

## **Agency Summary: Prince George DSS**

**Region:** Eastern

**Class Size:**

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### **Description of Early Prevention Services (prior to a current, valid CPS report)**

Prince George Department of Social Services provides a system of services to the general public and individual families. Prince George does not utilize volunteers to provide prevention services. However, the staff facilitates alternate living arrangements with relatives or non-relatives for a child at risk of removal and entering foster care (Foster Care Diversion).

Prince George Department of Social Services does not have specific staff devoted primarily to prevention. Nevertheless, they provide public education and awareness activities on prevention to the general public and early prevention services to individual families.

### **Specific information about Prince George Department of Social Services for each type of Early Prevention Services provided**

#### **1. Universal Early Prevention Services (Public Education and Awareness to the General Public)**

- Public Education and Awareness Services Provided:
  - Public service announcements
  - Parent education and/or child development information and/or information on services
  - Public speaking at community events or to groups within the community
  - Community collaboration with organizations re: issues related to prevention
  - Training to community based organizations/providers, (e.g. Boy Scouts, child care providers, school personnel)
  - Child Abuse Prevention Month Activities
  - Health fairs
  - Community festival information booths
- Funding Sources for Early Prevention Public Education and Awareness:
  - 100% Local only funds
  - Safe and Stable Families (budget line item 866/Title IVB Subpart 2)
- Staff that provide Early Prevention Public Awareness Activities:
  - Generic worker
- Volunteers used: None
- Material printed in Spanish: None

## **2. Early Prevention Services to High Risk Groups**

None

## **3. Early Prevention Services to Individual Families**

- Early Prevention Services Provided to Individual Families:
  - Information and referral
  - Transportation
  - Finding relatives and other individuals to enhance parent support
  - LDSS funded child care
  - Domestic violence prevention programs
- Funding for Services to Individual Families:
  - CSA funds
  - Medicaid
  - Safe and Stable Families (budget line item 866/title IVB Subpart 2)
  - Budget line item 829-Family Preservation (SSGB)
- Staff that Provide Early Prevention Services to Individual Families:
  - Generic worker
- Volunteers used: None

## **4. Community based resources to which the agency refers**

- Healthy Families Providers
- Part C Early Childhood Intervention
- Virginia Cooperative Extension Programs (including 4-H)
- Intensive in-home service providers
- Public health providers
- Private health providers
- Public mental health providers (e.g., community service boards)
- Private mental health providers
- Schools
- Mentoring program providers
- Domestic violence prevention providers
- Stop Child Abuse Now