

1 (4) Mobilize public and private community resources to help children and
2 families in need.

3 (b) It is the intent of the General Assembly to encourage and support broad-based
4 collaboration among public and private agencies and among people who reflect the
5 racial and socioeconomic diversity in communities to develop initiatives that (i) ~~prepare~~
6 ~~children to learn effectively and to have a successful school experience,~~improve
7 outcomes for children by preventing child abuse and neglect, (ii) enhance and
8 strengthen the ability of families to ensure the safety, health, and well-being of their
9 children, (iii) enhance the ability of families to become advocates for and supporters of
10 ~~education for~~ the children in their families, and ~~(iii)~~(iv) enhance the ability of families to
11 function as nurturing and effective family units.

12 (c) It is further the intent of the General Assembly that this program shall be
13 targeted to those neighborhoods that have disproportionately high levels of (i) children
14 who would be less likely to attain educational or social success, (ii) families with low
15 incomes, and (iii) crime and juvenile delinquency."

16 **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.