

## Agency Summary: Goochland DSS

**Region:** Central

**Class Size:**

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

Goochland Department of Social Services provides a system of services to the general public and individual families. Goochland does not utilize volunteers to provide prevention services. However, they use Family Partnership meetings (FPMs) in early prevention. They also directly provide services to any of the 'diversion families' and/or birth families involved after they have facilitated an informal out of home alternative living arrangement

Goochland 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 Goochland 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:
    - Parent education and/or child development information and/or information on services available to the general public
    - Parent training open to anyone in the community and focused on building skills of parents
    - Public speaking at community events or to groups within the community
    - Attendance at Hugs and Kisses performances
    - Training to community based organizations/providers, (e.g. Boy Scouts, child care providers, school personnel)
    - Child Abuse Prevention Month Activities
  - Funding Sources for Early Prevention Public Education and Awareness:
    - 100% Local only funds
  - 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
  - Counseling by LDSS
- Funding for Services to Individual Families:
  - 100% local only funds
- Staff that Provide Early Prevention Services to Individual Families:
  - Generic worker
- Volunteers used: None

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

- Part C Early Childhood Intervention
- Head Start (3 to 5 years old)
- Virginia Cooperative Extension Programs (including 4-H)
- Parent Support group providers
  - Parent support groups for at-risk families
- Intensive in-home service providers
- Public health providers
- Public mental health providers (e.g., community service boards)
- Schools
- Churches
- Stop Child Abuse Now