

COMPASS School

The COMPASS School is a therapeutic day-school that serves students aged 6-21 with disabilities including emotional impairment, behavior disorders, and other disorders that require special education in an individualized environment.

Students are referred from school districts. Students attend COMPASS on the basis of their individual needs either for a short-term period of evaluation or a long-term placement at COMPASS.

Comprehensive Support & Stabilization (CSS)

Currently, we contract with 24 area MA Department of Children & Families (DCF) Offices to provide comprehensive services to children and families involved in the child welfare system. COMPASS Family Specialists and Clinicians work to develop, support and strengthen the skills that families need to provide a safe and supportive environment for their children.

COMPASS serves as a liaison between the families and the public school, social service, and/or juvenile justice systems, and meets with clients and their families several times a week in the home and in the community. Comprehensive Support and Stabilization (CSS) is responsive to the individual, evolving needs of the client and family.

The John J. Lydon Help Fund

The John J. Lydon Help Fund offers small grants to families to help them avert crises when they are in immediate need of food, clothing or support for housing. COMPASS assists those who receive grants to develop a longer term plan to ensure their self-sufficiency.

Giving to the John J. Lydon Help Fund enables us to provide clients experiencing emergencies with rapid access to financial resources and aid with planning. Sometimes it takes only one grant from the fund to help a family through a difficult stretch.

Consider making a donation today!

COMPASS is a registered 501(c)(3) nonprofit.

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*A leading provider of
special education and
human services for
youth and families in
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(COMPASS)

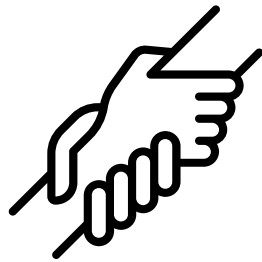
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Developmental Services

The Department of Developmental Services (DDS) has determined that many individuals new to the DDS program will benefit from working with a professional who is familiar with his or her social and environmental circumstances.

COMPASS provides mentorship, teaches life skills and connects clients to resources in their community. Currently, we contract with 5 area MA Department of Developmental Services (DDS) Offices.



East Project

The East Project serves victims of human trafficking who have been sexually exploited. The program uses a holistic, individualized approach, helping clients to access a range of services to assist them in addressing their needs.

We also offer a 10-week prevention program for girls aged 12-18 to support them in a variety of community settings to develop and strengthen their skills and raise awareness of high-risk behaviors.

Program Impact

1,000+

Individuals served each year

28+

School Districts

25+

DCF & DDS Offices

Core Values

Capacity Building
Comprehensive
Cultural Competence
Individualization
Partnerships
Professional Development
Reflectiveness
Relationships
Respect
Responsiveness
Teams
Timeliness

History of COMPASS

COMPASS's first services were special education, outreach and tracking, and foster care in the Greater Boston area. As the reputation of COMPASS' successes and expertise began to grow, it started to have a wider base for referrals outside of Greater Boston and into Central and Northern Massachusetts.

Today, COMPASS is considered to be one of Massachusetts' leading providers of special education and human services. It specializes in providing comprehensive and individualized education, stabilization, transition, counseling, support and enrichment services.

Our mission is to equip individuals with skills to become self-sufficient, productive members of their communities and society.

Languages

English, Spanish, Haitian Creole, Cape Verdean Creole, Vietnamese, Czech and Portuguese.

