



# Family Enrichment Centers

**Overview** In 2017, The Administration for Children's Services launched three Family Enrichment Centers (FEC), a family-centered, primary prevention model where all members of the community have access to and may benefit from activities and programs (called "offerings"). FECs are warm, inviting home-like spaces where neighbors are able to connect, contribute to their community, find resources, support one another, and build protective factors that help families thrive.

**Approach** The FEC model is the result of eighteen months of research and development, and is informed by a research-backed Protective Factors Framework and is driven by deep, community involvement and ownership of the work.

**Community-led:**  
Recruit and support community and parent leaders that co-design and co-facilitate FEC offerings.

**Parent Cafés:**  
Parent-led discussions where participants share personal experience and knowledge to identify ways to promote the protective factors.

**Appreciative Inquiry:**  
Asking empowering questions that nurture collaboration. Together residents discover local strengths, create a shared vision, design FEC offerings, and deliver them to peers.

**Protective Factors:**  
Offerings and resources based on a seven-point, evidence-based Protective Factors Framework.

**FAMILY ENRICHMENT CENTER LOCATIONS**

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**Highbridge**  
Circle of Dreams  
266 E. 165th St  
Bronx, NY 10456  
Office phone: 718-975-8618  
acamacho@childrensvillage.org  
**Director: Alida Camacho, LCSW-R**

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**Hunts Point/Longwood**  
O.U.R. Place (Organizing to be United and Resilient)  
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Bronx, NY 10474  
Office phone: 718-618-5559  
lopeze@graham-windham.org  
**Director: Emily Lopez, MSW**

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**East New York**  
The C.R.I.B. (Community Resources in Brooklyn)  
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Brooklyn, NY 11207  
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Lettice\_Layne@GoodShepherds.org  
**Director: Lettice Layne, LCSW**

## THE CORE @FEC



**Resilience**  
Be strong & flexible



**Relationships**  
Everyone needs friends & family



**Knowledge**  
Life is learning & leading



**Support**  
Everyone needs help sometimes



**Communication**  
Help one another communicate



**Economic Mobility**  
Individuals have resources & opportunities for growth



**Community**  
Strong relationships among neighbors