



Ohio Children's Trust Fund

Ohio's Prevent Child Abuse America Chapter

Representative Andrea White
Chair

Lindsay Williams
Executive Director

Ohio Children's Trust Fund Board Meeting Minutes April 20, 2021

Board Members Present:

Representative Andrea White
Senator Stephanie Kunze
Holly Kastan
Grace Kolliesuah (Director Lori Criss)
Jennifer Justice
Kimberly Jordan
Bobbi Krabill (Director Stephanie McCloud)
Jeff Van Deusen (Interim Director Matt Damschroeder)
Nicole Vitale
Megan Wanczyk
Dr. Angel Rhodes

Board Members Absent:

Senator Tina Maharath
Representative Janine Boyd

Staff Present:

Lindsay Williams, Executive Director
Nicole Sillaman, Chief of Fiscal and Program Planning
Eric Gonzalez, Program Manager
Maggie Sanders, Program Manager
Renee Whitfield, Program Manager
Diettra Engram, Program Manager
Jasmine Hall, Administrative Professional

Guests:

Denise Pleska, Senior Staff Attorney for ODJFS
Linda Holmstrand, Eastern Regional Coordinator
Gerri Pegues, Western Regional Coordinator
Carol Murray, Southwest Regional Coordinator
Shadi Houshyar – Senior Associate, CSSP
Alexandra (Alex) Citrin – Senior Associate, CSSP
Michelle Johnson-Motoyama – Associate Professor, OSU
Siri Anderson – Policy and Research Assistant, CSSP
Valery Martinez – Policy and Research Assistant, CSSP

Welcome & Roll Call

Chairman White called the Ohio Children's Trust Fund (OCTF) Board Meeting to order at 10:02 am on April 20, 2021 with a quorum.

Chairman Updates

Representative White introduced herself as the new OCTF Board Chair, and Board Members also introduced themselves to Chairman White.

Old Business

Minutes

Representative White gave pause for review and asked for any questions or revisions to the March 11, 2021 Board meeting minutes. Bobbi Krabill motioned for the minutes to be approved. Kimberly Jordan seconded the motion. Hearing no questions, revisions, or objections to the minutes as submitted, Representative White stated the minutes were approved.

Program Committee Updates

Prevention Program Submissions

Program Committee Chair Megan Wanczyk stated through previous meetings held prior to the Board meeting, Program Committee has met with OCTF staff to review prevention programs that have been submitted, along with the Regional Prevention Plans and Regional CBCAP applications. The goal is to give the Board an overview of the programs and plans while focusing on requirements and/or missing pieces. Detailed information is provided in the Board Portal.

Megan Wanczyk turned the meeting over to Director Williams to present the proposed prevention programs. Director Williams presented to the Board the six prevention programs submitted for review:

- First Five Years
- MBF Child Safety Matters
- MBF Teen Safety Matters
- Safer, Smarter Kids!
- Southeast Ohio Youth Mentoring – Community Based Mentoring
- Southeast Ohio Youth Mentoring – Youth in Leadership

Director Williams presented information on each of the Prevention Programs listed individually and highlighted that all programs have demonstrated outcomes linking to one or more of the five Protective Factors. First Five Years meets OCTF funding criteria and was recommended for approval.

The MBF Child Safety Matters program is comprised of two modules, with the first focusing on child abuse and/or neglect prevention, the second is focused more on bullying prevention. Program committee recommended to approve this program if module 2 can be removed. OCTF reached out to the developer to confirm fidelity, and the developer confirmed that both modules were intended to work together, therefore this program was not recommended for approval.

The MBF Teen Safety Matters program does not have independent research, therefore was not recommended for funding.

Safer, Smarter Kids! was recommended for conditional approval, as the program meets OCTF funding criteria, however a future grantee would need to demonstrate an existing partnership with a school(s) who is interested in partnering to implement the program. Once the conditions of plan implementation and demonstration of school partnerships are met, the grantee may utilize the program.

SEOYM and SEOYM Youth in Leadership programs were also recommended for conditional approval as an innovative program that must be paired with an evaluation plan, as the programs are shown to impact social and emotional competencies in youth, however the particular program has never been researched or evaluated. The program does not meet prevention plan guidance.

Regional Prevention Plans

Director Williams gave the process overview, format and budget for the Regional Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Plans, highlighting Board authority to approve, deny, or require Regional councils to revise and submit amended plans to the Board, along with denial or reduction of council funding. The OCTF Program Committee reviewed the eight Regional Prevention Plans based on the Regional Prevention Plan Guidance. Director Williams presented each of the Region's Prevention Plan strategy details and considerations:

- Central Ohio Region (3 Strategies)

Overall Program Committee recommendation is to conditionally approve Strategy 2 of the plan based on Program Committee considerations, and require the plan to be updated to include a Theory of Change, as well as to address Board considerations and subsequently resubmit to the OCTF Board additional detail pertaining to Strategy 1 and 3.

Kimberly Jordan inquired of Central Region's Strategy 1 and building capacity to address needs, and Strategy 3 linkage to SACWIS being feasible to complete by the end of the fiscal year. Director Williams stated that for Strategy 1, the focus was on their capacity and plan with reallocation of resources. There were challenges in cross system data sharing regarding Strategy 3 concerning SACWIS, but data issues have been resolved, and the council is waiting on the evaluation piece.

Regarding Strategy 2, Bobbi Krabill questioned if there was a portion of the budget allocated to an unallowable component that could be removed or re-budgeted to an allowable expense. Director Williams stated that funding could be used for outreach efforts at the fundable levels.

Chairman White asked for any questions or comments on the Central Ohio Region's Prevention Plan. Hearing no questions or comments, Chairman White called for a motion to accept the Central Ohio Prevention Plan and approve the plan as recommended by the Program Committee. Kimberly Jordan motioned, and Jeff Van Deusen seconded the motion. The board approved the motion.

- Eastern Ohio Region (1 Strategy)

Overall Program Committee recommendation is to conditionally approve the prevention plan and request that Strategy 1 be split into two strategies based on target population as well as providing clarification between target population and identified programs.

Chairman White asked for any questions or comments on the Eastern Ohio Prevention Plan. Hearing no questions or comments, Chairman White called for a motion to accept the Eastern Ohio Prevention Plan and approve the plan as recommended with the considerations by the Program Committee. Grace Kolliesuah motioned, and Angel Rhodes seconded the motion. The board approved the motion.

- Great Lakes Ohio Region (1 Strategy)

Overall Program Committee recommendation is to conditionally approve the prevention plan based on the region working with OCTF program staff to address considerations regarding strategy target population mismatch, strategy clarification, and identifying evaluation tools.

Chairman White asked for any questions or comments on the Great Lakes Ohio Prevention Plan. Hearing no questions or comments, Chairman White called for a motion to accept the Great Lakes Ohio Prevention Plan and approve the plan as recommended with the considerations by the Program Committee. Jennifer Justice motioned, and Megan Wanczyk seconded the motion. The board approved the motion.

- Northeast Ohio Region (2 Strategies)

Overall Program Committee recommendation is to conditionally approve the prevention plan based on the region working with OCTF program staff to address considerations regarding reframing strategy, as well as reallocation of funding for parent leadership and its budget narrative.

Chairman White asked for any questions or comments on the Northeast Ohio Prevention Plan. Hearing no questions or comments, Chairman White called for a motion to accept the Northeast Ohio Prevention Plan and approve the plan as recommended with the considerations by the Program Committee. Kimberly Jordan motioned, and Angel Rhodes seconded the motion. The board approved the motion.

- Northwest Ohio Region (3 Strategies)

Overall Program Committee recommendation is to conditionally approve the prevention plan based on removal of the HIPPY Program and the region working with OCTF program staff to address considerations regarding target population identification, removal of HIPPY program, and CQI plan (SACWIS) utilization clarification.

Chairman White asked for any questions or comments on the Northwest Ohio Prevention Plan. Hearing no questions or comments, Chairman White called for a motion to accept the Northwest Ohio Prevention Plan and approve the plan as recommended with the considerations by the Program Committee. Bobbi Krabill motioned, and Kimberly Jordan seconded the motion. The board approved the motion.

- Southeast Ohio Region (1 Strategy)

Overall Program Committee recommendation is to conditionally approve the prevention plan based on the region working with OCTF program staff to address considerations regarding SFY 2022 projected numbers served, removal of unapproved programs and exploration of programs within FRIENDS Matrix, possible separation of strategies, as well as identification of school partnership/relationship and implantation plan(s) for school-based programs.

Chairman White asked for any questions or comments on the Southeast Ohio Prevention Plan. Hearing no questions or comments, Chairman White called for a motion to accept the Southeast Ohio Prevention Plan and approve the plan as presented with the considerations as recommended by the Program Committee. Kimberly Jordan motioned, and Megan Wanczyk seconded the motion. The board approved the motion.

- Southwest Ohio Region (1 Strategy)

Overall Program Committee recommendation is to conditionally approve the parent education and peer support strategy for kinship caregivers and not approve funding for Information and Referral kinship services that are similarly being offered in the region by OhioKAN. The recommendation was to re-allocate the funding to other target populations and/or address other prevention needs identified within the region.

Chairman White asked for any questions or comments on the Southwest Ohio Prevention Plan. Hearing no questions or comments, Chairman White called for a motion to accept the Southwest Ohio Prevention Plan and approve the plan with the considerations as recommended by the Program Committee. Angel Rhodes motioned, and Bobbi Krabill seconded the motion. The board approved the motion.

- Western Ohio Region (2 Strategy)

Overall Program Committee recommendation is to conditionally approve the prevention plan based on the region working with OCTF program staff to address considerations regarding exploration of providers' capacity to implement services and models selected, and noting that the Bridges out of Poverty program is not a CA/N prevention program. The Program Committee approved the 'Getting Ahead' program that utilizes the Bridges Out of Poverty framework, and OCTF staff were instructed to follow-up with the region to clarify that 'Getting Ahead' was the program the region intended to include in their Prevention Plan, not Bridges Out of Poverty.

Chairman White asked for any questions or comments on the Western Ohio Prevention Plan. Hearing no questions or comments, Chairman White called for a motion to accept the Western Ohio Prevention Plan and approve with the considerations as recommended by the Program Committee. Megan Wanczyk motioned, and Angel Rhodes seconded the motion. The board approved the motion.

Regional CBCAP Applications

Director Williams provided the Board with an overview of the CBCAP Regional Funding Opportunity, in which six of the eight regions have applied for a total of \$518,382.35.

- Central Ohio Region – Triple P Level 1 and Triple P Level 5 Pathways - application was not recommended for funding by the Program Committee as OCTF does not fund requested levels of Triple P (1 and 5); applicant was notified of approvable levels (2-4) in January 2021, prior to submission of application (\$50,000).
- Eastern Ohio Region – Parenting Wisely, Triple P - application is recommended for funding by the Program Committee, with consideration of approval dependent upon satisfactory resolution of budget negotiations (\$94,752.40).
- Northeast Ohio Region – Nurturing Parenting Home Visiting Program - application is recommended for funding by the Program Committee, with approval contingent upon expansion of the total amount of participants to be served, along with satisfactory budget negotiations (\$100,000).
- Northwest Ohio Region – Triple P Primary Care and Level 4 Standard - application is recommended for conditional approval and funding by the Program Committee only for allowable items of Triple P Primary care and Level 4 Standard, with award amount determined once unallowable items are removed/budget negotiations (\$100,000).

- Southeast Ohio Region – Parenting Wisely and Nurturing Parenting - application is recommended for funding by the Program Committee, with approval dependent upon satisfactory resolution of budget negotiations (\$98,629.95)
- Southwest Ohio Region – Triple P Level 4 and ACT Raising Safe Kids - application was not recommended for funding by the Program Committee, due to several application issues (\$75,000).

Director Williams pointed out that any remaining funds would be reallocated in alignment with the additional CBCAP American Rescue Plan Act funds for a grant funding opportunity that would allow the regions to apply for funding to support more innovative services.

Chairman White asked for any questions or comments on the six Regional CBCAP applications. Hearing no questions or comments, Chairman White called for a motion to approve the Program Committee’s recommendations to fund only the Eastern, Northeast, Northwest, and Southeast CBCAP applications with the considerations noted. Jennifer Justice motioned, and Jeff Van Deusen seconded the motion. The board approved the motion.

Finance Committee Update

SFY 2021 Budget Update

Nicole Sillaman informed the Board of the SFY 2021 Operating Budget and gave an overview of OCTF’s current financial standing. OCTF is on track with revenues as of 3/31/2021. Expenses as of 3/31/2021, 16% has been liquidated, with anticipation of further invoice payout by the June Board meeting. Further budget details can be found in the Board Portal. The SFY 2021 Spending Plan remained unchanged, and the projection of sustainability of current levels of funding is consistent as has been presented. Projections with inclusion of CBCAP Stimulus funds show consistent sustainability levels, even with the consideration of ongoing proposed staffing. There is a \$200,000 difference than projections without stimulus funding.

Treasurer Vacancy

Representative White informed the Board that there is a Treasurer vacancy, which also serves as Finance Committee Chair, and opened it up for volunteers. Bobbi Krabill also gave an overview of the Finance Committee member role/participation. With no nominations made, Chairman White indicated that the Treasurer vacancy will be revisited at the next OCTF Board Meeting.

CBCAP American Rescue Plan Act Funds

Nicole Sillaman gave an overview of the American Rescue Plan Act that was passed on March 11, 2021, with anticipation of OCTF receiving approximately \$8.25 million. Additionally, with this act, the 20% match requirement and 70/30 leveraged funds formula required under current law are waived.

The CBCAP Stimulus Proposal provided in the Board Portal details the expansion of existing services such as increased funding for regional and state prevention services and grants, Human trafficking prevention programming, trainings for professionals and service providers, ongoing work with the Child Well-Being Data Dashboard, concrete supports and statewide awareness efforts and marketing campaign. New services that OCTF plans to implement under the CBCAP Stimulus proposal includes primary prevention funding to child advocacy centers, Triple P Positive Parenting Program Online Services, and special projects and initiatives to include child sexual abuse prevention, infant mortality prevention and safe sleep. Also, OCTF has included a request for staffing increase in the proposal.

Director Williams shared Holly Kastan's thoughts on exploring a new prevention initiative around education services for pregnant moms and underserved/under-resourced communities, also supplementing existing childbirth and/or infant mortality programs with no additional start up. Holly expressed that this is a high impact strategy in alignment with early intervention and prevention, which are central to OCTF's mission.

Angel Rhodes expressed her excitement regarding new services and inquired if OCTF is missing an opportunity at the state-level to connect with (SACWIS) data systems. Director Williams stated there has been internal conversations with OFC that included connections to families upstream and downstream, looking at SSID and what the process would look like. Director Williams welcomed members to join the conversation. Jeff Van Deusen concurred with Lindsay and stated that utilizing SACWIS (data) and tracking outcomes would be a crucial part of the process in strategically using the additional CBCAP funding.

Bobbi Krabill stated if OCTF is interested in infant mortality prevention and safe sleep partnerships with other state agencies (i.e. ODH) to allot more funding to other projects and initiatives, she is willing to have conversations. Director Williams will follow up with Bobbi on her suggestions.

Chairman White asked for any questions or comments on the American Rescue Plan Act CBCAP Stimulus Proposal Categories. Hearing no questions or comments, Chairman White called for a motion to approve American Rescue Plan Act CBCAP Stimulus Proposal Categories, allotting for flexibility to adjust the dollar amounts considering the discussion and recommendations of the Board. Angel Rhodes motioned, and Megan Wanczyk seconded the motion. The board approved the motion.

Strategic Planning

Representative White turned the meeting over to Shadi Houshyar with the Center for the Study of Social Policy (CSSP). Shadi briefly discussed the upcoming discussions of Priority Areas for the OCTF Strategic Plan with Board members during two OCTF Listen and Learn sessions to be held May 3rd and May 4th at 9:00am. Board Members can select either date as information will be the same for both sessions. The CSSP presentation is included in the Board Presentation in the Board Portal. The anticipation is to vote on the Strategic Plan at the June Board meeting.

Other Business

Director Williams mentioned prior to the conclusion of the Board Meeting, that the April NCAPM information can be found in the Board Presentation in the Board Portal.

As there was no further business to come before the Board, Vice Chairman adjourned the April 20, 2021 OCTF Board meeting at 12:17 pm. The next Board meeting will be held June 17, 2021.

Handouts:

OCTF Board Meeting Agenda – April 20, 2021
OCTF PowerPoint Presentation – April 20, 2021
OCTF Board Draft Meeting Minutes – March 11, 2021
Representative Andrea White - Bio
American Rescue Act Plan Funding Proposal
Regional Prevention Plan Proposals
SFY 2021 Operating Budget
OCTF Child Abuse Prevention Program Review Form
OCTF Child Abuse Prevention Program Review Form Instructions

Prevention Programs

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