

Programs and Services



STARFISH
FAMILY SERVICES

Strengthening families
to create brighter
futures for children

People come to
Starfish for our
programs
supporting
vulnerable
children and
families.

At Starfish, those
seeking positive
and lasting change
in their lives find
resources they
need for success
and dedicated
staff ready to help
them achieve it.

We're social!
You can find
us on:



Early Childhood Development

Early Head Start: Provides free center-based child care and home-based services for income-eligible families with children under the age of three. Program services are also available to pregnant women. The mission of the Early Head Start program is to promote healthy prenatal outcomes for pregnant women, to improve the development of young children, and to promote healthy family functioning. For more information, call **734-727-3145**.

Head Start: Offers free preschool for income-eligible three- and four-year old children to get them ready for kindergarten. For more information, call Crestwood at **313-937-8483**, Inkster at **734-727-3131**, Livonia at **734-762-9734**, Plymouth-Canton at **734-354-5196** or Westwood at **313-429-5967**.

Starfish Early Learning Communities: Provides training, networking and resources to those caring for young children (ages 0-8 years) in western Wayne County. Programming includes professional development, play and learn groups, and networking opportunities. Parents and providers can also take advantage of a full early childhood resource library available at 3000 Hiveley, Inkster. For more information call: **734-727-3104** or e-mail starfishelc@sfish.org.

Home-based Literacy Program (32P): A home-based literacy program bringing language and reading to the home, encouraging children under five-years old to learn and parents to become their child's most effective teacher. In-center play groups are also offered for parents and children under the age of five. For more information please call **734-727-3145**.

Great Start Readiness Program: Offers free preschool for four-year-old children residing in the Westwood Community School District to get them ready for kindergarten. For more information call, **313-292-1691**.

Partnering with Parents: Home and community based services for families with children 0 to 5 or pregnant women. Provides support to families struggling with developmental, emotional, or behavioral problems. Call **1-888-355-5433**.

Baby Power Program: A free group parenting program to assist moms in meeting their child's emotional and development needs while decreasing the risks of maternal depression and anxiety. Free transportation and childcare provided. Call **888-355-5433**.

Family Programs and Resources

Community Finance Center: Client-centered financial education and coaching, as well as connecting families to available support during financial transition. Call **734-729-1066**.



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Behavioral Health Services

Helps children, families, and adults improve their relationships and overall well-being through counseling treatment. Starfish offers prevention, outpatient, and in-home therapy with specialty programs designed to meet your needs. Additional support services are available including but not limited to: Wraparound, Case Management, Psychiatric and Medication Management. For more information call toll-free **1-888-355-5433**.

Teen and Adolescent Programs

After-school and Summer Enrichment: Enrichment and educational opportunities for children and teens, specifically K-12 students in the Westwood Community School district. Call **313-565-8851 Ext. 5602**.

Starfish Shelter & Crisis Center: Provides safe, short-term shelter for young people ages 12-17, along with counseling and support services to help families work through their problems with family reunification being the ultimate goal. Please call **313-563-5005** or toll-free **866-672-HELP (4357)**.

Inkster Youth Assistance Program: Helps at-risk youth (up to 17 years old) stay out of the juvenile justice system through activities and group support as well as ongoing help from a case manager. Call **313-563-5005** or toll-free **866-672-HELP (4357)**.

Transitional Living Program: Offers youth and young adults safe, stable, long-term living accommodations and an array of support services geared toward independent living. Call **313-563-5005** or toll-free **866-672-HELP (4357)**.

Parenthood Program: Provides support for pregnant and parenting teens (up to 21 years old) through case management, home visits, psycho-educational groups and referrals to external and internal programs. Call **313-563-5005**.

Planned Respite: Short-term residential shelter for Medicaid eligible youth between 10-17 years old receiving mental health services throughout Wayne County. The program consists of life skills and educational support as well as case management and the coordination of services. Call **313-563-5005**.

Community

Inkster Family Literacy Movement: A collaborative literacy focused initiative designed to engage and unite the entire Inkster community in high quality, family-based literacy activities to get children reading and ready for school. For more information, visit InksterFLM.org.

