

“The problem with the world is that we draw the circle of our family too small.”

– MOTHER THERESA

Core Values

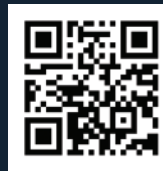
Radical Hospitality
Disruptive Generosity
Intentional Compassion



Safe Families
for Children *Wisconsin*

Founded in 2003 in Chicago, Safe Families for Children (SFFC) has partnered with hundreds of churches, local community agencies, and volunteer families, as well as government organizations to walk with parents facing crisis to keep children safe and families together.

SFFC in Southeastern Wisconsin is implemented in partnership between 1000 Generations, Inc, a Wisconsin non-profit organization, and the SFFC Alliance.



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Families *TOGETHER*

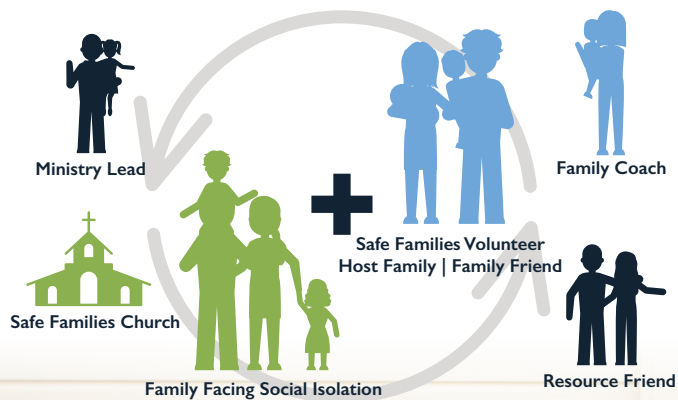
A movement of families
supporting
children and parents
in their community

What We Do

Safe Families for Children (SFFC) is a movement fueled by radical hospitality and intentional compassion to support families facing social isolation. SFFC connects parents to a network of support through family-like relationships with vetted volunteers.

Our volunteers are fully vetted and trained to provide support and resources to parents while they get back on their feet. What makes SFFC so unique is there are many roles in our Circle of Support so everyone can do something!

Circle of Support



Circle of Support Volunteer Roles

- **Family Friends** provide friendship and support to parents or host families through getting together, encouragement, transportation, hot meals, etc.
- **Host Families** are screened and approved by SFFC to host children for short periods of time (average length is 6 weeks, can range from 2 days to 1 year).
- **Resource Friends** give tangible items to families such as groceries or cleaning goods as needed.
- **Family Coaches** walk alongside parents to help them reach their goals and support volunteers while in service.
- **Ministry Lead** promotes and facilitates volunteer service in their churches or community groups.



Who We Support

We build social support systems around families experiencing:

- **Single parenting**
- **Loss of employment**
- **Illness or depression**
- **Hospitalization**
- **Addiction**
- **Homelessness**
- **Domestic violence**
- **Many other concerns to life situations**

SFFC Distinctives

- **Faith-motivated and family-focused**
- **Built on establishing relationships, not a program**
- **Volunteer-driven and professionally supported**
- **Parents voluntarily request a family friendship or hosting and maintain full custody of children**
- **Volunteers are motivated by their compassion, not financial compensation**
- **Permanent support systems are built to continue giving community**

