

# Historical Timeline

- 1981** FCS began as a grass roots operation through the efforts of parents.
- 1985** Frontier Training Services began a laundry service
- 1987** Awarded State grants to provide residential, vocational and respite services
- 1993** Expanded services to include the Infant Learning Program
- 1995** Approved to provide Home and Community Based Waiver services
- 1995** Built a 4-plex to provide affordable and accessible housing
- 1996** Formal name change from Frontier Training Center to Frontier Community Services
- 1999** Built a community home in Valdez for individuals moving out of a State run institution
- 2000** Expanded services to include the Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) program
- 2005** Awarded the Behavioral Health/Independent Case Management Grant
- 2005** Held the first annual World Series Baseball Event
- 2007** Was awarded the Supported Employment Grant
- 2009** Added the Forget-Me-Not Adult Day Center
- 2011** Began offering Infant Mental Health Services
- 2012** Was nationally accredited through the Council on Accreditation (COA)
- 2012** Expanded services to include the Family Support Services Grant
- 2015** Embraced Person Directed Philosophy
- 2019** Awarded Circles of Support (birth to 18)

# Mission

The mission of FCS is to provide quality, individualized home and community based services for people of all ages who are at risk of, or experiencing a disabling condition, in order to minimize the need for institutional care. FCS will continue to develop as a sound quality human service organization by

- providing services that are needed to support individuals and families to live safely in the least restrictive setting of their choice
- increasing affordable, accessible, residential, community housing options
- expanding service options in order to support individuals through all stages of life, and
- by promoting community awareness and understanding

# Vision

It is our belief that people are healthier and happier living in their own homes and communities. Based on this belief, FCS will advocate for the right of individuals with disabilities of all ages to live in the home and community of their choice.

# Values

- Individualized Services
- Partnerships
- Respect-Professionalism
- Proactive
- Innovative
- Adaptive



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# Board Membership

# Frontier Community Services



For more than thirty (30) years, Frontier Community Services has been committed to helping people with disabilities stay in their chosen home and community. This is the legacy that YOU will continue to support through your participation as a member of the Board of Directors.

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# What is Frontier Community Services all about?

## What We Provide

Frontier Community Services currently has 12 programs that provide services to individuals and their families ranging from birth through the end of life. Qualifying infants, toddlers, children, adults, and seniors can be served by the agency through one or more of the following programs:

- Infant Learning Program (birth-3)
- Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder Clinic (birth-adult)
- Circle of Support (birth - 18)
- Forget-Me-Not Day Center (seniors 60 and over)
- Senior In-Home Grant (seniors 60 and over)
- Day Habilitation is center-based and in the Community (all ages)
- Vocational Training (adults)
- Supported Employment (adults)
- Behavioral Wellness Program (all ages)
- Nursing Oversight (all ages)
- Group Living/Residential (adults)
- Home and Community Based Waivers (all ages)

In addition, we provide services that include pediatric occupational, physical and speech therapy, and play therapy which is offered by a licensed Child and Family Therapist.

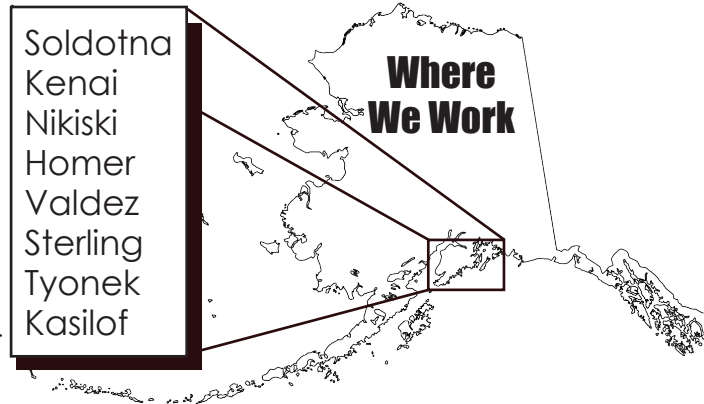
# What would my job as Board Member be?

In your role as a board member, you will have three primary functions;

- 1) setting policy and direction for the agency,
- 2) fiscal oversight, and
- 3) hiring and evaluating the executive director.

The Frontier Community Services Board of Directors meets the third Thursday of every month. All board meetings are conducted in the boardroom at Frontier Community Services' main administrative building located at 43335 K-Beach Road, #36 in Soldotna, Alaska.

Members are asked to serve for 3 years and can be nominated for an additional term by the board.



## Who We Serve

Services are provided to approximately 500 individuals annually that range from birth to end of life that experience a disability or are at risk of experience a disability.

# How Do I Become a Board Member?

To be eligible to serve on the Frontier Community Services' (FCS) Board of Directors, you must be over the age of eighteen, not an employee or spouse of an employee of FCS and must be a member of the communities FCS serves. Board members are sought who have expertise in governance, financial management, fundraising, and disability service delivery.

- Meet with the Executive Director—Amanda Faulkner
- Complete a Board Member application with current resume
- Interview with the Board
- The Board President will contact you with the Board Decision

## Can I serve on a committee without being a Board Member?

**YES!** FCS has 3 committees: Policy & Procedure and Board Development Committee, Events Committee, and the Finance Committee. The groups meet quarterly and report back to the Board Members on specific topics. Serving as a committee member is a wonderful way to contribute your specific knowledge and skills to the agency.

## Expectations

- Attend nine (9) board meetings per year
- Participate in the board's annual planning meeting
- Participate in at least one board training and at least one FCS community event annually
- Serve on one board committee (standing or ad hoc)
- Hold the agency to a high standard of performance and to actively help make this a quality organization