



## NORTHERNRIVERS

Founded where the Mohawk and Hudson meet, like the rivers that shaped our region, Northern Rivers Family of Services helps change lives by shaping the future of those we serve throughout the Capital Region and beyond. Northern Rivers is a family of human services agencies that work together and are committed to helping children, adults, and families.

Formed in 2012, Northern Rivers is the parent organization to Northeast Parent & Child Society (founded in 1888 in Schenectady), Parsons Child & Family Center (founded in 1829 in Albany), and Unlimited Potential (founded in Saratoga Springs in 1979). Together we serve more than 16,000 children, adults, and families in more than 40 counties in New York state who struggle with abuse, neglect, trauma, mental health challenges, educational difficulties, career training and employment, and service navigation through an innovative continuum of home-, clinic-, school-, and community-based services, vocational rehabilitation, supported employment, and senior-supporting programs that provide person-centered, trauma-informed innovative solutions to ensure clients live their best lives.

With a 1,400-strong workforce and informed by our nearly 200-year heritage, our quality of care, depth of programs, combined size, and passion for the mission make us a leading human services provider.

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# Permanency Resource Center

Adoption, kinship (custody-formal or informal)  
and guardianship support



## *We Can Help!*

We are staffed by professionals who understand the challenges of parenting children with emotional, mental health and trauma based needs.

The staff possess extensive knowledge of special education and complex developmental needs.



If you are interested in these adoption, kinship (custody-formal or informal) and guardianship support

services, please contact us:

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**518.426.2888**

For information on other services Northern Rivers Family of Services offers, visit:

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## Who We Are

Northern Rivers' Permanency Resource Center helps families formed through adoption, kinship (formal and informal custody) and guardianship find necessary resources for the variety of issues that arise from the complexities of these situations.

Trained professionals support adoptive, kinship (formal and informal custody) and guardianship families, while empowering them for growth and enabling positive outcomes for all involved.



## What We Offer

- A helpline (518.426.2888) for information and referral services.
- The opportunity to access extensive resources, support groups, trauma-focused parent education and training, clinical support, emotional support, and direction to help families navigate the complexities of adoption, custody and post- guardianship arrangements.
- A team of trauma-knowledgeable professionals with an understanding of children's crises and the importance of permanency.
- Connection to a network of trauma-sensitive practitioners and agencies in the region that provide a variety of services to families who have adopted, have kinship, custody, or have guardianship.

## Who Is Eligible?

Families who have a child living at home who is under the age of 21, and who have adopted their child or have legal guardianship and kinship custody are eligible to enroll in this program. Families joining the program at this time must reside in Fulton, Montgomery, Saratoga, Warren or Washington County.

The New York State Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS) has provided funding for this grant.

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