

BRIDGE^{TO}JUSTICE

CONNECTING FAMILIES TO SUPPORT, ADVOCACY & TRANSFORMATION

The Bridge to Justice Campaign is a \$2M infrastructure investment children and families need before, during, and after family court: sustaining high-quality child advocacy, launching a post-court Resource Navigation Program, and creating a feedback loop to inform family court practice and systems change.

THE GAP

Once final orders are issued, many families lose coordinated support just as they're working to stabilize routines, follow parenting plans, address safety needs, and connect with basic services like housing, food, mental health care, and employment.

THE SOLUTION

A social worker ("Resource Navigation Manager") will work with each family to build an individualized support plan, personally introduce the family to existing service providers (a "warm handoff"), and support until connections take hold.

WHY THIS MODEL WILL WORK

Studies show that resource navigation support is much more effective than a referral list. These programs serve different populations than Family Law CASA, but the pattern is consistent: **people are far more likely to achieve stability when a trusted navigator personally connects them to services during a major life transition.**

- First appointment attendance increased from 30% to 70% success after a pre-release warm handoff for incarcerated folks (*Santa Clara County Transition Care Network, 2017*).
- Young adults sustained employment (51%) & stable housing (30%) when exiting foster care (*Ohio Bridges, 2025*).
- Youth had safe, stable housing (91%) and a supportive adult relationship (96%) as they left foster care (*Iowa Aftercare Services Network, 2025*).



FROM THE COMMUNITY

In South King County, I see every day how complex and overwhelming custody-related challenges can be for caregivers. Family Law CASA already plays a critical role in ensuring that children's voices are heard in court, and **expanding resource navigation services would fill a major gap for families who need help accessing stability, safety, and basic supports during these stressful transitions.** This added support would directly strengthen child well-being and school success.

JESS NÚÑEZ, SCHOOL COUNSELOR & ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER

TIMELINE

2026-2027 | DEVELOP + BUILD

- Begin the next phase of the Bridge to Justice Campaign to raise the final \$1M.
- Hire half-time Volunteer Recruitment Coordinator to sustain the Child Advocacy Program.
- Hire full-time Communications Manager to create organizational capacity and infrastructure.
- Renew MSW Internship with Seattle University to define referral pathways, partnership needs, and draft program evaluation measures.

2027-2028 | LAUNCH + SCALE

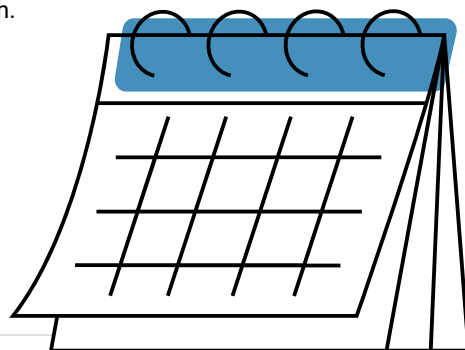
- Launch new program with a full-time Resource Navigation Manager.
- Hire full-time Deputy Director to support organizational growth.

2028-2029 | STRENGTHEN

- Expand MSW Internship to include a second Seattle University student to support resource navigation services.

2029-2030 | GROW + SCALE

- Hire a second, full-time Resource Navigation Manager to grow program.



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INVITATION

Bridge to Justice offers a practical opportunity to leave durable family justice infrastructure in King County. **We invite you to join Family Law CASA in this critical work with a multi-year, unrestricted campaign pledge.**