

Kinship Navigator Program: Bridging Gaps Through Collaboration

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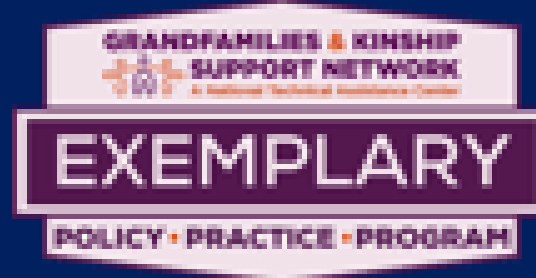
About the Program

The **Area Office on Aging of Northwestern Ohio, Inc.** has expanded the reach of its **Kinship Navigator Program** through strong community partnerships with government agencies, nonprofit organizations, & for-profit entities.

These partnerships, both contractual & in-kind, create opportunities we would not otherwise have & allow us to provide **free services to kinship families**, with **no age or income requirements**.



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What You'll Learn

Build Partnerships That Last

- Discover strategies to establish & cultivate contractual & in-kind partnerships that strengthen family services.

Do More With Less

- Learn how cost-neutral partnerships extend program reach & maximize community resources.

Expand Your Voice

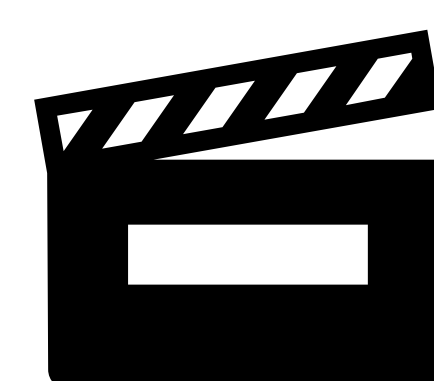
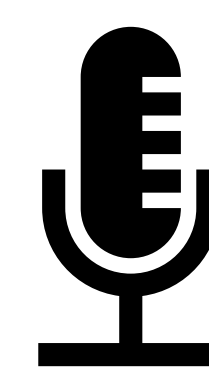
- Explore how to develop effective outreach tools that increase awareness & engagement.

Engage the Community

- Understand how to foster meaningful collaboration with organizations & stakeholders.

See the Program in Action

- Gain an overview of the services offered by the Kinship Navigator Program & how they benefit kinship caregivers.



Key Takeaways

- **Community partnerships are essential to supporting kinship families.**
- Leveraging local resources & cultivating lasting collaborations, enhance program reach in a cost-neutral manner.
- Community partnerships build capacity & ensure families receive needed services - **free of charge, without barriers.**

