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OLDER CAREGIVER PROJECT

Serving Caregivers (60+) Who Are Raising Children



The **Older Caregiver Project** helps older caregivers plan for children's long-term care (permanency planning). Services are for foster, adoptive and guardianship families in which concerns had been raised.

Our services:

- Equip each family with a team of specialists who provide comprehensive assessment services. Assessments include looking at family strengths and needs, and making a recommendation regarding the long-term care and living arrangements of the children.
- Help families to establish a stronger support system through case management and linkages to community resources, and to ensure the well-being and safety of the children and caregivers
- Are free of charge to eligible participants

Eligibility Requirements:

- Caregivers 60+ who have or are seeking to adopt or obtain guardianship of children under the age of 18 years old
- Cook County residents

Referral Options to Assist Families within the Program:

- Counseling and Mental Health Services
- Older Caregivers Raising Children Support Group
- Legal Resources
- Community Resources
- Senior Benefits

The collaborative is supported by the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) and the Office of the Inspector General of DCFS (OIG)

To enroll or for more information please call 773-884-3310