



Community Systems Change Support

Why it matters

Challenges like child neglect, poverty, and family instability are bigger than any one organization or sector. Even when communities care deeply and work hard, efforts often stay disconnected because our systems were built in pieces, not as a whole. We help communities align their strengths to create systems that meet families' real needs and adapt as those needs change.

What We Do

- Facilitate strategy development, partnerships and collaborative problem-solving to align systems around families' needs
- Help communities uncover root causes and identify opportunities to work differently across systems
- Support the design of locally driven strategies, focused on long-term change
- Equip leaders to put new solutions into practice and keep them going over time

What This Looks Like in Action

In Wisconsin, ICFW partnered with 35+ communities and 200+ changemakers to shift from fragmented efforts to coordinated systems helping improve how families access housing, mental health care, and family strengthening programs.

How It Works

1. Build shared understanding of family needs across communities
2. Co-create systems strategies grounded in local context and leadership

For a facilitation guide or a group version, click this link or scan the QR code to reach out to us:

<https://uwm.edu/icfw/services-inquiry/>



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3. Support implementation through coaching, learning cycles, and adaptation

Next Steps

Ready to build systems that work for families?

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