

# WORKING WITH FATHERS RESOURCE GUIDE

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# Brooklyn

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## **Brooklyn Workforce1 Career Center**

9 Bond St., 5<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Brooklyn, NY 11201  
718-246-5219  
[www.nyc.gov/workforce1](http://www.nyc.gov/workforce1)

**Services:** Workforce1 Centers provide job search resources, career counseling, assistance creating resumes and cover letters, and job placement services. The Center is a partnership of agencies and organizations providing a full array of services.

## **Coalition for Hispanic Families**

Papas de Bushwick  
315 Wyckoff Ave.  
Brooklyn, NY 11237  
718 497-6090  
[www.hispanicfamilyservices.org](http://www.hispanicfamilyservices.org)  
**Contact:** Frank Villalobos  
[fvillalobos@hispanicfamilyservicesny.org](mailto:fvillalobos@hispanicfamilyservicesny.org)

**Services:** For ages 24 and older, Fathering without fear and violence, for fathers and father-like roles; individual & group counseling, visitation arrangement, partner mediation, parenting classes, and anger management.

## **Counseling Service of EDNY**

180 Livingston St. Suite 301  
Brooklyn, NY 11201  
718 858-6631  
**Contact:** Catherine Rossi  
[Catherine.rossi-berna@csedny.org](mailto:Catherine.rossi-berna@csedny.org)

**Services:** For men between 18-25 involved in the criminal justice system, alternative to incarceration, drug counseling, father classes

## **Enhanced Employment Initiative**

EAC NYC Task  
175 Remsen St.  
Brooklyn, NY 11201  
718 237-9404  
[www.eacinc.org](http://www.eacinc.org)  
**Contact:** Alma Radoncic  
[aradoncic@nyctask.org](mailto:aradoncic@nyctask.org)

**Services:** Services are for ex-offenders only who are referred by the DA's office. Employment for offenders, Fatherhood workshops such as child support, vocational services, employment services.

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### **Family & Community Support Services**

1195 St. Marks Ave.

Brooklyn, NY 11213

718 771-3136

[www.fcss-nyc.org](http://www.fcss-nyc.org)

**Contact:** Brenda Ferreira

347-879-3367

[Brenda.ferriera@hotmail.com](mailto:Brenda.ferriera@hotmail.com)

**Services:** Young Fathers ages 16-24. Individual, family & group counseling, father parenting classes, anger management classes, skill empowerment workshops, mentoring. Job component

### **Fathers in Training for Fatherhood**

515 Stanley Ave.

Brooklyn, NY 11207

[www.fit4fathers.org](http://www.fit4fathers.org)

**Contact:** Lance Cruell

**Services:** Parenting skills Domestic Violence, Anger Management, Transitional/Post Release, Adult Basic Education, GED/SAT/Computer Training, HIV/AIDS Related Services, Network Social Services, Child/Youth at Risk Prevention

### **Man-Up (Catholic Charities Brooklyn and Queens)**

200 Gold St.

Brooklyn, NY 11201

718-875-8801

[www.ccbq.org](http://www.ccbq.org)

**Contact:** Antionette Brembridge

[ABrembridge@ccbq.org](mailto:ABrembridge@ccbq.org)

**Services:** Candidates must be age 16-24, a non-custodial parent, or unemployed. Walk-ins, referrals, or clients with prior incarceration are welcome to participate. Programs offered: Counseling, job readiness, parenting classes which focus on engaging fathers in their children's lives. (Funded by DYCD). Summer employment, food pantry, anger management.

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### **Puerto Rican Family Institute**

Responsible Fatherhood  
/Healthy Marriage Initiative  
217 Have Meyer St. 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Brooklyn, NY 11211  
718 963-4430 Ext. 4501

**Contact:** Martha Mendez  
[Mendez@prfi.org](mailto:Mendez@prfi.org)

**Services:** Workshops on responsible fathering, anger management, couple relationship enhancement. Willing to bring workshops to agencies that can host over 8 fathers. Provides metro cards, child care, snacks and certificates. Teaches fathers how to balance work and family. Provides parenting classes, family arrangement, teaches self esteem and father involvement

### **The Ralph Lincoln Service Center**

The Fathering Initiative  
261 Buffalo Ave, Suite #2  
Brooklyn, NY 11213  
718 604-1358

**Contact:** Dianne Robinson

**Services:** Parenting skills, individual & family counseling, mediation & conflict resolution, mentoring, group counseling, visitation assistance Working Parents Program

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## Manhattan

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### **CHIPP (Children of incarcerated Parents Program, NYC Children's Services)**

212-487-8274/8266/8631

712-483-559/5600, 917-572-1769

**Contact:** Paula Y Fendall

**Services:** Provides visits to children or foster care to city jail and serve state prisons. Helps facilitate parent/child visits, sibling visits, and case conferences when there is incarcerated parent, or incarcerated young person.

### **DWDC (Dominican Woman's Development Center)**

Families in Action

1780 Amsterdam Ave. (148 street)

New York, NY

646-410-0311

[www.dwcd.org](http://www.dwcd.org)

**Contact:** Rosa Lavergne, PhD

[familiesinaction@dwcd.org](mailto:familiesinaction@dwcd.org)

**Services:** Help parent create a safe loving environment with violence that promotes family integrity. Provides workshops on establishing healthy house rules, and discipline, helps Parents meet their children's emotional, spiritual, educational, and physical needs through active parent participation in their children's live

### **Fund for the City of New York/ Center for Court Innovation**

Midtown Community Court

314 West 54<sup>th</sup> Street

New York, NY 10019

**Services:** Serves fathers over 24. Offers individual/family counseling and group counseling, peer counseling or father-to-father mentoring, mediation/conflict resolution training, parenting classes, family budget and consumer education, visitation arrangement, educational and employment counseling, college preparation, educational workshops, job readiness and employment assistance.

### **Inwood House**

320 East 82<sup>nd</sup> St.

New York, NY 10028

212-861-4400

[www.inwoodhouse.com](http://www.inwoodhouse.com)

**Services:** Serves youth and teens. Family Learning Center provides services for pregnant teens. Also has Fathers Count program for young fathers.

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## Manhattan

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### **Legal Information for Families (LIFT)**

350 Broadway, Suite 400  
New York, NY 10013  
646-613-9633  
[www.liftonline.org](http://www.liftonline.org)

**Services:** Serves father 24 and older. Offers individual/family counseling and group counseling, anger management workshops, mediation/conflict resolution training, parent/child rearing classes, educational/ career/employment counseling, visitation arrangements, and family budgeting.

### **Northern Manhattan Improvement Corporation**

76 Wadsworth Ave.  
New York, NY 10033  
212-822-8341  
Contact: Yvonne Varela  
[www.nmic.org](http://www.nmic.org)

**Services:** A variety of services including ESL, adult basic education, vocational, housing, legal, immigration.

### **Northern Manhattan Perinatal Partnership**

127 West 127<sup>th</sup> St.  
New York, NY 10027  
212 665-2600  
**Contact:** Segrid Renne

**Services:** Non-custodial parent ages 24- older. Individual and family counseling, parenting classes, employment assistance, male group meetings

### **Mount Sinai Medical Center**

Young Fathers Program  
Fathers Helping Fathers Program  
Klingenstein Pavilion  
1176 Fifth Ave.  
New York, NY  
212 241-4645  
**Contact:** Gregory Mudd  
[Gregory.Mudd@mountsinai.org](mailto:Gregory.Mudd@mountsinai.org)

**Services:** Support groups, individual, couple & family counseling, summer employment & training program. Employment and educational opportunities.

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## Manhattan

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### **Neighborhood Defender Service of Harlem**

317 Lenox Avenue, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor  
New York, NY 10027  
212-876-5500

**Services:** Serves ex-offenders. Offers individual/family and group counseling, parenting classes, peer counseling of father-to-father mentoring, mediation/conflict resolution/ training, family budget and consumer education, visitation arrangements, and employment assistance.

### **STRIVE**

Dads Embracing Fatherhood  
240 East 123<sup>rd</sup> St.  
New York, NY 10035  
212 360-1100  
[www.strivenewyork.org](http://www.strivenewyork.org)  
**Contact:** Ernest Johnson  
[EJohnson@striveinternational.org](mailto:EJohnson@striveinternational.org)  
Raheem Brooks  
[RBrooks@striveinternational.org](mailto:RBrooks@striveinternational.org)

**Services:** Workshops, employment services, training (parenting skills, relationships, fatherhood). Case management, fatherhood counseling, career development, job placement assistance, Enhancement activities (fathers spend time with their child on a planned activity)

### **United Settlement Association**

1775 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave  
New York, NY 10029

**Services:** For young fathers. Offers individual and family counseling, group counseling, peer counseling or father-to-father mentoring, parenting skills training, mediation/conflict resolution/training, visitation arrangements, job readiness

### **Upper Manhattan Workforce1 Career Center**

215 W 125<sup>th</sup> St. 6<sup>th</sup> Floor  
New York, NY 10027  
917-493-7063  
Contact: Jose Flores  
[www.nyc.gov/workforce1](http://www.nyc.gov/workforce1)

**Services:** Workforce1 Centers provide job search resources, career counseling, assistance creating resumes and cover letters, and job placement services. The Center is a partnership of agencies and organizations providing a full array of services.

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### **Youth at Risk**

Fatherhood Program  
116 John St., Suite 2200  
New York, NY 10038  
212 791-4927 ext. 231  
[www.nyouthatrisk.org](http://www.nyouthatrisk.org)  
**Contact:** Kirk Francis  
[KirkFrancis@nyouthatrisk.org](mailto:KirkFrancis@nyouthatrisk.org)

**Services:** Serves 16 to 25 year olds expecting fathers/ fathers, Educational workshops, individual & group counseling, peer support, mentoring, job assistance, vocational & educational support, parenting classes, conflict mediation, GED tutoring & prep, financial literacy. Weekly unlimited Metro cards

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## Queens

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### **Father 2 Dad**

121-59 234<sup>th</sup> St.  
Rosedale, NY 11422  
917-693-1907

**Contact:** Delroy Linton  
[father2dad@hotmail.com](mailto:father2dad@hotmail.com)

**Services:** Fatherhood and Parental Capacity Building Workshops

### **Forestdale, Inc.**

Fathering Initiative  
67-35 122nd St.  
Forest Hills, NY 11375  
718-263-0740  
[www.forestdaleinc.org](http://www.forestdaleinc.org)

**Contact:** Viktor Fredrickson

**Services:** Walk-ins on a case by case basis. Clients must be referred by an agency such as Family Court, ACS, Church organizations. The programs offered: Parenting workshops, job readiness placement, anger management, Domestic Violence services, supervised visitation, dad-to-dad mentoring, counseling and crisis intervention.

### **Fortune Society**

Father's Group  
29-76 Northern Boulevard  
Long Island City, NY 11101  
212-691-7554

**Contact:** [Sophia Strong](mailto:sstrong@fortunesociety.org)  
[sstrong@fortunesociety.org](mailto:sstrong@fortunesociety.org)

**Services:** Services for fathers with prior criminal record. Attorney on staff free for clients with help in court/family court cases. Workshops in child support, GED classes, individual & group counseling.

### **Rockaway Development & Revitalization Corporation**

1920 Mott Ave.  
Far Rockaway, NY  
718-327-5300  
**Contact:** Rene McWilliams  
[RWilliams@RDRC.org](mailto:RWilliams@RDRC.org)

**Services:** For non-custodial parent, ages 16- 45. Walk-ins and referrals are welcome, income execution, job search, referral and readiness workshop, mentoring.

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## Queens

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### **Visiting Nurse Service of New York**

Fathers First Initiative  
Children & Family Services Early  
Head Start  
86-01 Rockaway Blvd  
Rockaway Beach, NY 11693  
718-318-8040  
[www.vnsny.org](http://www.vnsny.org)

**Contact:** Jomael Young  
[Jomael.young@vnsny.org](mailto:Jomael.young@vnsny.org)  
David Jones- Director

**Services:** Community based program that provides services to all fathers. Referrals are not necessary. Programs offered: group sessions every Monday 5:30-7:00 PM, counseling services, child care, job referral, paternity testing.

### **Work Force1 Career Center**

LaGuardia Community College  
Community Based Organization  
Programs  
29-10 Thomson Avenue, C-400, 4<sup>th</sup>  
Fl  
LongIsland City, NY 11101  
718-609-2130

**Contact:** Racheal Walker  
[RWalker@Lagcc.Cuny.edu](mailto:RWalker@Lagcc.Cuny.edu)  
CBO Coordinator  
[www.nyc.gov/workforce1](http://www.nyc.gov/workforce1)

**Services:** Workforce1 Centers provide job search resources, career counseling, assistance creating resumes and cover letters, and job placement services. The Center is a partnership of agencies and organizations providing a full array of services.

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### **Work Force1 Career Center**

168-25 Jamaica Ave., 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Jamaica, NY 11432  
718-557-6755

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## Bronx

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### **Bronx Workforce1 Career Center**

358 East 149<sup>th</sup> St.  
Bronx, NY 10455  
718-960-7099  
[www.nyc.gov/workforce1](http://www.nyc.gov/workforce1)

**Services:** Workforce1 Centers provide job search resources, career counseling, assistance creating resumes and cover letters, and job placement services. The Center is a partnership of agencies and organizations providing a full array of services.

### **Claremont Neighborhood Center, Inc.**

489 East 169<sup>th</sup> Street  
Bronx, NY 10456  
718-588-1000  
[www.claremontcenter.org](http://www.claremontcenter.org)

**Services:** Serves father 24 and older. Offers group and individual/ family counseling, mediation/conflict resolution/ training, Parenting skills, educational workshops, family budget and consumer education, visitation arrangements, and mentoring. Also offers an 8 week summer camp for children ages 5-12 of fatherhood program participant.

### **Friends of Island Academy**

Friends 2 Fathers Program  
2910 Bronx Park East  
Bronx, NY 10467  
718 653-5301  
**Contact:** Derek Silvers  
DSilvers@foiany

**Services:** Workshops, counseling, support, employment, parenting classes, anger management counseling, child support assistance, Legal assistance, life skills/ career development, housing and educational assistance, DV counseling.

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### **South Bronx Concerned Citizen's Inc.**

Fathers First  
1019 Avenue of Saint Johns  
Bronx, NY 10455  
718-620-7131  
[www.sbcccinc.net](http://www.sbcccinc.net)

**Contact:** Sara Lind  
[Sara@SBCCinc.net](mailto:Sara@SBCCinc.net)

**Services:** Support groups dedicated to educating, advocating, and challenging fathers

### **Visiting Nurse Service of New York State**

Bronx Fatherhood Program  
383-391 E. 153<sup>rd</sup> Street  
Bronx, NY 10455  
718-742-7088 X 7057 (Main office number)

**Contact:** Francisco Torres  
[Fancisco.Torres@vnsny.org](mailto:Fancisco.Torres@vnsny.org)  
David Jones  
[DJones@vnsny.org](mailto:DJones@vnsny.org)

**Services:** Parenting skills, workshops, child development, anger management, legal counseling, and job readiness. Offers individual and family counseling, group counseling, mentoring, mediation/conflict resolution/training, visitation arrangements, educational/employment counseling. Family budget and consumer education.

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## Upstate New York

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### **Chautauqua County Department of Social Services**

Strengthening Fathers Initiative  
Hall R. Clothier Building  
7 North Erie St.  
Mayville, NY 14757-1027  
716 753-4576

**Contact:** Don Nadeau  
[NadeauD@co.chautauqua.ny.us](mailto:NadeauD@co.chautauqua.ny.us)

**Services:** Has contracted agencies that provide job search, pre employment, and parenting classes, financial and nutritional lit. , referrals to other resources, and education services

### **Strengthening Family's Initiative Program**

290 Main St. 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor  
Buffalo, NY 14202  
716-849-7135

**Contact:** Sterling Pierce Jr.  
[SPerce@buffalo.edu](mailto:SPerce@buffalo.edu)

**Services:** Employment services, job search, case management, apprenticeship, parenting skills, education services, custody management, mediation

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# Websites

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**The Custody Center:** Serving Mental Health Professionals, Judges, Attorneys, Family Courts and Moms and Dads Since 1982  
[www.custodycenter.com](http://www.custodycenter.com)

**Daddy UniverseCity**  
[www.daddyuniv.com](http://www.daddyuniv.com)

**Dads and Daughters**  
[www.dadsanddaughters.org](http://www.dadsanddaughters.org)

**Father to Father**  
[www.father2father.com](http://www.father2father.com)

**African American Dad,** One good Black Father Among Many: A Blog  
[www.fatherdad.com](http://www.fatherdad.com)

**National Fatherhood Initiative:**  
[www.fatherhood.org](http://www.fatherhood.org)

**National Responsible Fatherhood Clearinghouse**  
[www.fatherhood.gov](http://www.fatherhood.gov)

**The National Center for Fathering:** Helping You Become a Better Dad  
[www.fathers.com](http://www.fathers.com)

**National Brotherhood of Father's Rights**  
[www.fathershelphotline.com](http://www.fathershelphotline.com)

**Fathers Incorporated**  
[www.fathersinc.org](http://www.fathersinc.org)

**Inwood House**  
[www.inwoodhouse.com](http://www.inwoodhouse.com)

**Luke 4:18 Ministries**  
[www.luke418.org](http://www.luke418.org)

**North East Digital Village**  
[www.nedv.net](http://www.nedv.net)

**Proud Papa**  
[www.proudpoppa.net](http://www.proudpoppa.net)

**Real Dads Network**  
[www.realdadsnetwork.com](http://www.realdadsnetwork.com)

**SEEDCO** (Structured Employment Economic Development Corporation)  
[www.seedco.org](http://www.seedco.org)

**The Sledge Group**  
[www.sledgegroup.org](http://www.sledgegroup.org)

**STRIVE** (Support and Training Result in Valuable Employees)  
[www.strivenewyork.org](http://www.strivenewyork.org)

**NYS Office of Children and Family Services Informational Letter,** Sept. 13, 2005 Locating absent Fathers and Extended Family Guidance Paper  
[www.ocfs.state.ny.us/main/policies/external/OCFS\\_2005/](http://www.ocfs.state.ny.us/main/policies/external/OCFS_2005/)

**Child Welfare Information Gateway**  
[www.Childwelfare.gov](http://www.Childwelfare.gov)

***The importance of Father's in the Healthy Development of Children,*** 2006 New and revised Child Abuse and Neglect User Manuals  
[www.Childwelfare.gov/pubs/umnew.cfm](http://www.Childwelfare.gov/pubs/umnew.cfm)

**Promoting Responsible Fatherhood Federal Resource Site**  
[www.fatherhood.hhs.gov/index.shtml](http://www.fatherhood.hhs.gov/index.shtml)

***Study of Fathers' Involvement in Permanency Planning and Child Welfare Casework,*** Father Involvement in Child Welfare: US Department of Health and Human Services  
[www.aspe.hhs.gov/hsp/CW-dads02/](http://www.aspe.hhs.gov/hsp/CW-dads02/)

**Seventh Annual ITV/VPC Conference** Working With Fathers in the Child Welfare System  
[www.ssw.che.umn.edu/pf/CASCW/ITV\\_Conference06.html](http://www.ssw.che.umn.edu/pf/CASCW/ITV_Conference06.html)

**American Humane**  
[www.americanhumane.org](http://www.americanhumane.org)

***Fathers and Their Families:*** The untapped Resource for children Involved in the Child Welfare System  
[www.americanhumane.org/site/DocServer/cpl\\_aug\\_03.pdf?docID=1401](http://www.americanhumane.org/site/DocServer/cpl_aug_03.pdf?docID=1401)

***Father Involvement, Children's Voice Article***  
[www.cwla.org/programs/r2p/cvarticlesfather0501.htm](http://www.cwla.org/programs/r2p/cvarticlesfather0501.htm)

**Responsible Fatherhood Initiative, New York State Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance**  
[www.dads.ny.gov/fatherhood/](http://www.dads.ny.gov/fatherhood/)

***Fathers and Initial Assessment and Investigation***  
[www.enotalone.com/article/9866.html](http://www.enotalone.com/article/9866.html)

**Fatherhood Resources:** The National Resource Center and Family-Centered Practice and Permanency Planning  
[www.hunter.cuny.edu/socwork/nrcfcpp/info\\_services/fatherhood.html](http://www.hunter.cuny.edu/socwork/nrcfcpp/info_services/fatherhood.html)

**Father by Law: effects of joint legal custody on Nonresidential Fathers' Involvement with Children,** National Center for Biotechnology Information: A service of the National Library of Medicine and the National Institutes of Health

[www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/entrez/query.fcgi?itool=abstractplus&db=pubmed&cmd=Retrieve&dopt=abstractplus&list\\_uids=9622777](http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/entrez/query.fcgi?itool=abstractplus&db=pubmed&cmd=Retrieve&dopt=abstractplus&list_uids=9622777)

***An assessment of Child Welfare Practices Regarding Fathers*** National Family Preservation Network for the Annie E. Casey Foundation  
[www.nfnpn.org/tools/articles/fathers.php](http://www.nfnpn.org/tools/articles/fathers.php)

***Study of Fathers' Involvement in Permanency Planning and Child Welfare Casework*** by the Urban Institute  
[www.urban.org/publications/1000263.htm](http://www.urban.org/publications/1000263.htm)

**US Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families**  
[www.acf.hhs.gov](http://www.acf.hhs.gov)