

Partnerships 4 Families Early Childhood Iowa Area for Audubon, Carroll, Greene and Guthrie Counties

Early Childhood Iowa

An initiative to empower individuals and their communities to achieve desired results to improve the quality of life for children ages birth-5 years of age and their families.



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and Guthrie Counties

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P4F Invites You

Partnerships 4 Families the Early Childhood Iowa Area for Audubon, Carroll, Greene and Guthrie Counties invites you to provide your input in developing our next 5-year Early Childhood Community Plan that leads the work we do with children 0-5 and their families.

We will also look at the new state [Early Childhood Iowa Strategic Plan](#) and see where we can support state wide efforts.

October 16, 2019 1-3PM

Audubon Recreation Center-ARC
703 Southside Avenue
Audubon, IA 50025

*RSVP to p4fchildren@gmail.com
By noon on October 14th*

Early Childhood Iowa Strategic Plan

Early Childhood Iowa has adopted their [2019 Statewide Needs Assessment](#) and '[We Are ECI' Strategic Plan for 2019-2022](#). We hope you will take some time to review both documents.

Organizations that serve children 0-5 are encouraged to review the plan and determine if your organization's efforts align or support this statewide plan.



Community Human Resource Coalitions

Community coalition meetings are intentional meetings of human service providers and community members gathering to network for the benefit of the people they serve. Anyone is welcome to attend.

Audubon County meets at 11:30 AM on the 2nd Wednesday of the month in January, April, June & October at the ISU Extension meeting room in Audubon. Their next meeting is: **Wednesday October 9th at 11:30.**

Carroll County meets at noon on the third Wednesday of every other month at ISU Extensions Meeting Room in Carroll. Their next meeting is: **Wednesday at Noon on October 16th Now meeting every other month. Mental Health Coalition meets on the opposite months.**

Greene County meets on the first Tuesday of the month at noon at ISU Extension in Jefferson. They do take July & August off. Their next meeting is:

Tuesday October 1st at Noon No July or August Meetings

Guthrie County meets at noon four times a year in March, June, September and December on the second Thursday of the month at the ISU Extension meeting room in Guthrie Center. Their next meeting is: **Thursday December 12th at noon.**

The successes of the meetings are driven by the people attending and the connections that are developed.



"Every child beginning at birth will be healthy and successful."

P4F Early Childhood Task Force

On October 16th we will come together as an Early Childhood Iowa area to determine our focus for the next 5 years. We hope you value the work that our Early Childhood Iowa area has done and will join us as we vision on what the next five years will hold.

We will first revisit the items that we determined in the Spring of 2019 that we as early childhood

professionals control in the work that we do. From there we will look at the ECI State Strategic Plan to determine where we could align with them.

As an early childhood Iowa area we support the state efforts but also our local efforts.

Join us on October 16th details of the meeting time and location are

on page 1 of the newsletter.



P4F Board Update

The board met on September 20, 2019 to approve the annual report and discuss additional carry forward. The decision was to release \$25,000 toward mini grants. In place of the October Board Meeting Board members are will be attending the Early Childhood Community Meeting October 16.

All meetings are open to the public. Board minutes can be found on the P4F Website.

The next P4F Board meeting is scheduled for:

November 15, 2019
At 10:30 AM

in Carroll at New Opportunities

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Person in the Spot Light-Child Care Center Boards

Child Care Center Board of Directors are often the busiest boards in a community. As board members they are responsible for the fiscal welfare of the center, hiring of the director and staff, overseeing the operations of the center, maintaining a building, meeting licensing requirements etc. As board

members they have the final say in many matters involving the center, staff and activities that take place at a center.

P4F would like to thank all of the individuals in our area that serve on child care center boards. We appreciate you and the time you give to the children in your community.

P4F Offering Mini Grants in FY20

Partnerships 4 Families (P4F) Early Childhood Iowa Area is offering mini grants to assist early childhood program increase the quality or capacity of its program. Possible grants could be for training, improvements to program to meet licensing/credentialing, increase the capacity of your program to serve more children, sponsor an early childhood speaker etc. Grant must focus on one of the Early Childhood Iowa results areas:

Healthy children

Children ready to succeed in school

Safe and supportive communities

Secure and nurturing families

Secure and nurturing early learning environments

For more information and an application email:
p4fchildren@gmail.com