



PROJECT COMMUNITY PRIDE OF THE MADISON AREA YMCA

Project Community Pride of the Madison Area YMCA is a no-fee youth counseling and support program for children, teens and families in Chatham, Florham Park and Madison who are struggling with social, emotional and/or behavioral issues.

Project Community Pride is the only program of its kind in New Jersey, and one of few in the country. Serving the community since 1976, the program is made possible through the collaboration of community leaders and the municipalities, school districts and law enforcement agencies of the Chathams, Florham Park, and Madison. Project Community Pride joined the Madison Area YMCA in 2014.

PHILOSOPHY

When children and families are in crisis, Project Community Pride works closely with the police departments and collaborates with the school districts to address emotional needs of children before problems escalate.

The philosophy of Project Community Pride includes treating the child in the context of the family. The program recognizes the link between children's problems with the law, their school life and personal ones at home.



Project Community Pride provides individual and group therapy to school-age children and their families who reside in Madison, Florham Park and Chatham. Reasons for referral to Project Community Pride include family stress, adolescent adjustment issues, anger, anxiety and depression.



As a mission-driven 501(c)(3) charitable organization, the Madison Area YMCA believes everyone, regardless of age, income or background, should have the opportunity to learn, grow and thrive. For more information about financial assistance or to make a donation, please call 973-822-YMCA (9622) or visit us at madisonareaymca.org.

STAFF

Counseling and support services are provided in the schools and at the program's office by licensed therapists:



Christine McIntyre, LCSW Director

Prior to taking on the role of Director, Christine served as a Program Specialist at Project Community Pride for more than five years. Previously, Christine was in private practice in the community. She also worked in a group practice where she provided individual, family and group therapy. She has extensive experience working with children, teens and their families. Christine earned a Master of Social Work from Hunter College in New York City.



Mike Ecklund, LAC, Clinician

Mike began his career as a licensed counselor working with the State of New Jersey Department of Children and Families' Children's System of Care. He worked with families throughout the state, with children of all ages in schools, and adults with a range of intellectual and developmental disabilities. Mike has a background in psychology, applied behavior analysis, and mental health. Mike earned a Master of Mental Health Counseling from Monmouth University.



Tracy Koller, LCSW, Clinician

Tracy is a licensed clinical social worker with training in cognitive behavioral therapy and specialized training working with children experiencing anxiety. She has prior experience working in schools and in private practice providing individual and group counseling to youths and adults. Additionally, Tracy worked in hospital and community based settings and is active on the safety committee in her children's schools. Tracy holds a Master of Social Work from Fordham University.



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The **Care** and support provided by Project Community Pride brought my **child back to me.**

-A grateful mother

Project Community Pride serves as yet another **resource** for the **schools** and the parents in **providing** additional interventions for students to **progress and succeed** both in school and in the **community.**

-Director of Special Services

The staff at Project Community Pride has always been **available to help** and we **rely** on them as an **invaluable resource** to **work with our students.**

-Director of Guidance



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