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Resources for Teaching Relationship Skills

*September 2025*

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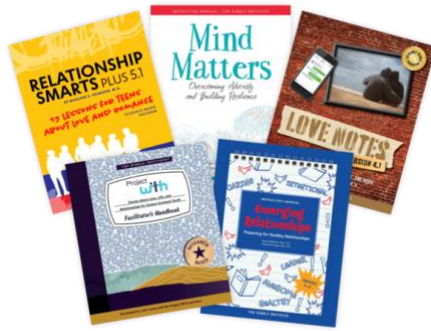
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## Utilize your Grant Funds

With your fiscal or grant year coming to an end on September 30, **now's the perfect time to think about ordering your relationship education materials** to utilize any remaining budget.

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## THE LATEST



## Significant Drop in Share of Young Adults Achieving Four Milestones: Moving Out of Parental Home, Marriage, Work and Having Kids

Less than 25% of 25- to 34-year-olds lived outside their parental home, worked, were married and had kids in 2024, down from almost half in 1975.

[Read more....](#)



## **Young Adults' Living Arrangements at Age 22**

New interviews with participants of the Future of Families and Child Wellbeing Study, now young adults, reveal insights into their living arrangements, family life, finances, and more as they transition into adulthood.

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Pew Research Center

## **Majorities of LGBTQ and Non-LGBTQ U.S. Adults Under 50 Want to Get Married Someday**

59% of LGBTQ U.S. adults under 50 who have never married say they want to get married someday, and 63% of non-LGBTQ adults in this age range say the same.

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## NEWS ABOUT RELATIONSHIPS AND A.I.



### Protecting the Developing Mind in a Digital Age

Research indicates that giving children a smartphone before age 13 is linked to poorer mental health in young adulthood, leading to the recommendation of policies that restrict early access and promote digital literacy to protect future generations.

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### Talk, Trust, and Trade-Offs: How and Why Teens Use AI Companions

Due to ineffective age verification and a lack of safeguards, AI companion platforms that are designed to agree with users and offer emotional support can pose serious risks to adolescents' social development, mental health, and well-being.

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## NEWS YOU CAN USE



### **The Role of Relationships in Transforming Youth Thriving**

Discover how transforming relationships within youth-supporting systems can foster thriving communities and empower young people to flourish.

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### **Love is Blind Returns – But is There Truth to the Show’s ‘Social Experiment’? Here’s What the Research Says**

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## Separation Leads to Suicide Among Men: Lessons for Practitioners

Men face higher suicide risk after breakups. Pain, isolation, and shame play key roles. Targeted research, education, and support are crucial for prevention.

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## TOOLS YOU CAN USE



### Love Better- A Primary Prevention Campaign

[Love Better](#) is a primary prevention campaign aimed at fostering safe, positive, and equal relationships. *It helps young people navigate sex and relationships to reduce harm now and into the future.* Brought to you by the [New Zealand Ministry of Social Development](#).



## Love Creep

Love is amazing. It's full of juicy, fun and deliciously exciting feelings.

But those loving feelings can creep into something else. Slipping into something ugly, harmful and emotionally abusive. Tangled up in intense emotions, controlling behavior is tricky to spot. It's often not physical, so it can seem invisible. Making it super hard to call out.

Love Creep is about patterns — understanding when love turns into a pattern of control.

[Learn more about "Love Creep"...](#)



## How to Tap Your Way to Calm and Clarity

There's a tapping practice shown to ease stress, balance emotions, and support healing. We explore the science behind Emotional Freedom Technique, or EFT.

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(**ED Note:** You will also find this practice explained in our [Mind Matters](#) program. Please request a [30-day Review Copy](#) to see for yourself)



### **Webinar Roundtable- Growing Up Safe: Youth, Adolescents, and Relationship Health**

This roundtable explores innovative approaches to supporting young people's healthy relationships through community-driven education, prevention campaigns, and culturally responsive care.

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## **WEBINAR**



*September 10, 2025*

### **The Price of Love: Keeping Relationships Safe & Financially Healthy**

The Price of Love: Keeping Relationships Safe & Financially Healthy is a powerful and practical webinar designed to shed light on the often-overlooked issue of financial abuse in teen relationships. This session will explore how money, resources, and economic control can be used as tools of manipulation, and why these red flags are just as damaging as other forms of abuse. Participants will learn how to recognize early warning signs, understand the emotional and financial impact on teens, and gain insight into how unhealthy financial dynamics can escalate over time.



Through real-life examples and prevention strategies, this webinar will equip parents, educators, youth workers, and teens themselves with the knowledge to build relationships that are both emotionally supportive and financially respectful. Attendees will walk away with practical tools to promote open conversations about money in relationships, encourage independence and fairness in relationships, and create safe environments where young people can thrive—without paying a hidden “price” for love.

**Objectives:** Participants will be able to:

- Recognize signs of financial abuse in teen relationships.
- Understand its emotional and long-term impacts.
- Promote healthy, equitable financial dynamics.

**Presenter:**

- Christi Kelly- Community Programs Coordinator- SAFE (Supporters of Abuse Free Environments)
- Sisilia Kusumaningsih- Coordinated Community Response Lead- SAFE (Supporters of Abuse Free Environments)

**Who should attend:** Youth Workers, Mentors, Healthy Relationship Facilitators, Teachers, Counselors, School Administration, Social Workers, Therapists, Community Leaders, Program Coordinators, Grant Administrators, Researchers

**When:** September 10 @ 1:00pm Pacific/4:00pm Eastern

**Duration:** 60 minutes

**Cost:** Free!

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## ONGOING FUNDING STREAMS



### Informational Webinars: Student Upward Mobility Initiative 2025 Request for Proposals

**Wednesday, September 3, 2025, 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. ET**

**Tuesday, September 9, 2025, 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. ET**

The Student Upward Mobility Initiative works to support students' economic mobility by **identifying the PK–12 skills and competencies that drive long-term success**, especially for students from backgrounds of economic disadvantage. We are launching our second request for proposals (RFP) in August 2025, which represents an additional step toward our long-term vision of equipping education policymakers and practitioners with a short list of key mobility drivers around which to design systems and structures. This informational webinar is for interested applicants.

Through this new RFP, we seek studies that identify the skills and competencies in late high school that propel students into economic mobility and the ways skill development and access to opportunity in early high school and middle school shape those trajectories. We prize innovative, audacious projects that make creative use of novel data sources and study designs to make groundbreaking advances in what we know about the drivers of mobility and how we can measure them. We invite projects that support these areas of inquiry across two tracks: (1) developing better measures of likely mobility drivers and (2) identifying and validating mobility drivers. We expect to award \$3 million in grants ranging from \$50,000 to \$500,000 for projects lasting up to 24 months. We will share the same overview content across two dates and times to increase access and convenience.

## THE WORTHINGTON COMPANIES FOUNDATION

### [The Worthington Companies Foundation](#)

The Worthington Industries Foundation supports nonprofits through volunteerism and financial contributions, **prioritizing education**, civic organizations, **health and human services**, and arts and culture, with support available for operations, **programs**, and capital campaigns.

The Worthington Companies Foundation accepts requests from **nonprofit organizations with an IRS tax-exempt status under section 501(c)(3) and organizations in the local communities where we operate**, with the majority of our financial support targeted in central Ohio.



### [United Fire Group Foundation](#)

The United Fire Group Foundation primarily funds **nonprofits in Cedar Rapids, IA, and select cities nationwide**, supporting causes such as **human services, education, health**, the arts, and the environment.



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**Washington Trust Charitable Foundation (RI, MA, and CT)**

The Washington Trust Charitable Foundation **funds nonprofits in RI, MA, and CT that strengthen local communities** in housing, economic development, **youth and family services**, healthcare, arts, **education**, and the environment.



**U.S. Venture/Schmidt Family Foundation**

Grants are available to **organizations working in education**, economic development, **family support, health, and human services**. Support may include program funding, operating costs, capital grants, and sponsorships.



**Dale Jr. Foundation**

The Dale Jr. Foundation is dedicated to giving **underprivileged youth the resources to improve confidence, education, and the opportunity to achieve extraordinary goals**. Support focuses on the following areas: **empowerment, education, wellness**, hunger, and **hope**. Types of support include monetary donations and in-kind donations of items for auctions and raffles.



## ONEOK

ONEOK Foundation **supports programs that enhance the quality of life and economic well-being** in the communities where ONEOK operates and where employees work and live.



## American Eagle Outfitters Foundation

The American Eagle Outfitters Foundation is committed to showing the world that there is real power in the optimism of youth by supporting causes that **educate and empower teens and young adults** (ages 15 to 25 years old). First-time applicants may submit proposals for grants of \$5,000.

## FORECASTED FUNDING STREAMS



### [Research Grants for Preventing Violence](#)

**Estimated Post Date: September 30, 2025**

**Estimated Due Date: December 1, 2025**

This initiative is intended to support effectiveness research to evaluate innovative programs, practices, or policies to address risk for interpersonal violence and suicide among groups experiencing a high burden of these issues. Innovative approaches are those that have not been rigorously evaluated for effectiveness in reducing interpersonal violence or suicide. Analyses examining how the approach affects different populations that are most impacted by these issues are a priority. Funds are available to conduct studies focused on preventing interpersonal violence or suicide involving youth or young adults (ages 10–24 years), including child abuse and neglect, intimate partner violence, sexual violence, suicide, and youth violence.

**(ED Note:** If you apply for this funding and include a Dibble program, we would be happy to contribute training and materials for the evaluation. [Connect with Dibble!](#))



### [New Investigators in Conducting Research Related to Preventing Interpersonal Violence Impacting Children and Youth](#)

**Estimated Post Date: September 30, 2025**

**Estimated Due Date: December 1, 2025**

The goal is to support scientists in becoming independent researchers. Applicants must propose a research project that focuses on at least one of the following NCIPC research priorities related to interpersonal violence and suicide affecting children and youth (birth to age 17). Applicants are encouraged to explore multiple forms of interpersonal violence and/or suicide among children or youth, community factors that increase the risk of interpersonal violence and/or suicide, and the practical relevance of the research for prevention and intervention efforts.

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**Mind and Body Interventions to Restore Whole Person Health via Emotional Well-Being Mechanisms**

**Estimated Post Date: October 14, 2025**

**Estimated Due Date: December 15, 2025**

The National Center for Complementary and Integrative Health (NCCIH) intends to promote a new initiative by publishing a Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) to solicit applications for research on how mind and body interventions (e.g., mindfulness meditation, yoga, acupuncture, massage, and other brain and/or body based interventions) **improve whole person health (WPH) via emotional well-being (EWB)**, consistent with the NIH priority to address the health needs of the American people and improve their well-being.



**Interrupting the Cycle of Violence Against Women Through Targeted Approaches: The We Care Initiative  
Department of Health and Human Services**

**Estimated Post Date: January 27, 2026**

**Estimated Due Date: April 27, 2026**

This initiative will solicit applications to support research employing a range of research designs and methods to expand the evidence base on approaches that address the context of people's lives and living conditions to **prevent, treat, and eliminate violence against women (VAW) to improve health outcomes** for all.