



Program Goal

To increase the emotional involvement and physical presence of non-custodial parents with the children they are responsible to support.



Contact

If you have questions or feel that you or someone you know may benefit from our services, call **Lori Gage** at **706-613-1922 ext. 6** or email address sparc@childrenfirst-inc.org

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Supportive Parenting and Access Resource Center



“Any man can be a father, but it takes a special person to be a dad.”





About The Program

Non-custodial parents with court-ordered child support often face difficulty establishing or maintaining contact with their children. This lack of regular contact can lead to negative outcomes for these children as they grow up and even into later adulthood. Our program identifies obstacles and barriers to visitation/parenting



time by working with both mothers and fathers to encourage the non custodial

parent to provide emotional as well as financial support to their children. **Participation in the program is completely voluntary.** We are looking for non-custodial parents: without a history of domestic violence or sexual abuse who have court ordered child support, who were not married at the time of the child's birth with at least one parent residing in Clarke County and the other within the state of GA.



Services Offered

- Education regarding parental rights and the Legitimation process
- Mediation between the non-custodial parent and custodial parent
- Visitation coordination
- Development of parenting plans (schedule for seeing the child)
- Skills-based parenting education
- Employment/education counseling



Visitation

Our new location on Pope Street includes a visitation center equipped with play room, kitchen and living area.

The Pope Street Cottage provides a safe and comfortable environment when supervised visits are appropriate. Off-site monitored and neutral drop-off visits are also offered.



Pope Street Cottage

