



**A Father's Place**

# EMBRACE FATHERHOOD



**25 YEARS  
OF  
IMPACT**

## OUR MISSION

Inspiring responsible  
fatherhood so children  
can thrive.

PART OF THE SC CENTER FOR  
FATHERS & FAMILIES

# WHO WE ARE

**A** Father's Place, part of the South Carolina Center for Fathers and Families network, provides free, community -based service and support across 11 counties. Our mission is to engage and empower fathers through our programs, helping them become positive role models for their children by finding stable work, facilitating healthy relationships, and practicing good parenting. We strive to help fathers better themselves, their relationships, and more. An engaged father builds a strong family, which, in turn, creates a better community for everyone.

## OVERCOMING OBSTACLES

From complex legal systems and financial demands to emotional family dynamics, fathers can face many challenges. On top of that, many young and low-income fathers lack the life experience, education, confidence and resources to be successful parents, maintain their health or get good jobs. A Father's Place provides resources, programs and coaching to help fathers navigate family, legal and personal issues.

## LEONARD'S STORY

After being released from the Georgetown County Detention Center, Leonard found himself without a job and in need of a new driver's license. He completed our re-entry program, found a job, and got his driver's license reinstated with the help of our Georgetown office.





# *CHANGING LIVES* FOR FATHERS AND FAMILIES

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# A LEGACY OF FATHERHOOD



**A**s we celebrate our 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary at A Father's Place, I am filled with pride as I reflect on

the remarkable journey we've had. Over the past quarter-century, we have empowered thousands of fathers to reconnect with their children and take an active role in their families' lives. Our work continues to impact families, communities, and the broader society, one father at a time.

Our mission to inspire responsible fatherhood has remained at the heart of everything we do. From our beginnings as a grassroots initiative to the comprehensive, community-based services we provide today, A Father's Place has always focused on meeting fathers where they are—helping them build the skills and confidence to become the best fathers they can be.

The programs we offer—ranging from parenting skills and employment coaching to legal guidance and peer support—are designed with one purpose: to ensure that fathers can succeed in their role as parents and contributing members of their families. We are proud to provide these services free of charge, offering an open door to

any father willing to commit to the journey of self-improvement and family engagement.

This 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary marks not only a time of reflection, but one of forward momentum. The future is bright as we continue our work to break cycles of generational poverty, improve educational outcomes, and create positive family dynamics. We remain committed to expanding our reach and enhancing our services to meet the evolving needs of the fathers we serve.

None of this would be possible without the unwavering support of our partners, volunteers, staff, and donors. Together, we are making a real difference in the lives of fathers and families. I am excited for the next chapter of our journey.

Thank you for being part of A Father's Place. Together, we will continue to build a brighter future for children, families, and communities across South Carolina.

With gratitude,

**Wallace Evans Jr.**  
**CEO, Father's Place**






# A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



MARK HALL

 I want to take this opportunity to thank you for supporting us and our community over the past 25 years. Whether you were a volunteer, partner, contributor, or lent us your voice, you have touched the hearts of fathers, families, and all of us here at A Father's Place.

Here's to another 25 amazing years!

As we celebrate 25 years of embracing fatherhood, I reflect on the many fathers who have walked through our doors. Our mission to inspire responsible fatherhood has empowered thousands of men to thrive and strive for brighter futures. Reconnecting with their children and families, improving parenting skills, and pursuing better employment opportunities are at the heart of what we do.

Now is a time to look back and use our successes and challenges as a roadmap to further our mission. We remain committed to offering our programs to fathers across the South Carolina coastal region, and we look forward to expanding our reach to support even more fathers in building their skills and confidence.



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Warm regards,

**Mark Hall**  
**President, A Father's Place**  
**President, Spelman Johnson**

“ We are poised to continue making an impact for many years to come.

WALLACE EVANS JR.



# OUR WORK



A Father's Place serves 11 counties along the South Carolina coast with five offices. Our fatherhood programs are supported by local, state, and government grants as well as private foundations, companies, and individuals. With this support, we offer services free of charge to fathers in the following counties:

- Allendale
- Beaufort
- Berkeley
- Charleston
- Colleton
- Dorchester
- Georgetown
- Hampton
- Horry
- Jasper
- Williamsburg

Our five hub offices offer on-site programs and services, both one-on-one and in group sessions that teach men...

- Healthy parenting
- Financial responsibility
- Physical & mental healthcare
- Strong relationships
- And more!

Services available to dads include legal guidance in the areas of child support, custody, paternity, and visitation. Our intervention specialists assist fathers to assess their situations, know their rights, and successfully navigate the social service and family court systems. We attend court to meet fathers and assist them in their efforts to reconnect with their children and become engaged fathers so that their families can thrive.

In addition to fatherhood programs and services, we conduct programs for teen boys in high school with our **Reality Check** program. This program guides young men to make good choices before they're adults, particularly waiting until they are adults to start families.

We also offer a list of resources on our website so fathers in the community have ease of access to information, resources, and a network of staff and peers to help guide them on their way.





# A FATHER'S PLACE TIMELINE

## 1999 - 2000

- Citizens of Horry convened to address the issue of father absence..
- Sisters of Charity Foundation SC approved funding for AFP.

## 2001-2005

- Receives The Outstanding Service to Community Award.
- Established as a standalone 501c3.

## 2006-2010

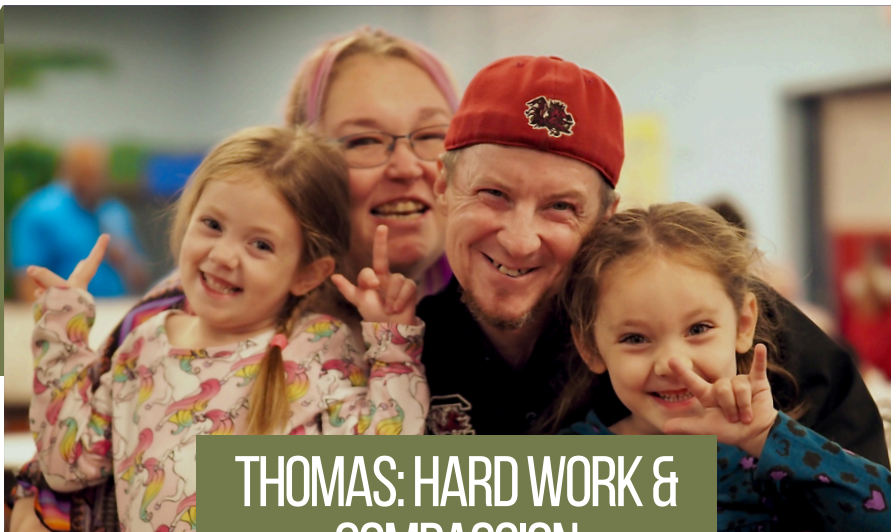
- Conducts first weeklong Job Boot Camp session, which is then adopted by the entire state of SC.
- Opened second office in Myrtle Beach.
- Receives the SC Secretary of State Angel Award, the Conway Branch NAACP Mable Doctor Economic Achievement Award, the DHEC Pat on the Back Award, and the Community Service Award.
- Expanded to serve Georgetown County

## 2011-2020

- Named SC Center for Fathers and Families Program of the Year for five years
- Receives The Head Start Volunteer Award, the SCCFF Data Driven Award & Innovative Award
- Georgetown & Myrtle Beach Chamber Non-profit of the Year
- Creates "Parents on Point" program
- Expands to serve Marion County
- Creates Building Future Awards
- South Atlantic Bank's July Nonprofit of the Month

## 2021-PRESENT

- Creates Reality Check program
- Named SC Center for Fathers and Families Program of the Year
- Expands to serve Allendale, Beaufort, Berkeley, Charleston, Colleton, Dorchester, Hampton, Jasper, and Williamsburg counties.
- Receives Bank of America Neighborhood Champion Award



## THOMAS: HARD WORK & COMPASSION

Thomas first came to us with a laundry list of barriers holding him back from being a better father. He had serious health issues that kept him from driving and obtaining his driver's license on top of an open custody case to obtain full custody of his two daughters. While he knew the custody case was the primary goal, Thomas knew he needed help learning to care and raise a two-month old and one-year old by himself. Struggling with self-confidence, he couldn't imagine himself being the father he needed to be for his daughters.

After joining A Father's Place fatherhood program, his outlook began to change. Thomas was engaged

and attentive, completing many components of the program including Healthy Relationships and Economic Stability units. However, the Parenting and Co-parenting component gave him what he needed most.

Thomas gained temporary custody of his children and continued to work with AFP. Thomas even obtained the "Realize a Dream" award with a \$500 prize, which he used to enroll in driver's education course.

Now, Thomas has the confidence, resources, and connections he needs to be an even better father to his children. We are so happy to be a part of his journey and watch him continue to thrive.

# OUR IMPACT

25 YEARS!

7,425 = Total Dads Served

2,265 = Total Program Enrollees

4,545 = Total Service Enrollees

615 = Reality Check Youth

6,795 = Children Impacted

\$499,329 = Amount of Child Support Paid

\$453,600 = Saved from Reduced Incarcerations

52% = Dads Completed Parenting Component

**Thank you for helping us serve fathers effectively!**

We couldn't be more grateful for the collaborative effort across the South Carolina coast! We can't wait to see what comes next and continue pursuing our mission to support more dads more effectively. Seeing more fathers flourishing in our area, we recognize that there are still thousands more in need of the support we can provide in order to help their children thrive. There are many challenges facing children and families today that can be addressed with a positively engaged father doing what it takes to be a great dad every day. Together, we can significantly impact the lives of fathers and their families in our community.

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25 YEARS OF IMPACT



# FEEL THE JOY!



## PROGRAMS

- Jobs Not Jail
- Economic Mobility
- Healthy Relationships
- Parenting / Co-Parenting
- Employment Boot Camp
- Housing to Homeownership
- Reality Check
- Healthy Fathers, Healthy Families

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A Father's Place is a non-profit founded in 2000. We are part of the SC Center for Fathers & Families. AFP serves the South Carolina coastal region, highlighted in dark green on the map above. We offer educational, medical, legal, and professional resources for fathers and young men to become great dads.



**A Father's Place**

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