

## **Action Plan Work Groups Summary**

Action & Family Council Members.

November 13, 2023.

Workgroup 1: 5:00-6:00pm. Workgroup 2: 6:00-7:00pm.

## **Attendees**

**Work Group 1 present:** Missy Brown, Faithe Allen, Rebecca Guest, Claire Davis, Nicholas Mott, Edrica McDowell, Serina Logeman, and Amanda Shoemaker.

**Work Group 2 present:** Missy Brown, Nancy Gulley, Christina Manchen, Serina Logeman, Candy Lewis, Tiffany Williams, Lisa Drury, and Rose Arvieux.

## **Agenda**

- 1. Icebreaker.
- 2. Group Agreements.
- 3. Review recommendation.
  - a. Work Group 1 Recommendation: We will expand on our CCR&R's current efforts to promote CCAP by partnering to distribute promotional materials; share information; and educate families, community stakeholders, and employers about the program, its eligibility criteria, and the changing policies that make the program more accessible to families.
  - b. Work Group 2 Recommendation: We recommend locally that we work to increase quality by promoting and sharing information about the State's current workforce initiatives, educate the public about the need for more teachers, and advocate for increased public dollars that support adequate compensation.
- 4. What organizations/agencies are needed at the table to meet foals and implement the recommendation?
  - a. Work Group 1.
    - It was decided we would make a tool kit with specific messaging, graphics, QR Codes, etc. and all organizations/agencies can use what works best for them.
    - A working document will be created and sent to Council Members to add information to the Action Plan.
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  - b. Work Group 2.



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- Educate the educator approach.
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- 5. What individuals are needed at the table to meet goals and implement the recommendation?
  - a. Work Group 1.
    - Council members listed key individuals for contact at each organization/agency. This work will be continued via a virtual document.
  - b. Work Group 2.
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- 6. What funding would it take to implement the goals, steps, and/or recommendations? a. Work Group 2.
  - Possible potential grant money may be available through the SICCF (Southern Illinois Coalition for Children and Families).
- 7. Are there other community groups, agencies, organizations, or individuals working on similar or related goals/recommendations?
  - a. Work Group 1.
    - Child Care Resource and Referral.
  - b. Work Group 2.
    - Southern Illinois Coalition for Children and Families Workforce Committee
- 8. What lessons have they learned that might be helpful?

Work Group 1.

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- 11. Share Out.

Work Group 2.

- Lisa Drury with the Regional Office of Education #21 distributed information about the "Paint the Town Purple" event to recognize National Youth Homeless Awareness Month and asked community partners to share with networks.
- 12. Is there anything in the SMART goals matrix that needs to be changed/updated based on this discussion?
- 13. Council members finished this sentence: "It is our hope that the Action Plan will..."

## Before next meeting...

- Complete the working document on the Action Plan.
- We will not be meeting in December. We plan to meet again in January and that date will be forthcoming closer to the end of this year.