Jim Casey and his siblings in honor of their mother, the Foundation's first grants supported a camp for disadvantaged children near the Casey family home in Seattle. Later, Jim Casey steered the Foundation's efforts toward finding more stable, permanent homes for children—reflecting his belief that the future chances of kids depend largely on what their parents and families are able to provide emotionally and financially.

In pursuit of that goal, Jim Casey established programs throughout New England that later became Casey Family Services. Operating today as the Foundation's direct services agency, Casey Family Services works directly with families and child welfare professionals to ensure that every child has a safe, nurturing, and permanent family. The agency has divisions in Connecticut, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Vermont.

The Casey Foundation supports a diverse range of efforts designed to build better futures for millions of children at risk of poor educational, economic, social, and health outcomes. These investment areas include:

- designing and delivering services to secure and sustain lifelong family connections for children and youth;
- advocating for reforms in public human service systems to ensure that they operate effectively and efficiently to strengthen families;
- expanding social and economic security for families in poor communities;
- gathering and promoting the use of data as a tool for change; and
- transforming tough and isolated communities into family-supporting environments.

The Annie E. Casey Foundation makes grants that help states, cities, and neighborhoods create more innovative, cost-effective responses to these needs. Grantmaking is limited to initiatives in the United States that have significant potential to demonstrate innovative policy, service delivery, and community supports—especially investments that encourage long-term strategies and partnerships to strengthen families and communities.

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The Casey Foundation's new website provides up-to-date information on how the Foundation is helping vulnerable kids and families across the country. Visit the Knowledge Center to learn about the results of Casey's work and find thousands of resources that capture important experiences and lessons learned. Take a quick tour and find out how to get the most out of our new site.

Our Work

Learn about the topic areas in which Casey works, such as child welfare and juvenile justice, and how this work supports the Foundation's mission. For each topic, you'll find related Casey initiatives and resources from the Knowledge Center.



Our Approach

The Casey Foundation's approach to philanthropy has always embraced more than giving grants to achieve its goals. Learn how Casey uses a variety of approaches, like reforming public systems and building economic success, to support children, families, and communities.



Child & Family Services

The goal of the Casey Foundation's direct services efforts is to make a tangible difference in individual children's lives by demonstrating that cost-effective foster care, family services, and youth services can help create lifelong family connections for disadvantaged children. Learn about Casey investments that primarily provide direct services to children, youth, and families: Casey Family Services, Jim Casey Youth Opportunities Initiative, and School to Career Partnerships.

Major Initiatives

The Casey Foundation's approach to grantmaking focuses on making multi-year, multi-site commitments that enable us to invest in long-term strategies and partnerships that strengthen families and communities. Find information on Casey initiatives, including Family Economic Success and KIDS COUNT.

Major Initiatives
Casey Strategic Consulting
Civic Sites
Family Economic Success
Family To Family
Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative
KIDS COUNT
Leadership Development
Making Connections
Plain Talk

Casey Places

Visit this interactive map of U.S. states and territories to learn where Casey initiatives are at work near you.

Knowledge Center

This online database provides direct access to over 2,000 downloadable resources that capture the experience and lessons learned from the Foundation and our grantees. Search for resources by keyword, topic, or specific Casey initiative. We're working to improve our website every day, so feel free to e-mail us with your questions and comments at webmail@aecf.org.