

Fayette County Family Resource Network (FRN)

1990

The Governor's Cabinet on Children and Families created the concept for FRNs to; (1) Ensure local communities are involved in service delivery, (2) Provide services close to the community, (3) Support local partners working with the state government, and (4) Engage diverse stakeholders in local policy decisions.

1992

An FRN was established in Fayette County, with the mission to strengthen individuals, families, and communities through education, mobilization, resource development, inter-agency coordination, strategic planning, needs assessments, and ongoing evaluation of services.

2005

The FRN applies for and receives a Strategic Prevention Framework State Incentives grant. Goals of the grant include reducing underage drinking and increasing community collaboration.

2010

The Fayette FRN becomes a 501(c)3 organization and begins offering fiscal agent services to other organizations and programs. Some areas of focus were diabetes prevention, tobacco cessation and Energy Express.

2019

The Fayette FRN becomes the fiscal agent for the Fayette Prevention Coalition, a group of people and organizations dedicated to creating solutions caused by the drug epidemic. With 8 subcommittees, the Coalition focuses across the continuum of care with Prevention, Intervention, Treatment and Recovery.

2020

The Fayette Prevention Coalition applies for and receives the Drug Free Communities (DFC) grant, \$125,000 every year for five years. Goals of the grant include reducing tobacco and alcohol use among middle and high school students and increasing community collaboration.

2021

The FRN hires one additional staff member, a Project Director for the DFC grant. Staff for the FRN is two people.

2021

The FRN applies for and receives the Basic Need Fulfillment grant through The Greater Kanawha Valley Foundation. The program purchases basic need items such as beds, clothing and household items for those experiencing a crisis situation.

2023

The FRN applies for and receives the Partnership for Success (PFS) grant, \$375,000 every year for five years. Goals of the grant include increasing the perception of harm of cannabis use among middle and high school students and increasing healthy alternative activities.

2023

The FRN hires five additional staff members; a Program Director for the PFS grant, Youth Programs Coordinator, 2 Mental Health Educators, and a Project Coordinator for the DFC grant. Staff for the FRN is seven people.