

# Behavioral Health

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Key Actions		Timeline	Responsible Partners	Dedicated Resources	Accomplishments
1.2.A	Identify at-risk populations and indicators for social isolation. *	05/2019 - 12/2019	Social Isolation Subcommittee (SIS)	None identified	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Developed a framework of four key areas of risk factors and populations most affected by social isolation.</li> </ul>
1.2.B	Promote best practices in mentoring and develop strategies to recruit mentors.	01/2019 - 12/2023	Fairfax Out of School Time Network	None identified	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Held initial meetings with key partners to identify resources for a mentoring network.</li> </ul>
1.2.C	Promote community environmental design strategies that foster connection and engagement.	01/2020 - 12/2021	SIS, SIL Committee, community-based organizations, FCPS, county agencies	Still exploring	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Released report, including recommendations and resources, at a December 2021 PFHF meeting.</li> <li>Fairfax County is working with Thomas Jefferson HS to pilot and fund a student-led development of a parklet on the school's campus. The TJ students will take their experience and develop guidance and best practices for other schools to replicate.</li> </ul>
1.2.D	Disseminate programmatic resources aimed at reducing social isolation.	01/2021 - 12/2023	SIS, SIL Committee, community-based organizations, FCPS, county agencies	Still exploring	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Released report, including recommendations and resources, at a December 2021 PFHF meeting.</li> <li>The team is continually exploring opportunities.</li> </ul>