

Volunteer with Us!

Family Treasures is an educational program for the whole family. Based on more than 30 years of research with more than 21,000 family members from all across the world has resulted in an understanding of the qualities of families that strengthen their well-being.

Participants in Family Treasures will experience all six qualities through interactive and fun activities together as a family.



Be a part of this family enrichment experience by volunteering to help facilitate these community-based educational programs. Volunteer training and leadership will be provided by Stephanie Toelle, Extension Agent and certified family life educator. Ms. Toelle is a faculty member of the University of Florida with a Masters degree in Family and Child Development from Auburn University.

Duval County Extension is a partnership between the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), the University of Florida Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (UF/IFAS), and the City of Jacksonville.

Our Family and Consumer Sciences Department provides research-based information to help resolve family-oriented problems and to help individuals become self-reliant. Participation in Extension's educational programs will put knowledge to work for YOU!

Extension information and services are available to individuals regardless of race, color, sex, age, handicap, or national origin. For individuals with disabilities requiring special accommodations, please contact the Duval County Extension Office (387-8855) within 5 working days of the program so that proper consideration may be given to the request. Hearing impaired persons may access the foregoing telephone number by contacting the Florida Relay Service at 1-800-955-8770 (voice) or 1-800-955-8771 (TDD).

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Creating Strong Families

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What makes a family strong? All families have strengths! And, all families have challenges and areas of potential growth.

Family Treasures:

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Become Involved

Are you interested in strengthening families in your community? Family Treasures is an educational program based on the six qualities of strong families: commitment to each other, enjoyable time together, successful management of stress and crisis, positive communication, spiritual well-being, and appreciation and affection for each other.

Perhaps your community—school, church, synagogue, club, or agency— could use your dedication to strengthen these qualities within their relationships.



Volunteers will be screened and trained prior to facilitating workshops. There will be three workshops for families, each lasting one and one-half hour long, that involves all family members in activities facilitated by the volunteer. Volunteers will receive a kit of materials for the activities, a facilitation manual and workbooks for each family.

Training and Support

Training will include an orientation, facilitation training, and research reviews of families under stress, resiliency, and developmental assets by University of Florida faculty. As a partner of the Jacksonville Network for Strengthening Families, we also ask that volunteers participate in the 7 Habits of Successful Families in Jacksonville.

Utilizing the cooperative support of the University of Florida Extension System, Duval County Extension will also provide ongoing training on family and human development issues for volunteers, graduates of Family Treasures, and partners of the Jacksonville Network for Strengthening Families.

Make a Difference

Jacksonville needs your help for its families—families under stress from poverty, divorce, incarceration, abuses, and instability. Make time today to call and consider being a volunteer for Family Treasures.

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