OFFICE OF THE STUDENT ADVOCATE

Education & Community Resource Guide

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The Office of the Student Advocate is excited to present to the public its Education and Community Resource Guide. This guide has been prepared by our office in order to highlight organizations and government agencies in the sphere of public education that provide critical and much needed service to residents across the District of Columbia. It is our hope that this guide can continue our office's important work in guiding students, parents, families, and community members to important resources and tools across DC as they navigate the public education system.

Who We Are

The Office of the Student Advocate (OSA) partners with students, parents, families, and community members for step-by-step guidance and support to Be Informed, to Be Connected, and to Be Empowered within the public schools system in the District of Columbia. Established in 2013 through the Parent and Student Empowerment Act, OSA is an independent office housed within the District of Columbia State Board of Education.

For more about the Office of the Student Advocate, please visit us on the web, www.sboe.dc.gov\studentadvocate, or on Twitter, @DC_Advocate. If you would like to request assistance in dealing with any issues that may arise, please contact our office by calling (202) 741-4692 or emailing student.advocate@dc.gov.

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Academics/Instruction

Organization	Description	Website	Contact Information
Arts Education DC	The mission of Art Education DC (AEDC) is to advance quality visual arts education in Washington, DC through a strong and vibrant professional community embracing advocacy and professional development. AEDC effectively communicates and advocates for the importance of student learning and lifelong learning. This includes access to programs, services, and resources in emerging research, which inform practice in quality visual arts education.	http://www.arteducationdc.org/	
Institute for Student Achievement	ISA partners with schools to transform underperforming public high schools into rigorous, supportive learning environments.	http://studentachievement.org	516-812-6700
Literacy Lab	The Literacy Lab is a non-profit organization providing low-income children individualized reading instruction in order to improve their literacy, leading to greater success in school and increased opportunities in life.	http://theliteracylab.org	202-624-3041
New Community for Children	New Community for Children (NCFC) transforms the lives of children and youth in the District of Columbia by supporting academic achievement, developing life skills, fostering creativity and cultural awareness, nurturing spiritual connections and growth, and empowering children to succeed.	http://ncfc-dc.org	202-232-0457
OSSE - Elementary and Secondary Education		http://osse.dc.gov/service/elementary-secondary-education	202-727-6436
Parent Toolkit	The Parent Toolkit will help you navigate your child's journey from pre-kindergarten through high school. It is designed to help you track and support progress at each stage.	http://www.parenttoolkit.com/	
Teaching for Change	Teaching for Change provides teachers and parents with the tools to create schools where students learn to read, write and change the world.	http://www.teachingforchange.org/	800-763-9131 or 202-588-7204
The Coalition for Community Schools	The Coalition for Community Schools, housed at the Institute for Educational Leadership, is an alliance of national, state and local organizations in education K-16, youth development, community planning and development, family support, health and human services, government and philanthropy as well as national, state and local community school networks. Community schools are both a place and a set of partnerships between the school and other community resources.	http://www.communityschools.org/	

The DC Collaborative	The DC Collaborative, in partnership with our members, advances access to learning opportunities in the arts and humanities for all DC public and public charter school students. The DC Collaborative envisions that DC public schools and public charter schools are widely recognized for the comprehensive education—integrating the arts and humanities with core subjects---that they provide to all students.	http://www.dccollaborative.org/	

Adult Education

Organization	Description	Website	Contact Information
Academy of Hope	Adult education provider, licensed by the OSSE AFE unit. For more information, please visit http://osse.dc.gov/afe.	http://osse.dc.gov/afe	(202)269-6623
Anacostia Community Outreach Center	Adult education provider, licensed by the OSSE AFE unit. For more information, please visit http://osse.dc.gov/afe.	http://osse.dc.gov/afe	(202)889-5607
Briya PCS	The mission of Briya Public Charter School is to provide a high quality education for adults and children that empowers families through a culturally sensitive family literacy model.	http://briya.org	(202) 797-7337
Carlos Rosario International PCS		www.carlosrosario.org	(202) 797-4700
Community College Preparatory Academy PCS	Community College Preparatory Academy (CC Prep) rests on the belief that an exciting and supportive learning environment that is responsive to all student's learning needs, will yield high performance outcomes.	www.ccprep-academy.org	202-610-5780
Congress Heights Training Center	Adult education provider, licensed by the OSSE AFE unit. For more information, please visit http://osse.dc.gov/afe.	http://osse.dc.gov/afe	(202)563-5200
Covenant House Washington	Adult education provider, licensed by the OSSE AFE unit. For more information, please visit http://osse.dc.gov/afe.	http://osse.dc.gov/afe	(202)610-9600
DCPS - Adult and Family Education	Adult and Family Education is a federally established agency that: re-grants federal and local funds to eligible providers of adult education services; facilitates state leadership activities including professional development, technical assistance and monitoring; and, maintains and reports state and local program performance, progress and outcome data.	http://dcps.dc.gov/afe	202-741-5531
DCPS - Ballou STAY	Ballou STAY's mission is to deliver a high-quality academic and career/technical program that will lead to a high school diploma or vocational certificate. Ballou STAY offers traditional and accelerated diploma programs in addition to GED Prep and External Diploma Programs. Ballou STAY also offers vocational programs such as automotive technology, barbering, cosmetology, Microsoft Office courses, and culinary arts.	http://balloustay.com	(202) 645-3390
DCPS - Roosevelt STAY		http://rooseveltstay.org	(202) 576-8399

GED Testing Services		https://ged.com	
National Organization of Concerned Black Men	Adult education provider, licensed by the OSSE AFE unit. For more information, please visit http://osse.dc.gov/afe.	http://osse.dc.gov/afe	(202)746-8762
Next Step PCS	To provide students who face extraordinary challenges and who are not supported in traditional high schools the opportunity to continue their education.	www.nextsteppcs.org/	(202) 319-2249
OSSE - Adult and Family Education	Adult and Family Education is a federally established agency that: -re-grants federal and local funds to eligible providers of adult education services; -facilitates state leadership activities including professional development, technical assistance and monitoring; and, -maintains and reports state and local program performance, progress and outcome data.	http://osse.dc.gov/afe	202-741-5531
Perry School Community Services Center	Adult education provider, licensed by the OSSE AFE unit. For more information, please visit http://osse.dc.gov/afe.	http://osse.dc.gov/afe	(202)312-7142
Southeast Ministry	Adult education provider, licensed by the OSSE AFE unit. For more information, please visit http://osse.dc.gov/afe.	http://osse.dc.gov/afe	(202)562-2636
The Excel Center	Our mission is to provide adults the opportunity and support to earn a high school diploma and post-secondary education while developing career paths that present greater employment and career growth opportunities.	http://www.dcgoodwill.org/front-page/goodwill-of-greater-washington-open-dc-adult-charter-school-excel-center/	(202)715-2609
Washington Education Center	Adult education provider, licensed by the OSSE AFE unit. For more information, please visit http://osse.dc.gov/afe.	http://osse.dc.gov/afe	(202)387-2222
YWCA National Capital Area	Adult education provider, licensed by the OSSE AFE unit. For more information, please visit http://osse.dc.gov/afe.	http://osse.dc.gov/afe	(202)626-0700

Advocacy/Policy

Organization	Description	Website	Contact Information
Alliance 4 Educational Justice	The Alliance for Educational Justice (AEJ) is a national collective of approximately 30 intergenerational and youth organizing groups across the nation that work with local and federal policymakers to transform public education to a system that equally prepares all students – regardless of race or socioeconomic status – for college, meaningful employment, and full participation in democracy. We have approximately 1,000 high school-aged youth leaders of color in our membership.	http://www.alliance4edjustice.org/	
Center for Juvenile Justice Reform	CJJR supports and educates leaders across systems of care to advance a balanced, multi-systems approach to improving outcomes for, and promoting the positive development of, youth at risk of juvenile justice involvement.	http://cjjr.georgetown.edu/	202-687-4942
Children's Law Center	Nonprofit corporation providing free legal services to children, families and foster caregivers in the District of Columbia.	http://childrenslawcenter.org	202-467-4900
City Year DC	At City Year, we're working to bridge the gap in high-poverty communities between the support that students actually need, and what their schools are designed and resourced to provide. In doing so, we're helping to increase graduation rates across the country, and changing the lives of the students we serve.	http://cityyear.org/dc	202-776-7780
Communities in Schools DC (Nation's Capital)	Communities In Schools is the largest, most effective dropout prevention organization dedicated to keeping kids in school and helping them to succeed.	http://cisnationscapital.org	202-333-2277 or 202-563-5788
Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) for Children of DC	Our mission is to promote court appointed volunteer advocacy so that every abused and neglected child in the DC foster care system can be safe, establish permanence and have the opportunity to thrive. This mission is carried out through the recruitment, training and support of volunteer advocates (CASA volunteers) who serve youth in DC.	http://casadc.org/	202-887-0007
DC Action for Children	DC Action provides data-based analysis and policy leadership on critical issues facing DC children and youth, to promote policies and actions that optimize child and family well-being.	http://dcactionforchildren.org	202-234-9404
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DC Alliance for Youth Advocates	The DC Alliance of Youth Advocates (DCAYA) is a coalition of youth-engaged organizations, youth and concerned residents formed to ensure that all children and youth in the District of Columbia have access to high-quality and affordable developmental opportunities. We accomplish this mission by crafting policy recommendations, providing structured advocacy opportunities for our members and allies, networking and empowering youth.	http://www.dc-aya.org/	202-587-0616
DC Appleseed Center for Law & Justice	DC Appleseed solves problems affecting the daily lives of those who live and work in the National Capital area. We work with volunteer attorneys, business leaders, and community experts to identify pressing challenges, conduct research and analysis, make specific recommendations for reform, and implement effective solutions.	http://dcappleseed.com	202-289-8007
DC Fiscal Policy Institute	The DC Fiscal Policy Institute conducts research and public education on budget and tax issues in the District of Columbia, with a particular emphasis on issues that affect low- and moderate-income residents.	http://www.dcfpi.org/	202-408-1080
DC Trust	An independent non-profit organization working to increase the quality, quantity and accessibility of services for children, youth and families.	http://cyitc.org	202-347-4441
DC Youth Advisory Council	The DCYAC is a 32-member body of youth from all of the wards of the District of Columbia. It is a diverse group of youth from various social, racial, and economic backgrounds, united to improve the quality of life for DC youth.	http://dcyac.dc.gov	202- 727-7966
Empower DC	The mission of Empower DC is to enhance, improve and promote the self-advocacy of low and moderate income DC residents in order to bring about sustained improvements in their quality of life. We accomplish our mission through grassroots organizing and trainings, leadership development, and community education.	www.empowerdc.org	202-234-9119
Legal Aid Society of the District of Columbia	DC's oldest and largest civil legal services organization. The domestic violence/family law attorneys represent clients in a wide range of intrafamily matters in the DC Superior Court.	http://legalaiddc.org	Legal Aid Society of the District of Columbia
National Alliance of Public Charter Schools	We are working to grow the number of high-quality charter schools available to all families, especially those who do not have access to high-quality public schools.	www.publiccharters.org	202-289-2700
New America Education	The New America Foundation's Education Policy Program uses original research and policy analysis to solve the nation's critical education problems, serving as a trusted source of objective analysis and innovative ideas for policymakers, educators, and the public at large. We combine a steadfast concern for low-income and historically disadvantaged people with a belief that better information about education can vastly	http://newamerica.org	202-986-2700

	improve both the policies that govern educational institutions and the quality of learning itself.		
Partners for Educational Justice	We're committed to reclaiming the promise of public education for all students. Our passionate team of parent leaders, education advocates and legal experts empowers local communities to strengthen their schools by pursuing common sense policy changes. We provide the resources and support families need to get the schools they deserve.	http://edjustice.org	info@edjustice.org
Safe Shores	DC Children's Advocacy Center	http://www.safeshores.org/	202-645-3200
The Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law	The Committee's major objective is to use the skills and resources of the bar to obtain equal opportunity for minorities by addressing factors that contribute to racial justice and economic opportunity. The Lawyers' Committee implements its mission and objectives by marshaling the pro bono resources of the bar for litigation, public policy advocacy, and other forms of service by lawyers to the cause of civil rights.	https://lawyerscommittee.org/	

Attendance/Enrollment

Organization	Description	Website	Contact Information
Access Youth	ACCESS Youth provides a range of programs and services for at-risk juveniles. Developing skills and fostering friendships, ACCESS Youth combines the benefits of mentorship and mediation in dynamic and engaging summer and after school programs.	http://www.accessyouthinc.org/	(202) 652-0287
Attendance Works	Attendance Works is a national and state initiative that promotes better policy and practice around school attendance. We promote tracking chronic absence data for each student beginning in kindergarten, or ideally earlier, and partnering with families and community agencies to intervene when poor attendance is a problem for students or schools.	http://www.attendanceworks.org/	
District of Columbia Opportunity Scholarship Program	The D.C. Opportunity Scholarship Program (OSP) provides K-12 scholarships to District families interested in enrolling their child(ren) in one of over 50 participating private schools. Learn about the family eligibility requirements, application process, and if you are a returning parent, how to continue receiving an OSP scholarship.	www.dcscholarships.org/	888-329-6884
MySchoolDC	DC residents have many public school options. My School DC, in partnership with DCPS and almost all DC public charter schools, makes it easier for families to take advantage of these choices.	http://www.myschooldc.org/	202-888-6336
OSSE - Adult and Family Education	Adult and Family Education is a federally established agency that: -re-grants federal and local funds to eligible providers of adult education services; -facilitates state leadership activities including professional development, technical assistance and monitoring; and, -maintains and reports state and local program performance, progress and outcome data.	http://osse.dc.gov/afe	202-741-5531
OSSE - Enrollment and Residency	District of Columbia residents are entitled to a free public education if documentation is provided that verifies their residency status. DC public schools are required to report suspected cases of residency fraud to the Office of the State Superintendent of Education (OSSE) immediately	http://osse.dc.gov/service/enrollment-and-residency	202-727-6436
Show Up, Stand Out	Show Up, Stand Out is a free program to help parents get their children to school every day. One of the most important things you can give your child is a chance for a great	www.showupstandout.org/	202-727-1700

	education. We know that it isn't always easy		

Bullying

Organization	Description	Website	Contact Information
Office of Human Rights - Citywide Youth Bullying Prevention Program	The Citywide Youth Bullying Prevention Program aims to reduce incidents of bullying across the District by emphasizing prevention and proper procedures for responding when incidents occur. The program works with youth-serving government agencies, District schools and youth-serving government grantees to ensure bullying prevention policies are adopted and implemented in ways consistent with the best practices adopted by the Youth Bullying Prevention Task Force.	http://ohr.dc.gov/page/bullyingprevention	202-727-4559 or bullyingprevention@dc.gov
The Trevor Project	A national 24-hour, toll free confidential suicide hotline for gay and questioning youth.	www.thetrevorproject.org	866-488-7386

Career and College Readiness

Organization	Description	Website	Contact Information
OSSE - Career and Technical Education (CTE)	OSSE administers federal funds available under the Carl D. Perkins Act to leverage active working partnerships with DC Public Schools, D.C. public charter schools, the University of the District of Columbia Community College, and the private sector to foster and improve high quality, high performance CTE programs of study that are accessible to every student.	http://osse.dc.gov/service/career-and-technical-education-cte	202-727-8576
OSSE - College Application Week	DC College Application Week is part of a national effort to increase the number of first-generation and low-income students who pursue a postsecondary education. The goal of DC College Application Week is to assist all graduating seniors, especially those who may not otherwise apply to college, in navigating the complex college admissions process and ensure that each participating student completes and submits at least one application.	http://osse.dc.gov/service/dc-college-application-week	202-741-6415
OSSE - DC Tuition Assistance Grant (DC TAG)	The DC Tuition Assistance Grant (DCTAG) application season for the 2015/2016 academic year is now over. The application period closed June 30, 2015. The 2016/2017 DCTAG application will be reopen February 2016.	http://osse.dc.gov/service/dc-tuition-assistance-grant-dc-tag	202-727-2824
OSSE - OneApp Service	The DC Tuition Assistance Grant (DC TAG) is now open. Students are encouraged to apply early.	http://osse.dc.gov/service/dc-oneapp-service	202-727-2824
OSSE - Postsecondary and Career Education	The Division of Postsecondary and Career Education (Postsec) supports programs that improve the overall postsecondary enrollment, graduation, certificate completion, and employment rates for youth and adults in the District of Columbia. Through financial and programmatic support, Postsec creates opportunities for District youth and adults to attend postsecondary institutions and earn certifications and/or college degrees.	http://osse.dc.gov/service/postsecondary-and-career-education	202-727-2824
Second Chance Employment Services	Second Chance Employment Services is a non-profit organization of human resource (HR) professionals that seeks to advance economic independence for at-risk women and their dependents through thorough employment placement services in both public and private sectors. They assist domestic violence victims between 18 and 65 years of age. 818 18th St. NW #420 Washington, DC 20006	http://scesnet.org	888-331-7451
Urban Alliance	Urban Alliance empowers under-resourced youth to aspire, work and succeed through paid internships, formal training, and mentorship.	http://theurbanalliance.org	202-459-4300

Community Advocacy Groups

Organization	Description	Website	Contact Information
Anacostia Community Outreach Center	ACOC provides an array of education, training and workforce development, and crisis intervention opportunities to economically disenfranchised and underserved children, youth, adults, and families living in Washington DC's most economically and socially depressed communities with regards to income, unemployment, and educational attainment (Targeted: Wards 5, 7, & 8).	http://www.anacostiaoutreach.org/	202-889-5607
Arts Education DC	The mission of Art Education DC (AEDC) is to advance quality visual arts education in Washington, DC through a strong and vibrant professional community embracing advocacy and professional development. AEDC effectively communicates and advocates for the importance of student learning and lifelong learning. This includes access to programs, services, and resources in emerging research, which inform practice in quality visual arts education.	http://www.arteducationdc.org/	
Coalition for DC Public Schools & Communities	The Coalition for Public Schools & Communities is committed to excellent public education opportunities for all children in our city. Our members are a diverse group of activists – Ward-level education councils, school organizations and other groups – who share a common goal.	www.c4dcpublicschools.org/	c4dcpublicschools@gmail.com
DC Association for Special Education	DCASE is an alliance of nonpublic and charter schools that provide special education services to students from the District of Columbia. Members are dedicated to improving educational opportunities for all DC students with disabilities.	http://dcase.org/	202-615-3070
DC Fiscal Policy Institute	The DC Fiscal Policy Institute conducts research and public education on budget and tax issues in the District of Columbia, with a particular emphasis on issues that affect low- and moderate-income residents. By preparing timely analyses that are used by policy makers, the media, and the public, DCFPI seeks to inform public debates on budget and tax issues and to ensure that the needs of lower-income residents are considered in those debates.	http://www.dcfpi.org/	202-408-1080
DC Promise Neighborhood Initiative	To support all members of the Kenilworth-Parkside community in improving the quality of their own lives and inspiring positive change in their neighborhood	http://dcpni.org	202-288-4435
DC School Reform Now	DC School Reform Now is educating, organizing, and advocating to build support for public education strategies that prepare kids to become college and career ready.	http://dcschoolreform.org	202-315-2424

DC Special Education Cooperative	The Co-op fills a unique community need in DC by working with teachers, school leaders, and across charter schools to improve educational services for students with disabilities. By pooling resources between independent charter schools, the Co-op also acts as a "central office" for DCPCS spread throughout the city serving a diverse range of students. We provide services in four activity areas:	http://specialedcoop.org	470-222-3309
Empower DC	The mission of Empower DC is to enhance, improve and promote the self-advocacy of low and moderate income DC residents in order to bring about sustained improvements in their quality of life. We accomplish our mission through grassroots organizing and trainings, leadership development, and community education.	www.empowerdc.org	202-234-9119
Fight for Children	We fight to improve the lives of children in low-income neighborhoods in Washington, DC. Strengthening schools by providing school leaders and teachers the training and tools they need to help students succeed since 1990.	http://fightforchildren.org	202-772-0400
National Association for the Education of Young Children	The National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) is a professional membership organization that works to promote high-quality early learning for all young children, birth through age 8, by connecting early childhood practice, policy, and research. We advance a diverse, dynamic early childhood profession and support all who care for, educate, and work on behalf of young children.	www.naeyc.org	202-232-8777
National Network for Youth	The nation's leading organization advocating at the federal level to educate the public and policymakers about the needs of homeless and disconnected youth.	http://nn4youth.org	202-783-7949
Raise DC	Raise DC is a cross-sector partnership of local stakeholders formed to promote a culture shift from competition over Washington, DC, resources to collaboration, in providing every youth with opportunities to succeed from cradle to career.	www.raisedc.org/	202-973-2509
Senior High Alliance of Parents Principals and Educators	S.H.A.P.P.E. is an organization of the District of Columbia Public (DCPS) high school parent leaders, concerned educators and principals in Washington D.C.	https://sites.google.com/site/shappesite/	202-722-4462
Stand 4 Children	Stand for Children is an education advocacy organization devoted to improving public schools and closing the achievement gap.	http://stand.org	781-891-1300
The Education Town Hall	The Education Town Hall is the intersection where parents, students, teachers, administrators, community members, policy makers and politicians can all meet to share stories, struggles, and solutions. The show airs on Thursdays at 11am on WeActRadio.com	http://educationtownhall.org/	202-889-9797
The Grassroots Education Project	The Grassroots Education Project empowers communities to serve schools and improve outcomes. Our vision is to transform the relationship all neighborhood	http://www.grassrootseducationproject.org/	202-719-0525

	schools have with their surrounding community, developing a sense of shared responsibility leading to direct collective action to improve student outcomes.		
Ward 1 Education Collaborative	We are a group of parents and advocates whose children attend public schools in Ward 1, Washington, DC. We are dedicated to strengthening our neighborhood schools and building community.	https://ward1educationcollaborative.wordpress.com/	Ward1EducationCollaborative@gmail.com
Ward 2 Education Network	Advocating for W2 schools – Keeping communities informed.	https://twitter.com/ward2ednetwork	W2EdNetwork@gmail.com
Ward 3 Education Network	Ward 3-Wilson Feeder Ed Net brings together school communities of the Wilson feeder pattern to promote a better public school system for all Washingtonians.	https://www.facebook.com/W3EdNet	w3ednet@gmail.com
Ward 4 Education Alliance	The Ward 4 Education Alliance brings together Ward 4 parents, students, educators, and community members to share information and advocate for continued improvement in the quality of education in Ward 4 DCPS schools.	http://www.ward4ed.org/	ward4ed@gmail.com
Ward 5 Council on Education	The Ward Five Council on Education (W5COE), a 501(c)3 organization founded in 1989, is dedicated to improving the quality of education in Ward 5 Schools in the northeast quadrant of Washington, DC.	http://w5coe.org	ward5coe@gmail.com or 202-505-4309
Ward 6 -Capitol Hill Public Schools Parent Organization	To promote cooperation among the parent organizations of the public schools on Capitol Hill in order to improve the education received by all children attending our schools.	https://chpspo.wordpress.com/	CHPSPO@gmail.com
Ward 7 Education Council	The Ward 7 Education Council is dedicated to the continued improvement of our quality of education in Ward 7 and throughout the District of Columbia.	https://twitter.com/Ward7EdCouncil	
Ward 8 Council on Education			
Youth Advocate Program	YAP is a nationally recognized, nonprofit organization exclusively committed to the provision of community-based alternatives to out-of-home care through direct service, advocacy and policy change.	www.yapinc.org	sfazal@yapinc.org or 717-232-7580

Community Engagement

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Anacostia Community Outreach Center	ACOC provides an array of education, training and workforce development, and crisis intervention opportunities to economically disenfranchised and underserved children, youth, adults, and families living in Washington DC's most economically and socially depressed communities with regards to income, unemployment, and educational attainment (Targeted: Wards 5, 7, & 8).	http://www.anacostiaoutreach.org/	202-889-5607
Catholic Charities	Catholic Charities assists individuals and families in need, especially those who are most vulnerable. We believe in helping people develop the skills and strength to move from crisis or isolation to stability and growth.	http://www.catholiccharitiesdc.org/	202-772-4300
Center for Child Protection and Family Support	A non-profit social service agency that provides services and programs directly to children and families and also provides professional training on various child welfare issues.	http://centerchildprotection.org	Center for Child Protection and Family Support
Coalition for DC Public Schools & Communities	The Coalition for Public Schools & Communities is committed to excellent public education opportunities for all children in our city. Our members are a diverse group of activists – Ward-level education councils, school organizations and other groups – who share a common goal.	www.c4dcpublicschools.org/	c4dcpublicschools@gmail.com
Collaborative Solutions for Communities	Our mission is to build strong sustainable families and neighborhoods through family support services, training, advocacy, community capacity building, and economic development. Our vision is to empower urban neighborhoods to become environments where families and youth flourish.	http://wearecsc.org/	202-518-6737
Communities in Schools DC (Nation's Capital)	Communities In Schools is the largest, most effective dropout prevention organization dedicated to keeping kids in school and helping them to succeed.	http://cisnationscapital.org	202-333-2277 or 202-563-5788
Critical Exposure	Critical Exposure trains youth to use photography and advocacy to make real change in their schools and communities. We're creating a new generation of civic leaders who have: the tools to express themselves, the creativity to imagine new solutions to old problems, the belief that youth have the right and ability to fight for those solutions, and the skills to hold communities and public officials accountable.	http://criticalexposure.org	202-745-3745 ext. 20
DC Alliance for Youth Advocates	The DC Alliance of Youth Advocates (DCAYA) is a coalition of youth-engaged organizations, youth and concerned residents formed to ensure that all children and	http://www.dc-aya.org/	202-587-0616

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DC Promise Neighborhood Initiative	To support all members of the Kenilworth-Parkside community in improving the quality of their own lives and inspiring positive change in their neighborhood	http://dcpni.org	202-288-4435
DC Students Speak	DC Students Speak is a completely student-led organization that works to break the many "bubbles" that separate DC students, through the pursuit of finding and actualizing common goals. More than just raising awareness, DC Students Speaks also strives to be an advocacy organization, with the aim of mobilizing DC students to work together towards common goals. Check out our website for more information on some of our other activities.		
East River Family Strengthening Collaborative	The mission of East River Family Strengthening Collaborative, Inc. (ERFSC) is to empower families, youth, seniors and communities to become more self-sufficient through integrated and collaborative community based services.	http://www.erfsc.org/	202-397-7300
Edgewood/Brookland Family Support Collaborative	Their mission is to strengthen families and build vibrant communities in Wards 5 and 6 in Washington, DC. through fostering and creating neighborhood based support networks that promote healthy families, safe neighborhoods and a thriving city for all residents.	http://ebfsc.org/	202-832-9400
Fair Chance DC	Fair Chance improves the lives of children in Washington, DC's most underserved communities by selecting promising youth-serving nonprofits and providing them with free comprehensive expertise in organizational management for up to two years. Our partnership model – up to 500 hours per nonprofit – results in stronger organizations and significant and lasting benefits for the children they serve.	http://fairchancedc.org	202-467-2420
Far Southeast Family Strengthening Collaborative	The Far Southeast Family Strengthening Collaborative, Inc. © is a unique private non-profit, grass-roots organization serving children and families in the Ward 8 community.	http://www.fsfsc.org/	202-889-1425

	As we value the relationship of the family, it is our goal to assist, nurture, support, and sustain relationships within and around the community that positively impact the family.		
Fight for Children	We fight to improve the lives of children in low-income neighborhoods in Washington, DC. Strengthening schools by providing school leaders and teachers the training and tools they need to help students succeed since 1990.	http://fightforchildren.org	202-772-0400
Georgetown Law -- DC Street Law Program	DC Street Law brings together law students, high school students, and community members to explore the intersection of law, public school education, and community improvement using learner-centered teaching methods.	https://www.law.georgetown.edu/academics/academic-programs/clinical-programs/our-clinics/DC-Street-Law-Program/index.cfm	(202) 662-9615
Georgia Avenue Family Support Collaborative	The Georgia Avenue Family Support Collaborative (GAFSC) was formed in 1998 when two organizations, Lutheran Social Services and the Urban Family Institute, reached out to residents and churches in Ward 4 and Ward 1 to respond to the needs of at-risk families and children. The Collaborative currently serves families, caretakers, children and youth living in any part of Ward 4.	http://gafsc-dc.org/	202-722-1815
Mentors Inc.	A private, nonprofit organization that pairs Washington, DC public high school students with trained adult mentors.	http://mentorsinc.org	202-783-2310
National Network for Youth	The nation's leading organization advocating at the federal level to educate the public and policymakers about the needs of homeless and disconnected youth.	http://nn4youth.org	202-783-7949
New Community for Children	New Community for Children (NCFC) transforms the lives of children and youth in the District of Columbia by supporting academic achievement, developing life skills, fostering creativity and cultural awareness, nurturing spiritual connections and growth, and empowering children to succeed.	http://ncfc-dc.org	202-232-0457
Playworks DC	Playworks offers training and full-time services for schools and youth development organizations throughout Washington DC, Maryland, and Virginia	http://playworks.org	202-822-0097
Raise DC	Raise DC is a cross-sector partnership of local stakeholders formed to promote a culture shift from competition over Washington, DC, resources to collaboration, in providing every youth with opportunities to succeed from cradle to career. All participants have a shared vision for change, as well as a common understanding of the problem and how they will work to collectively solve it.	www.raisedc.org/	202-973-2509
Reading Partners DC	Our mission is to help children become lifelong readers by empowering communities to provide individualized instruction with measurable results.	http://readingpartners.org	202-701-9110
School Talk	SchoolTalk is a DC-based non-profit organization that brings special education dispute	www.schooltalkdc.org	202-907-6887

	prevention and early dispute resolution programs to DC schools. We work with school personnel and the parents or guardians of special education students to help ensure that everyone works collaboratively toward the goal of securing Free and Appropriate Public Education (FAPE) for students with disabilities.		
Senior High Alliance of Parents Principals and Educators	S.H.A.P.P.E. is an organization of the District of Columbia Public (DCPS) high school parent leaders, concerned educators and principals in Washington D.C.	https://sites.google.com/site/shappesite/	202-722-4462
Sexual Minority Youth Assistance League	SMYAL supports and empowers lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning (LGBTQ) youth in the Washington, DC metropolitan region. Through youth leadership, SMYAL creates opportunities for LGBTQ youth to build self-confidence, develop critical life skills, and engage their peers and community through service and advocacy.	http://smyal.org	202-546-5940
Stand 4 Children	Stand for Children is an education advocacy organization devoted to improving public schools and closing the achievement gap.	http://stand.org	781-891-1300
The 21st Century School Fund	The 21st Century School Fund builds public will and capacity for educationally appropriate school facilities that meet community needs.	http://21csf.org	202-745-3745
The Coalition for Community Schools	The Coalition for Community Schools, housed at the Institute for Educational Leadership, is an alliance of national, state and local organizations in education K-16, youth development, community planning and development, family support, health and human services, government and philanthropy as well as national, state and local community school networks. Community schools are both a place and a set of partnerships between the school and other community resources.	http://www.communityschools.org/	
The Grassroots Education Project	The Grassroots Education Project empowers communities to serve schools and improve outcomes. Our vision is to transform the relationship all neighborhood schools have with their surrounding community, developing a sense of shared responsibility leading to direct collective action to improve student outcomes.	http://www.grassrootseducationproject.org/	202-719-0525
The Parental Readiness and Empowerment Program (PREP)	The Parental Readiness and Empowerment Program (PREP) seeks to improve K-12 student performance, retention, and access to equal educational opportunities. We serve low-income and minority children in targeted communities by increasing parental engagement in education and ensuring that parents become successful advocates for their children.	http://www.parentalreadiness.org/	
Turning the Page	Turning the Page links D.C. Public Schools, families and communities so that together, we can ensure D.C. students receive valuable educational resources and a high-quality public education.	http://turningthepage.org	202-347-9841

Dispute Resolution

Organization	Description	Website	Contact Information
School Talk	SchoolTalk is a DC-based non-profit organization that brings special education dispute prevention and early dispute resolution programs to DC schools. We work with school personnel and the parents or guardians of special education students to help ensure that everyone works collaboratively toward the goal of securing Free and Appropriate Public Education (FAPE) for students with disabilities.	www.schooltalkdc.org	202-907-6887
OSSE - Office of Dispute Resolution	The Office of Dispute Resolution within the Office of the State Superintendent of Education (OSSE) is responsible for the conduct of special education due process hearings.	http://osse.dc.gov/service/office-dispute-resolution-odr	202-698-3819
The Coalition for Juvenile Justice	CJJ is a nationwide coalition of State Advisory Groups (SAGs) and allies dedicated to preventing children and youth from becoming involved in the courts and upholding the highest standards of care when youth are charged with wrongdoing and enter the justice system.	http://juvjustice.org	202-467-0864
The Office of the Ombudsman for Public Education	The Office of the Ombudsman is responsible for helping students and parents resolve problems as they engage with the District of Columbia Public Schools and public charter schools. The Office offers conflict resolution services to parents, families, and students and is committed to resolving school related complaints, disputes and problems quickly and efficiently in all areas that affect student learning.	http://sboe.dc.gov/ombudsman	202-741-0886
The Office of the Student Advocate	It is our mission to empower students, parents, families, and community members to achieve equal access to public education through advocacy, outreach, and information assistance to navigate the public education system in the District of Columbia.	http://sboe.dc.gov/studentadvocate	202-741-4692

Early Childhood

Organization	Description	Website	Contact Information
National Association for the Education of Young Children	The National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) is a professional membership organization that works to promote high-quality early learning for all young children, birth through age 8, by connecting early childhood practice, policy, and research. We advance a diverse, dynamic early childhood profession and support all who care for, educate, and work on behalf of young children.	www.naeyc.org	202-232-8777
OSSE - Early Learning	The mission of the Division of Early Learning (DEL) is to provide leadership and coordination to ensure that all District of Columbia children, from birth to kindergarten entrance, have access to high quality early childhood development programs and are well prepared for school.	http://osse.dc.gov/service/early-learning	202-727-6436

Education News

Organization Name	Description	Website	Contact Information
BBC	To enrich people's lives with programs and services that inform, educate and entertain.	http://www.bbc.com/news/education	
Capital Community News	Aggregate of local community publications	http://www.capitalcommunitynews.com/	202-543-8300
Chalkbeat	Chalkbeat is a nonprofit news organization covering educational change efforts in the communities where improvement matters most.	http://chalkbeat.org/	
DC Eduphile	A blog about public education in DC.	http://www.dceduphile.org/	
Education News	EducationNews.org is a fresh approach to the age-old problem of increasing coverage of education news. Unfortunately, education is not a topic that news organizations are able to provide premium coverage to all the time, thus ironically, all education experts face the same problem – the difficulty of educating the public.	http://www.educationnews.org/	
Education Week	Our mission is to raising the level of understanding and discourse on critical issues in American education.	http://www.edweek.org/ew/index.html	
EducationDC	A blog by, for, and about everyone interested in public education in DC	http://educationdc.net/	
Fox News	Creating and distributing top-quality news, sports and entertainment around the world	http://www.foxnews.com/us/education/index.html	
Greater Greater Education	Greater Greater Education is a community of contributors and readers who believe in improving education in Washington, DC for all children.	http://greatergreatereducation.org/	
Greater Greater Washington	Greater Greater Washington builds informed and civically engaged communities who believe in a growing and inclusive Washington region and speak up for livable communities and high-quality education for all.	http://greatergreaterwashington.org/	
NPR	The mission of NPR is to work in partnership with Member Stations to create a more informed public — one challenged and invigorated by a deeper understanding and appreciation of events, ideas and cultures.	http://www.npr.org/sections/education/	
Parent Toolkit	The Parent Toolkit will help you navigate your child's journey from pre-kindergarten through high school. It is designed to help you track and support progress at each stage.	http://www.parenttoolkit.com/	
Real Clear Education	RealClearEducation provides links to the most impactful news, thoughtful commentary	http://realcleareducation.com	

	and important reports and publishes original content and analysis. RealClearEducation allows you to efficiently access information carefully curated from top blogs, news channels, journals, think tanks, magazines and online publications on a daily basis.		
The Atlantic Magazine - Education	The Atlantic is America's leading destination for brave thinking and bold ideas that matter. The Atlantic is the source of opinion, commentary, and analysis for America's most influential individuals who wish to be challenged, informed, and entertained.	http://www.theatlantic.com/education/	
The Education Town Hall	The Education Town Hall is the intersection where parents, students, teachers, administrators, community members, policy makers and politicians can all meet to share stories, struggles, and solutions. The show airs on Thursdays at 11am on WeActRadio.com	http://educationtownhall.org/	202-889-9797
The Edvocate	The Edvocate was created in 2014 to argue for shifts in education policy and organization in order to enhance the quality of education and the opportunities for learning afforded to America's students. What we envisage may not be the most straightforward or the most conventional ideas. We call for a relatively radical and certainly quite comprehensive reorganization of American's P-20 system.	http://www.theedadvocate.org/	
The Huffington Post - Education	Aggregate of left-leaning education news and thought opinion	http://www.huffingtonpost.com/education/	
The New York Times	The core purpose of The New York Times is to enhance society by creating, collecting and distributing high-quality news and information. Producing content of the highest quality and integrity is the basis for our reputation and the means by which we fulfill the public trust and our customers' expectations.	http://www.nytimes.com/pages/education/index.html	
The Washington Post		https://www.washingtonpost.com/local/education/	
US News and World Report	U.S. News has earned a reputation as the leading provider of service news and information that improves the quality of life of its readers by focusing on health, personal finance, education, travel, cars, news and opinion.	http://www.usnews.com/education	

Extracurricular Enrichment

Organization	Description	Website	Contact Information
Capitol Educational Support	Capitol Educational Support, Inc. (CES) is a 501(c) 3 nonprofit organization whose mission is to create community-based academic tutorial and social mentoring programs for children throughout the United States.	http://ces.reachforit.org/	202-341-6070
College Success Foundation	We provide a unique integrated system of supports and scholarships for underserved, low-income students to finish high school, graduate college and succeed in life.	http://dccollegesuccessfoundation.org	202-207-1800
Playworks DC	Playworks offers training and full-time services for schools and youth development organizations throughout Washington DC, Maryland, and Virginia	http://playworks.org	202-822-0097

Government/Legislative

Organization	Description	Website	Contact Information
Child and Family Services	The DC Child and Family Services Agency (CFSA) is the public child welfare agency in the District of Columbia responsible for protecting child victims and those at risk of abuse and neglect and assisting their families. Along with our community partners,	http://cfsa.dc.gov/	202-442-6100
DC Council -- Committee on Education	The Committee on Education is responsible for all matters related to public education, including authorizing public charter schools, but not including matters exclusively within the University of the District of Columbia or the Community College of the District of Columbia; truancy (jointly with the Committee of the Whole); and public libraries.	http://dccouncil.us/committee-on-education	202-724-8061
DC Department of Health - Community Health Administration (Infants, Children, Teens and School Health)	DOH operates a number of programs to ensure that infants, children and teens are equipped with the necessary tools and services to make them successful at home, in school, and in their communities. Please follow the program links below for more information on DOH's programs serving DC's infants, children and teens.	http://doh.dc.gov/service/infants-children-teens-and-school-health	202-442-5925
DC Department of Human Services - Family Services Administration	The agency provides protection, intervention and social services to meet the needs of vulnerable adults and families to help reduce risk and promote self-sufficiency.	http://dhs.dc.gov/service/family-services	202-671-4200
DC Department of Human Services - Housing and Shelter	The agency provides emergency and ongoing housing support and services to help individuals and families who are homeless or at risk of being homeless transition into or maintain permanent affordable housing.	http://dhs.dc.gov/service/housing-and-shelter	202-671-4200
DC Interagency Council on Homelessness	The Interagency Council on Homelessness (ICH) is a group of cabinet-level leaders, providers of homeless services, advocates, homeless and formerly homeless leaders that come together to inform and guide the District's strategies and policies for meeting the needs of individuals and families who are homeless or at imminent risk of becoming homeless in the District of Columbia.	http://ich.dc.gov/	202-727-7973
DC Public Charter School Board	Our goal is to ensure that students and families in Washington, DC have access to quality public charter school education. We do that by setting tough academic standards, using a comprehensive charter application review process and effective oversight, providing meaningful support and actively involving parents, school leaders,	http://www.dcpcsb.org/	202-328-2660

	the community, and policy makers.		
DC Public Charter School Board - Complaints and Concerns Line	To reach the hotline, please call (202)328-2660	http://www.dcpcsb.org/contact-us	202-328-2660
DC Public Charter School Board -- Special Education	Our goal is to ensure that students and families in Washington, DC have access to quality public charter school education. We do that by setting tough academic standards, using a comprehensive charter application review process and effective oversight, providing meaningful support and actively involving parents, school leaders, the community, and policy makers.	http://www.dcpcsb.org/report/special-education	(202) 328- 2660
DC Public Charter School Board -- Student Records	There are two ways that you can access student records. If the school the student attended remains open, contact the school directly. If it is closed, contact PCSB at (202) 328-2660.	http://www.dcpcsb.org/where-can-i-find-my-student-records	(202) 328-2660
DC Public Education Fund	DC Ed Fund celebrates and is encouraged by DC Public Schools' success and looks forward to our continued partnership to accelerate student achievement.	http://www.dceducationfund.org/	202-549-3711
DC Public Library	The library provides environments that invite reading, learning and community discussion and equips people to learn all their lives, to embrace diversity and to build a thriving city. We are proud to be a recognized force in the community for engaging the mind, expanding opportunities and elevating the quality of life.	http://dclibrary.org	
DC Public Schools -- Student Records	If the high school you attended is still in operation, please contact the high school registrar. If the high school you attended is now closed, please contact us at (202) 478-5738 or send us a message. We will work with you to locate your records and ensure that a duplicate is mailed to you.	http://dcps.dc.gov/service/request-transcripts-and-diplomas	(202) 478-5738
DC Youth Advisory Council	The DCYAC is a 32-member body of youth from all of the wards of the District of Columbia. It is a diverse group of youth from various social, racial, and economic backgrounds, united to improve the quality of life for DC youth.	http://dcyac.dc.gov	202- 727-7966
DCPS - Adult and Family Education	Adult and Family Education is a federally established agency that: re-grants federal and local funds to eligible providers of adult education services; facilitates state leadership activities including professional development, technical assistance and monitoring; and, maintains and reports state and local program performance, progress and outcome data.	http://dcps.dc.gov/afe	202-741-5531

DCPS - Ballou STAY	Ballou STAY's mission is to deliver a high-quality academic and career/technical program that will lead to a high school diploma or vocational certificate. Ballou STAY offers traditional and accelerated diploma programs in addition to GED Prep and External Diploma Programs. Ballou STAY also offers vocational programs such as automotive technology, barbering, cosmetology, Microsoft Office courses, and culinary arts.	http://balloustay.com	(202) 645-3390
DCPS - Community Action Team	Each CAT coordinator is responsible for building and sustaining strategic relationships with key community stakeholders, specifically those who have been historically underrepresented in our decision-making process. The CAT is also responsible for assisting DCPS stakeholders in support of their access to information and resources offered by DCPS and communicating emerging needs and trends back to DCPS.	http://dcps.dc.gov/page/community-action-team	202-719-6613
DCPS - District of Columbia Public Schools	To ensure that every DCPS school provides a world-class education that prepares ALL of our students, regardless of background or circumstance, for success in college, career and life.	http://dcps.dc.gov/	202-442-5885
DCPS - Language Access Program	The Language Access (LA) Program exists to ensure District residents who are limited or non-English proficient are afforded equal access to information and services provided by the District. Residents who speak little English must be offered interpretation services and/or translated documents when obtaining government services, as required by the Language Access Act of 2004.	http://dcps.dc.gov/service/language-access-program	202-671-0754
DCPS - Office of Bilingual Education	An English language learner (ELL) student is defined as a linguistically and culturally diverse (LCD) student who has an overall English Language Proficiency (ELP) level of 1-4 on the ACCESS for ELLs™ test administered each year.	http://dcps.dc.gov/service/english-language-learner-ell-support	202-671-0754
DCPS - Office of Family and Public Engagement	The Office of Family and Public Engagement works to accelerate the rate of achievement in DC Public Schools by investing families and the greater DC community in student and school success.	http://dcps.dc.gov/page/family-and-community-engagement	202-719-6613
DCPS - Office of Special Education	The Office of Special Education aspires to be recognized and respected as a leader in urban special education. We are determined to do whatever it takes to ensure that students with disabilities become successful adults holding good jobs, living independently and engaging in the community.	http://dcps.dc.gov/specialeducation	202-442-4800
DCPS -- Parent Curriculum Guides	The Office of Family and Public Engagement and the Office of Teaching and Learning collaborated to create grade specific Parent Guides. These guide gives you the tools	http://dcps.dc.gov/node/1114421	(202) 442-5885

	you need to support your child's learning at home. In this booklet, you'll find strategies based on the DCPS curriculum to help your child meet his or her learning goals.		
DCPS -- Parent Resources	Our Purpose: To ensure that every DCPS school provides a world-class education that prepares ALL of our students, regardless of background or circumstance, for success in college, career and life.	http://dcps.dc.gov/page/parent-resources-family-community	(202) 442-5885
DCPS - Roosevelt STAY		http://rooseveltstay.org	(202) 576-8399
DCPS -- Special Education Resources for Parents	We're committed to helping all students become successful adults holding good jobs, living independently and engaging in the community. An important component of achieving these goals is ensuring that our schools are inclusive schools that can serve the needs of all our students.	http://dcps.dc.gov/page/special-education-resources-parents	(202) 442-5885
District of Columbia Opportunity Scholarship Program	The D.C. Opportunity Scholarship Program (OSP) provides K-12 scholarships to District families interested in enrolling their child(ren) in one of over 50 participating private schools. Learn about the family eligibility requirements, application process, and if you are a returning parent, how to continue receiving an OSP scholarship.	www.dcscholarships.org/	888-329-6884
Domestic Violence Intake Center	The DVIC provides a single access point for victims of domestic violence by conducting intake evaluations, providing counseling, safety planning, assisting victims in drafting pleadings and other documents necessary for acquisition of protective orders and free legal representation.	http://mpdc.dc.gov/page/domestic-violence-intake-center	(202) 727-7137
Domestic Violence Intake Center at the DC Superior Court (DVIC- NW)	Court-based support center providing legal assistance (CPO's), advocacy, and referrals	http://www.dccourts.gov/internet/superior/org_dvu/intakecenter.jsf	(202) 879-0152
Domestic Violence Intake Center at United Medical Center (DVIC- SE)	Court-based support center providing legal assistance (CPO's), advocacy, and referrals	http://www.dccourts.gov/internet/superior/org_dvu/intakecenter.jsf	(202) 561-3000
LearnDC	LearnDC is a one-stop source for information and resources about education that create opportunities for DC students in college, careers and life.	www.learndc.org	202-727-6436
Mayor's Office of GLBT Affairs	The Office of LGBTQ Affairs works in collaboration with an Advisory Committee, appointed by the Mayor, to define issues of concern to the LGBTQ community and find innovative ways of utilizing government resources to help address these issues.	http://lgbtq.dc.gov/	(202) 727-9493
Mayor's Youth Leadership Institute	The Marion Barry Youth Leadership Institute (MBYLI) was founded in 1979 as a year-round program to train District of Columbia youth in the concepts of leadership and self-development. The MBYLI training model emphasizes practical, hands-on experience	http://does.dc.gov/service/marion-barry-youth-leadership-institute	(202) 698-3991

	and a holistic approach to developing leaders for the 21st century.		
MPD -- Domestic Violence Resources	The policy of the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) is to treat all victims/witnesses in a respectful, responsive, and compassionate manner that reflects the Department's recognition of the trauma of victimization. A member's interaction with the victim/witness of a crime shall not contribute additional harm. Toward that end, MPD members assist crime victims by providing them with information about their rights and available programs and services that can help them cope with physical injury, emotional trauma, and economic loss.	http://mpdc.dc.gov/page/domestic-violence-resources	202-727-7137
MPD-- Sexual Assault Resources	The policy of the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) is to treat all victims/witnesses in a respectful, responsive, and compassionate manner that reflects the Department's recognition of the trauma of victimization. A member's interaction with the victim/witness of a crime shall not contribute additional harm. Toward that end, MPD members assist crime victims by providing them with information about their rights and available programs and services that can help them cope with physical injury, emotional trauma, and economic loss.	http://mpdc.dc.gov/page/sexual-assault-resources	202-727-3700
MySchoolDC	DC residents have many public school options. My School DC, in partnership with DCPS and almost all DC public charter schools, makes it easier for families to take advantage of these choices.	http://www.myschooldc.org/	202-888-6336
Office of Human Rights - Citywide Youth Bullying Prevention Program	The Citywide Youth Bullying Prevention Program – created in June 2013 – aims to reduce incidents of bullying across the District by emphasizing prevention and proper procedures for responding when incidents occur. The program works with youth-serving government agencies, District schools and youth-serving government grantees to ensure bullying prevention policies are adopted and implemented in ways consistent with the best practices adopted by the Youth Bullying Prevention Task Force. The best practices are demonstrated in the Task Force's District-wide Model Bullying Prevention Policy	http://ohr.dc.gov/page/bullyingprevention	202-727-4559 or bullyingprevention@dc.gov
Office of Human Rights - Language Access Program	The Language Access (LA) Program exists to ensure District residents who are limited or non-English proficient are afforded equal access to information and services provided by the District. Residents who speak little English must be offered interpretation services and/or translated documents when obtaining government services, as required by the Language Access Act of 2004. The LA Program staff engage in extensive community outreach, provide training and technical support to District agencies	http://ohr.dc.gov/service/language-access-program	202-727-4559

	working with LEP/NEP residents, and measure the effectiveness of agencies in serving such populations by examining resource allocation and service delivery. Through its enforcement authority, the LA Program works under the auspices of OHR to investigate complaints claiming access to information or government services were denied.		
OSSE - Adult and Family Education	Adult and Family Education is a federally established agency that: -re-grants federal and local funds to eligible providers of adult education services; -facilitates state leadership activities including professional development, technical assistance and monitoring; and, -maintains and reports state and local program performance, progress and outcome data.	http://osse.dc.gov/afe	202-741-5531
OSSE - Career and Technical Education (CTE)	OSSE administers federal funds available under the Carl D. Perkins Act to leverage active working partnerships with DC Public Schools, D.C. public charter schools, the University of the District of Columbia Community College, and the private sector to foster and improve high quality, high performance CTE programs of study that are accessible to every student.	http://osse.dc.gov/service/career-and-technical-education-cte	202-727-8576
OSSE - College Application Week	DC College Application Week is part of a national effort to increase the number of first-generation and low-income students who pursue a postsecondary education. The goal of DC College Application Week is to assist all graduating seniors, especially those who may not otherwise apply to college, in navigating the complex college admissions process and ensure that each participating student completes and submits at least one application.	http://osse.dc.gov/service/dc-college-application-week	202-741-6415
OSSE - DC Reengagement Center	The DC Reengagement Center is a “single-door” through which youth (ages 16-24) who have dropped out can reconnect back to educational options and other critical services to support their attainment of a high school diploma or GED.	http://osse.dc.gov	202-671-2539
OSSE - DC Tuition Assistance Grant (DC TAG)	The DC Tuition Assistance Grant (DCTAG) application season for the 2015/2016 academic year is now over. The application period closed June 30, 2015. The 2016/2017 DCTAG application will reopen February 2016.	http://osse.dc.gov/service/dc-tuition-assistance-grant-dc-tag	202-727-2824
OSSE - Early Learning	The mission of the Division of Early Learning (DEL) is to provide leadership and coordination to ensure that all District of Columbia children, from birth to kindergarten entrance, have access to high quality early childhood development programs and are	http://osse.dc.gov/service/early-learning	202-727-6436

	well prepared for school.		
OSSE - Elementary and Secondary Education		http://osse.dc.gov/service/elementary-secondary-education	202-727-6436
OSSE - Enrollment and Residency	District of Columbia residents are entitled to a free public education if documentation is provided that verifies their residency status. DC public schools are required to report suspected cases of residency fraud to the Office of the State Superintendent of Education (OSSE) immediately. In some cases, non-residents may attend DC public schools, but they must pay tuition after meeting established criteria. In addition, in order to be accepted/admitted as a non-resident, schools should not have any residents on its waiting list.	http://osse.dc.gov/service/enrollment-and-residency	202-727-6436
OSSE - LEA/School Needs Assessment: ESL/Bilingual Education Program	The purpose of the survey is to assist OSSE's efforts to better understand the needs of LEAs regarding its program and services to ELs. Results from the needs assessment survey will provide valuable information that will help OSSE design and implement targeted technical assistance and professional development sessions.	http://osse.dc.gov/service/leaschool-needs-assessment-eslbilingual-education-program	202-478-9220
OSSE - Office of Bilingual Education	An English language learner (ELL) student is defined as a linguistically and culturally diverse (LCD) student who has an overall English Language Proficiency (ELP) level of 1-4 on the ACCESS for ELLs™ test administered each year.	http://osse.dc.gov/service/english-language-learner-ell-support	202-727-6436
OSSE - Office of Dispute Resolution	The Office of Dispute Resolution within the Office of the State Superintendent of Education (OSSE) is responsible for the conduct of special education due process hearings.	http://osse.dc.gov/service/office-dispute-resolution-odr	202-698-3819
OSSE - Office of State Superintendent for Education	The Office of the State Superintendent of Education (OSSE) is the State Education Agency for the District of Columbia charged with raising the quality of education for all DC residents. OSSE serves as the District's liaison to the U.S. Department of Education and works closely with the District's traditional and public charter schools to achieve its key functions.	http://osse.dc.gov/	202-727-6436
OSSE - OneApp Service	The DC Tuition Assistance Grant (DC TAG) is now open. Students are encouraged to apply early.	http://osse.dc.gov/service/dc-oneapp-service	202-727-2824
OSSE - OSSE Specialized Education	OSSE's Division of Specialized Education (DSE) is responsible for overseeing the development and promulgation of state policy governing special education; monitoring LEAs for compliance with IDEA as well as other federal and local regulations and court-ordered consent decrees; allocation and administration of IDEA grant funds to LEAs and other public agencies; provision of training and technical assistance to LEAs; and	http://osse.dc.gov/service/specialized-education	202-741-0227

	investigation and resolution of state complaints relating to special education.		
OSSE - Postsecondary and Career Education	The Division of Postsecondary and Career Education (Postsec) supports programs that improve the overall postsecondary enrollment, graduation, certificate completion, and employment rates for youth and adults in the District of Columbia. Through financial and programmatic support, Postsec creates opportunities for District youth and adults to attend postsecondary institutions and earn certifications and/or college degrees.	http://osse.dc.gov/service/postsecondary-and-career-education	202-727-2824
OSSE - Transportation Division	The Office of the State Superintendent Division of Student Transportation (OSSE DOT) is a regional transportation system that transports eligible special needs students in the District to school each day, safely and on-time.	http://osse.dc.gov/service/student-transportation	202-576-5000
OSSE - Wellness and Nutrition Services	The mission of the Wellness and Nutrition Services Division is to work with schools and community based organizations to promote positive healthy behaviors and to improve the quality of life for children and youth in the District of Columbia. We offer capacity building to schools and community based organizations through the administration of the federal child nutrition programs, the distribution of federal and local funding, technical assistance and programming.	http://osse.dc.gov/service/wellness-and-nutrition-services	202-727-1839
The Office of the Ombudsman for Public Education	The Office of the Ombudsman is responsible for helping students and parents resolve problems as they engage with the District of Columbia Public Schools and public charter schools. The Office offers conflict resolution services to parents, families, and students and is committed to resolving school related complaints, disputes and problems quickly and efficiently in all areas that affect student learning. Some of these areas include student discipline, special education, truancy, student enrollment, transportation, academic progress and bullying.	http://sboe.dc.gov/ombudsman	202-741-0886
The Office of the Student Advocate	It is our mission to empower students, parents, families, and community members to achieve equal access to public education through advocacy, outreach, and information assistance to navigate the public education system in the District of Columbia.	http://sboe.dc.gov/studentadvocate	202-741-4692
US Attorney's Office	The United States Attorney's Office for the District of Columbia is unique among U.S. Attorney's Offices in the size and scope of its work. It serves as both the local and the federal prosecutor for the nation's capital. On the local side, these prosecutions extend from misdemeanor drug possession cases to murders. On the federal side, these prosecutions extend from child pornography to gangs to financial fraud to terrorism. In both roles, the Office is committed to being responsive and accountable to the citizens of the District of Columbia.	http://www.justice.gov/usao-dc	202-252-7566

Victim Witness Program, USAO	The Victim Witness Assistance Unit provides assistance to victims and witnesses of serious crime while they are involved with the criminal justice system. Unit Staff will also help victims understand how the criminal justice system works and assist with restitution and services.	http://www.justice.gov/usao-dc/victim-witness-assistance	(202) 514 7130

Health/Wellness

Organization	Description	Website	Contact Information
DC Hunger Solution	DC Hunger Solution seeks to create a hunger-free community and improve the nutrition, health, economic security, and well-being of low-income District residents.	http://dchunger.org	202-640-1088
Mary's Center	Federally funded local service agency in Wards 1, 2 and 4 established to promote healthy pregnancies, improve birth outcomes, and reduce infant mortality.	http://maryscenter.org	202-483-8196
OSSE - Wellness and Nutrition Services	The mission of the Wellness and Nutrition Services Division is to work with schools and community based organizations to promote positive healthy behaviors and to improve the quality of life for children and youth in the District of Columbia. We offer capacity building to schools and community based organizations through the administration of the federal child nutrition programs, the distribution of federal and local funding, technical assistance and programming.	http://osse.dc.gov/service/wellness-and-nutrition-services	202-727-1839
So Others Might Eat	SOME (So Others Might Eat) is an interfaith, community-based organization that exists to help the poor and homeless of our nation's capital. We meet the immediate daily needs of the people we serve with food, clothing, and health care. We help break the cycle of homelessness by offering services, such as affordable housing, job training, addiction treatment, and counseling, to the poor, the elderly and individuals with mental illness.	http://some.org/	202-797-8806
The Family Place	Day center for pregnant/parenting women and their children; offers support groups	www.thefamilyplacedc.org	202-265-0149

Homelessness

Organization	Description	Website	Contact Information
Bread for the City	The mission of Bread for the City is to provide vulnerable residents of Washington, DC with comprehensive services, including food, clothing, medical care, and legal and social services, in an atmosphere of dignity and respect.	http://www.breadforthecity.org/	202.265.2400
Calvary Women's Shelter	Shelter for homeless women	http://calvaryservices.org	(202) 678-2341
Catholic Charities	Catholic Charities is the social ministry outreach of the Archdiocese of Washington. Motivated by the Gospel message of Jesus Christ, and guided by Catholic social and moral teaching, Catholic Charities strengthens the lives of all in need by giving help that empowers and hope that lasts. To this end we affirm and support the dignity of all human life, strengthen families and serve the poor and most vulnerable.	https://www.catholiccharitiesdc.or	(202) 772-4300
Central Resource Center for Homeless Families	The Virginia Williams Family Resource Center (VWFRC) is the central resource center for homeless families with minor and/or dependent children that are experiencing housing instability in the District. The mission of VWFRC, in collaboration with the community, is to help create lasting solutions for families experiencing housing instability through self-sufficiency planning, goal setting and goal achievement.	http://www.dccfh.org/programs/housing/virginia-williams-family-resource-center	202-526-0017
Community of Hope	Our Mission: Community of Hope creates opportunities for low-income families in Washington, DC, including those experiencing homelessness, to achieve good health, a stable home, family-sustaining income, and hope.	https://www.communityofhopedc.org	202-526-0017
DC Coalition for the Homeless	The purpose of the Coalition is to assist individuals and families in the District of Columbia who have become homeless to fulfill their potential for economic self-sufficiency.	http://www.dccfh.org/	202- 347-8870
DC Interagency Council on Homelessness	The Interagency Council on Homelessness (ICH) is a group of cabinet-level leaders, providers of homeless services, advocates, homeless and formerly homeless leaders that come together to inform and guide the District's strategies and policies for meeting the needs of individuals and families who are homeless or at imminent risk of becoming homeless in the District of Columbia.	http://ich.dc.gov/	202-727-7973
Eyes Wide Open Mentoring	The mission of Eyes Wide Open Mentoring (EWOM) is to empower homeless youth to rise above their immediate circumstances and take the steps necessary to ensure successful futures. EWOM believes that the best way a homeless child can do this is	http://www.ewomentoring.org/	

	with the help of a caring and committed adult mentor. EWOM serves homeless and transitioning youth exclusively with an innovative model designed to address the unique challenges that homelessness poses. EWOM originated as an all-volunteer project that we piloted under the auspices of another youth-serving organization during the 2013-2014 academic year at a D.C. middle school.		
Friendship Place	Our mission is to empower individuals and families experiencing or at risk of homelessness to rebuild their lives with the involvement of the community. Our vision is a DC community and a nation in which every person has a place to call "home."	http://friendshipplace.org	(202) 364-1419
Mayor's Office of GLBT Affairs	The Office of LGBTQ Affairs works in collaboration with an Advisory Committee, appointed by the Mayor, to define issues of concern to the LGBTQ community and find innovative ways of utilizing government resources to help address these issues.	http://lgbtq.dc.gov/	(202) 727-9493
Miriam's Kitchen	Miriam's Kitchen is a 501 (c) 3 non-profit organization founded in 1983 in response to an urgent need for services for the homeless in downtown Washington, DC. There are approximately 7,748 homeless people in Washington, DC and an estimated 1,785 of those individuals are chronically homeless – they're homeless for extended periods of time, and struggle with one or more mental or physical disabilities. These are the people we serve. We advocate for permanent supportive housing as a long-term solution, while meeting their immediate needs.	https://miriamskitchen.org/	(202) 452-8926
N Street Village	N Street Village is a community of empowerment and recovery for homeless and low-income women in Washington, D.C. With comprehensive services addressing both emergency and long-term needs, we help women achieve stability and make meaningful gains in their housing, income, employment, mental health, physical health, and addiction recovery.	www.nstreetvillage.org	(202)939-2076
National Network for Youth	The nation's leading organization advocating at the federal level to educate the public and policymakers about the needs of homeless and disconnected youth.	http://nn4youth.org	202-783-7949
Sasha Bruce	Sasha Bruce Youthwork (SBY) improves the lives of homeless, runaway, abused and neglected youth and their families in the Washington DC area. This year marked our Ruby Anniversary. For four decades, we've reunited more than 13,000 homeless youth with strengthened families.	http://sashabruce.org	202-547-7777
So Others Might Eat	SOME (So Others Might Eat) is an interfaith, community-based organization that exists to help the poor and homeless of our nation's capital. We meet the immediate daily needs of the people we serve with food, clothing, and health care. We help break the	http://some.org/	202-797-8806

	cycle of homelessness by offering services, such as affordable housing, job training, addiction treatment, and counseling, to the poor, the elderly and individuals with mental illness.		
Thrive DC	Thrive DC works to prevent and end homelessness in Washington, DC by providing vulnerable people with a wide range of services to help stabilize their lives. Founded in 1979 to serve dinner to homeless women, Thrive DC has grown to be a comprehensive, professionally staffed, bilingual organization serving more than 2,000 men, women, and children each year.	http://www.thrivedc.org/	202-737-9311
Transitional Housing Corporation	Transitional Housing Corporation (THC) is a nonprofit that provides housing and comprehensive support services to homeless and at-risk families so that they can transform their own lives.	http://thcdc.org/	202.291.5535
Washington Legal Clinic for the Homeless	The Washington Legal Clinic for the Homeless envisions a just and inclusive community for all residents of the District of Columbia, where housing is a human right and where every individual and family has equal access to the resources they need to thrive.	www.legalclinic.org	(202) 328-5500

Language Access

Organization	Description	Website	Contact Information
DC Language Access Coalition	The D.C. Language Access Coalition is an alliance of 25 community-based and civil rights organizations that came together in 2002 to ensure that all immigrants in the District of Columbia with limited or no English proficiency (LEP/NEP) have access to public services, programs, and activities.	http://www.dclanguageaccess.org/	202-621-0001
DCPS - Language Access Program	The Language Access (LA) Program exists to ensure District residents who are limited or non-English proficient are afforded equal access to information and services provided by the District. Residents who speak little English must be offered interpretation services and/or translated documents when obtaining government services, as required by the Language Access Act of 2004.	http://dcps.dc.gov/service/language-access-program	202-671-0754
DCPS - Office of Bilingual Education	An English language learner (ELL) student is defined as a linguistically and culturally diverse (LCD) student who has an overall English Language Proficiency (ELP) level of 1-4 on the ACCESS for ELLs™ test administered each year.	http://dcps.dc.gov/service/english-language-learner-ell-support	202-671-0754
Office of Human Rights - Language Access Program	The Language Access (LA) Program exists to ensure District residents who are limited or non-English proficient are afforded equal access to information and services provided by the District. The LA Program staff engages in extensive community outreach, provide training and technical support to District agencies working with LEP/NEP residents, and measure the effectiveness of agencies in serving such populations by examining resource allocation and service delivery.	http://ohr.dc.gov/service/language-access-program	202-727-4559
OSSE - LEA/School Needs Assessment: ESL/Bilingual Education Program	The purpose of the survey is to assist OSSE's efforts to better understand the needs of LEAs regarding its program and services to ELs. Results from the needs assessment survey will provide valuable information that will help OSSE design and implement targeted technical assistance and professional development sessions.	http://osse.dc.gov/service/leaschool-needs-assessment-eslbilingual-education-program	202-478-9220
OSSE - Office of Bilingual Education	An English language learner (ELL) student is defined as a linguistically and culturally diverse (LCD) student who has an overall English Language Proficiency (ELP) level of 1-4 on the ACCESS for ELLs™ test administered each year.	http://osse.dc.gov/service/english-language-learner-ell-support	202-727-6436

LGBTQIA

Organization	Description	Website	Contact Information
It Gets Better Project	The It Gets Better Project's mission is to communicate to lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender youth around the world that it gets better, and to create and inspire the changes needed to make it better for them.	http://www.itgetsbetter.org/	
LYFE Mentors	L.Y.F.E. (Leading Youth Forward Everyday) Mentors is an up and coming mentoring program aimed at LGBTQ identified youth aged 16-24. The main purpose of this program is to positively impact the lives of young members of the gay community and enrich the lives of older members of the community through the social interaction that takes place via mentoring.	https://lyfementors.wordpress.com/	info@lyfementorsdc.org
Mayor's Office of GLBT Affairs	The Office of LGBTQ Affairs works in collaboration with an Advisory Committee, appointed by the Mayor, to define issues of concern to the LGBTQ community and find innovative ways of utilizing government resources to help address these issues.	http://lgbtq.dc.gov/	(202) 727-9493
Sexual Minority Youth Assistance League	SMYAL supports and empowers lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning (LGBTQ) youth in the Washington, DC metropolitan region. Through youth leadership, SMYAL creates opportunities for LGBTQ youth to build self-confidence, develop critical life skills, and engage their peers and community through service and advocacy.	http://smyal.org	202-546-5940
The DC Center for the LGBT Community	The DC LGBT Center educates, empowers, celebrates, and connects the lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender communities.	http://www.thedccenter.org/	202-682-2245
The Trevor Project	A national 24-hour, toll free confidential suicide hotline for gay and questioning youth.	www.thetrevorproject.org	866-488-7386
Whitman Walker Clinic	Health and mental health services for gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender people	http://whitman-walker.org	202-797-3500
Youth Pride Alliance	Youth Pride Alliance is a 501 (c)3 non-profit organization for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Questioning, and Ally youth empowerment to encourage positive self-development and expression, as well as leadership, while bridging diverse communities and individuals to address issues of visibility, equality, and social justice.	http://youthpridealliance.org/	202-387-4141 or youthpride@youthpridealliance.org

Literacy

Organization	Description	Website	Contact Information
Capitol Educational Support	Capitol Educational Support, Inc. (CES) is a 501(c) 3 nonprofit organization whose mission is to create community-based academic tutorial and social mentoring programs for children throughout the United States.	http://ces.reachforit.org/	202-341-6070
DC Public Library	The library provides environments that invite reading, learning and community discussion and equips people to learn all their lives, to embrace diversity and to build a thriving city. We are proud to be a recognized force in the community for engaging the mind, expanding opportunities and elevating the quality of life.	http://dclibrary.org	
Literacy lab	The Literacy Lab is a non-profit organization providing low-income children individualized reading instruction in order to improve their literacy, leading to greater success in school and increased opportunities in life.	http://theliteracylab.org	202-624-3041
Reading Partners DC	Our mission is to help children become lifelong readers by empowering communities to provide individualized instruction with measurable results.	http://readingpartners.org	202-701-9110
Teaching for Change	Teaching for Change provides teachers and parents with the tools to create schools where students learn to read, write and change the world.	http://www.teachingforchange.org/	202-588-7204

Mental Health

Organization	Description	Website	Contact Information
Break the Cycle	Break the Cycle's mission is to engage, educate and empower youth to build lives and communities free from domestic and dating violence. Our priorities are to educate teens and young adults about domestic violence, encourage youth activism, and advocate for systemic change to increase and protect the rights of young people.	http://www.breakthecycle.org/	202-824-0707
Child Welfare League of America	CWLA leads and engages its network of public and private agencies and partners to advance policies, best practices and collaborative strategies that result in better outcomes for children, youth and families that are vulnerable	http://www.cwla.org/	202-688-4200
DC Rape Crisis Center	The DC Rape Crisis Center is a non-profit organization (501(c) (3)) and the designated sexual assault coalition for the District of Columbia. DCRCC is one of the first rape crisis centers in the nation and has spent the past 43 years listening to the stories of survivors of sexual assault. In our 43rd year, we are working to empower a culture of consent.	http://dcrcc.org/	202-232-0789
DC SAFE	Our mission is to ensure the safety and self-determination of domestic violence survivors in Washington, DC through emergency services, court advocacy and system reform.	http://dcsafe.org/	202-879-0720 or 202-561-3000
La Clínica del Pueblo	Counseling and support for battered immigrant and Hispanic women	http://lcdp.org	202-462-4788
Rape, Abuse, & Incest National Network	RAINN (Rape, Abuse & Incest National Network) is the nation's largest anti-sexual violence organization and was named one of "America's 100 Best Charities" by Worth magazine. RAINN created and operates the National Sexual Assault Hotline (800.656.HOPE and online.rainn.org) in partnership with more than 1,100 local sexual assault service providers across the country and operates the DoD Safe Helpline for the Department of Defense.	http://rainn.org	800-656-HOPE(4673)
Sasha Bruce	Shelter, counseling, and support groups for youth	http://sashabruce.org	202-547-7777
The DC Alliance for Restorative Practices	Our mission is to raise awareness around, advocate for, and support the integration of evidence-based restorative practices in the District of Columbia.	https://www.facebook.com/DCAllianceForRestorativePractices	
The Woman's Center	Nonprofit counseling and psychological center for women, men, and families in the Metropolitan Washington area.	http://thewomenscenter.org	(202) 293-4580

Mentoring / Tutoring

Organization	Description	Website	Contact Information
ACCESS Youth	ACCESS Youth provides a range of programs and services for at-risk juveniles. With the goal of reaching every child in Washington, DC, ACCESS Youth programs touch individuals at all stages of their lives. Developing skills and fostering friendships, ACCESS Youth combines the benefits of mentorship and mediation in dynamic and engaging summer and after school programs.	http://www.accessyouthinc.org/	(202) 652-0287
Beacon House	Supports at-risk youth and families in Edgewood Terrace through educational, cultural, and recreational programs.	www.beaconhousedc.org	202-529-7376
BEST Kids, Inc.	BEST Kids, Inc. provides one-on-one mentoring for youth in DC's child welfare system.	www.bestkids.org	(202) 397-2999
Big Brother Big Sister of the National Capital Region	Provide children facing adversity with strong and enduring, professionally supported one-to-one relationships that change their lives for the better, forever.	www.bbbsnca.org	202-328-7181
Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Washington	The mission of Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Washington is to help boys and girls of all backgrounds, especially those who need us most, build confidence, develop character and acquire the skills needed to become productive, civic-minded, responsible adults.	http://www.bgcgw.org/	202-540-2300
Boys to Men Mentoring Network of Greater Washington	The Boys to Men Mentoring Network of Greater Washington is a nonprofit organization created by men for the specific purpose of mentoring boys in the years of adolescence through their passage into manhood. We believe it is the responsibility of the men in the community to guide our boys into integrity, accountability, emotional literacy, truth and mission.	http://www.boystomengw.org/	(619) 469-9599
Capital Partners for Education	CPE provides high school and college students with a unique combination of one-on-one mentoring, individualized staff support, college and career readiness programming, and academic financial assistance.	http://www.cpfe.org/	202-682-6020
Capitol Educational Support	Capitol Educational Support, Inc. (CES) is a 501(c) 3 nonprofit organization whose mission is to create community-based academic tutorial and social mentoring programs for children throughout the United States.	http://ces.reachforit.org/	202-341-6070
College Bound: Academic Mentoring Program	The Academic Mentoring Program matches students one-on-one with college-educated volunteers to strengthen the student's math, language arts, and social skills while preparing them for the college journey.	http://www.collegebound.org/academic-mentoring-program/	(202) 842-0858
College Tribe	Our Mission is to cultivate the character, scholarship, and social capital of 3rd – 8th	http://collegetribe.org/	202-563-3420

	grade boys in Washington, DC.		
Concerned Black Men, Inc.	Our mission is to o fill the void of positive black male role models in many communities by providing mentors and programs that affirmed the care and discipline that all youth need, while providing opportunities for academic and career enrichment.	www.cbmdc.org	(202) 797-7444
Everybody Wins DC!	Non-profit organization that promotes children's literacy by pairing students with reading mentors. Includes program description and newsletter.	www.everybodywinsdc.org	(202) 216-9467
Higher Achievement Program	Higher Achievement closes the opportunity gap during the pivotal middle school years. By leveraging the power of communities, Higher Achievement's proven model provides a rigorous year-round learning environment, caring role models, and a culture of high expectations, resulting in college-bound scholars with the character, confidence, and skills to succeed.	http://www.higherachievement.org/	202.544.3633
LYFE Mentors	L.Y.F.E. (Leading Youth Forward Everyday) Mentors is an up and coming mentoring program aimed at LGBTQ identified youth aged 16-24. The main purpose of this program is to positively impact the lives of young members of the gay community and enrich the lives of older members of the community through the social interaction that takes place via mentoring.	https://lyfementors.wordpress.com/	info@lyfementorsdc.org
Mayor's Youth Leadership Institute	The Marion Barry Youth Leadership Institute (MBYLI) was founded in 1979 as a year-round program to train District of Columbia youth in the concepts of leadership and self-development. The MBYLI training model emphasizes practical, hands-on experience and a holistic approach to developing leaders for the 21st century.	http://does.dc.gov/service/marion-barry-youth-leadership-institute	(202) 698-3991
Mentors Inc.	A private, nonprofit organization that pairs Washington, DC public high school students with trained adult mentors.	http://mentorsinc.org	202-783-2310
Southeast Tennis & Learning Center	DPR's mission is to enhance the quality of life and wellness for DC residents and visitors by providing equal access to affordable and quality recreational services by organizing programs, activities and events.	http://app.dpr.dc.gov/dprmap/details.asp?cid=44	(202) 645-6242

Nutrition

Organization	Description	Website	Contact Information
Bread for the City	The mission of Bread for the City is to provide vulnerable residents of Washington, DC with comprehensive services, including food, clothing, medical care, and legal and social services, in an atmosphere of dignity and respect.	http://www.breadforthecity.org/	202.265.2400
Food & Friends	The mission of Food & Friends is to foster a community caring for men, women and children living with HIV/AIDS, cancer and other life-challenging illnesses by preparing and delivering specialized meals and groceries in conjunction with nutrition counseling.	http://www.foodandfriends.org/	202-269-2277
Martha's Table	Martha's table has worked to build a better future for children, their families, and many neighbors in Washington, DC by increasing access to healthy starts, healthy eating, and healthy connections. They address emergency needs with food and clothing programs, and work to assist children and families as they break the cycle of poverty through education and family support services.	http://marthastable.org/	202-328-6608
So Others Might Eat	SOME (So Others Might Eat) is an interfaith, community-based organization that exists to help the poor and homeless of our nation's capital. We meet the immediate daily needs of the people we serve with food, clothing, and health care.	http://some.org/	202-797-8806

Other

Parent/Family Engagement

Organization	Description	Website	Contact Information
Advocates for Justice and Education	The mission of Advocates for Justice and Education is to educate parents, youth and community about the laws governing public education, specifically for children with special needs. We seek to empower youth and parents to be effective advocates on behalf of their children to ensure that they receive an appropriate education	http://www.aje-dc.org/	(202) 678-8060
Boys Town Washington, DC	Direct care services for children include four Family Homes in the District, and a Foster Family ServicesSM program that places children of all ages in safe homes in the community. The site also offers In-Home Family ServicesSM, and Community Support ServicesSM, which focus on providing Common Sense Parenting® classes that help parents expand and improve their child-rearing skills. These services and programs touch the lives of 6,200 children and families in the District of Columbia each year.	http://www.boystown.org/locations/washington-dc	202-832-7343
Catholic Charities	Catholic Charities assists individuals and families in need, especially those who are most vulnerable. We believe in helping people develop the skills and strength to move from crisis or isolation to stability and growth.	http://www.catholiccharitiesdc.org/	202-772-4300
Center for Child Protection and Family Support	A non-profit social service agency that provides services and programs directly to children and families and also provides professional training on various child welfare issues.	http://centerchildprotection.org	(202) 544-3144
City Year DC	At City Year, we're working to bridge the gap in high-poverty communities between the support that students actually need, and what their schools are designed and resourced to provide. In doing so, we're helping to increase graduation rates across the country, and changing the lives of the students we serve.	http://cityyear.org/dc	202-776-7780
Collaborative Solutions for Communities	Our mission is to build strong sustainable families and neighborhoods through family support services, training, advocacy, community capacity building, and economic development. Our vision is to empower urban neighborhoods to become environments where families and youth flourish.	http://wearecsc.org/	202-518-6737
Communities in Schools DC (Nation's Capital)	Communities In Schools is the largest, most effective dropout prevention organization dedicated to keeping kids in school and helping them to succeed.	http://cisnationscapital.org	202-333-2277 or 202-563-5788
DC Department of Health - Community Health	DOH operates a number of programs to ensure that infants, children and teens are equipped with the necessary tools and services to make them successful at home, in	http://doh.dc.gov/service/infants-children-teens-and-school-health	202-442-5925

Administration	school, and in their communities.		
DC Department of Human Services - Family Services Administration	The agency provides protection, intervention and social services to meet the needs of vulnerable adults and families to help reduce risk and promote self-sufficiency.	http://dhs.dc.gov/service/family-services	202-671-4200
DC Promise Neighborhood Initiative	To support all members of the Kenilworth-Parkside community in improving the quality of their own lives and inspiring positive change in their neighborhood	http://dcpni.org	202-288-4435
DCPS -- Parent Curriculum Guides	The Office of Family and Public Engagement and the Office of Teaching and Learning collaborated to create grade specific Parent Guides. This guide gives you the tools you need to support your child's learning at home. In this booklet, you'll find strategies based on the DCPS curriculum to help your child meet his or her learning goals.	http://dcps.dc.gov/node/1114421	(202) 442-5885
DCPS -- Parent Resources	Our Purpose: To ensure that every DCPS school provides a world-class education that prepares ALL of our students, regardless of background or circumstance, for success in college, career and life.	http://dcps.dc.gov/page/parent-resources-family-community	(202) 442-5885
DCPS -- Special Education Resources for Parents	We're committed to helping all students become successful adults holding good jobs, living independently and engaging in the community. An important component of achieving these goals is ensuring that our schools are inclusive schools that can serve the needs of all our students.	http://dcps.dc.gov/page/special-education-resources-parents	(202) 442-5885
Flamboyan Foundation	Since our beginnings in DC, Flamboyan has worked to develop the capacity of educators to partner effectively with families so that children succeed. Transformation happens when teachers reach out to establish trust, build relationships, and partner with families to support children's academic progress	http://flamboyanfoundation.org/focus/family-engagement/	202-315-2410
Foster & Adoptive Parent Advocacy Center	The Foster & Adoptive Parent Advocacy Center (FAPAC) gives critical support to the foster, kinship, and adoptive families who care for children in the District of Columbia's child welfare system. FAPAC's mission is to significantly improve the lives of children in the District of Columbia child welfare system by empowering their foster, kinship, and adoptive parents to advocate for their children's needs and ensuring the inclusion of those perspectives at every relevant table.	http://www.dcfapac.org	202-269-9441
Georgia Avenue Family Support Collaborative	The Georgia Avenue Family Support Collaborative (GAFSC) was formed in 1998 when two organizations, Lutheran Social Services and the Urban Family Institute, reached out to residents and churches in Ward 4 and Ward 1 to respond to the needs of at-risk families and children. The Collaborative currently serves families, caretakers, children and youth living in any part of Ward 4.	http://gafsc-dc.org/	202-722-1815

Healthy Families-Thriving Communities Collaborative Council	The Healthy Families/Thriving Communities Collaborative Council integrates services at the neighborhood level to meet the needs of DC families.	http://dccollaboratives.org	202-299-0900
Martha's Table	Martha's table has worked to build a better future for children, their families, and many neighbors in Washington, DC by increasing access to healthy starts, healthy eating, and healthy connections. They address emergency needs with food and clothing programs, and work to assist children and families as they break the cycle of poverty through education and family support services.	http://marthastable.org/	202-328-6608
National Association of Parents with Children in Special Education	The National Association of Parents with Children in Special Education (NAPCSE) is a national membership organization dedicated to rendering all possible support and assistance to parents whose children receive special education services, both in and outside of school. NAPCSE was founded for parents with children with special needs to promote a sense of community and provide a national forum for their ideas.	http://www.napcse.org/	
The Family Place	Day center for pregnant/parenting women and their children; offers support groups	www.thefamilyplacedc.org	202-265-0149
The Parental Readiness and Empowerment Program (PREP)	The Parental Readiness and Empowerment Program (PREP) seeks to improve K-12 student performance, retention, and access to equal educational opportunities. We serve low-income and minority children in targeted communities by increasing parental engagement in education and ensuring that parents become successful advocates for their children.	http://www.parentalreadiness.org/	
Turning the Page	Turning the Page links D.C. Public Schools, families and communities so that together, we can ensure D.C. students receive valuable educational resources and a high-quality public education.	http://turningthepage.org	202-347-9841
Transitional Housing Corporation	Transitional Housing Corporation (THC) is a nonprofit that provides housing and comprehensive support services to homeless and at-risk families so that they can transform their own lives.	http://thcdc.org/	202.291.5535
US Department of Education -- Parent Resources	ED's mission is to promote student achievement and preparation for global competitiveness by fostering educational excellence and ensuring equal access.	http://www2.ed.gov/parents/landing.jhtml?src=ln	1-800-USA-LEARN

Public Schools – Public Charter Schools

Organization	Description	Website	Contact Information
DC Public Charter School Board	Our goal is to ensure that students and families in Washington, DC have access to quality public charter school education. We do that by setting tough academic standards, using a comprehensive charter application review process and effective oversight, providing meaningful support and actively involving parents, school leaders, the community and policy makers.	http://www.dcpcsb.org/	202-328-2660
DC Public Charter School Board - Complaints and Concerns Line	To reach the hotline, please call (202)328-2660	http://www.dcpcsb.org/contact-us	202-328-2660
DC Public Charter School Board -- Special Education	Our goal is to ensure that students and families in Washington, DC have access to quality public charter school education. We do that by setting tough academic standards, using a comprehensive charter application review process and effective oversight, providing meaningful support and actively involving parents, school leaders, the community and policy makers.	http://www.dcpcsb.org/report/special-education	(202) 328- 2660
DCPS - Adult and Family Education	Adult and Family Education is a federally established agency that: re-grants federal and local funds to eligible providers of adult education services; facilitates state leadership activities including professional development, technical assistance and monitoring; and, maintains and reports state and local program performance, progress and outcome data.	http://dcps.dc.gov/afe	202-741-5531
DCPS - Ballou STAY	Ballou STAY's mission is to deliver a high-quality academic and career/technical program that will lead to a high school diploma or vocational certificate. Ballou STAY offers traditional and accelerated diploma programs in addition to GED Prep and External Diploma Programs. Ballou STAY also offers vocational programs such as automotive technology, barbering, cosmetology, Microsoft Office courses, and culinary arts.	http://balloustay.com	(202) 645-3390
DCPS - Community Action Team	Each CAT coordinator is responsible for building and sustaining strategic relationships with key community stakeholders, specifically those who have been historically underrepresented in our decision-making process. The CAT is also responsible for assisting DCPS stakeholders in support of their access to information and resources offered by DCPS and communicating emerging needs and	http://dcps.dc.gov/page/community-action-team	202-719-6613

	trends back to DCPS.		
DCPS - District of Columbia Public Schools	To ensure that every DCPS school provides a world-class education that prepares ALL of our students, regardless of background or circumstance, for success in college, career and life.	http://dcps.dc.gov/	202-442-5885
DCPS - Language Access Program	The Language Access (LA) Program exists to ensure District residents who are limited or non-English proficient are afforded equal access to information and services provided by the District. Residents who speak little English must be offered interpretation services and/or translated documents when obtaining government services, as required by the Language Access Act of 2004.	http://dcps.dc.gov/service/language-access-program	202-671-0754
DCPS - Office of Bilingual Education	An English language learner (ELL) student is defined as a linguistically and culturally diverse (LCD) student who has an overall English Language Proficiency (ELP) level of 1-4 on the ACCESS for ELLs™ test administered each year.	http://dcps.dc.gov/service/english-language-learner-ell-support	202-671-0754
DCPS - Office of Family and Public Engagement	The Office of Family and Public Engagement works to accelerate the rate of achievement in DC Public Schools by investing families and the greater DC community in student and school success.	http://dcps.dc.gov/page/family-and-community-engagement	202-719-6613
DCPS - Office of Special Education	The Office of Special Education aspires to be recognized and respected as a leader in urban special education. We are determined to do whatever it takes to ensure that students with disabilities become successful adults holding good jobs, living independently and engaging in the community.	http://dcps.dc.gov/specialeducation	202-442-4800
DCPS -- Parent Curriculum Guides	The Office of Family and Public Engagement and the Office of Teaching and Learning collaborated to create grade specific Parent Guides. These guide gives you the tools you need to support your child's learning at home. In this booklet, you'll find strategies based on the DCPS curriculum to help your child meet his or her learning goals.	http://dcps.dc.gov/node/1114421	(202) 442-5885
DCPS -- Parent Resources	Our Purpose: To ensure that every DCPS school provides a world-class education that prepares ALL of our students, regardless of background or circumstance, for success in college, career and life.	http://dcps.dc.gov/page/parent-resources-family-community	(202) 442-5885
DCPS - Roosevelt STAY		http://rooseveltstay.org	(202) 576-8399

School Choice/Access

Organization	Description	Website	Contact Information
Center for Reinventing Education	The Center on Reinventing Public Education is a research and policy center at the University of Washington developing system wide solutions for K-12 public education.	http://www.crpe.org/	206-685-2214
City Gate	To provide bridges of friendship and service for individuals and mission groups to understand and participate in the struggles and challenges of the disadvantaged or disenfranchised.	http://city-gate.org/	202-237-1799
DC School Reform Now	DC School Reform Now is educating, organizing, and advocating to build support for public education strategies that prepare kids to become college and career ready.	http://dcschoolreform.org	202-315-2424
Friends of Choice in Urban Public Schools (FOCUS)	FOCUS has been the driving force in the DC public charter movement for nearly two decades, promoting the charter schools, defending their autonomy, pushing the government to treat their students equitably, and generally keeping the way clear for charter school leaders to move their schools toward greater and greater success	www.focusdc.org	202-387-0405
National Alliance of Public Charter Schools	We are working to grow the number of high-quality charter schools available to all families, especially those who do not have access to high-quality public schools.	www.publiccharters.org	202-289-2700
Public Impact	Public Impact's mission is to dramatically improve learning outcomes for all children in the U.S., with a special focus on students who are not served well. Public Impact's work is designed to contribute to dramatic improvements in the quality of education and related policy supports in the United States	http://publicimpact.com	919-240-7955
Stand 4 Children	Stand for Children is an education advocacy organization devoted to improving public schools and closing the achievement gap.	http://stand.org	781-891-1300

Special Education/Disability

Organization	Description	Website	Contact Information
Advocates for Justice and Education	The mission of Advocates for Justice and Education is to educate parents, youth and community about the laws governing public education, specifically for children with special needs. We seek to empower youth and parents to be effective advocates on behalf of their children to ensure that they receive an appropriate education. It is also our mission to make the public aware of the consequences of institutional negligence of children with or without disabilities and to promote school accountability.	http://www.aje-dc.org/	(202) 678-8060
American University -- Disability Rights Law Clinic	The DRLC is a two-semester clinic in which law students represent clients and their families in a variety of matters related to disability law and people with disabilities (both mental and physical). A significant focus of the DRLC is on examining circumstances in which clients with disabilities are wrongly assumed to lack physical or mental capacity to participate in society to the same extent as people without disabilities. The DRLC represents clients in special education matters in Washington, DC; admission/commitment cases (as either counsel or guardian ad litem) before the Mental Health and Mental Retardation Branch of the Family Court of DC Superior Court; cases arising under Titles I-III of the Americans with Disabilities Act, regarding discrimination on the basis of disability in employment, state and local services and public accommodations; grievance proceedings within the DC Department of Mental Health; guardianship proceedings; transactional matters, such as home purchases and applications for 501 (c)(3) status; immigration matters; and so on.	https://www.wcl.american.edu/clinical/disability.cfm	202-274-4000
Children's Law Center	Nonprofit corporation providing free legal services to children, families and foster caregivers in the District of Columbia.	http://childrenslawcenter.org	202-467-4900
DC Association for Special Education	DCASE is an alliance of nonpublic and charter schools that provide special education services to students from the District of Columbia. Members are dedicated to improving educational opportunities for all DC students with disabilities. Improving special education in every school – DC Public Schools, nonpublic and charter – will benefit all students.	http://dcase.org/	202-615-3070
DC Public Charter School Board -- Special Education	Our goal is to ensure that students and families in Washington, DC have access to quality public charter school education. We do that by setting tough academic	http://www.dcpcsb.org/report/special-education	(202) 328- 2660

	standards, using a comprehensive charter application review process and effective oversight, providing meaningful support and actively involving parents, school leaders, the community and policy makers.		
DC Special Education Cooperative	The Co-op fills a unique community need in DC by working with teachers, school leaders, and across charter schools to improve educational services for students with disabilities. By pooling resources between independent charter schools, the Co-op also acts as a "central office" for DCPCS spread throughout the city serving a diverse range of students. We provide services in four activity areas:	http://specialedcoop.org	470-222-3309
DCPS - Office of Special Education	The Office of Special Education aspires to be recognized and respected as a leader in urban special education. We are determined to do whatever it takes to ensure that students with disabilities become successful adults holding good jobs, living independently and engaging in the community.	http://dcps.dc.gov/specialeducation	202-442-4800
DCPS -- Special Education Resources for Parents	We're committed to helping all students become successful adults holding good jobs, living independently and engaging in the community. An important component of achieving these goals is ensuring that our schools are inclusive schools that can serve the needs of all our students.	http://dcps.dc.gov/page/special-education-resources-parents	(202) 442-5885
National Association of Parents with Children in Special Education	The National Association of Parents with Children in Special Education (NAPCSE) is a national membership organization dedicated to rendering all possible support and assistance to parents whose children receive special education services, both in and outside of school. NAPCSE was founded for parents with children with special needs to promote a sense of community and provide a national forum for their ideas.	http://www.napcse.org/	
OSSE - Office of Dispute Resolution	The Office of Dispute Resolution within the Office of the State Superintendent of Education (OSSE) is responsible for the conduct of special education due process hearings.	http://osse.dc.gov/service/office-dispute-resolution-odr	202-698-3819
OSSE - OSSE Specialized Education	OSSE's Division of Specialized Education (DSE) is responsible for overseeing the development and promulgation of state policy governing special education; monitoring LEAs for compliance with IDEA as well as other federal and local regulations and court-ordered consent decrees; allocation and administration of IDEA grant funds to LEAs and other public agencies; provision of training and technical assistance to LEAs; and investigation and resolution of state complaints relating to special education.	http://osse.dc.gov/service/specialized-education	202-741-0227
Pacer Center	The mission of PACER Center (Parent Advocacy Coalition for Educational Rights) is to expand opportunities and enhance the quality of life of children and young adults with	http://www.pacer.org/	1-800-537-2237

	disabilities and their families, based on the concept of parents helping parents.		
School Talk	SchoolTalk is a DC-based non-profit organization that brings special education dispute prevention and early dispute resolution programs to DC schools. We work with school personnel and the parents or guardians of special education students to help ensure that everyone works collaboratively toward the goal of securing Free and Appropriate Public Education (FAPE) for students with disabilities.	www.schooltalkdc.org	202-907-6887
SpecialEducationGuide.com	Parents and educators know that children with special needs have gifts and talents—it's just a matter of unleashing their full potential, and making sure that their parents and teachers have the right information, tools and support to help them. That's where Special Education Guide comes in. We are your go-to resource for mastering the terminology, procedures and best practices in special education.	http://www.specialeducationguide.com/	
Took-Crowell Institute for At-Risk Youth	UDC David A. Clarke School of Law students and faculty supervisors in the Juvenile and Special Education Law Clinic provide representation in special education, school discipline, and exclusion cases.	http://www.law.udc.edu/?page=JuvenileClinic	202-274-7314
University Legal Services Protection & Advocacy Program	University Legal Services is a private, non-profit organization that serves as the District of Columbia's federally mandated protection and advocacy system for the human, legal and service rights of people with disabilities. Services provided by ULS under the protection and advocacy grants include information and referral; education and training; investigation of reported or suspected instances of abuse or neglect; legal counsel; technical assistance, and litigation services; and technical assistance regarding legislative and policy concerns. All services are offered free of charge to eligible individuals in accordance with ULS' available resources and policies.	http://www.uls-dc.org/PAP.htm	jbrown@uls-dc.org

Student Discipline/Juvenile Justice

Organization	Description	Website	Contact Information
Center for Juvenile Justice Reform	CJJR supports and educates leaders across systems of care to advance a balanced, multi-systems approach to improving outcomes for, and promoting the positive development of, youth at risk of juvenile justice involvement.	http://cjjr.georgetown.edu/	202-687-4942
Children's Law Center	Nonprofit corporation providing free legal services to children, families and foster caregivers in the District of Columbia.	http://childrenslawcenter.org	202-467-4900
DC Lawyers for Youth	DC Lawyers for Youth seeks to improve the DC juvenile justice system by advocating for reforms that promote positive youth development, effective legal representation, and supportive relationships between the community and DC's youth.	http://dcly.org	202-386-7104
Georgetown Law -- Juvenile Justice Clinic	As one of the first legal clinics of its kind, the Georgetown Law Juvenile Justice Clinic continues to be one of the premier law school clinics in the country. The Clinic represents youth charged with delinquency in DC, and provides an experiential and classroom learning opportunity for law students and resources and support for juvenile defenders practicing locally and nationally.	https://www.law.georgetown.edu/academics/academic-programs/clinical-programs/our-clinics/JJC/index.cfm	202-662-9593
Justice Policy Institute	Washington, D.C.-based think-tank committed to reducing society's reliance on incarceration.	http://justicepolicy.org	202-558-7974
OSSE - DC Reengagement Center	The DC Reengagement Center is a "single-door" through which youth (ages 16-24) who have dropped out can reconnect back to educational options and other critical services to support their attainment of a high school diploma or GED.	http://osse.dc.gov	202-671-2539
The Coalition for Juvenile Justice	CJJ is a nationwide coalition of State Advisory Groups (SAGs) and allies dedicated to preventing children and youth from becoming involved in the courts and upholding the highest standards of care when youth are charged with wrongdoing and enter the justice system.	http://juvjustice.org	202-467-0864
The Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law	The Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law, a nonpartisan, nonprofit organization, was formed in 1963 at the request of President John F. Kennedy to involve the private bar in providing legal services to address racial discrimination. The principal mission of the Lawyers' Committee is to secure, through the rule of law, equal justice under law.	https://lawyerscommittee.org/	

Took-Crowell Institute for At-Risk Youth	UDC David A. Clarke School of Law students and faculty supervisors in the Juvenile and Special Education Law Clinic provide representation in special education, school discipline, and exclusion cases.	http://www.law.udc.edu/?page=JuvenileClinic	202-274-7314

Student Records

Organization	Description	Website	Contact Information
DC Public Charter School Board -- Student Records	There are two ways that you can access student records. If the school the student attended remains open, contact the school directly. If it is closed, contact PCSB at (202) 328-2660.	http://www.dcpcsb.org/where-can-i-find-my-student-records	(202) 328-2660
DC Public Schools -- Student Records	If the high school you attended is still in operation, please contact the high school registrar. If the high school you attended is now closed, please contact us at (202) 478-5738 or send us a message. We will work with you to locate your records and ensure that a duplicate is mailed to you.	http://dcps.dc.gov/service/request-transcripts-and-diplomas	(202) 478-5738
OSSE -- Education Licensure Commission	The Education Licensure Commission (ELC) is the repository for academic records of institutions in the District of Columbia that go out of business and make no other arrangements for maintaining the records. All issuances are certified copies of records as they appeared in the Office of the Registrar upon the school's closing. Official copies bear the seal of the Commission.	http://osse.dc.gov/service/closed-school-transcripts	(202) 727-6436

Student Safety/Corporal Punishment/Abuse

Organization	Description	Website	Contact Information
Child and Family Services	The DC Child and Family Services Agency (CFSA) is the public child welfare agency in the District of Columbia responsible for protecting child victims and those at risk of abuse and neglect and assisting their families. Along with our community partners,	http://cfsa.dc.gov/	202-442-6100
Child Welfare League of America	CWLA leads and engages its network of public and private agencies and partners to advance policies, best practices and collaborative strategies that result in better outcomes for children, youth and families that are vulnerable	http://www.cwla.org/	202-688-4200
Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) for Children of DC	Our mission is to promote court appointed volunteer advocacy so that every abused and neglected child in the DC foster care system can be safe, establish permanence and have the opportunity to thrive. This mission is carried out through the recruitment, training and support of volunteer advocates (CASA volunteers) who serve youth in DC.	http://casadc.org/	202-887-0007
DC Appleseed Center for Law & Justice	DC Appleseed solves problems affecting the daily lives of those who live and work in the National Capital area. As our region responds to the challenges posed by the current economic downturn.	http://dcappleseed.com	202-289-8007
Foster & Adoptive Parent Advocacy Center	The Foster & Adoptive Parent Advocacy Center (FAPAC) gives critical support to the foster, kinship, and adoptive families who care for children in the District of Columbia's child welfare system. FAPAC's mission is to significantly improve the lives of children in the District of Columbia child welfare system by empowering their foster, kinship, and adoptive parents to advocate for their children's needs and ensuring the inclusion of those perspectives at every relevant table.	http://www.dcfapac.org	202-269-9441

Transportation

Organization	Description	Website	Contact Information
OSSE - Transportation Division	The Office of the State Superintendent Division of Student Transportation (OSSE DOT) is a regional transportation system that transports eligible special needs students in the District to school each day, safely and on-time.	http://osse.dc.gov/service/student-transportation	202-576-5000

Truancy/Out-of-School

Organization	Description	Website	Contact Information
Show Up, Stand Out	Show Up, Stand Out is a free program to help parents get their children to school every day. One of the most important things you can give your child is a chance for a great education. We know that it isn't always easy. Show Up, Stand Out has partners working with over 50 elementary and middle schools in D.C. and is striving to help more than 4,000 students this year.	www.showupstandout.org/	202-727-1700

Violence/Sexual Assault

Organization	Description	Website	Contact Information
Ayuda Clínica Legal Latina	Legal and support services for Latina battered and immigrant women	http://ayudainc.org	Ayuda Clínica Legal Latina
Break the Cycle	Break the Cycle's mission is to engage, educate and empower youth to build lives and communities free from domestic and dating violence. Our priorities are to educate teens and young adults about domestic violence, encourage youth activism, and advocate for systemic change to increase and protect the rights of young people. As a national authority on issues related to teen dating violence and healthy relationships, we also support others to implement effective prevention and intervention services for teens.	http://www.breakthecycle.org/	202-824-0707
Crime Victims Assistance Partnership	Assistance to victims and their families with the financial burden of violent crime	http://www.apalrc.org/prog_crime.html	(202) 393-3572 x 11
Crime Victims Compensation Program	The Crime Victims Compensation Program is funded by fines and fees paid to the DC Courts. Monies are used to compensate victims for out of pocket crime-related expenses for: medical treatment and medications; mental health counseling; funeral and burial costs; loss of wages; cleaning of a crime scene; replacement of value of clothing held as evidence; reimbursement for car rental while vehicle is being held as evidence; temporary emergency shelter where necessary for the health and safety of the victim; and home security for the safety of the victim.	http://www.dccourts.gov/internet/superior/crimevictim/main.jsf	202-561-3000
DC Coalition Against Domestic violence	DCCADV's mission is to build a community where domestic violence is replaced with human dignity. We advance our mission through advocacy, community education, public policy, technical assistance and training, resource sharing and research.	http://dccadv.org	202-299-1181
DC Rape Crisis Center	The DC Rape Crisis Center is a non-profit organization (501(c) (3)) and the designated sexual assault coalition for the District of Columbia. DCRCC is one of the first rape crisis centers in the nation and has spent the past 43 years listening to the stories of survivors of sexual assault. In our 43rd year, we are working to empower a culture of consent.	http://dcrcc.org/	202-232-0789
DC SAFE	Our mission is to ensure the safety and self-determination of domestic violence survivors in Washington, DC through emergency services, court advocacy and system reform.	http://dcsafe.org/	202-879-0720 or 202-561-3000

Domestic Violence Intake Center	The DVIC provides a single access point for victims of domestic violence by conducting intake evaluations, providing counseling, safety planning, assisting victims in drafting pleadings and other documents necessary for acquisition of protective orders and free legal representation.	http://mpdc.dc.gov/page/domestic-violence-intake-center	(202) 727-7137
Domestic Violence Intake Center at the DC Superior Court (DVIC- NW)	Court-based support center providing legal assistance (CPO's), advocacy, and referrals	http://www.dccourts.gov/internet/superior/org_dvu/intakecenter.jsf	(202) 879-0152
Domestic Violence Intake Center at United Medical Center (DVIC- SE)	Court-based support center providing legal assistance (CPO's), advocacy, and referrals	http://www.dccourts.gov/internet/superior/org_dvu/intakecenter.jsf	(202) 561-3000
House of Ruth	24-hour hotline, shelter, and counseling for battered women and their children	http://houseofruth.org	202-667-7001
La Clínica del Pueblo	Counseling and support for battered immigrant and Hispanic women	http://lcdp.org	202-462-4788
Legal Aid Society of the District of Columbia	DC's oldest and largest civil legal services organization. The domestic violence/family law attorneys represent clients in a wide range of intrafamily matters in the DC Superior Court.	http://legalaiddc.org	(202) 628-1161
Men Can Stop Rape	Outreach and education and prevention work with men and boys.	http://www.mencanstoprape.org/	202-265-6530
MPD -- Domestic Violence Resources	The policy of the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) is to treat all victims/witnesses in a respectful, responsive, and compassionate manner that reflects the Department's recognition of the trauma of victimization. A member's interaction with the victim/witness of a crime shall not contribute additional harm. Toward that end, MPD members assist crime victims by providing them with information about their rights and available programs and services that can help them cope with physical injury, emotional trauma, and economic loss.	http://mpdc.dc.gov/page/domestic-violence-resources	202-727-7137
MPD-- Sexual Assault Resources	The policy of the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) is to treat all victims/witnesses in a respectful, responsive, and compassionate manner that reflects the Department's recognition of the trauma of victimization. A member's interaction with the victim/witness of a crime shall not contribute additional harm. Toward that end, MPD members assist crime victims by providing them with information about their rights and available programs and services that can help them cope with physical injury, emotional trauma, and economic loss.	http://mpdc.dc.gov/page/sexual-assault-resources	202-727-3700
My Sister's Place	24-hour hotline, shelter, and counseling for battered women and their children	http://mysistersplacedc.org	202-529-5991

National Center for Victims of Crime (NCVC)	The National Center for Victims of Crime (NCVC) is an organization developed to forge a national commitment to help victims of crime rebuild their lives. NCVC is dedicated to serving individuals, families, and communities harmed by crime.	http://ncvc.org	202-467-8700
National Sexual Violence Resource Center	The NSVRC's Mission is to provide leadership in preventing and responding to sexual violence through collaboration, sharing and creating resources, and promoting research.	http://nsvrc.org	877-739-3895
Office on Violence Against Women (OVW	The mission of the Office on Violence Against Women (OVW), a component of the U.S. Department of Justice, is to provide federal leadership in developing the national capacity to reduce violence against women and administer justice for and strengthen services to victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking.	http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov/	202-307-6026
Rape, Abuse, & Incest National Network	RAINN (Rape, Abuse & Incest National Network) is the nation's largest anti-sexual violence organization and was named one of "America's 100 Best Charities" by Worth magazine. RAINN created and operates the National Sexual Assault Hotline (800.656.HOPE and online.rainn.org) in partnership with more than 1,100 local sexual assault service providers across the country and operates the DoD Safe Helpline for the Department of Defense. In 2015, the Online Hotline expanded to offer services in Spanish at http://rainn.org/es.	http://rainn.org	800-656-HOPE(4673)
Sasha Bruce	Shelter, counseling, and support groups for youth	http://sashabruce.org	202-547-7777
Second Chance Employment Services	Second Chance Employment Services is a non-profit organization of human resource (HR) professionals that seeks to advance economic independence for at-risk women and their dependents through thorough employment placement services in both public and private sectors. They assist domestic violence victims between 18 and 65 years of age.	http://scesnet.org	888-331-7451
Stalking Resource Center	The Stalking Resource Center is an initiative of the National Center for Victims of Crime, with initial funding from the Violence Against Women Office of the U.S. Department of Justice. Its primary purpose is to provide resources, training and technical assistance to victim service providers and criminal justice professionals in an effort to promote a shared, national understanding of stalking and to support locally coordinated, multidisciplinary anti-stalking approaches and responses.	http://www.ncvc.org/src	202-467-8700

Youth Engagement

Organization	Description	Website	Contact Information
ACCESS Youth	ACCESS Youth provides a range of programs and services for at-risk juveniles. With the goal of reaching every child in Washington, DC, ACCESS Youth programs touch individuals at all stages of their lives. Developing skills and fostering friendships, ACCESS Youth combines the benefits of mentorship and mediation in dynamic and engaging summer and after school programs.	http://www.accessyouthinc.org/	(202) 652-0287
Anacostia Community Outreach Center	ACOC provides an array of education, training and workforce development, and crisis intervention opportunities to economically disenfranchised and underserved children, youth, adults, and families living in Washington DC's most economically and socially depressed communities with regards to income, unemployment, and educational attainment (Targeted: Wards 5, 7, & 8).	http://www.anacostiaoutreach.org/	202-889-5607
Boys Town Washington, DC	Children and families in the nation's capital have benefited from Boys Town Washington DC services since the site opened its doors in 1993. Direct care services for children include four Family Homes in the District, and a Foster Family ServicesSM program that places children of all ages in safe homes in the community. The site also offers In-Home Family ServicesSM, and Community Support ServicesSM, which focus on providing Common Sense Parenting® classes that help parents expand and improve their child-rearing skills. These services and programs touch the lives of 6,200 children and families in the District of Columbia each year.	http://www.boystown.org/locations/washington-dc	202-832-7343
City Year DC	At City Year, we're working to bridge the gap in high-poverty communities between the support that students actually need, and what their schools are designed and resourced to provide. In doing so, we're helping to increase graduation rates across the country, and changing the lives of the students we serve.	http://cityyear.org/dc	202-776-7780
College Success Foundation	We provide a unique integrated system of supports and scholarships for underserved, low-income students to finish high school, graduate college and succeed in life.	http://dccollegesuccessfoundation.org	202-207-1800
Critical Exposure	Critical Exposure trains youth to use photography and advocacy to make real change in their schools and communities. We're creating a new generation of civic leaders who have:	http://criticalexposure.org	202-745-3745 ext. 20

	The tools to express themselves; The creativity to imagine new solutions to old problems; The belief that youth have the right and ability to fight for those solutions; The skills to hold communities and public officials accountable.		
DC Alliance for Youth Advocates	The DC Alliance of Youth Advocates (DCAYA) is a coalition of youth-engaged organizations, youth and concerned residents formed to ensure that all children and youth in the District of Columbia have access to high-quality and affordable developmental opportunities. We accomplish this mission by crafting policy recommendations, providing structured advocacy opportunities for our members and allies, networking and empowering youth.	http://www.dc-aya.org/	202-587-0616
DC Students Speak	DC Students Speak is an organization that works to break the many "bubbles" that separate DC students, through the pursuit of finding and actualizing common goals. More than just raising awareness, DC Students Speaks also strives to be an advocacy organization, with the aim of mobilizing DC students to work together towards common goals. Check out our website for more information on some of our other activities. As a grass roots organization, we are completely student lead as well as open to individuals of all beliefs and backgrounds.		
DC Youth Advisory Council	The DCYAC is a 32-member body of youth from all of the wards of the District of Columbia. It is a diverse group of youth from various social, racial, and economic backgrounds, united to improve the quality of life for DC youth.	http://dcyac.dc.gov	202- 727-7966
Georgetown Law -- DC Street Law Program	DC Street Law brings together law students, high school students, and community members to explore the intersection of law, public school education, and community improvement using learner-centered teaching methods.	https://www.law.georgetown.edu/academics/academic-programs/clinical-programs/our-clinics/DC-Street-Law-Program/index.cfm	(202) 662-9615 or
Institute for Educational Leadership	Offers programs focusing on the establishment of leadership networks and examining policy issues.	http://iel.org	202-822-8405
LEAP Foundation DC	Our Mission is to provide educational and training opportunities to meet the aspirations of the underserved citizens of the District of Columbia. LEAP Foundation DC has gained national recognition for its commitment and innovative work at the grassroots level and communities around the country.	http://msdf.org	

Mayor's Office of GLBT Affairs	The Office of LGBTQ Affairs works in collaboration with an Advisory Committee, appointed by the Mayor, to define issues of concern to the LGBTQ community and find innovative ways of utilizing government resources to help address these issues.	http://lgbtq.dc.gov/	(202) 727-9493
Mayor's Youth Leadership Institute	The Marion Barry Youth Leadership Institute (MBYLI) was founded in 1979 as a year-round program to train District of Columbia youth in the concepts of leadership and self-development. The MBYLI training model emphasizes practical, hands-on experience and a holistic approach to developing leaders for the 21st century.	http://does.dc.gov/service/marion-barry-youth-leadership-institute	(202) 698-3991
Men Can Stop Rape	Outreach and education and prevention work with men and boys.	http://www.mencanstoprape.org/	202-265-6530
Mentors Inc.	A private, nonprofit organization that pairs Washington, DC public high school students with trained adult mentors.	http://mentorsinc.org	202-783-2310
New Community for Children	New Community for Children (NCFC) transforms the lives of children and youth in the District of Columbia by supporting academic achievement, developing life skills, fostering creativity and cultural awareness, nurturing spiritual connections and growth, and empowering children to succeed.	http://ncfc-dc.org	202-232-0457
OSSE - DC Reengagement Center	The DC Reengagement Center is a “single-door” through which youth (ages 16-24) who have dropped out can reconnect back to educational options and other critical services to support their attainment of a high school diploma or GED.	http://osse.dc.gov	202-671-2539
Playworks DC	Playworks offers training and full-time services for schools and youth development organizations throughout Washington DC, Maryland, and Virginia	http://playworks.org	202-822-0097
Safe Shores	DC Children's Advocacy Center	http://www.safeshores.org/	202-645-3200
Sasha Bruce	Shelter, counseling, and support groups for youth	http://sashabruce.org	202-547-7777
Sexual Minority Youth Assistance League	SMYAL supports and empowers lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning (LGBTQ) youth in the Washington, DC metropolitan region. Through youth leadership, SMYAL creates opportunities for LGBTQ youth to build self-confidence, develop critical life skills, and engage their peers and community through service and advocacy. Committed to social change, SMYAL builds, sustains, and advocates for programs, policies, and services that LGBTQ youth need as they grow into adulthood.	http://smyal.org	202-546-5940
Show Up, Stand Out	Show Up, Stand Out is a free program to help parents get their children to school every day. One of the most important things you can give your child is a chance for a great education. We know that it isn’t always easy. Show Up, Stand Out has partners working with over 50 elementary and middle schools in D.C. and is striving to help more than 4,000 students this year.	www.showupstandout.org/	202-727-1700

The Village Youth and Family Center	Partnering with girls and their families to build resilience through connectedness, skill-building and positive supports.	http://thevillageyouth.org	301-838-4549
Urban Alliance	Urban Alliance empowers under-resourced youth to aspire, work and succeed through paid internships, formal training, and mentorship.	http://theurbanalliance.org	202-459-4300