

## **Community-Based Continuum of Care**

With the passage of the Comprehensive Services Act (CSA) in 1992, Virginia created a legislative tool for transforming children's services. By encouraging flexible funding and cross-agency collaboration, CSA serves more children in their own families and communities.

All of the Building Blocks contribute to developing an accessible array of community-based services across the Commonwealth. By wrapping services around a child or family at risk, the need is reduced for more intensive levels of service such as residential care – and the length of stay when placement is required is generally shorter.