



Community Child Abuse Prevention Plan Resolution of Support

WHEREAS, multiple factors cause community problems; therefore, efforts to affect behavioral, environmental, and social change must be collaborative and multidimensional;

WHEREAS, adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) are traumatic experiences, such as abuse, neglect and household dysfunction, and can result in toxic stress and have a profound effect on a child’s developing brain and body;

WHEREAS, protective factors serve as a buffer to prevent families from becoming “at risk” for abuse and neglect;

WHEREAS, multiple agencies provide services, resources and supports to parents, children and other family members;

WHEREAS, collaboration across governmental jurisdictions and across the public, private, and nonprofit sectors is needed to reinforce one another’s work and investments;

WHEREAS, individual citizens are invested in improving the quality of life for children and parents in our community;

WHEREAS, we can choose a course for change that will lead to the mutually reinforcing outcomes of optimal child development, increased family strengths, a responsive service system and a decrease in child abuse and neglect;

WHEREAS, there is a network of prevention partners ensuring access to evidence-based/informed prevention programs for children and their families all along the age continuum;

WHEREAS, our *Community Child Abuse Prevention Plan* is framed around Sound Science, Strong Families, and Stronger Services;

AND WHEREAS, the plan steers the efforts of prevention partners to be used as a vehicle for promoting community dialogue, problem-solving and planning at the local level;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that _____ hereby endorses the *Community Child Abuse Prevention Plan*. (business, organization or self)

ENDORSED this the _____ day of _____, 2020.

Signed _____

Print Name _____

Print Title _____