

FAMILIES HELPING FAMILIES SMALL INVESTMENT - BIG OUTCOMES

Families Helping Families (FHF) Centers are a statewide network that helps people with all disabilities and their families understand and access state-funded services.

FHF is family-led, with staff who have “been there” and provide independent, family-directed support.



WHAT CAN LEGISLATORS DO

Restoring the \$250,000 would keep funding at the current level. All DD Council state funds support Families Helping Families statewide.

WHY FHF MATTERS

Last year, 50,000 contacts were made to FHF with 70,000 referrals and informational resources shared. Without this support:

- Families feel lost in complex systems
- Services are delayed or go unused
- Parents miss work or lose jobs
- State offices receive repeated questions and requests

FHF helps families get the right services the first time - saving time, stress and public dollars.

HOW FHF HELPS

When families have support, Louisiana wins. This leads to smarter use of state programs and a better quality of life.

With FHF, individuals and families:

- Find the right disability services and supports
- Understand special education services and work with schools
- Plan for jobs and independence after school
- Get help in rural and underserved areas