

PURPOSE

The *Madison County Kids' Corner*, a facility managed by the Children First Foundation, serves families experiencing exceptional difficulty in the transfer of their children for the purpose of overnight parenting time or that require supervised parenting time. These difficulties often result in exposing the children to adult conflicts (including verbal abuse, violence, and threats of violence).

Requirements:

Parents must be referred by court order (Madison County, II Court) and must separately attend an Orientation Intake Interview to receive services. Parents must agree to follow the outlined program rules. The interview will be required again if the couple is inactive in the program for six months or longer.



**Madison County Kids' Corner
Madison County Facility
101 E. Edwardsville Road
Wood River, IL 62095
618-251-6214**

**Administrative Office
Children First Foundation
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Madison County Board

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Family Violence Coordinating
Council**

**Circuit Court Judges
Third Judicial Circuit
Madison County, Illinois**

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Madison County Kids' Corner



Serving:
Madison County, IL

Scheduling:
618-251-6214
9am-noon, Mon-Fri

PROGRAM STRUCTURE

The Supervised Parenting Time & Overnight Parenting Time Exchange programs provide designated parking, separate entrances and separate rooms for parenting time at Madison County Kids' Corner in Wood River, IL. A one-hour Intake Orientation Interview is required of each parent before services can begin. Each parent is assigned a specific arrival and departure time. Availability of slots and parent convenience are both considered in scheduling.

If problems develop regarding your scheduled time, staff can be reached during the program's regular operating hours.

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Program Hours

Mon - Fri 5 PM - 9 PM

Saturday 9 AM - 6 PM

Sunday 10 AM - 8 PM

What is "Parenting Exchange?"

Parenting Exchange is conducted by Kids' Corner staff to ensure that no contact occurs between parents during the child exchange. Program rules and regulations for Parenting Exchange are explained during orientations. The exchanges are documented, and content is available only by subpoena or by a judge's request.

The parent receiving the child for Parenting Time will be required to arrive fifteen minutes early and leave with the child fifteen minutes after the delivering parent departs. This is referred to as the "15 Minute Rule".

Issues of child safety, development, and positive family relationships will only occur with a unified approach in the community.

Kids' Corner was created based on a fundamental understanding and respect for the needs and rights of children and parents.

What is "Supervised Parenting Time?"

Supervised Parenting Time is regulated by Kids' Corner staff. The major difference between Overnight Parenting Exchange and Supervised Parenting Time is that **the receiving parent is *not* allowed to leave Kids' Corner with the child.** The visit takes place at the Kids' Corner facility. A Supervised Parenting Room is provided where receiving parents and their children can spend family time together. The room is decorated to resemble a play room in a home. The interactions between the parent and child are observed by a Case Supervisor through a one-way mirror while recording notes into a database. Supervised Parenting Time documentation is available by subpoena or at a judge's request.

