

# STRENGTHEN FAMILIES LOCALLY



## Community Prevention Plan Brief – Port Angeles/Sequim

### About this Strong Community Network:

The Port Angeles/Sequim SFL network has been meeting since August of 2020, with a transition to local facilitation from [PAVE](#) since August of 2021. The network meets monthly and includes local parents, volunteers, and community agencies. (For a full list of partners, see the [SFL Website](#)). The community network has focused on incorporating parent and community voice through Community Cafes as well as an Outreach working group and a Family Navigator Network.

### Community Needs Identified:

- Historical and generational trauma – e.g., teachers don't have a specific understanding of needs around generational trauma
- Resources, support, and collaboration for Family Resource Navigators in the community
- Families involved with DCYF who also have developmental diagnoses – lack of foster/respite care, in-home supports, exclusion of diagnosed children from supports
- Basic needs and food security are lacking for families

### Priority Strategies:

Connect families with better access to care

1. Link all of the resource web-based pages so that there is a stronger “no-wrong door” way for families to get the information
2. Model the resource booklet that has been developed that can be printed and put in the foodbanks, libraries, First Step, Daycare centers, housing office, etc.
3. Partnered work to develop simple training videos, and sheets around how to apply for state services.

Help the community understand trauma and move towards “healing-centered engagement”

4. Collaborate/align with Clallam Resilience Project work already happening

Support families involved with DCYF who also have a developmental or autism

5. Partner to provide autism- or DD-specific trainings for parents (Family Healing Center; Port Angeles Healthy Youth Coalition, Dan Thompson funding)

Family Navigator Network

6. Strengthen the infrastructure of the navigator network
7. Build a resource repository for navigators
8. Pull navigators into support in schools, housing, and food based support offices

Develop resources to address food scarcity

9. Partner to provide better access and education – WSU programs, EBT/plant start purchasing at the food bank



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10. Provide physical goods and materials for at-home gardening to families who don't qualify for EBT

Bring community voice to planning and implementing through Community Cafés

11. Outreach for Community Cafés
12. Work with Community Leaders to build participation
13. Link with activities already planned to add to a broader community connection (e.g. Clallam Resilience Project)

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