

The Fatherhood Absence Crisis

According to the U.S. Census, 18.4 million children do not have a biological father, step-father, or adoptive father at home.

Impacts of Absent Fathers

When a child is raised in a home without a father, they face the following problems:

- 2x Greater Risk of Infant Mortality
- 2x Greater Risk of Dropping Out of School
- 2x More Likely To Suffer Obesity
- 4x More Likely to Experience Poverty
- 7x Greater Risk of Teen Pregnancy

Benefits of Involved Fathers

Children with involved fathers have a strong foundation for their well-being:

- Lower Risk of Abuse and Neglect
- Lower Risk of Criminal Activity
- Less Likely To Experience Substance Abuse
- Less Likely To Experience Emotional Issues

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**FATHERHOOD
PROGRAM**



**Family and
Community
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ALLEGHENY INTERMEDIATE UNIT
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Fatherhood Program

we offer the following

Training for fathers and parenting classes

How to discipline with a gentle spirit

How to be a good role model

Assistance with socialization

Mental health resources

Fitness programming

Health insurance referrals

Field trips for fathers and their children

Adult education classes, including preparation for GED testing

Job preparation

Case management

Early childhood education

Diapers and other baby supplies

Resources from food banks

Guest speakers on a variety of topics

Mission

- Expand the knowledge of our fathers so each one can become a 365 Dad.
- Help each father understand their roles as a 365 Dad.
- Teach fathers that being a good father takes determination, dedication and perseverance.

365 Dads

This program helps fathers in Allegheny County become the best versions of themselves. We support fathers and male caretakers of children from birth to age five. The AIU's facilitators use 24/7 Dad, an evidence-based curriculum that gives fathers tools to develop fathering skills.

Men on a Mission

This group consists of alumni from the AIU's fatherhood programming. It meets monthly and is designed to support fathers with children from birth to age 18. Members help fathers overcome and embrace their fatherhood journey by equipping them to be more self-sufficient and nurturing.

Service Area

We serve fathers across Allegheny County, including the City of Pittsburgh, through our ten Family Centers:

- Carnegie
- Clairton
- Duquesne
- Homestead (Steel Valley)
- McKeesport
- McKees Rocks (Sto-Rox)
- Lincoln Park (Penn Hills)
- Tarentum (Highlands)
- Wilmerding (East Allegheny)
- Wilkesburg (shares offices with Duquesne)

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Reach out to our facilitators to attend a fatherhood meeting in your area. **We are here for you.** If we cannot help you, we will find an agency that can.



Art Johnson (L) and Tyrone Fisher (R) lead a fatherhood meeting at the Sto-Rox Family Center.



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