

The Family Support Collaborative Monthly Update

For the success of our children, we're all in this together!



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A Note from the FSC:

Welcome to the Family Support Collaborative email Monthly Update newsletter! Thank you to all that attended our Kick-off on January 25th, 2010-it was lovely to network and have dinner with all of you! Each month, this newsletter will provide you with a brief, concise summary of the projects and meetings of the coalitions involved in the Family Support Collaborative. To obtain further detail about anything you see here, for questions about the Family Support Collaborative, or to get your community coalition added to the list, please contact **Claire Louge** at vol-clouge@azftf.gov or at (928)-776-0062. This update will be sent to you on the 3rd Friday of every month.

Coalition updates

Child Care Coalition



Yavapai Child Care Coalition

1. **Last meeting-**

The last Child Care Coalition was on February 9, 2010 at Garcia's restaurant in Prescott Valley at 5 pm.

- Meeting discussion:

The planning of the **Child Care Coalition conference**, "Spring into Action!", which will occur on **Saturday, April 24th**. This conference will provide workshops with the theme "**Health and Safety**" for child care providers and parents of young children.

2. **Next meeting** date and location-

- **Thursday, March 11, 2010** at **Garcia's restaurant in Prescott Valley**, starting at **5 pm**.
- **Meeting focus-** This meeting will focus on the continuation of the organization and planning of the Child Care Coalition April Conference.

3. **Upcoming projects and events -**

- **Event-The Buena Vista conference, "Arizona on the Move"** in Camp Verde on February 27th, 2010.
- **Event- Celebrate the Young Child Conference**, presented by the **Association for Supportive Child Care** and the **Arizona Child Care Association** in Glendale on March 6, 2010.
- **Event- "Spring into Action!", the Child Care Coalition conference** on Saturday, April 24th at the Windy Valley Plaza in Chino Valley.

Home Visiting Coalition



1. Last meeting-

The last Home Visiting Coalition meeting was on Wednesday, February 10, 2010 at YRMC East Campus from 2pm-4pm.

- Meeting discussion:
 - **Home Visiting Program grant renewal** with First Things First.
 - First Things First **Yavapai Diaper Drive**.
 - The creation and revision of the **Home Visiting program matrix**, a summary of Home Visiting programs in Yavapai County.

2. Next meeting date and location:

- **Wednesday March 10, 2010** from **2pm-4pm** at the **YRMC East Campus, Quail Room**.
- **Meeting focus**-This meeting will focus on Home Visiting program participation in the **First Things First Yavapai Diaper Drive** and the creation of a **public home visiting service reference document**.

3. Upcoming projects and events-

- **Project**- The creation of a **public home visiting service reference document**.
- **Project and Event**- **The First Things First Yavapai Diaper Drive**, countywide from April 1st to May 10th, 2010.

Parenting Education Coalition

1. Last meeting –

The last Parenting Education Coalition meeting was held on Friday, January 8th at Catholic Charities in Prescott from 9:30am-11am.

- Meeting discussion:
 - The **Parenting Education Survey**, a survey meant to assess the parenting education currently available in Yavapai County.
 - The Parenting Education coalition **website, logo, supplies, and promotional and outreach materials**, and the **funding requests** pertaining to them.

2. Next meeting date and location:

- Friday, March 12th from 9:30am-11am at Catholic Charities in Prescott.
- **Meeting focus**-This meeting will focus on the new Parenting Education website, selecting coalition supplies and promotional materials, continuation of the survey and upcoming conferences.

3. Upcoming projects and events-

- **Project**- The Parenting Education survey, to be released to organizations throughout the county.

What is the FSC?

The Family Support Collaborative (FSC) is a network for individuals, coalitions, and organizations involved in Family support services in the Yavapai Region. The mission of the FSC is to provide **support to community coalitions and projects** that improve the early childhood system, **create opportunities for collaboration** to occur between community



coalitions and to **serve as a bridge** between the community and the Yavapai Regional Partnership Council, which is responsible for allocating funds to programs and organizations providing services to families with young children in our region.

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Thank you for your service to our community's families and children,

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"We must be the change we wish to see in the world." -Gandhi