



Brantley County Family Connection, Inc.
FY26 Annual Plan
July 01, 2025 - June 30, 2026

Year 2 of FY25-27 Planning and Implementation Cycle

Governance Type: Private nonprofit body (even if not serving as your own fiscal agent)

Governance Subtype: Not applicable

Collaborative Functional Type: Partner Engagement

Plan Focus: Our Collaborative work continues to strengthen as we continue to narrow our focus on issues that arise in our community. Our annual data review drove the collaborative to hone in deeper on school absences, graduation rates, and teen dropouts. We plan to form the Education Alliance Committee to focus on why we have a rise in drop outs and less enrollment in the Adult Education Program along with the Committee on Drug Abuse Education to focus on why there is an increase of school disciplinary reports relating to illegal substances. We are going to focus on school and community events including End of School Bash, Hoboken Safety Day, and Trunk or Treat to reach more children, youth, and families. We plan to provide awareness and prevention materials at all our events we host including attendance, mental health, safe storage of medication, sexual violence, domestic violence, and suicide including in the Heron Book Nests. Communication continues to be key in engaging partners and the community. We plan to start a weekly social media campaign “Let’s Talk Tuesday” to bring awareness and prevention to the forefront of our Facebook page. It is our intention to continue to monitor and track successes and barriers to better our community.

Strategy Name: Education and Prevention Strategy

Phase of Strategy Implementation: Full Implementation

Desired Outcome: Improved youth success

Strategy Statement: Brantley County Family Connection utilizes engaged partners to provide an array of educational and prevention initiatives for youth to improve youth success.

Child and Family Indicators:

Indicator	Result Area	Data Source	Notes
Children absent more than 15 days from school [CS1]	Children Succeeding in School	KIDS COUNT Website	Brantley County Board of Education
Students who graduate from high school on time [CS5]	Children Succeeding in School	KIDS COUNT Website	Brantley County Board of Education
Teens who are high school dropouts, ages 16-19 [CS6]	Children Succeeding in School	KIDS COUNT Website	Brantley County Board of Education

Activities:

Type	Name	Description	Population of Focus	Code
Systems Change	Education Alliance Committee	Convening system partners to support academic outcomes by reviewing system policies and practices, making necessary revisions, and/or establishing new ones to improve educational outcomes for youth, high school dropouts, and families.	504, Title IX, and ELL Coordinator, School Social Workers, High School Administration, Adult Education Coordinator, and School Resource Police Chief	[SA14]
Systems Change	Committee on Drug Abuse Education	Diverse partners to provide unbiased drug education, intervention, and prevention by identifying students at risk and providing them with guidance and resources to make healthier, informed decisions, and improve academic success.	School Police Chief, Middle School Administration, School Safety Coordinator, Sheriff's Office, and School Social Workers	[SA14]
Systems Change	Memory Café	Collaborative partners will work to develop and coordinate a Memory Cafe' to create a welcoming and supportive social space for individuals living with dementia and their caregivers to interact,	Deja Brew Cafe, LIFE Inc., and Area Agency on Aging	[SA14]

		combat social isolation, build friendships, and participate in activities that stimulate their cognitive abilities while feeling safe and understood in a stigma-free environment that will support families with children in school to assist with academic success.		
Collaborative Development	Strategy Team	Collaborative partners bring diverse perspectives to foster greater collaboration on initiatives and achieve alignment on strategies and plans to ensure we provide an array of educational and prevention initiatives for children, youth, and families to improve thriving families and academic success.	Board, Community, and Collaborative members	[CA11]
Collaborative Development	Partner Engagement	Increase partner engagement by welcoming agencies and organizations into the Collaborative to share about their organization to strengthen resources for Brantley County for greater consumer access.	Local, State, and Regional Agencies and Organizations	[CA14]
Collaborative Development	Foundations of Facilitation Training	Comprehensive coordinator professional development training to provide facilitation skills, learnings, and capacity building to support results-based strategic planning and implementation to support results-based strategic planning and implementation to improve children and families.	Region 12 Family Connection Coordinators	[CA7]
Collaborative Development	Professional Development	Trainings for the coordinator to develop new skills and stay up to date on resources and trends to better implement programs and activities to assist youth, children, and families to be successful, sustainable, and thrive.	Brantley County Family Connection Coordinator	[CA7]
Collaborative Development	Emotional and Social Intelligence Books Study	Comprehensive coordinator training to understand, assess, and control their emotions and emotions of others around them and understand and manage interpersonal relationships.	Region 12 Family Connection Coordinators	[CA7]
Family Engagement	Youth and Family Engagement	Increase youth and family engagement through participating in Reality Check, Curriculum Nights, and partnering with school clubs and	1,000 High School Students and Families	[FE8]

		teams including Family, Career and Community Leaders of America and Herons Cheerleaders so that youth and family voices support future work.		
Communications	Communications Plan	Utilizing local newspapers, partner newsletters, weekly partner emails, the Brantley County website, and Facebook page to better inform the community on programs, services, activities, and local data to increase knowledge.	Local, Regional, and State Partners and the Children, Youth, and Families	[CS2]

Programs & Services:

Type	Name	Description	Population of Focus	Number to be Served	Lead Implementing Partner	Collaborative Responsibility	Code	Resource Status	Resources End
Child Development	Ferst Readers Community Action Team	Community Action Team lead for book enrollment and distribution to children birth to five in Brantley County to encourage reading and improve literacy.	Birth to 5 Years of Age	170	Brantley County Family Connection in partnership with Ferst Readers	Serve as point of contact for the community, assist in receiving local donations, and serve on the local Community Action Team	[CD7]	Fully Resourced	3 Years+
Youth Development	Teen Maze	Interactive experience to help youth realize the potential consequences of their choices concerning sexual activity, social media, drinking and substance use to reduce risky behaviors and encourage high school graduation.	Middle School Students	240	Brantley County Family Connection	Schedule, recruit volunteers and agencies, and implement the event	[YD11]	Fully Resourced	3 Years+
Youth Development	School Supply Stations	Supplies managed by local schools to provide all students with access to	Pre-K to 12th Grade Students	1,000	Brantley County Family Connection	Seek donations from the community and	[YD12]	Fully Resourced	3 Years+

		school supplies to ensure daily school success.				partners to keep supply stations full			
Youth Development	Youth and Family Support	Multi-Agency meetings to address the needs of youth through Local Interagency Planning Team (LIPT), Promise to Children (PTC), Stand Together Brantley, RCORP MAT Program Committee, and School Attendance Protocol and School Climate Committee so that youth have better academic outcomes.	Birth to 18 Years of Age	1,000	Brantley County Family Connection in partnership with Brantley County Board of Education and Unison Behavioral Health	Host and attend meetings, provide and share resources, and implement services and activities as needed for better outcomes for youth	[YD2]	Fully Resourced	3 Years+
Youth Development	Youth Leadership Brantley	Classes facilitated by Collaborative Partners to introduce leadership education to foster skills and competencies to graduate high school and become leaders.	High School Youth	10	Brantley County Family Connection	Schedule facilitators, organize classes, recruit students, and host event	[YD4]	Fully Resourced	3 Years+
Youth Development	Junior Police Academy	Week-long summer camp to foster the bond with all forms of law enforcement and provide resources on substance abuse, mental health, suicide, and attendance to increase knowledge of and decreased risky behaviors among youth to improve youth outcomes.	Rising 6th through 8th Grade Students	50	Brantley County Family Connection and Brantley County Sheriff's Office	Schedule facilitators and location, recruit cadets, schedule and host meetings, set up the event, and ensure the program runs smoothly	[YD9]	Fully Resourced	3 Years+
Youth Development	Handle with Care	A system designed to effectively report traumatic events of	Pre-K to 12th Grade Students	100	Brantley County Family Connection and	Have conversations and host	[YD12]	Fully Resourced	3 Years+

		school-aged children to send the reports to the Board of Education to receive proper treatment and resources by school staff and improve academic success.			Brantley County Board of Education	meetings to educate law enforcement and first responders of the program and how to make reports			
Family/Adult Development	Father ~ Daughter Event	An annual event to foster a deeper bond between fathers and daughters by allowing them a safe place to enjoy time together strengthening their relationship and provide prevention and awareness materials to the fathers to support more informed conversations with their daughters' strengthening relationships for better female outcomes.	Fathers and Daughters	350	Brantley County Family Connection	Schedule location, date, and time of event, recruit volunteers, and host event	[FD4]	Fully Resourced	3 Years+
Mental Health Development	TRUST Partnership	A Tri-County Coalition to support the recovery of people living with opioid and substance use disorders, to unite our communities by sharing personal experiences, resources, and promoting prevention to increase recovery and improve overall individual and family success.	Brantley, Pierce, and Ware Counties	500	Brantley, Pierce, and Ware County Family Connections, Southeast Health District, and TRUST Partnership	Host and attend meetings, disseminate prevention and awareness materials, host and attend events, and serve on the leadership team	[MH1]	Fully Resourced	3 Years+
Mental Health Development	Memory Café	A welcoming and supportive social space	Residents of Brantley	50	Brantley County Family	Create a schedule of	[MH6]	Fully Resourced	3 Years+

		for individuals living with dementia and their caregivers to interact, combat social isolation, build friendships, and participate in activities that stimulate their cognitive abilities while feeling safe and understood in a stigma-free environment that will support families with children in school to assist academic success.	County with memory loss or dementia and their caregivers		Connection, LIFE, Inc., and Deja Brew Café	events and assist as needed in implementing events			
Community-Wide	Heron Book Nests	Book Nests located at the Hoboken Community Center, Head Start, Health Department, and 4-H Office stocked with books and awareness and prevention materials to improve literacy, prevent risky behaviors, and provide awareness spreading knowledge to increase family success and youth academic success.	Children, Youth, and Families	2,000	Brantley County Family Connection	Seek donations and keep the book nests stocked	[CM8]	Fully Resourced	3 Years+
Community-Wide	Okefenokee Alliance for the Homeless	Fills gaps that exists for the homeless and precariously housed in Brantley, Pierce, and Ware through a continuum of care that leads to self-sufficiency and decrease in homelessness and risky	Brantley, Pierce and Ware Counties	500	Brantley County Family Connection, Southeast Health District, Unison Behavioral Health, and Okefenokee	Serve on the Board of Directors and assist in implementing events	[CM1]	Fully Resourced	3 Years+

		behaviors and improve individual and family success.			Alliance for the Homeless.				
Information Distribution, Community Awareness, and Training	Awareness and Prevention	Distribute awareness and prevention materials on bullying, sexual violence, child abuse and neglect, substance abuse, mental health, domestic violence, teen dating violence, attendance, need for foster homes, and suicide through printed materials, community events, state website, email and social media. Introducing "Let's Talk Tuesday" on Facebook to foster positive change and provide knowledge and understanding to make informed decisions that will positively affect children and families.	Children, Youth, and Families	2,000	Brantley County Family Connection	Disseminate awareness and prevention materials via social media, state website, and partner emails	[ID3]	Fully Resourced	3 Years+
Information Distribution, Community Awareness, and Training	Community Trainings	Trainings on financial literacy, human trafficking, and QPR to bring knowledge and awareness to strengthen families to empower the community to address local issues, build skills, foster collaboration to lead to informed and engaged citizenry.	Parents and Caregivers	50	Brantley County Family Connection	Create, schedule, and host trainings	[ID12]	Fully Resourced	3 Years+

Information Distribution, Community Awareness, and Training	Collaborative Resource Hub	Gather local, state, and regional services for ongoing live resource directory, student peer support guide, and resource page on the Family Connection State website along with serving as a local resource hub by providing resources gathered to the community to decrease risky behaviors and stigma and increasing knowledge and improve overall youth and family success.	Local, State, and Regional Providers and the Community at Large	200	Brantley County Family Connection	Provide local, state, and regional resources and referrals for service	[ID3]	Fully Resourced	3 Years+
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To Document and Monitor Progress:

Brantley County Family Connection will collect & track local and state qualitative and quantitative data for all programs & activities to ensure our strategy, outcome, Mission, and Vision are aligned to reach the children, youth, and families in an informative and educational way and to ensure our indicators listed below are being moved in a positive direction.

- Children absent more than 15 days from school
- Students who graduate from high school on time
- Teens who are high school dropouts, ages 16-19

Activity Name	What is being measured?	What is the data source?	Who will be responsible?	How often will the data be collected?	How will you communicate these results?
Education Alliance Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of Meetings • Partners in Attendance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sign in sheets • Meeting minutes • Partner Engagement Spreadsheet 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Director and/or 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monthly 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Board Meetings • Meeting Minutes • Quarterly Reports • Annual Report

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Barriers • Successes • GED Graduates 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kids Count • Oasis Database • Board of Education 	Committee Chair		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Self-Assessment
Committee on Drug Abuse Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of Meetings • Partners in Attendance • Barriers • Successes • School Disciplinary Referrals 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sign in sheets • Meeting minutes • Partner Engagement Spreadsheet • Board of Education 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Director and/or Committee Chair 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monthly 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Board Meetings • Meeting Minutes • Quarterly Reports • Annual Report • Self-Assessment
Handle with Care	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Partners Engaged • Barriers • Successes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monthly Updates from Coordinator • Partner Engagement Spreadsheet • Board of Education 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School Safety Coordinator • Board of Education 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monthly 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborative/Board Meetings • Quarterly Reports • Annual Report • Self-Assessment • Directors Report
Strategy Team	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of Meetings • Partners in Attendance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sign in sheets • Meeting minutes • Partner Engagement Spreadsheet 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Director 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quarterly 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Board Meetings • Meeting Minutes • Quarterly Reports • Annual Report • Self-Assessment
Partner Engagement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Partners • MOUs and MOAs Signed • Letters of Supports Sent 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Partner Engagement Spreadsheet • MOUs/MOAs/Contracts • Letters of Support 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Director 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monthly 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborative/Board Meetings • Directors Report • Quarterly Reports • Annual Report

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contracts Executed 				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Self-Assessment
Youth & Family Engagement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Youth Engaged • Families Engaged • Barriers • Reports of Child Abuse/Neglect 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sign in Sheets • Partner Engagement Spreadsheet • Brantley County DFCS 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Director • DFCS Director 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monthly 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborative/Board Meetings • Quarterly Reports • Annual Report • Self-Assessment
Communications Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Facebook Posts • Facebook Shares and Reactions • Newspaper Articles Relating to Collaborative Work • In-Kind Value • Posts, Resources Added, & Communication from State Website 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Media Insights • Local Newspapers • State Website Insights 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Director 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monthly 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborative/Board Meetings • Quarterly Reports • Annual Report • Self-Assessment
Ferst Readers Community Action Team	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Books Mailed • New Registrations • Donations Received 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ferst Readers Monthly Report 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ferst Readers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monthly 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborative/Board Meetings • Quarterly Reports • Annual Report
Teen Maze	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Partners Engaged • Youth Attended • In-Kind • Donations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Donation Spreadsheet • Partner Engagement Spreadsheet • OASIS Database 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Director • Board of Education 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annually 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborative/Board Meetings • Quarterly Reports • Annual Report

Activity Name	What is being measured?	What is the data source?	Who will be responsible?	How often will the data be collected?	How will you communicate these results?
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teen Pregnancies/Repeat Pregnancies • Current Pregnancies in Schools 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Board of Education 			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Self-Assessment
School Supply Stations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Items Donated to each School • In-Kind Value • Students Utilizing the Stations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Donation Spreadsheet • Board of Education 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Director • School Administration 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annually 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborative/Board Meetings • Quarterly Reports • Annual Report
Youth & Family Support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of Meetings • Partners in Attendance • Youth & Families Assisted • Barriers • Resources Shared • Successes • Underage Alcohol/Drug Arrests 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sign in Sheets • Partner Engagement Spreadsheet • Sheriff's Office 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Director • Sheriff's Office 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monthly 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborative/Board Meetings • Quarterly Reports • Annual Report
Youth Leadership Brantley	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Youth Enrolled • Facilitators • Volunteer Hours • Barriers • Successes • Families Engaged 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sign in Sheets • Partner Engagement Spreadsheet 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Director 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annually 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborative/Board Meetings • Quarterly Reports • Annual Report • Self-Assessment

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In-Kind Values 				
Jr. Police Academy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cadets • Volunteers • Facilitators • In-Kind Values • Volunteer Hours • Donations • Barriers • Successes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Daily Attendance Sheet • Schedule of Events • Partner Engagement Spreadsheet • Donation Spreadsheet 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Director 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annually 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborative/Board Meetings • Quarterly Reports • Annual Report • Self-Assessment
Father ~ Daughter Event	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Volunteers • Fathers and Daughters in Attendance • Donations • In-Kind Values 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Partner Engagement Spreadsheet 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Director 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annually 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborative/Board Meetings • Quarterly Reports • Annual Report • Self-Assessment
Okefenokee Alliance for the Homeless	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of Meetings • Partners in Attendance • Goals for the Committee • Actions Taken • Outcomes of Actions Taken • Barriers • Successes • Clients Served 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Navigators Report • Partner Engagement Spreadsheet 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Director • Navigator 	Monthly	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborative/Board Meetings • Quarterly Reports • Annual Report • Self-Assessment

Activity Name	What is being measured?	What is the data source?	Who will be responsible?	How often will the data be collected?	How will you communicate these results?
TRUST Partnership	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of Meetings • Partners in Attendance • Goals for the Committee • Actions Taken • Outcomes of Actions Taken • Barriers • Successes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sign in Sheets • Partner Engagement Spreadsheet 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TRUST Partnership • Family Connections • SE Health District 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bi-Monthly 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborative/Board Meetings • Quarterly Reports • Annual Report • Self-Assessment
Resource Hub	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Resources • Resources Given • Awareness and Prevention Materials Distributed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Self-Assessment Spreadsheet 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Director 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monthly 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborative/Board Meetings • Quarterly Reports • Annual Report
Heron Book Nests	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of Books Donated • Number of Books Placed in each Nest 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Heron Book Nest Spreadsheet 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Director 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monthly 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborative/Board Meetings • Quarterly Reports • Annual Report • Self-Assessment
Awareness & Prevention	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awareness and Prevention Materials Distributed • Events Attended • Attendance at each Event 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Self-Assessment Spreadsheet • E-911 • Brantley County DFCS 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Director • E-911 Director • DFCS Director 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monthly 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborative/Board Meetings • Quarterly Reports • Annual Report

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 911 Calls Relating to Suicide • 911 Calls Relating to Overdose • Children in Foster Care • Foster Homes in Brantley 				
Community Trainings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trainings • Attendance • Barriers • Successes • In-Kind Values 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sign in Sheets • Partner Engagement Spreadsheet 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Director 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monthly 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborative/Board Meetings • Quarterly Reports • Annual Report • Self-Assessment
Professional Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trainings Attended • Presentations Given • Attendance • In-Kind Values 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sign in Sheets • Partner Engagement Spreadsheet 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Director 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monthly 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborative/Board Meetings • Quarterly Reports • Annual Report • Self-Assessment
Memory Café	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of Meetings • Partners in Attendance • Goals for the Committee • Actions Taken • Outcomes of Actions Taken • Barriers • Successes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sign in sheets • Meeting minutes • Partner Engagement Spreadsheet 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Director • LIFE, Inc. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monthly 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborative/Board Meetings • Quarterly Reports • Annual Report

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