

Vision:

Partnering with agencies and families to ensure that Floyd County's children grow up to be productive citizens.

Mission Statement:

To empower our children and youth to reach their full potential through collaboration, advocacy, and visibility.

Philosophy:

- We value the worth, dignity and rights of all children and youth.
- We value citizen participation in developing responses to the needs of children and youth.
- We value the involvement of community resources in support of services.
- We value a strong family unit.
- We value the participation of children, youth, and their parents.



"Swing for Kids" Golf Tournament

is the annual RFCCCY fundraising event. All proceeds are used to support the programs of the Rome-Floyd County Commission on Children and Youth.



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History and Governance

The Rome-Floyd County Commission on Children and Youth was established in 1989 by House Bill 789 passed by the Georgia General Assembly. The Commission was granted 501-(c)(3) non-profit status in 1990 by the Internal Revenue Service. Donations to RFCCCY therefore are tax-deductible.

The RFCCCY membership is open to any Floyd County resident. The governing Board of Directors is composed of child advocates, business professionals, elected officials, social service agencies, and organizations who serve children and youth.

The Executive Director of the RFCCCY is employed by the Board of Directors to oversee the daily operations of the agency. The RFCCCY currently oversees several grant programs for children and youth throughout the community.

The Rome-Floyd County Commission on Children and Youth serves as an "umbrella agency" for a number of programs that provide direct support for children and families in the community. In addition, the RFCCCY partners with other local agencies and programs for development, implementation, coordination and evaluation of other programs and services.



First Steps offers support, education and referral, and linkage to available community resources to families giving birth at Floyd Medical Center. A First Steps volunteer makes a hospital visit to each family with a newborn. Volunteers continue to offer support to the family through follow up phone contacts and access to emergency assistance.



healthy families georgia offers home-based parent education and support for first-time prenatal parents and first-time families of newborns in Floyd County. Families receive home visits from trained Family Support Workers, participate in a variety of group and family activities, and have the opportunity to benefit from personal and family development training.



Meld is a program of information and support for young fathers. Fathers participate in weekly support group meetings with other dads to share information, parenting advice, learn how to be a better father to their children and enjoy a meal. MELD also offers fun activities for dads and children to enjoy together.



Georgia FamilyConnection is a statewide initiative which cultivates public and private collaboration in each county. Floyd County's Family Connection seeks to combat child abuse and neglect, teen pregnancy, multiple teen births and truancy. Also, it works to keep children and youth in school through graduation.