



# Children and Family Services



## Our Mission

The mission of [Children and Family Services](#) is to protect endangered children, preserve and strengthen their families, and develop alternative family settings. Services as mandated by law and regulation, will be provided in the least intrusive manner with a family centered focus. This mission is accomplished in collaboration with the family, a wide variety of public and private agencies and members of the community.

## What will my role be as a Social Worker II for CFS?

Social Workers in CFS provide services for a variety of department programs/functions. Depending on assignment, Social Workers may be involved in: monitoring guardianship cases; conducting assessments for calls received on the child and adult abuse hotline; investigating and monitoring cases of neglect; licensing of foster homes; and completing relative home assessments. Field work is generally required in order to meet with clients for required contacts/home visits or to complete assessment/licensing activities. Social workers may be required to write court reports or testify in court.

## What are some important qualities for CFS Social Workers?

Excellent interpersonal and communication skills are required in order to navigate difficult and sensitive situations and build positive relationships with clients, co-workers, and partners. Social workers must operate from a client-focused, strengths-based perspective and embrace working with a diverse community. Ability to effectively prioritize work in order to address urgent matters and meet required deadlines is a must.

