



Ohio Summit on Children

65 South Front Street Columbus, Ohio 43215-3431

Post Summit Planning Form

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As they relate to *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. Re-entry and transition from out of home placements
2. Service coordination
3. CASA and Guardian ad litem recruitment
4. CASA and guardian ad litem training
5. Reduction in out of county placements

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

1. Holmes County Family & Children First Council
2. Community Care Board (of HCFCFC) – Oversees pooled funding
3. Service Funding Committee – Oversees service coordination mechanism
4. Project STAY – Alternative School and Community Care Center
5. History of collaboration, setting service priorities, sharing organizational resources

WHAT ARE THE TOP FIVE CHALLENGES FACING YOUR COMMUNITY?

1. Substance Abuse
2. Economic challenges and resulting problems for families/community
3. Finding qualified professionals in rural communities
4. Lack of accessible services (transportation/distance) for families
5. Service delivery barriers

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

1. Substance abuse- adult/child
2. Workforce services
3. Mental Health - adult/child
4. Transition services for youth entering adulthood
5. Early childhood services: health, mental health, early education, parenting

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

1. Holmes County Prevention Coalition – Substance Abuse
2. SAMHSA Drug Free Communities Support Programs grant – Substance abuse
3. WIA – continue to review, improve for workforce service improvement
4. Partner with CFHS, HCFCFC, ECCC, and related community partners for early childhood services
5. Holmes County FCFC and partners for transition services

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

1. Remove inappropriate mandates on use of funding
2. Broaden programs beyond focus on urban areas
3. Examine disconnect between state and counties regarding policy priorities
4. Allow flexibility in identifying service priorities
5. Identify uniform and measurable outcomes when introducing an initiative to counties