

## WHO WE ARE



Kinship Navigator is a program of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts that assists all kinship caregivers (grandparents and other relatives) with accessing services for themselves and the children they are raising.



Are you parenting your grandchild or a relative's child?

Are you caring for a child due to parental challenges related to substance misuse, mental illness, domestic violence or homelessness?

Are you aware there are specific services in your community for you?

You are not alone.  
We are here to help you!

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Collaboratively supporting kinship caregivers and their families.



## WHO WE SERVE

The Kinship Navigator program provides help, assistance, tips, support, guidance and advice for all familial caregivers throughout the Commonwealth including:

- Kinship foster parents caring for children involved with the Massachusetts Department of Children and Families (DCF)
- Kinship caregivers involved with Probate and Family court
- Families with informal caregiver arrangements



## MISSION

To assure all kinship caregivers in Massachusetts can easily find supportive services online and with assistance from Kinship Navigator staff to help cultivate strong, stable and successful families.

## HOW WE CAN HELP

Kinship Navigator staff act as a point of contact for kinship caregivers statewide and their families. We assist with navigating services such as:

- Department of Transitional Assistance (DTA)
- Women, Infants and Children (WIC)
- Department of Children and Families (DCF)

We connect kinship caregivers to community resources including:

- Family Resource Centers
- Massachusetts Grandparents Commission
- Support Groups
- Mental Health and Counseling
- Food & Nutrition Assistance
- Legal Services
- Childcare
- Support for kinship caregivers who have a family member struggling with substance misuse

