Support Groups and Parent Educational Groups in Worcester, MA



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Empowerment: group for HIV+ women	AIDS Project Worcester 85 Green Street Worcester, MA 01604	508-755-3773	Wednesdays 1-3 PM	HIV + women	English and Spanish and other language interpretation available	No transportation or childcare
Trans4mation 1 and 2	AIDS Project Worcester 85 Green Street Worcester, MA 01604	508-755-3773	Trans4mations 1: 2 nd and 4 th Mondays 6-8 PM Trans4mations 2: Thursdays 12-2 PM	18+ year-olds identifying as transgender, gender queer, variant, or questioning	English and Spanish and other language interpretation available	No transportation or childcare
SWAGLY: drop-in group for LGBTQ youth and allies ages 12- 22	AIDS Project Worcester 85 Green Street Worcester, MA 01604	508-755-3773	Wednesdays 5:30-8:30 PM	LGBTQ youth and allies ages 12- 22	English and Spanish and other language interpretation available	No transportation or childcare
Positively Powerful : group for HIV+ men	AIDS Project Worcester 85 Green Street Worcester, MA 01604	508-755-3773	Thursdays 2:30-4:30 PM	HIV+ men	English and Spanish and other language interpretation available	No transportation or childcare
Friday Refresh	AIDS Project Worcester 85 Green Street Worcester, MA 01604	508-755-3773	Fridays 2-3:30 PM		English and Spanish and other language interpretation available	No transportation or childcare

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Informational Family Program: Learn how substance abuse disorders affect the family, how to develop skills and acquire resources to cope with your loved one's use of alcohol and other drugs.	AdCare Adcare Outpatient Services 95 Lincoln Street Worcester, MA 01605	508-453-3053	4 th Wednesday of the month, 6 PM	Open to anyone concerned with the substance use of a family member or friend.	English	No
Family and Friends Support Group: This community-wide support group encourages participants to discuss their feelings and how they are coping with the effects of a loved one's alcohol and drug use or recovery.	AdCare AdCare Hospital 107 Lincoln Street Worcester, MA 01605	508-799-9000	Every Thursday at 6:30-8 PM (Founders Room)	Open to anyone concerned with the substance use of a family member or friend.	English	No
Family and Friends Informational Program	AdCare 95 Lincoln Street Worcester, MA 01605	508-799-9000 / 1-800-345- 3552	2 nd Wednesday of the month, 6:30-7:30 PM			
Alcoholics Anonymous	AdCare 95 Lincoln Street Worcester, MA 01605	508-799-9000 / 1-800-345- 3552	7 AM-8 AM, every day, seven days a week			
NA Group	AdCare 95 Lincoln Street Worcester, MA 01605	508-799-9000 / 1-800-345- 3552	Sundays 9:30 AM-10:30 PM (Prescott Room)			
SMART Recovery	AdCare 95 Lincoln Street Worcester, MA 01605	508-799-9000 / 1-800-345- 3552	Mondays 7-8 PM			

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SARP Professional (HOPE) Groups	AdCare AdCare Hospital 107 Lincoln Street Worcester, MA 01605	508-799-9000 / 1-800-345- 3552	Mondays 6-7 PM and 7-8 PM (BCR-A)			
AA Meeting	AdCare AdCare Hospital (see above)	508-799-9000 / 1-800-345- 3552	Tuesdays 6:30- 7:30 PM (BCR-B)			
Al-Anon Family Group	AdCare AdCare Hospital (see above)	508-799-9000 / 1-800-345- 3552	Tuesdays 7:00- 8:00 PM (BCR-A)			
NARANON	AdCare 95 Lincoln Street Worcester, MA 01605	508-799-9000 / 1-800-345- 3552	Wednesdays 7-8:15 PM and Saturdays 10- 11 AM			
Dual Recovery Anonymous	AdCare AdCare Hospital (see above)	508-799-9000 / 1-800-345- 3552	Thursdays 6:30-7:30 PM (BCR-A)			
After Care Group	AdCare 95 Lincoln Street Worcester, MA 01605	508-799-9000 / 1-800-345- 3552	Thursdays 6:30-7:45 PM			
Refuge Recovery : a new mindfulness-based, peer-to-peer recovery group that uses Buddhist philosophy as the foundation of the recovery process	AdCare 95 Lincoln Street Worcester, MA 01605	508-799-9000 / 1-800-345- 3552	Thursdays 6:30 – 8 PM			
Family and Friends	AdCare AdCare Hospital (see above)	508-799-9000 / 1-800-345- 3552	Saturdays 10 AM-1:30 PM (BCR-B)			

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Narcotics Anonymous	AdCare AdCare Hospital 107 Lincoln Street Worcester, MA 01605	508-799-9000 / 1-800-345- 3552	Saturdays 6- 7:30 PM (BCR-B)			
Worcester Outpatient Parenting Group: This group focuses primarily on the effects of substance abuse on one's ability to parent, its past consequences on one's family, and the struggles related to separation or reunification.	AdCare Adcare Outpatient Services 95 Lincoln Street Worcester, MA 01605	508-453-3053	Every Thursday from 1 PM- 2:30 PM	This program is designed for custodial and non- custodial parents who have a history of substance abuse or dependence and who are interested in rebuilding their relationships with their children		
Dual Diagnosis	Adcare Outpatient Services (please see above)	508-453-3053	Tuesday 10:30 AM-12 PM; 6-7:30 PM	Early recovery group		
Early Recovery Group	Adcare Outpatient Services (please see above)	508-453-3053	Tuesday 5:30- 7 PM Thursday 10:30 AM-12 PM and 6-7:30 PM Friday 10:30 AM-12 PM	Early recovery group		
Rise & Shine Group	Adcare Outpatient Services (please see above)	508-453-3053	Wednesdays 6:30 AM-8 AM	Early recovery group		

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Spanish Group	Adcare Outpatient Services (please see above)	508-453-3053	Thursdays 10:30 AM-12 PM	Early recovery group		
Men's Group	Adcare Outpatient Services (please see above)	508-453-3053	Mondays 6- 7:30 PM Tuesdays 10:30 AM-12 PM	Early recovery group		
Young Person's Recovery Group	Adcare Outpatient Services (please see above)	508-453-3053	Monday 10:30 AM-12 PM	Early recovery group		
Whole Wellness Group	Adcare Outpatient Services (please see above)	508-453-3053	Mondays 10:30 AM-12 PM	Early recovery group		
Women's Group	Adcare Outpatient Services (please see above)	508-453-3053	Tuesday 8:30- 10 AM Wednesday 10:30 AM-12 PM	Early recovery group		
Spirituality Group	Adcare Outpatient Services (please see above)	508-453-3053	Tuesdays 10:30 AM-12 PM	Early recovery group		
Mindfulness Group	Adcare Outpatient Services (please see above)	508-453-3053	Thursdays 10:30 AM-12 PM	Early recovery group		
Recovery Life Skills Group	Adcare Outpatient Services (please see above)	508-453-3053	Tuesdays 6- 7:30 PM	Early recovery group		

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Spirituality Group	Adcare Outpatient Services (please see above)	508-453-3053	Tuesday 10:30 AM-12 PM	Early recovery group		
Day treatment	Adcare Outpatient Services (please see above)	508-453-3053	Mondays- Sundays 8:30 AM-2:30 PM			
SOAP (Structured Outpatient Addiction Program)	Adcare Outpatient Services (please see above)	508-453-3053	Monday- Sunday 8:30 AM-12 PM And 10:30 AM-2:30 PM	Available to Fallon and MBHP members		
IOP (Intensive Outpatient)	Adcare Outpatient Services (please see above)	508-453-3053	Monday- Sunday 8:30 AM-12 PM and 10:30 AM-2:30 PM, Monday- Friday 6 PM- 9:30 PM			
African Women's Support Group	Angel's Net 44 Front Street, Suite 550 (5th floor) Worcester, MA	508-304-1332 info@angelsnetfoundation.org		All immigrant and refugee women from Africa		

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Various support and educational programs for individuals with autism and their caregivers	HMEA's Autism Resource Central 71 Sterling Street West Boylston, MA 01583 autism@hmea.org	Phone (508) 835-4278	Go to their website for information about various groups: http://www.a utismresource central.org/	Go to their website for more information http://www.autismr esourcecentral.org/ FREE	English & Spanish	No transportation, No childcare
Financial Literacy and Support – In classroom and on an individual basis	Belmont A.M.E. Zion Church 55 Illinois Street Worcester, MA 01610	Rev. Clyde D. Talley (508) 754-4539	Call or look for scheduled days/times at: daveramsey.co m	This is open to all families seeking help in dealing with debt and living debt-free	English	No transportation or child care is available.
Yes We Care After-School Program – Provide academic and homework support to the parents and their children	Belmont A.M.E. Zion Church 55 Illinois Street Worcester, MA 01610	Anika Romney – Program Coordinator (508) 754-4539	Daily during the school year	From 1 st Grade to 6 th Grade	English	No transportation or child care is available.
Safe Homes: a program supporting lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning (LGBTQ) young people, and their straight allies, between the ages of 14 and 23. Includes support group and drop-in center.	The Bridge of Central MA Inc. 4 Mann St Worcester, MA 01602	Contact: Laura Farnsworth, Program Director 508-755-0333 ext.1142	Every Thursday from 6:30- 9pm	Youth ages 14-23 drop-in setting, no cost, no sign up FREE	English	Bus passes available for participating youth
T-Time: support group for transgender and gender- nonconforming youth.	The Bridge of Central MA Inc. 4 Mann St Worcester, MA 01602	Laura Farnsworth Program Director 508-755-0333 ext. 1142	Meets 1 st and 3 rd Thursdays of every month, 5:30- 6:30 PM	FREE	English	No transportation

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PFLAG A support group for Parents, Families, & Friends of the LGBTQ community (ages 18+)	The Bridge of Central MA Inc. 4 Mann St. Worcester, Ma 01602	Laura Farnsworth Program Director 508-755-0333 ext. 1142	Third Wednesday of each month from 7-9pm	Adults & Families 18 years and older FREE	English	No transportation
Transition to Adulthood Program	Center for Living & Working 484 Main Street , Suite 345 Worcester, MA 01608	Contact: Erica Torres 508-755-1746	Call for appointment: 508-798-0350	Youth ages 14-21 with a disability in high school. Consumers can be referred by outside agencies, parent, or by you. You can call the agency and ask for the I&R Specialist to get started. There is no cost to the consumer.	English	No
Support Group for Caregivers of Transgender and Gender Variant Youth	Children's Friend 20 Cedar Street Worcester, MA 01609	Caitlin Straubel, 508- 753-5425	First Tuesday of the month 6:30 PM-8:00 PM	Free group for parents and caregivers of children who identify as transgender or gender variant or who are exploring their gender	English	No transportation or childcare
Social Skills Group for 8-10 year olds	Children's Friend 20 Cedar Street Worcester, MA	Intake Dept.: (508) 753-5425	Call for info	Open to all 8-10 year olds	English only	No transportation or childcare (may be eligible for PT-1)
Social Skills Group for 11- 12 year olds	Children's Friend 20 Cedar Street Worcester, MA	Intake Dept.: (508) 753-5425	Call for info	Open to all 11-12 year olds	English only	No transportation or childcare (may be eligible for PT-1)

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DBT (dialectical behavior therapy) groups	Children's Friend 20 Cedar Street Worcester, MA	Intake Dept.: (508) 753-5425	Call for info	for adolescents	English only	No transportation or childcare (may be eligible for PT-1)
Carriage House (grief support group)	Children's Friend 20 Cedar St Worcester, MA 01609	Karen, Johanna, or Emily (508) 753-5425	Call for info	Children ages 3 to 18	English	No, transportation No child care
Adoption parent group	Adoption Journeys Housed at Children's Friend 20 Cedar Street Worcester, MA In collaboration with The Attachment Institute of New England	Debbie Giza (508) 753-5425	Will be run based on interest	Any adoptive parent or caregiver	English only	No Transportation No Childcare
Mindfulness group: Dedicated to teaching kids about mindfulness, emotional regulation, and more through fun games and activities.	Community Healthlink Youth & Family Services 275 Belmont Street Worcester, MA 01604	Elizabeth Nelson Victim Advocate 508-421-4501	March 6-April 24 Tuesdays 5-6 PM	Open to ages 8-12 FREE	English	Child care available for children ages 3 and up.
Mindfulness parenting: Dedicated to teaching parents how to help their kids manage tough behaviors and emotions effectively.	Community Healthlink Youth & Family Services 275 Belmont Street Worcester, MA 01604	Elizabeth Nelson Victim Advocate 508-421-4501	March 6-April 24 Tuesdays 5-6 PM	For parents FREE	English	Child care available for children ages 3 and up.
The Compassionate Friends: grief support group for adults who have suffered the death of a child	The Compassionate Friends First Baptist Church 111 Park Avenue Worcester, MA	Mary: 508- 393-7348 mjvautier@ms n.com	1 st Tuesday of each month, 7:00 PM	Open to adults of any age who have suffered the death of a child FREE		

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Abortion Recovery Support Group	Clearway Clinic 358 Shrewsbury Street Worcester, Ma. 01604	(508)438-0144	Call for days/times	No Cost. Females & Males needing assistance with abortion recovery.	English	No childcare No transportation
 Pre-natal Classes 2nd Trimester Breast-feeding 101 Breast-feeding 201 and Newborn Care Labor and Delivery 	Clearway Clinic 358 Shrewsbury Street Worcester, Ma. 01604	(508)438-0144	Done one on one Call to make an appointment	No Cost	English	No childcare No transportation
Parenting Classes	Compassion Baby Boutique Pleasant Street Baptist Church 165 Pleasant Street Worcester, MA 01609	Joyce Morse (508) 756- 8754	Meets the third Monday of the month 10 AM-12 PM	No Cost For any parent in Worcester County	English	Childcare available depending on program capacity – call for more information No transportation
Nurturing Parenting Group	Counseling and Assessment Clinic 51 Union Street Worcester, MA 01608	508-756-2005 cacworcester.org	Tuesdays from 6:00-7:00pm	Various insurances accepted	English	Transportation for Mass Health Clients (PT-11s)
Relapse Prevention Group	Counseling and Assessment Clinic 51 Union Street , Suite G02 Worcester, MA 01608	508-756-2005 cacworcester.org	Mondays 5-6pm	Various insurances accepted	English	No childcare Transportation for Mass Health Clients (PT-1s)
Anger Management	Counseling and Assessment Clinic of Worcester 51 Union Street, Suite G02	508-756-2005 cacworcester.org	Thursdays 6-7 PM	Various insurances accepted	English	Transportation for Mass Health Clients (PT-11s)

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First Offender Driver Alcohol Education Program Classes focus on consequences of substance use, dangers of drinking and driving, modifying substance use habits, coping skills, relapse prevention, impact of driving under the influence. Specialized sessions for transitional age youth and women held twice a year	Counseling and Assessment Clinic of Worcester 51 Union Street , Suite G02 Worcester, MA 01608	508-756-2005 cacworcester.org	Wednesdays 5:00-7:00 pm Saturdays 10-12, 2-4	Private pay only	English	No childcare No transportation
Dual Diagnosis	Counseling and Assessment Clinic of Worcester 51 Union Street, Suite G02 Worcester, MA 01608	508-756-2005 cacworcester.org	Wednesdays and Thursdays 4-5 PM	Various insurances accepted	English	Transportation for Mass Health Clients (PT-11s)
Substance Abuse Education group	Counseling and Assessment Clinic of Worcester 51 Union Street , Suite G02 Worcester, MA 01608	508-756-2005 cacworcester.org	Saturdays 12-1 PM	Various insurances accepted	English	Transportation for Mass Health Clients (PT-11s)
SOAP (Structured Outpatient Addiction Program)	Counseling and Assessment Clinic of Worcester 51 Union Street, Suite G02 Worcester, MA 01608	508-756-2005 cacworcester.org	Monday-Friday 9-12:30 PM	Various insurances accepted	English	Transportation for Mass Health Clients (PT-11s)

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Various social activities and programs for people of all ages with special needs and their families; i.e., parent nights out, painting parties, bowling league, calming yoga, etc.	Diamond is the Sky P.O. Box 20234 Worcester, MA 01602 www.dits.org	Email: info@dits.org 774-823-5016	Go to <u>www.dits.org</u> for more information about upcoming activities.	Open to all, including families of children with special needs and children without. Go to <u>www.dits.org</u> for more information.	Can try to accommodate various language needs with advance notice.	Most activities are for parents/caregivers and children together.
REFUGEE GROUPS- for refugees from Iraq, Bhutan, Burma, Syria, and Burundi. Each group discussion includes different topics. There are women's and men's groups.	Edward M. Kennedy Community Health Center 19 Tacoma Street Worcester, MA 01605	Leo Negrón Cruz 508-852-1805	At Edward M. Kennedy Community Health Center 19 Tacoma Street, 3 rd Floor Schedules vary for each group.	Refugee Populations FREE	Refugee Languages including Arabic, Nepali, Burmese, Kayah, Kirundi	Bus passes and food for all participants
Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Support Group	Elder Services of Worcester Area, Inc Group held at: YWCA 1 Salem Square Worcester, MA 01608 New Meeting Room (Library 2 nd floor)	Debbie Dowd- Foley at Elder Services of Worcester- 508-756-1545	Meets the 2 nd Monday of every month from 6- 8pm	For Grandparents and other kin	English	Free childcare No transportation

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Rainbow Lunch Club and Rainbow Supper Club	Elder Services of Worcester Area, Inc Unitarian Universalist Church, 90 Holden Street, Worcester MA	508-756-1545 ext. 339	2 nd Wednesday of the month at 12 PM 1 st Tuesday of the month, 6-8 PM	For the LGBTQA (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Questioning, and Allies) Elder Community, 60 years and older Reservation required		
Recovery related workshops, trainings, services, meetings and social events	Everyday Miracles Hosted by Spectrum Health Systems 25 Pleasant Street Worcester, MA	508-799-6221	Member-driven schedule, Monday-Saturday	People in recovery or friends and family who are concerned with recovery	English and Spanish	No
Nurturing Fathers An evidence – based, 13- week training course designed to teach parenting and nurturing skills to men.	Family Continuity Programs 76 Church Street Whitinsville, MA	508-234-4181	Offered in 13 week cycles	Primarily DCF referred Covered by various insurances Must register to attend	English	No
Social Skills Group for 8- 12 year old children	Family Continuity Programs 76 Church Street Whitinsville, MA	508-234-4181	Thursdays 4-4:50 PM	Covered by various insurances Must register to attend	English	No

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Recovery Support Drop-in Group	Family Continuity Programs 76 Church Street Whitinsville, MA	508-234-4181	Wednesdays 6- 7:30 PM	No registration necessary For individuals in recovery	English	No
A peer-led support network for families dealing with addiction and recovery in a family member	Learn 2 Cope Meetings held at Adcare Hospital 107 Lincoln Street, Conference Room BCRB (1 floor down from lobby) Worcester, MA 01605	For more information go to : <u>www.learn2cope.</u> <u>org</u> Contact: 508- 738-5148	Meets every Thursday evening from 7:00 – 8:30pm	Parents, family members, spouses, loved ones, and caregivers with a family member who is addicted to opiates, alcohol, or other drugs	English	No transportation , no childcare
Mosaic Circles Groups : Father's Circle Peace Circle Trauma Circle	Mosaic Cultural Complex	Brenda Jenkins at 774-823-6181	Saturdays at 4:00 PM	Men ages 17+ can attend the Mosaic Circles	Languages spoken are English and Spanish	No transportation or childcare

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Healthy Families Parent Support Group	MSPCC 335 Chandler Street Worcester, MA 01602	Speak directly to your home visitor	May-June (6 week sessions)	Only Parents enrolled in MSPCC Healthy Families Program (for first- time parents under the age of 21)	English and Spanish	Yes for transportation Yes for childcare
Support Group for Youth who have been sexually abused/assaulted Child Sexual Abuse Treatment and Recovery Program (CSTAR)	MSPCC 335 Chandler Street Worcester, MA 01602	CSTAR Group Leader (508) 753-2967 Please call before attending.	On-going, rolling groups running in 6-8 week cycles. Please contact Group Leader about current and upcoming group offerings.	Youth, ages 4-18, who have been sexually abused/ assaulted. Gender & age-range vary by group cycle. Free.	English	Bus passes available No child care
Support Group for Caregivers of Youth who have been sexually abused/assaulted Child Sexual Abuse Treatment and Recovery Program (CSTAR)	MSPCC 335 Chandler Street Worcester, MA 01602	CSTAR Group Leader (508) 753-2967 Please call before attending.	On-going, rolling groups running in 6-8 week cycles. Please contact Group Leader about current and upcoming group offerings.	Parents and caregivers of youth who have been sexually abused/ assaulted. Free.	English	Bus passes available No child care

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Worcester Adoptive Families Together (AFT) AFT is a parent-run confidential Support Group to share personal concerns and needs around adoptive parenting. AFT provides education, advocacy, and support and welcomes adopted individuals, birth parents, foster parents and all those with a connection to adoption.	MSPCC 335 Chandler St. Worcester, MA	Deb Tambeau, -508-769-9607 Donna Warren, -508-799-2347 www.mspcc.org	Meets the 3rd Thursday of the month from 7 pm – 9 pm. No need to register, but contact Deb or Donna to confirm meeting.	Open to foster, pre- and post-adoptive parents, and kinship families.	English	No childcare and no transportation
Parents, Caregivers, and	(PPAL) Parent /	RSVP: Cheryl	Group meets the	Parents, Caregivers,	English	Childcare and snacks
Grandparents of	Professional	Marino,	1 st Wednesday of	and Grandparents		provided
Children/Teens with	Advocacy League	marinoc@youinc	each month from	of Children/Teens		Please RSVP for
Special Needs Support	Trinity Church	.org	6 PM-8 PM	with Special Needs		childcare
Group	17 Congress Street Milford	508-735-8049		FREE		

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Teen Youth Group: HOPE-	(PPAL) Parent/	508-767-9725	Group meets on	Teens ages 13-19	English	Free dinner
Helping Others Promote	Professional		Tuesdays	years old who are		
Equality–	Advocacy League		5:00pm-6:30pm	living with		
	– Worcester			emotional,		
A non- therapeutic peer	40 Southbridge			behavioral or mental		
support group for teens	Street, Suite 310			health needs.		
with behavioral, emotional,	Worcester, MA			No referral or		
or mental health needs.	01608			insurance needed		
				FREE		
Young Adults Group:	(PPAL) Parent/	508-767-9725	Group meets on	Young adults ages	English	Free dinner
YAYA – Young Adults &	Professional		1 st and 3 rd	17-27 who are living		
Youth Advocacy	Advocacy League		Thursdays	with emotional,		
A non-therapeutic peer	40 Southbridge		5:00pm-6:30pm	behavioral, or		
support group for young	Street, Suite 310			mental health needs.		
adults with behavioral,	Worcester, MA			No referral or		
emotional, or mental health	01608			insurance needed.		
needs. Focus on support				FREE		
and developing skills for						
independence.						
Worcester	(PPAL) Parent /	Kristen Solaras	1 st Tuesday of	Parents/Caregivers	English	Snacks provided
Parent/Caregiver Support	Professional	ksolaras@ppal.ne	the month 10-	and family members		No childcare or
Group	Advocacy League	t	11:30am	who support		transportation
If you're raising a	40 Southbridge		4 th Thursday of	children, youth, and		
child/youth/young adult	Street, Suite 310	508- 767-9725	the month 5pm-	young adults with		
that is challenging, come	Worcester, MA		7pm	emotional,		
meet other parents and	01608			behavioral and/or		
caregivers who understand				mental health needs.		
the struggles and victories						
of raising exceptional and				FREE		
challenging kids.						

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Worcester Parents of	(PPAL) Parent/	Pedro Espino	Group meets the	Parents/Caregivers		No childcare or
Transition Age Support	Professional	pespino@ppal.ne	2^{nd} and 4^{th}	of transition age		transportation
Group	Advocacy League	<u>t</u>	Tuesday of each	youth		
	40 Southbridge	508-767-9725	month			
	Street, Suite 310		5-6:30 PM	FREE		
	Worcester, MA					
	01608					
Hispanic Support Group	(PPAL) Parent/	Ana Marchan	Group meets the	A support group for	Primarily	No childcare or
A support group for	Professional	508-767-9725	2^{nd} and 4^{th}	Hispanic families of	Spanish, but all	transportation
Hispanic families of	Advocacy League	<u>amarchan@ppal.</u>	Thursday of each	children or youth	are welcome	
children or youth with	At CENTRO	net	month	with emotional,		
emotional, behavioral and	11 Sycamore Street		10 AM-12 PM	behavioral and		
mental health needs	Worcester, MA			mental health needs.		
	01608			FREE		
Leominster Family &	(PPAL) Parent/	Kathy LeDoux	Group meets the			No childcare or
Friends Support Group	Professional	kledoux@ppal.ne	2 nd Wednesday of			transportation
Social	Advocacy League	t	each month			
	Health Alliance	508-767-9725	4:30-6:30 PM			
	Hospital—Guild					
	Building					
				D /0		
Lancaster Parents of	(PPAL) Parent/	Anne Hurst	Group meets the	Parents/Caregivers		No childcare or
Transition Age Youth	Professional	508-767-9725	1^{st} and 3^{rd}	of transition age		transportation
Support Group	Advocacy League	ahust@ppal.net	Wednesday of	youth		
	Perkins School		each month	FDFF		
	Library		6-8 PM	FREE		
	975 Main Street,					
	Lancaster MA					

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Parents Helping Parents Parent Support Groups are free, confidential, and anonymous. These groups serve as a safe place for parents to express frustrations and concerns about their children and families and get advice from other parents who understand.	Family Services of Central Massachusetts 31 Harvard St, Worcester MA	Jennifer 508-481-0203	Tuesdays 6:00 - 7:00 pm	Free	English	No
Parental Stress Line: for those who can't attend meetings or who would like to discuss problems on an emergency basis.	Parents Helping Parents	Call 1-800-632- 8188, 24 hours a day. parentshelpingpa rents.org	N/A	No Cost	Translation service in all languages is available.	N/A

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		Number			_	care?
Sexual Assault Groups (Healing Circles) Topics include but not limited to:	Pathways for Change, Inc. 588 Main Street, Worcester, MA	1. Linda 508- 852-7600 X113 (M-F 9-5) lrutherford@pat hwaysforchange.	Call for more information	All are services are FREE; Confidential	English, Spanish, Portuguese, German & ASL	Offices are on bus routes and next to municipal parking garage
 Rape Survivors, Adult Survivors of Childhood Sexual Abuse/Incest; Teen College Age Latino/a (Spanish Speaking) Male Survivors LGBT (adult and youth), Healing Through Creativity Deaf Survivors (ASL) Non-offending family, friends, partners and any individuals regardless of race, ethnicity, ability, sexuality, gender or economic status 	01608 and 275 Nichols Rd, Fitchburg, MA 01420 24 hour hotline: 1-800-870-5905 (English) Office: 508-852- 7600	 help 2. Stephanie 508- 502-7681 (video phone M-F 9-5, info in ASL) sreynolds- king@pathwaysf orchange.help 3. Heidi Sue 508- 852-7600 x 117 (M-F 9-5) 				Bus and parking passes available No Child Care

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Fathers Support Group	Pernet Family Health Service 237 Millbury Street Worcester, MA 01610	Chris Nelson (508)755-1228 Ext. 231	Every Tuesday 5:45pm- 7:15pm	Open to all fathers. Open registration; begin and end at any time. After completing 12 weeks, fathers receive a certificate.	English	No
Parenting Class	Pernet Family Health Service 237 Millbury Street Worcester, MA 01610	Chris Nelson 508-755-1228 Ext.231	Wednesdays (10- 12 weeks) 3:00-4:30 PM or 4:30-6:00 PM	For DCF referred families only; ask your worker for a referral	English	No
Pernet Early Intervention Groups	Pernet Family Health Service 237 Millbury Street Worcester, MA 01610	Patricia Pichette 508-755-1228	Mondays and Thursdays 10:30- 12 PM Tuesdays 10- 11:30 AM (for babies under 12 months old)	For children ages 0- 3 enrolled in Early Intervention (EI) at Pernet. Call to see if your child is eligible. Family members and friends ages 0-3 are welcome too. No cost to families.	English	Transportation provided for children enrolled in EI.

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 Various peer support and learning groups for adults with mental health conditions in Worcester and surrounding communities (including Southbridge, Milford, Fitchburg, Gardner, Webster) Trauma and recovery Coping with anger Alternatives to suicide Art and journaling Voice hears support group Various events: yoga, zumba, karaoke Trauma-informed peer support training 	KIVA Center Central Mass Recovery Learning Community 209 Shrewsbury Street Worcester, MA 01604	(508)751-9600 Monday- Thursday 9:30am 3:30pm, Friday 12pm- 6:30pm www.centralmass rlc.org Contact: Vesper Moore	Various days and times Please call for details	18 and older with any mental health experience	English, Spanish, Portuguese	No Childcare
Parenting Journey The Parenting Journey is a 12-week program designed for parents who want to learn more about themselves, their childhood relationships and the relationships with their children. Participants will also learn about resources to help with parenting.	KIVA Center Central Mass Recovery Learning Community 209 Shrewsbury St, Worcester, MA 01604	(508)751-9600	Interested parents can call and leave name and number and will be updated regarding future sessions if registration is closed.	Free	English	No transportation or childcare

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Support group for Caregivers of Elders or Disabled Adults	St. Francis Adult Day Health 37 Thorne Street Worcester, MA 01604	508-752-2546	Meets the last Tuesday of each month from 6:30 – 8:00pm	FREE For any Caregivers of Elders or Disabled Adults	English	Refreshments served No Transportation
The Worcester SafePlace Group Peer-led support group for Survivors of Suicide	Samaritans 41 West Street 4th Floor Boston, MA 02111 Meets at 4 Mann St., Worcester, MA 01602	Debbie DiMasi Director of Grief Support Services 617-674-5237	1st & 3 rd Tuesday of every month, 7-8:30pm	All survivors of suicide loss	English	No Transportation
Southeast Asian Teen Support / Recreation Group, 'Youth Effect'	Southeast Asian Center 484 Main Street, Suite 400 Worcester, MA 01608	508-791-4373	After School for youth Wednesday-Friday 4-8 PM (every day during the summer)	For youth ages 9-19 Free	English & Southeast Asian languages	Transportation available on a case-by- case basis No childcare
Partial Hospitalization and Day Treatment program	South Bay Day Services	For referrals to any of the programs please	Office Hours: Monday-	Insurance based payment	English and Spanish	Transportation based on insurance
Levels of care Partial Hospitalization Program (PHP) Intensive Outpatient Addiction Program (IOP) Structured Outpatient Addiction Program (SOAP) Day Treatment	340 Main St. Suite 819 Worcester MA 01606	contact: 508-752-3969 Victoria Lepore extension x1228 or Melody L'Etoile Program Director extension x1203	Friday from8:30 AM-4:30 PM	This program is for adults male and females age 18+ with mental illness or dual diagnosis.		

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Toddler Play Group Playgroups offer children a safe, leader-led time where they can explore their world and develop new friendships. They are a wonderful opportunity to play and interact with your child and meet new friends.	South Bay Early Childhood 548 Park Avenue, Suite B, Worcester MA01603	Amy Capelle 774-823-1500	Tuesday – Friday, 10:00am – 12:30pm Tuesday- Thursday 2:00pm-4:30pm	Children 18mo-3yrs FREE, but must be enrolled in Early Intervention (EI) services	English and Spanish	Transportation for families enrolled in Early Intervention
Circle of Hope Infant Loss and Stillbirth support group	South Bay Early Childhood 548 Park Avenue, Suite B, Worcester MA01603	Jillian Phillips 774-823-1500	3 rd Monday of the month, 6:30- 8 PM	Mothers who have experienced a stillbirth or infant loss By registration only		
Baby and Me	South Bay Early Childhood 548 Park Avenue, Suite B, Worcester MA01603	Amy Capelle 774-823-1500	Mondays 10- 11:30 AM	Mothers and their babies under 18 months		
Positive Solutions for Families	South Bay Early Childhood 548 Park Avenue,	Amy Capelle 774-823-1500	Meets on a rotating 6 week basis on	Geared toward families with children 5 and	English	Snacks included
A 6 week parenting course	Suite B, Worcester MA01603		Thursday afternoons from 3-4:30 PM	under, meets the requirement for a parenting class in all DCF service plans.		

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Worcester Aftercare Program through Straight Ahead Ministries.	Straight Ahead Ministries 791 Main Street Worcester, MA 01610	Contact: Ron Waddell x106	Ongoing	For young men and women (ages 14-24) who have been detained or	English & Spanish	
Reintegration Services From Lock Up to Independence We provide reintegration services through (1) assistance with relationship building through the provision of	(508)753-8700			sentenced and served time for a nonsexual criminal law violation within the past 90 days		
caring adult mentors, (2) educational services (3) employment &training and placement opportunities (4) case management to address barriers						

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Nutrition Support/ breastfeeding Peer Counseling WIC is a free nutrition program that provides healthy foods, nutrition education, breastfeeding support, and referrals to healthcare and other services to Massachusetts families who qualify. WIC stands for Women, Infants and Children	Worcester WIC program. Family Health Center of Worcester 199 Chandler Street Worcester, MA 01609	Family Health Center, 508-796- 7000 Edward M. Kennedy Health Center, 508-853- 2904 Plumley Village, 508-799-9392 Mill Swan Head Start, 508-755- 4750 (only Tuesdays)	Call for an appointment or walk In Monday- Friday 8:30 to 3:00pm 199 Chandler St, Worcester, MA Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 8:30- 5:00 Monday & Wednesday 8:30am – 7:30pm	WIC is for all kinds of families: married and single parents, working or not working. If you are a father, mother, grandparent, foster parent or other legal guardian of a child under 5 or a pregnant woman. Mass health standard & DTA recipients automatically qualify.	All Languages	No childcare and no transportation
Community Public Access Center- TV Production classes, volunteer opportunities. Youth media programming, non- profit outreach, grassroots television journalism & more Helping support groups to educate and inform the public through use of a television and web forums	WCCA TV 13 "The People's Channel" 415 Main Street Worcester, MA	Mauro DePasquale Executive Director (508)755-1880 Ext. 11	Scheduled basis- 9am-closing	Anyone who lives, works, or studies in Worcester	Mainly English however programs offered in numerous languages	No transportation or child care offered

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Parenting Separately as Partners For one or both parents who are parenting separately. Learn ways to co-parent when you are not living with the other parent; ways to improve communication skills and reduce conflicts.	Worcester Family Resource Center of YOU, Inc. 484 Main Street, Suite 460 Worcester, MA 01608	508-496-1411	5 weeks Offered 1-2 times a year Next session starts 5/24!	FREE	English	Childcare and limited bus passes available. A light meal served.
Family Needs Committee Forum for parents and caregivers to interact with and offer input to local service providers. Activities to promote parent leadership and peer support.	Worcester Family Resource Center of YOU, Inc. 484 Main Street, Suite 460 Worcester, MA 01608	508-796-1411	The 2 nd Tuesday of each month (September-June) 5-6:30 PM	All parents or caregivers FREE	English	Childcare and limited bus passes available. A light meal served.
Parenting Journey The Parenting Journey is a 12-week journey designed for parents who want to learn more about themselves, their childhood relationships and the relationships with their children. Participants will also learn about resources to help with parenting.	Worcester Family Resource Center of YOU, Inc. 484 Main Street, Suite 460 Worcester, MA 01608	508-796-1411	12 week sessions; one in the Fall and one in the Spring	All parents or caregivers FREE	English & Spanish	Childcare and limited bus passes available. A light breakfast served.

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Father's Nurturing Parenting Program An evidence – based, 13- week training course designed to teach parenting and nurturing skills to men	Worcester Family Resource Center of YOU, Inc. in collaboration with the MA Department of Children and Families and South Bay Early Childhood 484 Main Street, Worcester MA 01608	508-796-1411	13 sessions, offered once a year	FREE All fathers or male caregivers	English	Childcare and limited bus passes available. A light meal served.
Nurturing Families in Substance Abuse Treatment & Recovery, parents and parenting partners recovering from substance abuse.	Worcester Family Resource Center of YOU, Inc. 484 Main Street, Suite 460 Worcester, MA 01608	508-796-1411	17 week program, offered once a year	FREE		Childcare and limited bus passes available. A light meal served.
Self-Care, a Spanish Parent Support Group Come meet with other parents, get support and learn from guest speakers who will present important subjects for parents and the community.	Worcester, Hilfoldoo Worcester Family Resource Center of YOU, Inc. 484 Main Street, Suite 460 Worcester, MA 01608	508-796-1411	Wednesdays 9:30-11:30	All Spanish-speaking parents and caregivers FREE	Spanish	Limited bus passes, childcare, and a light breakfast.
Grandparents Raising Grandchildren: A support group for grandparents raising their grandchildren with an emphasis on helping caregivers connect to community resources	Worcester Family Resource Center of YOU, Inc. in collaboration with South Bay Early Childhood 548 Park Avenue, Suite B Worcester, MA 01603	Anne Bureau 508-796-1411 x418	1 st and 3 rd Wednesdays of the month 11 AM-12 PM	Grandparents who act in a parenting role for their grandchild. FREE	English	Limited bus passes

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Families in Action/Teens in Action A 6 week parenting education series where parents and teen break out into their own nurturing session then the family comes back together of the evening for family time.	Worcester Connections Family Resource Center of YOU, Inc. 484 Main Street, Suite 460 Worcester, MA 01608	508-796-1411	Offered twice yearly.	Parents of teens and teenagers FREE	English	Bus passes and light snack.

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Playgroups Playgroups offer children a safe, leader-led time where they can explore their world and develop new friendships. They are a wonderful opportunity to play and interact with your child and meet new friends. Come and enjoy the company of other families with young children. Books, puzzles, toys, blocks, and more await you and your child!	Worcester Family Partnership 130 Leeds Street Worcester, MA 01606 (508) 799-3136	(508)799-3136	Times and locations vary – please call or visit website: http://worcester schools.org/wor cester-family- partnership	Children ages 0-5 An adult must stay with the child.	English and Spanish	Bus passes available if needed.
Low Vision support group	Worcester Senior Center 128 Providence St. Worcester, MA 01604	Mass Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired 508-854-0700 Or the Worcester Senior Center 508-799-1232	3 rd Friday of the month 10 AM-noon	Anyone with low vision No cost	English	Call WRTA re: ADA Transportation 508-752-9283
African American Elder Group	Worcester Senior Center 128 Providence St. Worcester, MA 01604	508-799-1232	Thursdays at 10 AM	Free African American elders	English	Call WRTA re: ADA Transportation 508-752-9283
Vietnamese Elder Group	Worcester Senior Center 128 Providence St. Worcester, MA 01604	Yung Phan 508-799-8067	Thursdays at 10:15 AM	Vietnamese elders	Vietnamese	Call WRTA re: ADA Transportation 508-752-9283

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Chinese Elder Group	Worcester Senior Center 128 Providence St. Worcester, MA 01604	LuChen Cao (Chinese): 508- 799-8069 Yung Phan (English): 508- 799-8067	Fridays 9-10 AM	Chinese elders	Chinese	Call WRTA re: ADA Transportation 508-752-9283
Arabic Elder Group	Worcester Senior Center 128 Providence St. Worcester, MA 01604	774-314-5756	1 st Tuesday and 3 rd Tuesday 10:30-12	Arabic elders	Arabic	Call WRTA re: ADA Transportation 508-752-9283
Latino Club 60+	Worcester Senior Center 128 Providence St. Worcester, MA 01604	Mariana O'Brien 508-799-1997	Mondays and Fridays 9:30- 11:30 AM	Free Latinos 60+	English/Spanish	Call WRTA re: ADA Transportation 508-752-9283
Albanian Elder Group	Worcester Senior Center 128 Providence St. Worcester, MA 01604	508-799-1232	Tuesdays and Thursdays 11- 11:45 am	Free Albanian elders	Albanian	Call WRTA re: ADA Transportation 508-752-9283
Friends of Bill W. B.B.S.S	Worcester Senior Center 128 Providence St. Worcester, MA 01604	Call Doreen K. 508-981-8436	Fridays 12:00 - 1:30pm	No cost Handicapped accessible	English	Call WRTA re: ADA Transportation 508-752-9283
Worcester Youth Center	Worcester Youth Center	508-791-4702 Member Services	Monday-Fridays 2:00-7:00 pm	Youth Ages 14-24 No cost,	English/Spanish	Transportation for youth in the evenings
Academic and Work Readiness & drop-in programs (including HiSET (formally known as GED) and college access)	326 Chandler Street Worcester, MA 01602		HiSET Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays10 AM-12 PM	membership form Youth ages 16-24 for HiSET		going home.

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Healthy Relationships for Girls (HRI ages 9-12, HRII ages 13-15, HRIII ages 16-19): with trauma histories and difficulty navigating puberty	YOU, Inc. 81 Plantation Street Worcester, MA 01604	Centralized Referral Dept.: 1-855- 4YOUINC (1- 855-496-8462) centralreferral@y ouinc.org	HRI Mondays 4:00-5:00pm HRII Mondays 5:00-6:00pm HRIII Wednesdays 6:00-7:00pm	Mass Health; private pay	English	Transportation for Mass Health Clients Office is located by a bus stop
LGBTQ & YOU Ages 13-16 Clients struggling with issues related to gender and/or sexuality	YOU, Inc. 81 Plantation Street Worcester, MA 01604	Centralized Referral Dept.: 1-855- 4YOUINC (1- 855-496-8462) centralreferral@y ouinc.org	Thursdays 5:00- 6:00pm	Mass Health; private pay	English	Transportation for Mass Health Clients Office is located by a bus stop
JSI: Group for boys with sexual offending or harmful behavior (ages 12-17)	YOU, Inc. 81 Plantation Street Worcester, MA 01604	Centralized Referral Dept.: 1-855- 4YOUINC (1- 855-496-8462) centralreferral@y ouinc.org	Wednesdays from 6:00-7:30 or Thursdays from 6:00-7:30	Mass Health; some private insurances; private pay	English	Transportation for Mass Health Clients Office is located by a bus stop
Parenting: Love more, Fix Less: For parents/caregivers of children under age 18; Building strong connections with your children. Strengthening secure attachment is the focus while also addressing discipline, self- esteem and parent self- care.	YOU, Inc. 81 Plantation Street Worcester, MA 01604	Centralized Referral Dept.: 1-855- 4YOUINC (1- 855-496-8462) centralreferral@y ouinc.org	Wednesdays 11 AM-12 PM	Mass Health; private pay	English	Transportation for Mass Health Clients Office is located by a bus stop

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PUNCH! Anger Management: Group treatment for youth who have difficulties managing their anger (Punch I is ages 12-15, Punch II is ages 16-19)	YOU, Inc. 81 Plantation Street Worcester, MA 01604	Centralized Referral Dept.: 1-855- 4YOUINC (1-855-496- 8462) centralreferral@y ouinc.org	Rolling Admission PUNCH I Wednesdays 5- 6pm PUNCH II Thursdays 3-4pm	Mass Health; private pay	English	Transportation for Mass Health Clients Office is located by a bus stop
ASCEND : Group treatment for middle school aged girls who could benefit from improving interpersonal relationships, increasing self-esteem and making positive choices	YOU, Inc. 81 Plantation Street Worcester, MA 01604	Centralized Referral Dept.: 1-855- 4YOUINC (1- 855-496-8462) centralreferral@y ouinc.org	Rolling Admission Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday afternoons	Mass Health; private pay	English	Transportation for Mass Health Clients Office is located by a bus stop
PACE: Play Making Adventure Challenge Experience, for youth ages 8-10 Description: An active group incorporating recreational therapy, experiential education, sensory integration, and basic play to help develop communication skills, social skills, and emotional regulation.	YOU, Inc. 81 Plantation Street Worcester, MA 01604	Centralized Referral Dept.: 1-855- 4YOUINC (1- 855-496-8462) centralreferral@y ouinc.org	Thursdays from 4:00pm-5:00pm	Mass Health; private pay	English	Transportation for Mass Health Clients Office is located by a bus stop

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Women's Healing Circle: An ongoing psychotherapy group for adult women with trauma, anxiety, and/or depression to process trauma, strengthen self- care strategies, and work towards healing	YOU, Inc. 81 Plantation Street Worcester, MA 01604	Centralized Referral Dept.: 1- 855-4YOUINC centralreferral@y ouinc.org	Fridays 12-1pm	Mass Health; some private insurances; private pay	English	Transportation for Mass Health Clients Office is located by a bus stop
YMD: Youth Making a Difference: A therapeutic afterschool program	YOU, Inc. 81 Plantation Street Worcester, MA 01604	Centralized Referral Dept.: 1- 855-4YOUINC centralreferral@y ouinc.org	Monday-Friday 2-6pm	Referral through DCF is needed	English	Transportation for Mass Health Clients Office is located by a bus stop
Adolescent Substance Use Group: Treatment for adolescents ages 11-18	YOU, Inc. 81 Plantation Street Worcester, MA 01604	Centralized Referral Dept.: 1-855- 4YOUINC (1- 855-496-8462) centralreferral@y ouinc.org	Rolling Admission Mondays and Fridays 4-5:30pm	Mass Health; some private insurances, private pay	English	Transportation for Mass Health Clients Office is located by a bus stop
Transitional Aged Substance Use Group: Treatment for ages 19-22	YOU, Inc. 81 Plantation Street Worcester, MA 01604	Centralized Referral Dept.: 1- 855-4YOUINC centralreferral@y ouinc.org	Rolling Admission	Mass Health; some private insurances; private pay	English	Transportation for Mass Health Clients Office is located by a bus stop
Fight The Fire:_Fire- setting prevention group for children and adolescents	YOU, Inc. 81 Plantation Street Worcester, MA 01604	Centralized Referral Dept.: 1- 855-4YOUINC centralreferral@y ouinc.org	Mondays 4-5pm	Mass Health, private pay	English	Transportation for Mass Health Clients Office is located by a bus stop

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Crossroads:_To engage, educate, and empower BOYS (ages 14-18) as they navigate adolescence and begin to establish more independence.	YOU, Inc. 81 Plantation Street Worcester, MA 01604	Centralized Referral Dept.: 1- 855-4YOUINC centralreferral@y ouinc.org	Wednesdays 5- 6pm	Mass Health, some private insurances, private pay	English	Transportation for Mass Health Clients Office is located by a bus stop
YWCA Central MA Domestic Violence Services Offers the following services: Court advocacy Support Groups for adults, teens and children Deaf and Hard of Hearing Healthy Relationships Support group Individual short-term advocacy and counseling for adults and children Confidential Emergency Shelter Community Education Domestic Violence Education classes Economic Empowerment Workshops	YWCA of Central MA 1 Salem Square Worcester, MA 01608	24 hour hotline/ 7 days a week: 508-755-9030 Live chat line: www.ywcahelp.c om	Call for dates, times, & location	Victims and Survivors of Domestic Violence - both adults and children Children/youth who are witness to domestic violence in the home. No cost	English & Spanish	No transportation
ENCOREPlus: Breast / Reproductive Cancer Support Group, including Water Exercise, Health and Wellness	YWCA of Central MA 1 Salem Sq. Worcester, MA 01608 (508) 767-2505	Maureen Burdulis, ENCOREPlus Facilitator (508) 767-2505 Ext. 5509	Held every Tuesday Water Exercise component 11:00-11:30, Support Group at noon	Free and open to any woman diagnosed with breast cancer or reproductive cancer.	English, Spanish if needed	No Transportation No childcare

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(YPP) This program provides teen parents and pregnant teens the opportunity to complete their high school education through a Hi- SET program. Teen parents also receive community-based assistance such as childcare, case management, life and parenting skills training, job search assistance, health services, career exploration and more.	YWCA of Central MA 1 Salem Sq. Worcester, MA 01608 (508) 767-2505	(508) 767-2505	Mon, Tues, Thur 9:00am-2:30pm Wed, Fri 9:00am-12:00pm	DTA referred Parents ages 24 and under, pregnant or with children	English	DTA provides childcare and transportation vouchers upon request.
Prepare for the HiSET, meet other young parents, gain life skills, job search support, and child care resources	Training Resources of America 2 Foster Street, 3 rd Floor Worcester, MA	Call Judy 508-753-2991	Call for dates and times	14-24 year olds who are pregnant or parenting and receiving TAFDC	English	Call to verify
Group for Refugee Children from Arabic Speaking Countries	Zaza Sakhat, LICSW	zaza@zsakhatthe rapy.com 508-579-2964		7-9 year-old children who are refugees from Arabic speaking countries \$25/session or insurance based	Arabic	

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