



Why Cafes?

- Community conversations
- Pennsylvania's history
- Strengthening Families Protective Factors Framework




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Five Protective Factors



1. Parental resilience
2. Social connections
3. Knowledge of parenting and child development
4. Concrete support in times of need
5. Social and emotional competence of children




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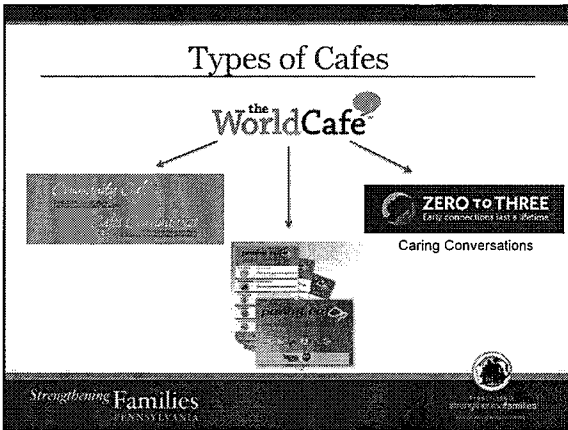
Purpose of Cafes

Cafes provide opportunities to:

- Build connections
- Develop personally and as parents
- Identify community needs and resources
- Build leadership
- Build protective factors



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Core Elements of Cafes

Cafes bring parents/caregivers and others together to build positive relationships with each other and to strengthen families and communities.

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Core Elements of Cafes

Café themes and questions are relevant, generative, thought provoking and appropriate to the prospective guests (participants)

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Core Elements of Cafes

Cafes are scheduled and structured to allow the space and time for meaningful conversations

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Core Elements of Cafes

All aspects of Café planning, communication and hosting are strength-based and involve parents/caregivers as leaders

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Core Elements of Cafes

Cafes are safe places – both emotionally and physically – and safety is intentionally created and maintained by the group

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Core Elements of Cafes

Cafes are built around meaningful conversations in large and small groups among people who may or may not know each other well

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Core Elements of Cafes

Harvests are a part of every café design

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Core Elements of Cafes

All people hosting cafes are prepared

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Core Elements of Cafes



Cafes intentionally build Strengthening Families Protective Factors

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Café Process

- Welcome
- Introduce the theme and protective factors
- One on one conversation
- Café conversations
- Commitment
- Harvest café conversations
- Closing




Café Agreements/Ground Rules

- Speak from your own experience – I statements
- Listen attentively – do not interrupt
- No judgments – positive or negative
- Confidentiality – stays here
- Do not give advice
- Turn your cell phone off



Planning a Café – How?


- Resources Needed
- Logistics
- Training for hosts
- Process/Timing



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Planning a Café – Now What?

- Evaluation results
- Planning future Cafes
- Engaging parents beyond cafes




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Professional Development:



- Strongngthening Families Protective Factors
- Be Strong Parent Café Training Institutes
- General Café Instruction



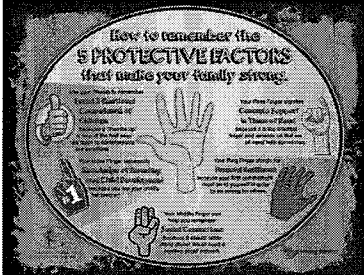
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Resources



- Center for the Study of Social Policy
– www.cssp.org/reform/strengtheningfamilies/practice/
- Be Strong Families
– www.bestrongfamilies.net
- Zero to Three – Caring Conversations Café Model
– <https://www.zerotothree.org/resources/657-caring-conversations-cafe-model-facilitator-guide>
- The Community Café
– www.thecommunitycafe.com

What Makes Your Family Strong?



<http://www.whatmakesyourfamilystrong.org/RememberProtectiveFactors.html>

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Strengthening Families Protective Factors Framework Resources

More Information about the SFPF Framework:

- *Center for the Study of Social Policy* – includes fact sheets, the logic model and research about the SFPF Framework. www.cssp.org/reform/strengthening-families
- *National Alliance of Children's Trust and Prevention Funds* – free online training modules. www.ctfalliance.org/onlinetraining.htm
- *Child Welfare Information Gateway* – provides links to research briefs and the annual Prevention Resource Guide. www.childwelfare.gov/preventing/promoting/protectfactors
- *FRIENDS National Resource Center* – includes resources for child abuse prevention and the Protective Factors Survey. www.friendsnrc.org
- *What Makes Your Family Strong* – download posters about the SFPF Framework. www.whatmakesyourfamilystrong.org

More Information about Cafés:

- *Center for the Study of Social Policy* - Café Overview and Fidelity Checklist www.cssp.org/reform/strengtheningfamilies/practice/body/CAFE-OVERVIEW-2015.pdf
- *Be Strong Families* – an initiative from Illinois with a myriad of resources including information about Parent Cafés. www.bestrongfamilies.net
- *Zero to Three* – Caring Conversations Café Model www.zerotothree.org/resources/657-caring-conversations-cafe-model-facilitator-guide
- *Community Cafés* – information from the National Alliance of Children's Trust and Prevention Funds on implementing Community Cafés. www.ctfalliance.org/initiative_parents-2.htm
- *The Community Café* – an online learning community focused on the use of cafés to strengthen families. www.thecommunitycafe.com
- *The World Café* – includes information about using World Cafés, the model on which Parent and Community Cafés are based. www.theworldcafe.com

Pennsylvania Resources

- *Strengthening Families Pennsylvania* – find out more about the work of the state leadership team. www.pa-strengthening-families.org
- *Pennsylvania Family Support Alliance* – includes information about child abuse and neglect and resources for prevention. www.pa-fsa.org
- *Prevent Child Abuse PA* – Includes a variety of resources for parents and practitioners to prevent child abuse. preventchildabusepa.org

