

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 ENVIRONMENT OF CHILDREN?**

1. The need for positive parent involvement (effective parenting)
2. Better early intervention
3. Drug/alcohol issues – juveniles and parents
4. Finding a pool of prospective foster homes/parents
5. Parental irresponsibility failure to supervise

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

1. Cooperation Among Agencies
2. Wrap Around
3. All county schools. We have the advantage of many smaller districts that have more individualized help. Also open enrollment
4. Agency interaction
5. Somewhat not fiscally strapped

**WHAT ARE THE TOP FIVE CHALLENGES FACING YOUR COMMUNITY?**

1. Employment
2. Providing adequate services at a time of increasing costs
3. Childcare

4. Juvenile drug use & alcohol use

5. Breakdown of families

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

1. Childcare - affordable

2. Parent Education/Better parenting education including budgeting, etc

3. Better intervention at all levels of life, not just early childhood

4. Juvenile addiction center or program/Center for addiction & crisis for all ages with 24 hour walk-in capabilities

5. Access to affordable health care, especially 'after hours'

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

1. Have quicker intervention if there are issues through the teachers, counselors, nurses in the schools

2. Continued collaborations between agencies

3. Community Education ("Parents University", forums, etc.)

4. Reach out for involvement in the community -- churches, civic groups, service clubs

5. Bring all agencies together that deal with these issues

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

1. Streamline processes and allow for "less hoops to jump through" as issues are resolved between parents and children

2. Lessen restraints on Children's Services so that services can be provided EARLY

3. Enact CHINS legislation (Children In Need of Services)

4. Flexibility of funding

5. Support to provide services across available funding streams