



# The GaP Program

*Support Groups*

*Educational Programs*

*Family Social Events*

*Legal Services*

*Health Education & Screenings*

*Advocacy*

*Information & Referral  
to Community Resources*



***Are you a grandparent raising your grandchildren?***

**Join us for monthly GaP Support Meetings.**

**Call for more information about lunch and evening meeting date:**

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## About GaP...

A program for grandparents and other relative caregivers raising children that provides:

- Support Groups
- Educational Programs
- Legal Services
- Health Screenings
- Access to Community Resources
- Information & Referral
- Advocacy
- Family Outings & Socials

## About Grand-families...

- According to the 2010 census, in Leon County there are more than 2,000 grandparent-headed families.
- 13.1% of all grandparents 60 years and older are responsible for raising their grandchildren.
- 39.8% of grand-families live below the poverty level.

## Why Support Grand-families?

- Family stability is enhanced.
- Siblings are more likely to be kept together.
- Family identity is preserved, encouraging a greater sense of self and security for grandchildren.

## Support Group Meetings...

Support meetings are an opportunity for relative caregivers to share their joys and concerns with others in a similar situation and learn about useful resources in the community.

### Luncheon & Support Group

Last Wednesday of every month\*, NOON – 1:30 p.m.

Leon County Public Library, Program Room A, 200 W. Park Ave.

Resources, information and support for grandparents and other relative caregivers rearing children.  
Health screenings by the Leon County Health Department – Legal consultation by Legal Services of North Florida – Complimentary lunch.

### **RESERVATIONS REQUIRED!**

Contact Karen Boebinger at 850-891-4027 or karen.boebinger@talgov.com

\*We do not meet in July or December.

*Grandparents  
As Parents*



*Opening Doors For You!*

