

# Strengthening Families Using the 5 Protective Factors

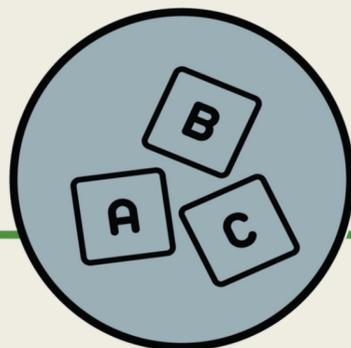
Protective factors are family characteristics that help keep children safe and make families strong, no matter what challenges they may face.

**PARENT RESILIENCE**



Be strong and flexible.

**KNOWLEDGE OF PARENTING AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT**



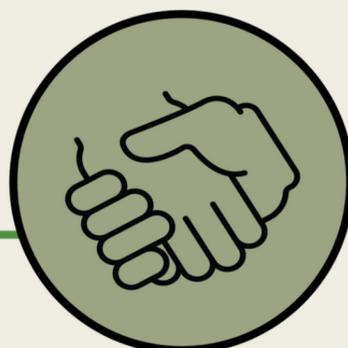
Being a parent is part natural and part learned.

**SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL COMPETENCE OF CHILDREN**



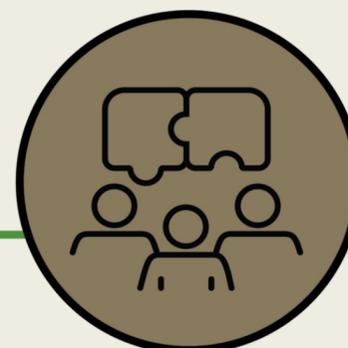
Parents need to help their children communicate.

**CONCRETE SUPPORTS IN TIMES OF NEED**



Everyone needs help sometimes.

**SOCIAL CONNECTIONS**



Parents need friends.



**Vision Statement**

*"All of Guam's young children will have healthy minds, bodies, & spirits as the foundation for lifelong success."*



To learn more about the Protective Factors Framework visit the Center for the Study of Social Policy at [www.cssp.org](http://www.cssp.org).

**Strengthening Families™**  
A PROTECTIVE FACTORS FRAMEWORK

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