WHO ARE CORE ASSETS

Core Assets are an independent company with over twenty-two years experience in providing support for children and families. Further information is available at www.corechildrensservices.co.uk.

WHAT IS TURNING THE TIDE

Core Assets Children’s Services have been commissioned to provide a family preservation service as part of the Turning the Tide Social Impact Bond. The family preservation model, Core Assets Safer Stronger Families (SSF), is a proven combination of evidenced-based interventions, Triple P® and Solution Focussed Brief Therapy and is theoretically underpinned by Team Parenting®. It is a service that can flexibly respond to a range of family circumstances and needs.

Turning the Tide does not replace any existing service but will work alongside and enhance the existing offer available to vulnerable families across North Somerset. The shared vision is to reunify and divert children and young people from the edge of care.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

The North Somerset Turning the Tide Service is a family preservation service supporting children and young people aged 10 - 17 who are currently either CLA under section 20 or at risk of becoming CLA under section 20.

Eligible children and young people will be identified by the Local Authority and partners.

A screening and triage process is in place for all referrals in order to confirm the suitability of the service.
HOW WE WORK WITH FAMILIES

The North Somerset Turning the Tide Service uses a strength based intensive multi modal intervention, over a 12 or 18 week period which involves delivering practical support to the heart of the family in their own home.

The support will equip children, young people and their families with the skills and coping mechanisms to reduce unwanted behaviour, increase positive family functioning, and build their resilience.

SAFER STRONGER FAMILIES

- Our 12 or 18 week programme focuses on outcomes identified in the Family Action Plan and has the overall aim of creating resilience and self-confidence.
- Delivery is focused on helping families achieve key outcomes of improving school attendance, supporting children on the edge of care and reducing worklessness and offending behaviour
- Following 12 or 18 weeks of intensive support, the service continues to monitor the success of the intervention with a focus on helping the family to sustain the changes through signposting to universal services, convening a Team around the Family closure meeting and finally a family celebration to mark their success.

THE SERVICE WILL:

- Follow an assertive outreach approach.
- Use a systemic, strength-based approach.
- Allocate a dedicated Key Worker.
- Provide a flexible intervention including 'out of hours' support.

Core Assets is committed to making this service the best it can be whilst working closely with families, the Local Authority and all partner agencies.