

ADULT AND FAMILY PARTNERSHIP

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Council for Unity’s **Adult and Family Partnership** (AFP) concept is emerging as a critical component of its Comprehensive Community Model. These ‘partnerships’ enable adults in neighborhoods and communities to unify around common causes and advocate for changes that reflect the consensus of participants. As in schools, the membership organizes into self governing units to reflect the demographics of the districts and locales in which they inhabit. To this end, the AFP conducts needs assessment surveys to determine those issues that are of greatest concern to the constituencies they represent and then organize to obtain resources to meet those needs. By integrating in this manner, AFP’s are extremely effective instruments in unifying communities – so advocacy for meaningful social change is best served. Utilizing the political process to accomplish this is part of the AFP’s mission and elected officials are better able to represent their electorates through this dynamic, community-based model.