

OHIO SUMMIT ON CHILDREN

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POST-SUMMIT PLANNING FORM

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As they relate to the *safety, well-being and permanent home environments* for children in your county, please complete the following:

WHAT ARE THE TOP FIVE ISSUES AFFECTING THE SAFETY, WELL-BEING AND PERMANENT HOME ENVIRONMENTS OF CHILDREN?

1. Poverty & lack of affordable housing and childcare/basic living needs
2. Lack of jobs
3. Parenting skills
4. Substance Abuse (teens and adults)/Domestic violence
5. Activities for children of all ages; sports & non-sport and the time of day

WHAT ARE THE TOP FIVE STRENGTHS AND/OR RESOURCES IN YOUR COMMUNITY?

1. County Agencies work together well
2. YMCA & Urbana University, although it is indicated they would like to see more accessibility to the Y and more local involvement from UU – still a positive
3. Caring people
4. Good schools and quality educational leadership
5. All agencies abilities to pull and consolidate where and when needed

WHAT ARE THE TOP FIVE CHALLENGES FACING YOUR COMMUNITY?

1. Economic stability
2. Lack of accountability for delinquent behavior, also parent accountability & participation
3. Drug and alcohol abuse *specialized services; health & mental health
4. Teen pregnancy *specialized services; health & mental health
5. Cultural changes about what is socially acceptable behavior

WHAT ARE THE TOP FIVE MOST-NEEDED SERVICES FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES?

1. Parenting education
2. Childcare for parents
3. Healthcare – focusing on children - Pediatric
4. Early childhood treatment/intervention
5. Basic needs for living; food, shelter, transportation

WHAT ACTION STEPS WILL BE TAKEN LOCALLY TO DEVELOP NEEDED SERVICES OR ADDRESS LOCAL CHALLENGES?

1. More shared funding agreements
2. More collaboration among agencies and organizations
3. Parenting classes being offered
4. Develop wrap-around models for families

5. Bring back items that have worked in the past

BEYOND FUNDING, WHAT ACTION DOES THE COUNTY NEED FROM THE STATE TO HELP THE COUNTY ACHIEVE ITS ACTION PLAN?

1. Fewer mandates

2. More training

3. Assist with infrastructure

4. Encourage industries/businesses to come back

5. Sustain/follow through what they start