

## Strengthening Families

*Children placed in foster care need to feel as safe as possible. For over 25 years, PEI Kids has provided support services for children in foster care and families under DCPP supervision.*

### Assisted Transportation

Through our Assisted Transportation program, we ensure that children can access services, attend medical and therapeutic appointments, and participate in wellness programs and other court-ordered activities. Each year we provide over 30,000 miles of assisted transportation for families under DCPP supervision, including door-through-door services for minor and unaccompanied children.

### Supervised Family Visitation

Through our Supervised Family Visitation program, we provide consistent opportunities for children to spend quality time with their families, and for parents to strengthen bonds with their children and demonstrate parenting abilities, with the ultimate goal of family reunification.

We provide over 1,670 hours of supervised family visitation and sibling visitation each year, ensuring that children can maintain strong family ties with their biological family members while they're in out-of-home placement.

### Referral Information

Services provided through our Family Support Services program are available to DCPP-involved children and families. Transportation can be provided for other youth-serving agencies working with DCPP-involved families with a referral from the caseworker.

For information or to request a Referral form, contact our Family Support Services Department at 609.695.3739 ext. 114.





### Success Story

**In spring, we began working with a young mom, Selene\***, and her two daughters supervising visits in our Family Room facilities. Selene was kind and loving with her daughters, consistently attended her visits, and was working diligently to attend all programs the Judge ordered her to complete. She was one year sober in recovery from her drug addiction and was meeting all the milestones in her plan, including working on securing an apartment to bring her children home to.



Selene accomplished all she was required to do, and DCPD began authorizing unsupervised visits in her home for a few hours during the day. Two months later, Selene received the good news, just in time for the holidays...she was being reunited with her children!

Selene was elated to have her children home with her and called our office to thank all the staff who worked with her for their support. She promised that she would never "do anything to have [her] children separated from her again."

\*Pseudonyms are used to protect the identities of minor children.