

How is WrapAround Different?

- The family directs the plan
- The plans developed are flexible and unique to each family
- Plans can be changed by the family at any time
- The WAV team includes the client and family members, may include support from other community agencies (i.e. support service providers, business leaders, faith groups, and volunteers)
- The WAV team is committed to developing a strong working partnership with the local community

"WrapAround has consistently been there for our young mothers-- helping them to reach their potential, empowering them to become the best parent possible."

Gail Stanish, Robertson House

Community Support is a must!

The success of WrapAround is in the support of community leaders and volunteers.

Sharing your gifts!

Be part of the WrapAround Team! Volunteering is flexible, adaptable and very rewarding.

Be a Wraparound Facilitator. You'll be trained and then matched with a family and act as the Team Leader.

Tell us about someone you know – a person, community group or social agency who can link us to community volunteers, local business leaders – people who believe in the strength of their community and who want to make a difference.

Where to Go From Here?

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*A 'Unique Way'
of assisting families with complex needs!*

**Community Help
Making a difference in
the lives of children
and families with
high needs.**

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Meeting the Criteria

- You must be a resident of Vaughan
- Family with children 19 years of age and under
- Families must show initiative and self-motivation and desire to achieve self-reliance
- Family referrals can come from Faith Communities, formal services, and/or concerned citizens
- Family must be in a temporary state of financial stress
- Family must be willing to accept support in different discretionary methods (i.e. gently used items, possible referral to other existing services, etc.)

"WrapAround has helped us to improve our lives from street life to the Good Life. WrapAround has helped us to recognize our strengths and build up our self-esteem in helping us cope in tough times. Words cannot describe how we feel about WrapAround"

Mark & Jen

What is WrapAround?

An innovative approach, mobilizing communities to assist families with complex needs.

It is not a formal service – it is a process.

Is focused on the family goals.

WrapAround is a process, which develops and carries out plans for families and their children who have very complex needs.

Families who have utilized traditional services in the past, may find *WrapAround* helpful in meeting their specific needs.

The *WrapAround* process is implemented with involvement of those people important to the family.

WrapAround improves the lives of families by building on their strengths. It encourages them to make helpful, caring connections in the community.

The *WrapAround* Process ensures that services are focused on the needs of the family.

The WrapAround (WAV) team works together to achieve the goals chosen by the family.

Key Elements of Wrap/Around

The key elements of the WrapAround plan includes the following:

- family-centered
- is a *needs-driven* process rather than *service-driven*
- initial plan should be a combination of existing services, newly created services, informal supports, community resources, and more importantly, should include a plan for phasing out of formal services
- The family is an integral part of the team and must have ownership of the plan
- The team works to select Life Domain areas to work on (e.g. social, emotional, housing, etc.)
- **Safe environment must be assured for all parties before any other issues are addressed**

Families know what's best for their children and need to be committed, willing and active participants in the WRAP process.