

FAMILY RESOURCE FAIR

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Carver Elementary School
Provider Guidebook



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***I Am Ready to Help* is a middle reader children's book to start conversations and empower people of all ages to help in the event of an overdose.**

Allie Hunter is a nationally recognized public health leader specializing in innovative approaches to syringe litter reduction and overdose prevention.

Like many families, overdose and substance use has been part of the story of Allie's family. This is why she wanted to create an age-appropriate, nonjudgmental, and simple tool to empower young people with the skills and confidence to help in the event of an overdose.

This book was created with and inspired by Allie's family. Her niece Sofie took all the photos, and her niece Emma is the central character of the story. Allie's sister Nicole also appears in the book, and several other family members provided insights and feedback based on their lived and living experience.

Overdose response is a universal safety skill that people of all ages can learn, just like other basic safety skills. This book is meant to be read aloud or with a grown-up, so it can introduce the topic in an approachable way and open up questions and conversation.

www.iamreadytohelp.org



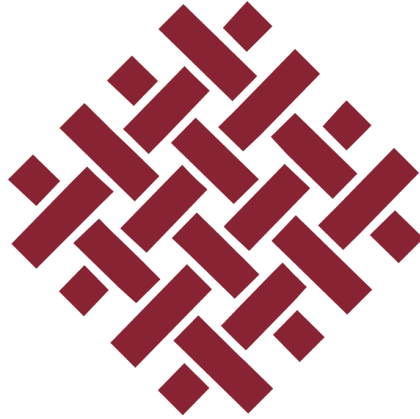


800.272.3900 | [alz.org](https://www.alz.org)

The Alzheimer's Association is the leading voluntary health organization dedicated to Alzheimer's disease care, support, and global scientific research. The organization is driven by a mission to accelerate global research, promote risk reduction and early detection, and maximize quality care for the millions of families navigating dementia.

24/7 Helpline at 800-272-3900
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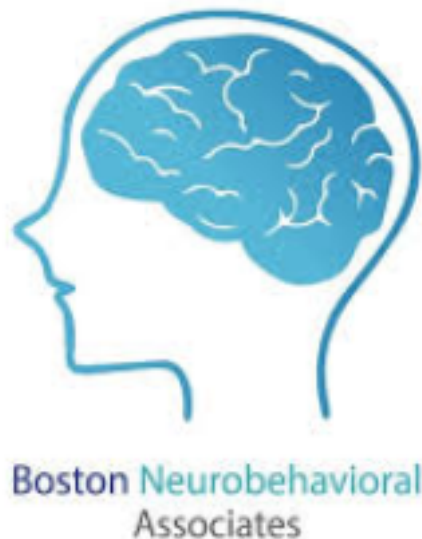
Community Services

Bay State Community Services (BSCS): Direct community clinical therapy, outpatient programs, adolescent residential systems, and peer recovery assistance networks across the South Shore region.

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Compassionate Care for Complex Minds

Boston Neurobehavioral Associates (BNBA): Specialized clinical neuropsychological evaluations (ADHD, TBI, Memory concerns) and tele-psychiatry/medication management options.

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CARVER **DANCE CENTER** Inc.

Carver Dance Center, Inc. is a well-established, highly-rated dance studio located at 66 Main St, Carver, MA 02330. Founded in 1973, this family-oriented studio has spent over five decades training dancers from toddlers to adults with a heavy focus on proper technique, safety, and building confidence.

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At Crown Adolescent Health, we are committed to empowering adolescents with the tools and support they need to thrive. Our outpatient mental health program is designed to integrate seamlessly into the lives of young people and their families, promoting resilience, healthy relationships, and sustained well-being.

By choosing our program, you are investing in a compassionate, comprehensive approach that values individualized care and family involvement. We are here to guide you every step of the way, providing expert, empathetic support in a safe and nurturing environment.

Direct referrals from families, schools, and community providers accepted for our Partial Hospitalization and Intensive Outpatient Programs.

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Health Imperatives

Health Imperatives (Plymouth Clinic):
Public reproductive health clinic providing confidential medical options,
harm reduction, and the South Shore Healthy Families home coaching
system for young parents.

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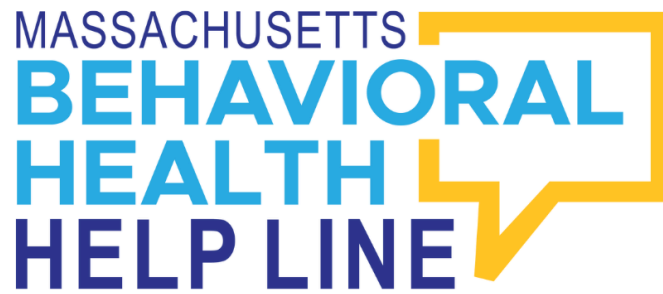
Host a Dine for Dollars event at our restaurant and earn 15% back for your charity, team, or organization.

Nominate a neighbor in need for Cannoli for a Cause and we'll donate \$2 from every cannoli sold in all 8 of our restaurants to their Go Fund Me.

Ask a manager or visit our website to learn more about fundraising opportunities.

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Call or text now
833-773-2445
Visit masshelpline.com to chat

The Behavioral Health Help Line (BHHL) is a free and confidential resource available to anyone in Massachusetts, connecting individuals and families to a full range of treatment services for mental health and substance use within our communities. The BHHL can support individuals with a wide range of needs, from routine questions and help navigating services to urgent needs and crisis support. The BHHL is available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year by phone, text, or online chat, connecting individuals with appropriate behavioral health services and helping them navigate available resources.

Additionally, the Massachusetts Behavioral Health Help Line Resource Directory is a free online search tool for mental health, substance use, and health-related social services. It includes nearly 9,000 resources in Massachusetts, some in nearby states or available nationwide. Users can search for and find services based on location, treatment type, spoken languages, health insurance and other individual needs.

To contact the BHHL, call or text us at 833-773-2445 (BHHL). You can also access the chat, Resource Directory and find more information at masshelpline.com.





The Massachusetts Organization for Addiction Recovery (MOAR) is a prominent statewide non-profit founded in 1991 that advocates for individuals and families facing substance use disorders.

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Pembroke Hospital provides inpatient mental health treatment for teens, adults and older adults. Our 120 bed, licensed behavioral health facility is located on the south shore of Massachusetts in Pembroke, MA. Outpatient Partial Hospitalization Programs for teens and adults are provided by Branches South Shore, a service of Pembroke Hospital.

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Plymouth County District Attorney's Office:
Public law enforcement coordination, strategic crime reduction models, victim-
witness protections, and public diversionary resources.

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PLYMOUTH COUNTY COMFORT DOGS

The mission of The Comfort Dog Program developed by the Plymouth County District Attorney's Office (PCDAO) is "to provide comfort and emotional support for the well-being of Drug Endangered Children, students with Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs), and others that require this service within the Plymouth County community."

HOW IT STARTED: 2021 - 1 dog, 1 town

HOW IT'S GOING: 2024: 22 dogs, 18 in service, 4 in training

The primary goal of this program is **promoting human resiliency and well-being** by utilizing **animal-assisted interventions (AAI)** to support the well-being of children & community members affected by the damaging effects of the opioid crisis & substance misuse.



HOW DOES IT WORK?

The program is implemented by the local School Resource Officer or Community Outreach Officer who serves as the dog's handler & caretaker.

For the handler & the comfort dog to join the Plymouth County Comfort Dogs Program, both must complete the required training & certification to qualify as a comfort/therapy/community resource dog team.

Each handler & dog will be available to assist in their community & across Plymouth County as part of a regional response team.



IMPACT

Evaluation results show multi-disciplinary benefits of the Comfort Dog Program

Teachers report...

- Benefits from comfort dogs in classrooms
- Improved classroom climate
- Increased student motivation & focus

Counselors & Social Workers report...

- Collaboration with handler-dog teams translates to delivery of individual & group AAI/therapies targeting the effects of trauma & ACEs
- Reduced anxiety & stress levels

First Responders report...

- Assistance in crisis management
- Encouragement of interdepartmental collaboration
- Promotion of positive image of law enforcement

WHY DOGS & LAW ENFORCEMENT?

Comfort dogs **provide emotional support and comfort**, reducing anxiety levels, improving focus, and helping people cope with difficult & traumatic experiences.

The dogs' unique ability to **sense one's needs and provide unconditional, nonjudgmental acceptance** lay at the heart of how participants see this program working.

Law enforcement officers serve as comfort dog handlers due to their **unique access to communities** they serve and regular engagement with a wide range of community members.



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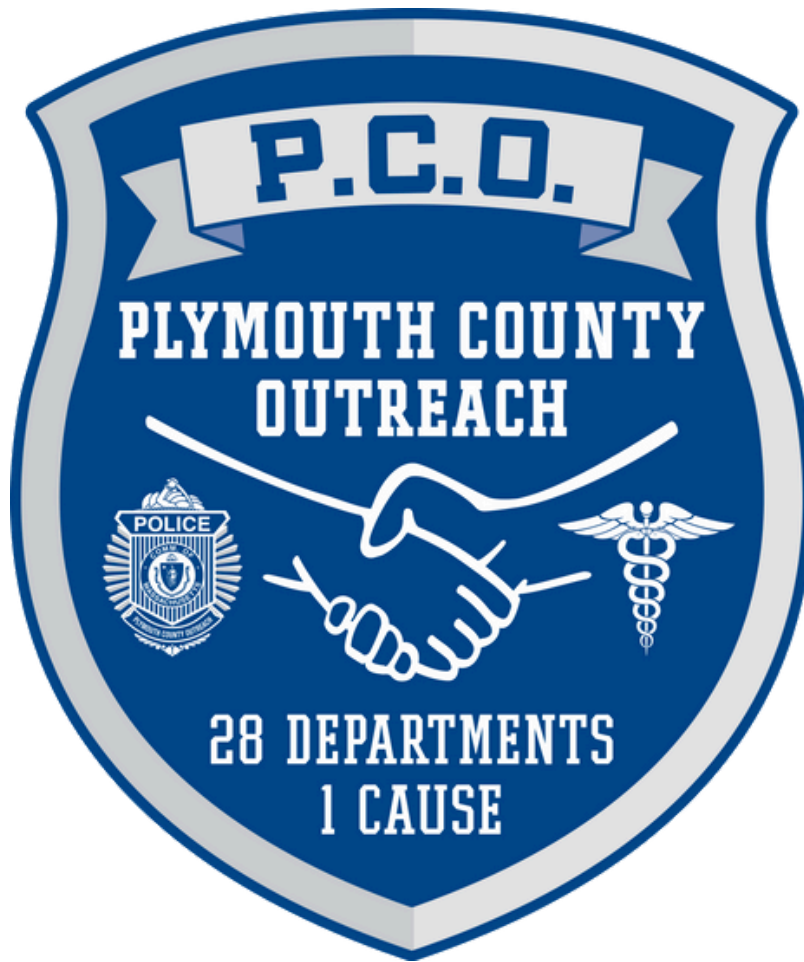


Plymouth County Family Support Inc.

Plymouth County Family Support (PCFS) provides free, community-based services designed to empower individuals with disabilities, parents, and caregivers. Hosted by Bay State Community Services and working alongside regional initiatives like the United Way of Greater Plymouth County, it functions as a critical single point of entry for navigating social, behavioral health, and educational systems.

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Plymouth County Outreach is a multi-faceted collaboration of the 27 municipal police departments in Plymouth County, as well as Bridgewater State University Police Department, working together with Recovery Coaches and community organizations and coalitions to make treatment, resources, and harm reduction tools more accessible to people who use substances and their loved ones.

Our goal is to provide compassionate, judgment-free support while reducing overdose fatalities. Plymouth County Outreach works with people of all ages and also has a drop-in center located at 62 Main St. Suite 107 in Kingston.

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~ Plymouth County ~
**SUICIDE PREVENTION
COALITION**

A member of  **mcsdp**

Plymouth County Suicide Prevention Coalition (PCSPC): Focused on public education, standard safety training models (QPR, safeTALK), community postvention aid, and local resource mapping.

Jennie M Babcock, Co-Chair
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www.Norfolkctyspc.org

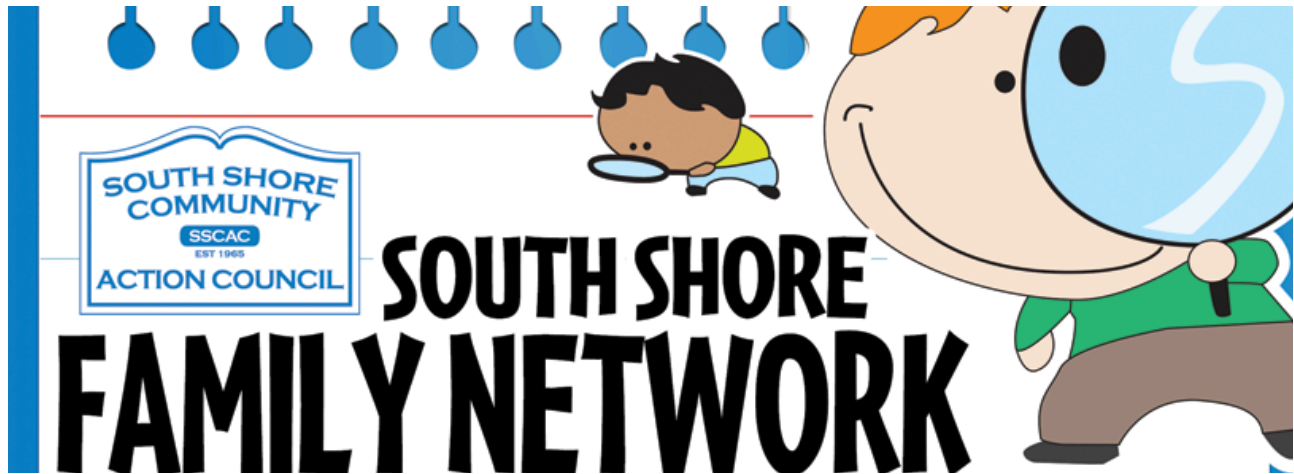




South Shore Early Education in Plymouth, Massachusetts, is a NAEYC-certified childcare center managed by the South Shore Community Action Council (SSCAC). Located at 196 S Meadow Rd, Plymouth, MA 02360, the center provides comprehensive, federal Head Start programming alongside affordable, subsidized community childcare.

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South Shore Family Network (SSFN):

Free early childhood development programs, literacy workshops, local developmental testing setups, and parenting workshops under the SSCAC umbrella.

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South Shore Ice Dragons, Inc.:

A 501(c)(3) adaptive, highly inclusive hockey league utilizing specialized mechanics and physical tracking gear to deliver sports recreation to youth and adults with disabilities.

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SSCAC Consumer Aid Program: In partnership with the MA Attorney General's Office, delivering direct mediation for retail, housing, returns, and lemon-law consumer-merchant disputes.

We assist with individual consumers with direct mediation. We also do home improvement, credit and billing issues and disputes, scam education and all vehicle protection laws (not just lemon law), home improvement contractor issues and warranty issues.

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**Parent/Professional
Advocacy League**

The Parent/Professional Advocacy League (PPAL) is a highly regarded statewide, grassroots family organization in Massachusetts. It stands as the only organization in the state focusing solely on the interests and mental health needs of children, youth, and their families.

Parent/Professional Advocacy League
The Massachusetts Family Voice for Children's Mental Health
<https://ppal.net/>
Request Family Support
<https://ppal.net/support-request/>
Facebook PPAL en Espanol
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/354162916595919>

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To the Moon and Back is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to supporting children with prenatal opioid exposure and their families. All of our services are provided completely free of charge and include individualized case management, educational advocacy, caregiver support groups, a family grant program, and children's playgroups. Through these programs, we strive to ensure that every child and family has the support, resources, and opportunities they need to thrive.

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Wellspring Multi-Service Centers: Essential safety-net providing food security, fuel utilities, legal advocacy networks, continuing adult education, and community clothing stores.

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CARE FOR THE COMMUNITY OF
CARVER!!!**

