The mission of the Kingsley Association is to inspire and promote our community growth as a physical anchor; social, wellness, and service program provider, as well as a thought leader.

The Kingsley Association has a rich history of providing needed services to children, youth, and their families. The Kingsley Association was established in 1803 for the purpose of providing services to working class ethnic families of Pittsburgh, first from the Kingsley House in the Strip District and then the Lower Hill. Kingsley facilities have been located in Larimer and East Liberty since 1919. Over the years, Kingsley has provided a variety of programs to neighborhood residents in East Liberty, Larimer, and other East End communities.

Programs have included boy’s/girl’s clubs, a literary society, infant care programs, music lessons, cooking and home economics classes, swimming, basketball, boxing, senior citizen classes, arts and crafts classes, camping, Office of Economic Opportunity programs, educational and career guidance, placement service and training for students at area colleges, community organizing services for citizens groups, and involvement in the construction of homes for low- and moderate-income families.

Kingsley participates in the Healthy People 2010 campaign through providing regular community fitness activities and has also collaborated with the Center for Minority Health in the East End Healthy Black Family Project. Regular health education workshops are held at Kingsley. Fitness and dance classes are held to promote physical fitness as a positive health outcome. For recuperating stroke victims in the area, Kingsley sponsors an adult support group that provides a variety of recreational and therapeutic activities for participants.