



**La Crosse Area
Family Collaborative**
Empowered Families. Thriving Neighborhoods.

The La Crosse Area Family Collaborative is a proactive, voluntary, neighborhood centered prevention model aimed at bringing support to La Crosse area children, youth, and families in a manner that is highly accessible, responsive, and empowering.

The La Crosse Area Family Collaborative staff may be able to help:

- Need help to provide for the basic needs for your family - food, clothing, utilities, etc.
- At risk of losing your apartment or home or having trouble finding housing
- Seeking help with parenting or family concerns but don't know where to turn
- Seeking help to deal with a mental health or substance abuse issue
- Overcome barriers to transportation, employment, or childcare
- Helping your child stay on a positive path - mentoring, afterschool activities, tutoring, etc.
- General support and advocacy
- Connecting you to other helpful and needed supports to help you achieve a better life!

Common partners include schools, public health, City and County representatives, churches, landlords, nonprofits and other neighborhood stakeholders. Our Neighborhood Social Workers can work with you to assess your needs, find resources for you and your family, broker resources with partners and, with your help, create opportunities to improve your quality of life.

A successful path can start here: *Connect with us to achieve a better life for yourself, your family, and your children*

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The La Crosse Area Family Collaborative (L AFC) is a partnership of local non-profits, faith organizations, schools, community stakeholders and governmental agencies. The L AFC strives to enhance the self-sufficiency of our community's families. The L AFC model includes community social workers who are strategically located within neighborhoods. These highly experienced individuals work hand-in-hand with community leaders - teachers, clergy, police officers and other partners to identify and pro-actively engage at-risk families. They provide immediate assistance and serve as a navigator to a variety of supports that are available within the neighborhood and broader community. Their focus is on developing trusting relationships at the neighborhood level. Rather than offering help as a stranger, these workers will approach children and families as a trusted neighborhood partner.

The La Crosse Area Family Collaborative is currently serving families with elementary aged or younger children who reside in the Northside Neighborhoods of Lower-Deport/Logan North and the Southside Neighborhoods of Washburn/Powell-Poage OR families with children who attend Hamilton, Northside, Emerson, or North Woods Elementary Schools.