

## Community Philosophy

Youth are Goochland's greatest resource, because they are our future, and the family is the best environment for raising children. Providing services to assist families to function effectively in the community empowers families in recognizing their strengths and capabilities and promotes the best interests of society. In turn, successful families contribute to our community and reinforce the entire social framework for the good of all citizens.

### Mission:

To provide high quality services in an efficient, effective and accountable manner.

### Vision:

We envision a vibrant community rich with history and opportunity where the citizens and their rights and freedoms are protected.

### Values:

Customer-Focus, Stewardship,  
Transparency, Integrity, Respect,  
Courage

## Goochland County Resources

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Dept. of Social Services  
556-5880

Goochland Powhatan CSB  
556-5400

Court Services Unit  
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Goochland County Schools  
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# HUMAN SERVICES

*A Guide to Help Families Better  
Understand the CSA Process*

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### **What is CSA?**

The Children's Services Act (CSA) is a Virginia law designed to help at-risk youth and families by creating a collaborative system of high-quality, child-centered, family focused community-based services. Partners in this effort include state and local agencies, parents, guardians, and private providers. CSA is managed locally to meet the needs specific to our community.

### **Who is eligible?**

Services under CSA may be available to a child/family who meets one or more of the following criteria:

Has documented emotional or behavioral problems,

Is currently receiving services with another Goochland County participating agency and has needs that are beyond the agency's normal services,

Is currently receiving special education through a private school program as directed by an Individualized Education Plan (IEP),

Receives foster care services,

Needs services to prevent foster care placement,

Is under supervision of the Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court.

Eligibility requirements are determined for children's services by the provisions of the Children's Services Act and by the local

Community Policy Management Team (CPMT) and/or Family Assessment Planning Team (FAPT).

### **What is CPMT?**

#### **Community Policy Management Team**

The Community Policy and Management Team (CPMT) provides fiscal management, oversight, and monitors the CSA program. Members are representatives from public and private youth-serving agencies along with a volunteer parent representative.

### **What is FAPT?**

#### **Family Assessment and Planning Team**

A Family Assessment and Planning Team (FAPT) is a group of community partners that develop a community-based plan that builds on families' strengths and needs for services. A meeting typically is requested when the unique needs of a child and family cannot be met through existing community resources and agency services.

### **Who will be at the FAPT meeting?**

It is important that you and your child, if appropriate, attend the FAPT meeting as critical members of the team. The Human Services office will work to set the meeting at a time that is convenient for you.

Other FAPT meeting participants usually include community partners such as representatives from community mental health, social services, public schools, court services, a volunteer parent representative, private youth serving agency, and the referral agency case manager. You are encouraged to invite others you consider a support and advocate for your family.

### **What happens at a FAPT meeting?**

A FAPT meeting is scheduled after a referral is made to the Human Services Director.

The referring case manager or the Human Services Director will notify the family of the FAPT meeting date and time in a timely manner.

The family will be asked to give written consent to share information with the team.

The family and the team will develop a plan for services that provides support for the child and family and addresses their unique needs.

The family is encouraged to actively take part in the meeting discussion and the decisions about services needed.

The family will review and approve the service plan, and services will begin as soon as possible.

A family may disagree with the service plan and may ask for a review by the CPMT.

A family may be required to make a copayment for services.

Special provisions will be made, if needed, for a family to participate in the FAPT meeting. The CSA office must be notified as soon as possible if special accommodations such as language interpreter or participation by phone or in writing must be made.