

Bay State Community Services, Inc.

Bay State Community Services (BSCS) is a Certified Women Owned, community-based, human services agency. Over the past 50+ years, BSCS has become a leader in providing services that promote the emotional and social well-being of the individuals and families we serve.

BSCS' mission is to strengthen communities through resources, support, education, and connections. We offer a wide variety of programs and resources, including child & family services, substance use recovery supports, behavioral health supports, legal involvement resources, youth residential services, peer recovery supports, and prevention & harm reduction initiatives.

Special attention has been given to reach out to vulnerable and high-risk populations.

Most programs offer assistance based on need, regardless of an individual's ability to pay.

BSCS is funded by the Department of Children and Families (DCF), the Department of Mental Health (DMH), the Department of Public Health (DPH), the Office of Community Corrections (OCC), Norfolk District Attorney's Office, Department of Youth Services (DYS), and Department of Transitional Assistance (DTA), and Center for Disease Control (CDC). Additional support is provided by MassHealth, Medicaid, Medicare, private insurances, and private donations.

BSCS offers numerous programs in multiple locations. For more information, please refer to our website and social media:



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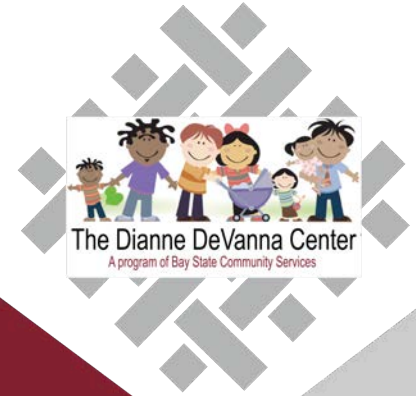
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Dianne DeVanna Center



Beside you...every step of the way

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Dianne DeVanna Center

The Dianne DeVanna Center for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect was founded in 1978, by Braintree community members, as a lasting memorial honoring Dianne DeVanna. Dianne tragically lost her life at the hands of her father and stepmother.

The loss stunned the South Shore community. It served as a catalyst to raise awareness of the issue of child abuse and the need for critical services for families.

Our philosophy works on the premise that skillful help provided to caregivers at the right time can make a profound difference in a child's life. It is our goal to become an integral part of the support system of the families we serve, providing parents with the resources and education they need to become the best parent possible for their children.

Parent Aides work with families supported by the Department of Children and Families (DCF) and as a team we are committed to providing parenting skills, education on child(ren) development needs, and assisting parents in working towards reunification when needed.

Referrals must be made by the Department of Children and Families.

Parent Aide & Support Services

The role of our team of Family Support Workers is to focus on helping parents understand their strengths and identify the needs of their family.

- Parenting skills & support education
- Child development education
- Life skills development
- Budgeting assistance
- Housing assistance
- Domestic violence support and education
- Household management & organization skills
- Referral and connection to basic needs support & mental health, medical, and community resources
- Collaboration with the Department of Children and Families and other providers

Transportation

Transportation is provided for children in foster care placement to ensure continuity in family visits, medical/therapy appointments, and school and daycare attendance.

Wish List

Many of our families experience ongoing financial struggles. The following items are always in need and are gratefully accepted:

Gift cards:

- Amazon
- Buy Buy Baby
- CVS
- Grocery Stores
- Target
- Visa
- Walmart
- Walgreens

Specific Items:

- New Baby Toiletries (unopened or used)
- Children's Books, Puzzles, Toys, Art & Educational Supplies (all ages)
- Diapers/Pull-ups (all sizes)
- Family Toiletries
- Household Cleaning & Laundry Products
- Infant Safety, Nursery Supplies & Furnishings

Clothing: New clothing, socks, and undergarments

**For more information,
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