



Our Programs

Britepaths serves approximately 7,000 families per year. Our programs are designed to help individuals and families in the Fairfax County area who are struggling to make ends meet. Note that some of our services require referrals or have prerequisites.

Stabilizing Families – Temporary Emergency Services

Food Bridge/Emergency Food: Britepaths partners with faith communities, businesses and community organizations to deliver grocery gift cards and/or food to 30 families every other week. **Emergency Food:** Referred clients in a crisis situation can pick up an emergency food packing at our office. Britepaths also provides **Our Daily Veggies** farmers market vouchers.

Financial Assistance: Britepaths provides help with rent, utility bills, prescriptions and automotive repairs to referred clients. These one-time financial grants are intended to remedy a financial setback brought on by a temporary crisis.

Building Resilience – Promoting Long-Term Self-Sufficiency

Financial Literacy at Britepaths and FECSoco: Britepaths offers one-on-one financial coaching and classes throughout Fairfax and at the **Financial Empowerment Center at South County (FECSoco.org)** in Alexandria, VA. Additional services at FECSoco include tax preparation, credit repair, budgeting, small business coaching, etc.

Workforce Development at Britepaths and FECSoco: Britepaths offers **Workforce Development Coaching and Mentoring** in Fairfax and at FECSoco to work on career development goals that will help them establish financial self-sufficiency. Additionally, we offer **Network Up**, a short-term mentoring program that matches job-ready individuals with a volunteer mentor who helps them identify career goals and job possibilities while building networking connections. **Avenues to Career Training: Healthcare** is an 8-week course to prepare adults for certification programs through refresher in remedial education, soft skills, computer skills and financial literacy.

Supports for Children – Help for Children and Families During Stressful Times

Collect for Kids Back to School: Britepaths partners with Fairfax County's Collect for Kids initiative to leverage donations from the community to provide school supplies to more than 2,500 Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS) students in need. Supplies are given directly to our partner schools to distribute.

Weekend Food for Kids: Britepaths' **Food4Thought** program offers support and leverages community donations to help FCPS partner schools provide weekend food packs to children in need at their schools.

Holiday Gifts and Meals: It's hard to imagine neighboring kids going without a gift or nice meal at the holidays. Britepaths matches community members with 800 families in need to provide holiday meals and gifts for children. Clients are referred by FCPS Partner Schools or Coordinated Services Planning.

Youth Financial Literacy Outreach: Britepaths and FECSoco offer Financial Literacy workshops to school and community organizations to help local youth build personal finance skills for future success.

Many Kinds of Volunteer Needs!

Britepaths has a variety of volunteer one-time, short-term and long-term opportunities for adults and youth. More information at: <https://britepaths.org/get-involved/volunteer>.