


**EVOLUTION**

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**Evolution Foundation provides  
hope for Oklahoma's children,  
youth, and families...**

**one community  
at a time.**

The Evolution Foundation is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization founded in 2003 by Jeff and Michelle Tallent to advocate for recovery-based services for people with severe mental illnesses. The foundation has since expanded to advocate for resources, services, and supports for children, youth, and families with complex needs in the areas of physical health, mental health, substance use, and well-being.

### **Our Mission and Vision**

The mission of the Evolution Foundation is to provide hope for Oklahoma's children, youth, and families, one community at a time. The vision of the foundation is to see children, youth, and families in each community across Oklahoma thrive and have access to the services and supports they need to be healthy, happy, and well.



**WHO WE ARE**





## **Our Team**

Evolution Foundation comprises of Community Consultants and Peer Navigators:

### **Community Consultants**

The Community Consultants work with community coalitions across the state to ensure advocacy, engagement, referral networking, and communication, coordination, and collaboration happens across service systems, agencies, and providers to positively impact the health outcomes of children, youth, and families.

### **Peer Navigators**

Peer Navigators use their lived experience to support and engage community members in need of help and ensure they are connected to an array of resources that fit their needs and goals.



Evolution Foundation's Peer Navigators respond to requests from our state helpline, as well as other service agency/organization level referrals to provide immediate help to community members.

Our Peer Navigators provide a continuity of support to community members in need during and after warm hand-offs to higher levels of care that enable the member's successful participation in services that will assist them in their recovery, family stability, and enhance their health outcomes.

## What We Do

The Evolution Foundation specializes in helping families impacted by the child welfare and juvenile justice systems and in connecting families to resources. We do this by partnering with community organizations that provide services and supports to persons in need or by serving as an emergency resource until community resources become available.

Evolution Foundation also works with local community coalitions in Oklahoma to strengthen alliances of support and coordinated care for children, youth, and families.

In addition, we collaborate with behavioral health networks on initiatives to meet the needs of children, youth, and young adults with serious emotional disturbance, substance abuse disorders, and co-occurring issues in partnership with the Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services and Oklahoma Systems of Care.



WHAT WE DO





## How We Can Help

Evolution Foundation can help you and your community in a variety of ways.

We offer technical assistance and training in the areas of:

- Trauma informed care,
- Navigating child serving systems,
- Family and youth engagement,
- Leadership, and
- Diversity, equity and inclusion.

We also offer resource support to Oklahoma community coalitions and technical assistance in the areas of:

- Strategic planning,
- Relationship building,
- Resource analysis,
- Opportunity optimization,
- Problematic case consultation,
- and much more.



## Partner With Us

Consider supporting Evolution Foundation to expand our capacity to help more Oklahoma children, youth, and families.

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