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### **PROGRAM REPORT**

Oklahoma's Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention Grant



Family Support and Prevention Service

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#### Section 1 – The Statewide Child Maltreatment Prevention Leadership Activities Conducted by the CBCAP Lead Agency

The Oklahoma State Department of Health (OSDH), a public entity, serves as the lead agency responsible for administering the Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention (CBCAP) funds and providing oversight to funded programs. The mission of the OSHD is to protect and promote health, to prevent disease and injury, and to cultivate conditions by which Oklahomans can be healthy. The vision of the OSDH is to lead Oklahoma to prosperity through health while maintaining the values of service, collaboration, and respect.

The OSDH is comprised of 68 county health departments and a central office located in Oklahoma City. The OSDH is based around three major health service branches - Community Health that encompasses all Family Health and Personal Health Services; Quality Assurance and Regulatory that encompasses all Protective Health Services; and Health Preparedness that encompasses Emergency Preparedness and Response, Acute Disease, Sexual Harm Reduction, Health Statistics and Vital Records. These branches are responsible for protecting, maintaining, and improving the public's health status. Each of these service branches provide technical assistance, guidance, and consultation to all 68 county health departments, two independent city-county health departments in Oklahoma and Tulsa Counties, as well as contractors and partners located statewide. In addition to Health Services, a new division was created in the Administrative category, Strategy and Transformation, to more effectively and efficiently improve and guide the work of public health, to strengthen the public health workforce and to ensure continuous quality improvement at all levels of operations. The service area within the OSDH that is responsible for administering CBCAP Funds and providing oversight to funded programs is the Family Support and Prevention Service (FSPS) division, within the Family Health Services (FHS) branch. Other service divisions located within the FHS branch include Maternal and Child Health Service, Allied Health Service, Women, Infants, and Children (WIC), Dental Health Service, and Screening and Special Services.

The mission of the Family Support and Prevention Service division is to promote the health, safety and wellness of children and families by providing funding, training, technical assistance, and oversight to local organizations/agencies that serve families with young children, to provide training to professionals that work in the area of child maltreatment prevention and intervention, to provide information and educational materials upon request, and to provide infrastructure to statewide family support and child maltreatment prevention efforts. FSPS offers a continuum of services for children and their families to assist them in achieving optimal development.

In addition to the <u>CBCAP</u> funding, the other federal funding sources of the FSPS include <u>Maternal</u>, <u>Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting (MIECHV)</u>, and <u>Sexual Risk Avoidance Education (SRAE)</u>. The state legislative supported child support prevention efforts include the <u>Office of Child Abuse Prevention (OCAP)</u>, also located within the FSPS along with stated funded and supported programming for the Child Guidance services. Programmatic efforts within the FSPS during FFY22

#### included:

- Children First Oklahoma's Nurse Family Partnership (NFP) home visitation
- <u>Child Guidance</u> Circle of Parents, Consultation and educational programs for Parents and Children, Developmental Screening, Oklahoma Warmline, and Project Launch, The Incredible Years, and Parent Child Interaction Therapy; it is important to note that Child Guidance moved from FSPS into the newly created Allied Health Service in November of 2022; however, FSPS will continue to partner and collaborate on shared initiatives.
- MIECHV parentPRO and Home Visiting Community Connectors, Parents as Teachers Home Visitation, parentPRO Marketing, parentPRO Virtual Statewide Referral System, parentPRO Website, SafeCare® Home Visitation
- OCAP Community and Home Based services Oklahoma Family Support Network, Oklahoma Family Resource Centers, Parents as Teachers Home Visitation, Identified as a State Lead through the Parents as Teachers National Center
- SRAE School and Community Based Sexual Risk Avoidance Education Program

The programming that was supported through CBCAP funding and/or leveraged supports in federal fiscal year 2022 that was with partners outside of FSPS included:

- The Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS) with the OSDH Center for Health Statistics;
- The Pyramid Model Implementation in Oklahoma through partnerships with the Oklahoma State Department of Education, the Oklahoma Partnership for School Readiness, Head Start, and the Oklahoma Department of Human Services Child Care Services, among others;
- The Children's State Advisory Workgroup for collaboration and systems development through partnerships with the Oklahoma Department of Human Services Child Care Services, the Oklahoma Commission on Children and Youth, the Oklahoma Family Network, the Evolution Foundation, and the Oklahoma Health Care Authority;
- The Cross Sector Coordinator Position and the Statewide Parent Partnership Board both continue to be supported in collaboration with the Oklahoma Commission on Children and Youth.
- Three contracts were awarded to outside organizations through a competitive bid to develop, establish, and sustain the network of Oklahoma Family Resource Centers (OFRC). These contracts are to also include development of Parent Advisory Committees and Community Councils at each OFRC. CBCAP will support all of these efforts for development and implementation, and work with each OFRC on a sustainability plan for the future of OFRCs, parent advisory committees, and community councils. Additionally, CBCAP funding also supports a partnership and membership with the National Family Support Network. This partnership directly supports the infrastructure of the statewide network and OFRCs.
- Many areas of professional development were supported by CBCAP during the past year. This included supports for trainings for direct service providers and supervisors, and training of trainers institutes. FSPS staff were provided opportunities through CBCAP funding to participate in the following: Bringing the Protective Factors Framework to Life Training of Trainers, Standards of Quality for Family Strengthening and Support Training of Trainers and the Keys to Caregiving Training. One other area of professional development that was supported with CBCAP funding was the subscription for the Zero to Three Journal for Child Guidance staff.

- CBCAP was a co-sponsor and provided funding for the Annual Child Abuse and Neglect Conference (CCAN) along with the Oklahoma Center of Child Abuse and Neglect within the Oklahoma University Health Sciences Center.
- In addition to the CCAN conference, other convenings that were supported through CBCAP include the Oklahoma Association for Infant Mental Health (OK-AIMH) conference, the Oklahoma institute for Child Advocacy (OICA) Forum, and the Collective Impact Action Summit.
- The Child Abuse Prevention Awards and Ceremony is another area that CBCAP continues to support alongside collaboration from partners across the state.

The provisions of the supplemental CBCAP funds provided through the American Rescue Plan helped to advance child abuse and neglect prevention efforts in Oklahoma through different ways. The grant funding allowed us to strengthen and maintain existing partnerships and programming, as well as establish new ones. This has enabled us to develop a comprehensive and sustainable network of community-based initiatives and partnerships across the state. The focus of these efforts has been on family and community-centered programming.

### Section 2 – The CBCAP Lead Agency's Actions to Advocate for Systemic Change During the Reporting Period

During FFY22, there were continued collaborations done around the Child and Family Service Reviews (CFSR) and Program Improvement Plans (PIP) along with other interagency collaboration activities to support statewide partners to design and update programming through a prevention lens. The OCAP office staff within FSPS at OSDH has represented CBCAP in the Thriving Families, Safer Children initiative in Oklahoma. Through this national initiative, the collaboration between the Children's Bureau, Casey Family Programs, and Prevent Child Abuse America has helped to guide systems work in the state. This work has also helped to provide a trajectory of shifts of the child welfare system in Oklahoma to include an increased focus on prevention. The areas that were prioritized for Oklahoma and continue to drive the work being done through the collaboration include (1) shifting financial resources to prioritize primary, secondary, and tertiary prevention with foster care and adoption; (2) creating a child and family well-being network grounded in the science of hope; (3) creating structures for leadership and co-design with experts who have lived-experience using human centered design principles; and (4) working to dismantle systemic racism and other barriers to equitable access. In addition to the core work, CBCAP has also been actively involved in Oklahoma through participation in the development of the state level Child Family Service Plan and on the Family First Steering Committee. Our collaboration with the Oklahoma Department of Human Services has been ongoing and has led to its representatives joining the Child Abuse Prevention (CAP) Action Committee hosted by CBCAP, as well as participating in the bi-annual Collaborative Convening. This partnership has been productive and has sustained positive momentum toward improving coordination and outcomes.

Innovative work that began in the past years has continued with CBCAP funding and supports. This work has also been elevated by the addition of the American Rescue Plan funds. CBCAP funds

were used to develop the Oklahoma Family Support Network (OFSN) and this statewide network continues to progress and evolve into the supportive backbone structure that is specific to community-based child abuse prevention services in Oklahoma.

The OFSN continues to maintain a membership with the National Family Support Network (NFSN) that is fully funded through CBCAP. In FFY 2022, the OFSN began to work within the operational phase of the NFSN's Family Support and Strengthening Network Development Continuum. The initial convening of the newly established OFRCs occurred in July 2022. Additionally, drafts of the state network's vision, mission, goals, and operating guidelines were developed and will be officially approved and shared within the first quarter of the next operating year. The OFSN has also continued to offer the Standards of Quality for Family Strengthening and Support Virtual Certification Trainings on a quarterly basis during FFY 2022. During the past year, there were a total of 102 Oklahoma family support and strengthening professionals, advocates, funders, and parent leaders that became certified in the Standards. Another significant partnership that began two years ago and continues to this day is the collaboration with the Oklahoma Department of Human Services, which focuses on providing healthcare for children and families with special needs through OFRCs.

There were several notable ways that the supplemental CBCAP funds provided through the American Rescue Plan helped to advance work that advocated for systemic improvements during FFY2022. This work also highlighted change through the lens of diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility along with maintaining co-development with families at the community level.

CBCAP ARP funds were combined with the regular CBCAP funds to maintain the OFRC/OFSN Coordinator position within the OCAP. The OFSN made major strides in developments of the network due to the release of the request for proposal (RFP) for the OFRCs that have been referenced throughout this report. The OFSN/OFRC coordinator worked with an interdisciplinary team to release an RFP in March 2022 and then worked with the same team to award three recipients from the RFP competitive bid process in May 2022. The OFSN/OFRC Coordinator has since worked with the OFRCs to provide technical assistance in the implementation of the standards, the development of parent advisory committees and community councils. The coordinator also provides supports and guidance to the OFRCs to ensure fidelity to the frameworks utilized in each of the OFRCs. While the goals of each of the OFRCs does differ from site to site due to specific community needs and feedback, the priorities of each of the OFRCs is to develop a community level and family-centered plan to provide supports to families around systems navigation, to provide support and resources around development of positive relationship within the family unit, and to help support and prepare families for civic engagement. Each of these goals are driven by the NFSN's Standards of Quality, the Center for the Study of Social Policy's Strengthening Families Protective Factors, and Dr. Chan Hellman's Theory of Hope Science.

### Section 3 – The Nature and Extent of Collaborations and the Impact These Have on the CBCAP Program

Please check all collaborations/partnerships that apply:

□ FFPSA/Title IV-E Plan
 □ Strengthening Families

☑ Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems☑ Substance Abuse☑ Public Health/ACES☑ Business Community

☑ Other (Please specify in narrative)

The Family Support and Accountability Act was passed and signed into law in 2015. This act ensures that the state's home visiting investments are supported with proved records of effectiveness. In doing so, monitoring and reporting outcomes are required on an annual basis. The Oklahoma Partnership for School Readiness (OPSR) continues to provide the Oklahoma Home Visiting Outcomes Measurement Plan. This is submitted annually to the Oklahoma Legislature in accordance with the Act. This report was supported by CBCAP in the past and the partnership around this report and the outcomes has been maintained. The most recent report highlights the collaborations of the Home Visiting Advocacy Community of Practice and the Home Visitation Leadership Advisory Coalition (HVLAC) – both of which are supported by CBCAP.

The Oklahoma State Plan for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect is created by the Office of Child Abuse Prevention (OCAP) in compliance with Title 63. Public Health and Safety §63-1-227.3. The current Plan (2019 – 2023) was approved by the Oklahoma Commission on Children and Youth (OCCY) and the Infant and Children's Health Advisory Council (ICHAC) at the end of FFY 2018. Updates on the State Plan are provided annually to OCCY as deemed relevant. The work on the state plan in FFY 2022 has been ongoing with internal FSPS collaborations as well as collaborations with external partners. One area of external collaboration that has been discussed this past year was around the annual surveys. The FSPS has established an internal team to update the survey and work within an interagency collaboration with OCCY and the OKDHS to develop a joint survey that will be used in the future to inform the state plan. One other interagency collaboration is the biannual Collaborative Convening with OKDHS that includes all stakeholders across the state. These meetings are also to inform the work around the state plan as well as to inform the stakeholders of progress and updates to the state plan. In FFY 2022, these convenings occurred in October and April and had an emphasis around parent leadership and systems change.

The Oklahoma Child Death Review Board (CDRB) has statutory authority to conduct case reviews of all deaths and near deaths of children less than 18 years of age and has been reviewing deaths since 1993. The mission of the CDRB is to reduce the number of preventable deaths through a multidisciplinary approach to case review. The Board collects statistical data and system failure information through case review in order to develop recommendations to improve policies, procedures, and practices within and between the agencies that protect and serve the children of

Oklahoma. These recommendations are mandated to be submitted to the Oklahoma Commission on Children and Youth who then decides what, if any, recommendations will be adopted into the Commission's State Plan for Children's Services. Case specific recommendations are made as well, with those submitted directly to the identified agency/organization. By statute, there are multiple OSDH positions named as members of CDRB: the Commissioner of Health, the Director of the Office of Child Abuse Prevention, the Director of the Maternal and Child Health Service, the Director of the Injury Prevention Service, and the State Epidemiologist. While the CDRB reports that COVID-19 has continued to negatively impact the case information acquisition, as well as review meeting capability and capacity, there are still a number of accomplishments that the board was able to make during FFY22.

#### Highlights of these accomplishments include:

- Reviewed and closed cases for 351 deaths that occurred from Oct. 1, 2021 September 30, 2022;
- Participated as a stakeholder resource on the Oklahoma State Plan for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect (2019-2023);
- Educated legislators on rear passenger seat restraint use and child deaths;
- Participated in the Safe Kids Oklahoma Advisory Committee;
- Collaborated with the Domestic Violence Fatality Review Board;
- Participated with the Infant Injury Prevention and Safe Sleep Preparing for a Lifetime; It's Everyone's Responsibility workgroups and joint meetings;
- Submitted three recommendations to the Oklahoma Commission on Children and Youth for consideration for inclusion in the Oklahoma State Plan for Children's Services; and
- Hosted an intern from the University of Wisconsin Madison, Masters in Public Health, Epidemiology to conduct one of the CDRB recommendations for safe sleep education for caregivers' environmental scan
- Conducted targeted reviews of like cases to recognize similar patterns to better inform on educational practices and policy recommendations.

Collaboration with the planning and development of the Family First Prevention Services Act (FFPSA) / Title IV-E Prevention Program Title IV-E Prevention Program (FFY 2022 – 2026) was maintained and continued throughout FFY22. Please visit the plan by clicking <a href="here">here</a> for more information.

The OUHSC CCAN Sustainable Implementation of Evidence-Based Home Visitation Program Committee is another collaboration with representation from CBCAP and other FSPS staff. This committee was first implemented to ensure that an emphasis for sustainable evidence-based home visitation (EBHV) services for Oklahoma was made a priority. The goals of the work of this committee have been to ensure that the latest research and evaluation findings of home visitation programs are represented in Oklahoma, to identify current and potential sources of funding, to develop strategies for marketing and messaging, to facilitate accurate understanding about EBHV, and support expanded participation of families, with a focus on engaging fathers. The Sustainable Implementation Committee includes members from multiple state agencies (e.g., OSDH, OKDHS,

OHCA), nonprofit agencies (e.g., NorthCare Center, Parent Child Center of Tulsa, Latino Community Development Agency), tribes (Choctaw and Cherokee Tribes), the Oklahoma Institute on Child Advocacy, Oklahoma Partnership for School Readiness, the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center, Oklahoma State University and the Business community. Specific areas of work in FFY22 for this group was with the Potts Family Foundation when members of the committee served as panel participants for the Potts Family Foundation's presentation of the Resilience film to facilitate discussion and application to Oklahoma for community and professional audiences, further, team members facilitated the presentations of Near Science – Beyond Aces.

OSDH Injury Prevention Service has been a long-time collaboration supported by CBCAP and FSPS staff. FSPS participates in several of the Injury Prevention Service grant-driven activities, including the child passenger seat education and activities mentioned previously in this report.

The Oklahoma Injury Prevention Advisory Committee (OIPAC) serves as staff support for this multidisciplinary advisory body. The FSPS Director is a current member of the OIPAC and routinely participates in related activities. This advisory committee helps to advise the Injury Prevention Service on issues related to injury surveillance and data linkage, make recommendations regarding the development or enhancement of specific injury prevention programs, and review OSDH's injury and violence related objectives. Additionally, this committee assists in developing and updating the strategic plan to increase safety behaviors and reduce preventable injuries in Oklahoma.

One major collaboration that is coordinated and facilitated by CBCAP is the <u>CAP Action Committee</u>. This is a statewide committee that meets regularly to plan the CAP events to take place during April annually for National Child Abuse Prevention(NCAP) Month as well as to plan for the development, implementation and/or distribution of education materials and media campaigns throughout the year. This committee is made up of volunteers that represent multiple state agencies, non-profit organizations, faith-based organizations, businesses, universities, parent leaders, and other community members. In FFY2022, the CAP Action Committee aligned actions to complete the "Best Day" coloring challenge, promotion of blue-ribbon trees, pinwheel gardens, and blue lights, community level proclamations for CAP, a social media challenge, and more. This group also plans for and coordinates Oklahoma's Annual Child Abuse Prevention Awards Ceremony. This was held at the state Capitol and celebrated community and state level leaders throughout Oklahoma for their efforts at making children safe in Oklahoma. A more thorough description of NCAP Month activities can be found in section 9 of this report.

One other collaboration that is coordinated and facilitated by CBCAP is the <u>Home Visitation Leadership Advisory Coalition (HVLAC)</u>. Membership is comprised of representatives from state agencies, such as counterparts at OKDHS and the Oklahoma State Department of Education, and others from the University of Oklahoma, public school districts, youth and family services agencies, PCA-OK, parent-child centers and other private non-profits. This coalition allows members to share information, work together to find solutions to common problems and disseminate best practices. In FY2022, in response to feedback from coalition members, the CBCAP and FSPS staff

began to redefine the way that the coalition operates and began meeting with a steering committee derived from current home visitation leadership across the state to begin to restructure the design of the coalition. This restructuring will be complete in the next FFY. While the members and purpose of the coalition will stay the same, the goals for the coalition will shift to better. represent current service providers needs and expectations as well as usher in updated best practices and leadership experiences.

The Oklahoma Child Sexual Abuse Prevention Workgroup's efforts were sustained in FY2022. The group's main objective is to prevent children from committing sexual abuse against other children. To further strengthen Oklahoma's efforts in preventing child sexual abuse, OSDH will continue to use CBCAP funding to collaborate with The National Center on the Sexual Behavior of Youth (NCSBY), which is a component of the Center on Child Abuse and Neglect (CCAN) within the Department of Pediatrics at the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences. This partnership is ideal as it aligns with the workgroup's goals. The OUHSC has convened a Child Sexual Abuse Prevention interagency workgroup. The Oklahoma Child Sexual Abuse Prevention Workgroup is composed of members from state and nonprofit agencies who have programs focused on child sexual abuse prevention, childhood problematic sexual behavior, sex education, and/or healthy relationships for youth. Members include personnel from Children's Advocacy Centers (e.g., the CARE Center), child sexual abuse treatment centers with prevention focus (e.g., Bethesda), Oklahoma Department of Health, the Oklahoma Department of Education, and other agencies addressing child sexual abuse prevention, healthy relationships, and/or sex education (e.g., Thrive). Notable contributions made by this group in FFY22 included the development and implementation of a survey directed toward school personnel with follow-up of a focus group and individual interviews. The survey and other efforts helped to gauge a current picture of child sexual abuse prevention efforts in the school, school policies and procedures, training in prevention and abuse reporting, and comfort level in implementing these activities. The workgroup was invited by the Department of Education to present the information and did so during the Supporting the Whole Child 2022 Summer Conference in June 2022. Finally, the workgroup has since furthered collaboration with the State Department of Education with the development of the Title IV Fact Sheet on Prevention of Child Sexual Abuse. This was finalized in September of 2022 and will be made available during the first quarter of the next FFY.

The long-time collaboration with the <u>Potts Family Foundation</u> has continued. This foundation is mentioned throughout the report due to their significant impact and contributions to many aspects of child abuse and neglect prevention efforts in Oklahoma. The mission of the Potts Family Foundation is to provide support for childhood initiatives and nonprofit capacity building. This private family foundation has a majority board comprised of community leaders. Contributions in FFY2022 by the Potts Family Foundation included working with the Early Childhood Legislative Caucus and Prevent Child Abuse Oklahoma in what resulted in the passing of the Legislative Resolution designating April 7, 2022 as <u>ACES and PACES Awareness Day</u> as well as statewide work with the presentation and training offerings of the Near Science Beyond Aces, ACE Interface Mentor Training, and the ongoing development and support of the Self-Healing Communities Network.

The collaboration between FSPS, CBCAP, and the Oklahoma Commission on Children and Youth

(OCCY) continued in FFY22 with the renewal of a contract with the OCCY that is fully funded with CBCAP funds. In FFY22, the OCCY was able to hire a full time Community Planner to further enhance support for parent leadership programs throughout the state including the OCCY Parent Partnership Board and the Oklahoma Community of Practice for parent advisory committees. The OCCY has also used this contract to expand staff with opportunities for professional growth and development to enhance knowledge, skills, and abilities related to parent partnerships. This included training related to benefits and challenges of parent leadership; development and implementation of parent advisory committees; action planning relating to developing and/or strengthening parent advisory committees and many other topics. In addition to this work, the Parent Partnership Board (PPB) was launched and all available seats filled with parent leaders from across the state in FFY22. Not only has the PPB members provided voice and guidance for numerous state and national level committees and groups, but they have all also been provided with opportunities for trainings to orient and guide them as effective parent leaders.

#### Section 4 – The State's Prevention Service Array

Populations Served:	Number Served
Number of families with children with disabilities	87
Number of parents with disabilities	49
Total number children who received preventative direct services	2,762
Total number of parents/caregivers who received preventative direct services	2,775
Total number families who received preventative direct services	2,775

CBCAP and FSPS staff typically look to State Plan for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect in addition to other statewide needs assessments when making programmatic decisions. The other assessments include the Title V Needs Assessment completed by the Maternal Child Health service area within OSDH, and the Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visitation (MIECHV) Needs Assessment which is completed by FSPS. In FFY22, the three CBCAP funded Oklahoma Family Resource Centers (OFRC)s also completed community level needs assessments that will be used in the future to help determine community level programming.

The highlights from the above-mentioned needs assessment helped to identify areas of emphasis for CBCAP support and funding in specific areas of maternal health, perinatal and infant health, and child health. A focus of maternal health has focused in the areas of reducing infant mortality and improvements in the health of females of reproductive age. These areas have been addressed by ensuring that all CBCAP funded and supported programs and partners have knowledge and access to SoonerPlan. The Medicaid State Plan Amendment, SoonerPlan, provides access to reproductive health services for women and men at or below 133% of the federal poverty level. Family planning clinics in the state provide information on the most effective method of contraception to prevent unintended pregnancy, assist with reproductive life planning, and ensure healthy spacing of pregnancies. Specific perinatal health priorities have been to reduce infant mortality, improve the health of reproductive age individuals, improvements to the accessibility

to social workers and social supports, improvements of mental and behavioral health, increasing access to quality health care, and improving health equity. Finally, the specific emphasis to child health includes improving the health education of children and adolescents as a priority for years 2021-2025.

FSPS staff collaborated with MCH Title V staff to update the needs assessment in 2020, participating in listening sessions which were held across the state. The updated needs assessment was approved by HRSA and continues to be utilized to ensure home visiting programs are serving those areas with the highest need through RFPs targeted toward the newly identified at risk communities. In order to address all of these areas of needs across the state, the Oklahoma CBCAP and FSPS ensured formal agreements of collaboration and partnerships in FFY22. Additionally, a number of contracts were provided that directly addressed each of the priority needs in Oklahoma as identified by the above assessments.

Memorandums of Understandings that were renewed or established in FFY22 that directly support the above identified areas of emphasis include:

- FSPS and Child Guidance Service to assure that home-visiting clients are made aware of Child Guidance programs
- FSPS and Sooner Start to assure that home-visiting clients are made aware of the Early Intervention program
- FSPS and Injury Prevention Service to collaborate in order to prevent childhood injuries
- FSPS and Maternal and Child Health Service to reduce infant mortality and morbidity by providing safe sleep education and distributing portable cribs, sleep sacks and educational materials to families participating in home- visiting services

Contracts that were renewed or established in FFY22 that directly support the above identified areas of emphasis include:

- Bethany Public Schools for PAT services
- Center for Children and Families, Inc. for the planning, development, and implementation of an Oklahoma Family Resource Center\*
- Frontline Family Solutions for PAT services & Community Connector
- Great Plains Youth and Family Service, Inc. for PAT services
- Latino Community Development Agency for PAT services
- National Family Support Network for membership as a state network, the ability to sustain the Oklahoma Standards Training team, and numerous technical assistance and professional development supports
- Northern Oklahoma Youth Services for PAT services
- Northwest Family Services, Inc. for PAT services
- Nurse-Family Partnership for rights to utilize the NFP model
- Oklahoma City Public Schools for PAT services
- Oklahoma University Health Sciences Center Center for Child Abuse and Neglect for

- the Annual Child Abuse and Neglect Conference co-sponsorship and prevention track speakers
- Oklahoma University Health Science Center Sooner Success for the implementation of Sibshops and the distribution of respite vouchers\*
- Oklahoma Commission on Children and Youth for the support of the full-time staff position of the Community Planner, the Parent Partnership Board, and the ongoing statewide support of parent leadership\*
- Oklahoma University Health Science Center Center for Child Abuse and Neglect for the Child Sexual Abuse Prevention Workgroup
- Parent Child Center of Tulsa for PAT services
- Parent Child Center of Tulsa for the planning, development, and implementation of an Oklahoma Family Resource Center\*
- Parent Promise for the planning, development, and implementation of an Oklahoma Family Resource Center\*
- Parent Promise for PAT services
- Parents as Teachers National Center for rights to utilize the PAT model
- Parent Child Center of Tulsa for PAT services
- Professional Development numerous contracts for staff and service providers across the state\*
- Regents of the University of Colorado to provide training in the use of the Dyadic Assessment of Naturalistic Caregiver Child Experience (DANCE)
- Smart Start Central Oklahoma for Community Connector
- Tahlequah Public Schools for PAT services
- Youth & Family Services for Hughes & Seminole Counties for PAT services
- <u>Interagency Agreements that were renewed or established in FFY22 that directly support</u> the above identified areas of emphasis include:
- Oklahoma City-County Health Department for NFP services
- OUCCAN for external evaluation of MIECHV Grant activities
- OUCCAN for SafeCare services
- Tulsa Health Department for NFP services
- Tulsa Health Department for Community Connector

Items marked with \* are contracts that made possible through the supplemental CBCAP funds provided through the American Rescue Plan.

To review a selection of personal stories that exhibit how CBCAP supported programming directly impacting Oklahoma Families, please click on the links below.

2022 Oklahoma PAT Highlight Story – Mr. Wayne, Kairo, and Julestria's Story Alaina, Jose, and Delilah's Story Whitney and Aalyiah's Story Eugene, Titan, and DeJuan's Story

### Section 5 – The Outreach Activities for Special Populations and Cultural Competence Efforts Conducted by the CBCAP Lead Agency

Please check all that apply for outreach:

- ☑ Parents
- ☑ Racial and Ethnic Minorities
- ☑ Children and Adults with Disabilities
- ☑ Homeless Families and those at risk of homelessness
- ☑ Unaccompanied Homeless Youth
- ☑ Adult Former Victims of Child Abuse and Neglect or Domestic Violence
- ☑ Members of other Underserved or Underrepresented Populations

The foundation of the promotion of culturally relevant programming and activities for Oklahoma families is a formal structure of professional development and supports for program development, service providers, and parent leaders. The OSDH is committed to ensuring access to quality care for all consumers and works to implement strategies for recruiting and retaining a diverse staff. During the process of hiring service providers, consideration is given to education and experience, and also candidate's ability to be supportive, nonjudgmental, and sensitive to other cultures, values and beliefs. An effort is made to hire staff that is bilingual should that skill be relevant for that community.

The OSDH has in place policies, practices, structures, procedures and specific resources to support culturally and linguistically competent services. As part of the performance management system, employees are required to attend annual cultural competence training. Although policies and procedures are implemented throughout the agency, three divisions work closely with programs to ensure that information, materials and services are delivered in a manner that meets the needs of diverse consumers:

- The Oklahoma Health Equity Campaign works collaboratively with communities to develop upstream policies to improve health status for Oklahomans;
- The Office of Minority Health and Health Equity helps develop recommendations for OSDH and other health agencies to eliminate health disparities among Oklahoma's minority and underserved populations. They also develop standards and training for interpreters, provide telephone language services, and assist in developing educational materials for minority populations as well as interpretation/translation services; and
- The <u>Office of Communications</u> provides services to OSDH programs to help develop educational materials that convey information in a manner that is easily understood by diverse audiences and persons with low literacy skills.

This formal structure includes addressing topics through trainings and conferences that are identified through feedback and program outcomes as well as guidance for program staff to

provide additional training around the diverse and unique needs of their current service population. In addition to the focus on diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility that is highlighted throughout the FSPS professional development training calendar, CBCAP looks to partner and contract with other entities that also provide the same types of professional development opportunities and structure for staff and parent leaders.

This report has identified the multiple collaborations that the Oklahoma CBCAP lead agency has had with partners across that state in FFY22 that have focused on outreach activities that help to maximize the participation of parents, racial and ethnic minorities, children and adults with disabilities and members of other underserved or underrepresented groups. While not a complete listing, the following are some examples of those programs and activities.

- Many of the FSPS funded and/or supported programs provide services to the Hispanic population of Oklahoma. However, the Latino Community Development Agency (LCDA) exclusively provides home visiting services to Spanish speaking populations within Oklahoma County. LCDA ensures that the services are culturally sensitive to families' and communities' unique characteristics. All aspects of the service delivery (i.e. outreach, screenings, home visits, curriculum, etc.) are culturally responsive and family-centered. In FFY22, LCDA offered two different home visiting programs: Parents as Teachers and SafeCare. LCDA shares the models beliefs that strengthening families with protective factors will result in enhancing the quality of life of the families served. In total, these two programs served 260 families within Oklahoma County providing a total of 3,915 home visits promoting appropriate development activities.
- Home visiting programming supported and/or funded by CBCAP standardized child development screenings and assessments for participating children. When a possible developmental delay was detected, the families were most often referred to SoonerStart or Child Guidance for further assessment and intervention.
- The newly funded network of OFRCs includes two sites that receive funding from the Oklahoma Department of Human Services (OKDHS) that is in addition to what is received by CBCAP. The additional funding is Title V funds for children and youth with special healthcare needs (CYSHCN) and used for the development of the OFRC project. This has allowed partnerships to be developed with these OFRCs and the CYSHCN community with service providers as well as parent leaders who are representative of the CYSHCN community. In FFY22, these OFRCs developed parent advisory committees, completed needs assessments within their communities, and developed community councils made up of other partners that also provides direct services and resources to the CYSHCN community.
- CBCAP funded and/or supported programming like home visiting, OFRCs, and Child Guidance all report providing services and resources to families who were identified as homeless and living with a friend or family member, living in in shelters, crisis centers or group homes throughout the state.
- Connecting families across the state with needed services around substance abuse continues to be an issue in FFY22, particularly in rural areas of the state. In addition to connecting families to systems and hotlines that meet these needs, the programs also

- collaborated with committees and coalitions. This was reported as a way to make new connections for families as well as identify community needs and possibly develop new local systems and partnerships to address the needs.
- During the reporting period, there were a number of programs that reported working
  with families who reported being victims of intimate partner violence (IPV). Home
  visitation programs funded and/or supported by CBCAP administer the IPV screening in
  addition to the PHQ-9 and GAD7 screenings on a regular basis. Additionally, all PAT home
  visitation programs have a local protocol in place so that service providers know what
  actions to take when a family reports IPV.
- Providing outreach specific to fathers is something that each CBCAP supported and/or funded program ensures in each community. Some of the ways that this has occurred during FFY22 is through the use of EI/EB fatherhood curriculum, scheduling home visits or other services during times that fathers can be present, providing referrals for fathers to father specific networks, workshops, and support groups. Some PAT programs reported the facilitation of group connections that were centered on fathers and parent child interaction ideas around topics that could be intriguing to some fathers (sports, cars, tools, etc.).

# Section 6 – The CBCAP Lead Agency's Activities and Implementation Plan to Ensure the Continued Leadership and Involvement of Parents in the Ongoing Planning, Implementation, and Evaluation of CBCAP Programs

The previously mentioned partnership that was formed prior to FFY22 and has been maintained due to the availability of the CBCAP ARP funds is with the Oklahoma Commission on Children and Youth (OCCY). This partnership has laid ground work in FFY22 for a future of parent leadership in Oklahoma. The partnership was originally developed due to OCCY's strides in development of Oklahoma's first state level Parent Partnership Board and the OFSN's efforts of the development and sustainability of community level parent advisory committees. The OFSN/OFRC Coordinator works directly with the OCCY Program Manager for Planning and Coordination and the Community Development Planner for Parent Leadership Programs. This work has not only developed a successful interagency partnership, but it has also included achievements such as hosting and fully funding the NFSN's Developing and Sustaining Effective Parent Advisory Committee training for community partners across the state.

Another achievement through this partnership has been the development of the Oklahoma Parent Advisory Committee Community of Practice (OPAC CoP). This CoP was designed with professional service providers in mind to help identify organizational and community capacity for the development of PACs along with the benefits of peer supports and additional professional development opportunities. The participants of each of the NFSN's PAC trainings that are hosted by the OCCY and the OFSN will enter the OPAC CoP in cohorts as they complete the training. The first training was held in September 2022 and planning of the CoP has occurred from July 2022.

The first cohort of the NFSN's PAC training will establish the inaugural convening of the CoP in the next fiscal year.

CBCAP staff supported the honoring of parent leaders during Parent Leadership month in February 2022. This was done through work with different partners including, but not limited to the CAP Action Committee, the Home Visitation Leadership Advisory Council, raising awareness and providing materials and other resources to contractors and community partners, and through statewide efforts made by OCCY.

In addition to the work around parent leadership with OCCY, the Oklahoma CBCAP lead agency has also highlighted the work of the parent leaders on the Parent Partnership Board throughout FY2022 during the Collaborative Convening meetings that occurred in October and April 2022. Ongoing awareness and education through various methods was also made to programs and contractors that are funded and/or supported by CBCAP.

CBCAP funds were used again in FFY22 to provide Circle of Parents® (Circle) groups across the state. These parent groups are co-facilitated by a Child Development Specialist (CDS) and a Parent Leader. There are several different parent groups throughout the State of Oklahoma; current groups are in Head Start programs, low-income housing complexes, domestic violence shelters, substance abuse programs, OFRCs, and Public Schools. Any parent or person in a parenting role may join a *Circle of Parents*® group. Parents who are participating in home visiting programs or accessing resources or services at an OFRC are highly encouraged to participate as a way to keep from feeling isolated and build leadership skills.

The supplemental CBCAP funds provided through the American Rescue Plan helped to advance the work that Oklahoma is now doing to ensure parent leadership and the involvement of parents with all aspects of programming across the state. This funding allowed for training at a systems level to occur that opened doors for the assessment of the capacity of the state, community, and agencies to co-develop programing with parent voice and parent leadership. That led to partnerships and collaborations that have brought national partners such as the National Family Support Network and the Children's Trust Fund Alliance to provide trainings and implementation supports for programming and work that is inclusive of parent leadership and is representative of the individual cultures and communities. These diverse parent leaders are now working with programs and systems across Oklahoma in multiple ways to ensure that their voice from their own unique lived experiences is centered in the design, operation, and evaluation of community-based child abuse and neglect prevention programs and activities.

Section 7 – The Training, Technical Assistance, and Evaluation Assistance Activities Conducted or Sponsored by the CBCAP Lead Agency

#### <u>Training</u>

- The FSPS area maintained the training schedule that lends itself to continuous professional development that is critical to a successful service provider. All home visitors are trained according to the model requirements in order to meet affiliation/accreditation requirements and maintain model fidelity. Additional trainings, primarily focusing on psycho- social topics, are also contractually required. This training regimen was developed in response to home visitors' needs. With the exception of model-specific trainings, trainings have been consolidated for efficiency and offered to any Oklahoma service provider free of charge. When appropriate, trainings are offered online.
- CBCAP funded FSPS staff members and Child Guidance County staff to attend the Oklahoma Infant Mental Health Association Conference in October 2021. The topic of this conference was Understanding Equity: A Pathway to Action. Key note speakers included Dr. Rosemary Allen, Julie Davis, and Juli Skinner.
- CBCAP Funded FSPS Staff to attend the Zero to Three Conference in October 2021. The conference was focused on the Babies Build American campaign.
- CBCAP funded FSPS staff member to attend the Oklahoma Institute for Child Advocacy (OICA) 2021 Fall Forum in October 2021. This was a four-day virtual event where partners gathered from all over the state to discuss the 2022 legislative agenda and advocacy priorities. Topics covered included workshops for the Healthy Kids Coalition, children's mental health, food insecurity, and federal relief funds. There were also advocate feedback sessions focused on children's mental and physical health, Oklahoma's Child Welfare and Juvenile Justice systems, technology use and broadband access, and economic stability for Oklahoma families.
- CBCAP funded Child Development Specialists with Child Guidance programming to be trained in Parent Child Interaction Therapy (PCIT) in March 2022.
- The Annual Oklahoma Child Abuse and Neglect Conference: This three-day conference is organized by the University of Oklahoma's Center on Child Abuse and Neglect. OSDH utilizes this conference to provide training to staff that work in various family support programs and multidisciplinary teams, as well as local task forces. In 2022, the conference was held in-person for the first time since 2019. OSDH was a co-sponsor for the event. Utilizing CBCAP funds, OSDH sponsored a prevention track during the conference that covered a variety of topics and provided scholarships for 40 OSDH employees and community partners to attend. A variety of continuing education credits were offered for attorneys, social workers, psychologists, counselors, law enforcement and other disciplines.
- The Collective Impact 2022 Virtual Action Summit was attended by one staff member.
   This three-day event provided 25 virtual sessions and included a funder only institute on
   the first day. The Plenary Keynote speakers included Priya Parker, author of The Art of
   Gathering, Melody Barnes from the Aspen Institute Forum for Community Solutions, and
   others. The breakout sessions included themes of culture and narrative change, shifting

power and connecting to community, policy change, data and learning, and sustaining funding and momentum. The overall takeaway was how to achieve collaborative, equitable systems change.

The FSPS continues to provide a high level of technical assistance to partners and contractors operations that supports the efforts of a quality evidence-based home visiting and community-based child abuse prevention system. Consultants, employees of FSPS with model-specific expertise, provide an array of supports to program administrators, supervisors, home visitors, OFRC staff, and community partners across the state including:

#### **Technical and Other Supports**:

- Establishing and maintaining relationships with national model and framework developers
- Developing and distributing policies and program guidelines
- Developing "Oklahoma specific" educational materials to be included with model lesson plans and used during home visits and when providing other services and activities
- Assuring that service providers are trained in their respective model or frameworks as well as additional trainings on adoption, substance abuse, domestic violence, etc.
- Providing technical assistance to service providers and community partners upon request
- Training home visitors and other service providers in agency processes such as charting, record keeping, making child abuse/neglect reports, etc.
- Developing and distributing quarterly performance measurement tools/ reports
- Assisting with CQI projects when needed
- Conducting annual site visits to assure fidelity to the model and quality of services; site visits include the sharing of data; auditing records; meetings with staff and external partners; and developing correction plans if necessary
- Assisting program evaluators in analyzing programmatic data and producing annual reports
- Ensuring program alignment with federal, state and agency desired outcomes
- Supporting the Oklahoma Warmline offers free telephone consultation to child care
  providers and parents. Telephone consultation is provided by licensed professionals
  around the areas of health=, behavioral and mental health, development, and
  parenting. Consultants can also refer providers to appropriate services and resources
  within their communities. Child Care Mental Health consultation is coordinated through
  this project. This initiative is provided in collaboration with the Oklahoma Department
  of Human Services.

#### **Evaluation Assistance**

 MIECHV funds are used to maintain and continuously improve "Efforts to Outcomes" (ETO), the collective database for three home visiting models (NFP, PAT and SafeCare) and the network of OFRCs. During FFY 2022, individual consultation and technical assistance was provided as requested by FSPS staff. The goal of this is to improve data

- collection, processing and maintenance, the FSPS data team coordinated efforts to enhance transition from paper data collection forms to ETO data collection touchpoints. In addition to this, the MIECHV ETO team worked to build dashboards with initial touchpoints in ETO for the OFRCs.
- In FFY22, CBCAP began working with the Colorado Family Support Association to develop a contract for the licensure, implementation supports, and ongoing supports of the statewide implementation of the Colorado Family Support Association's FRC data collection tool and evaluation plan. Though not fully implemented in FFY22, this evaluation assistance will allow the CBCAP staff to provide a higher level of support around the evaluation of the network of OFRCs across the state.

### Section 8 – Evaluation and Reporting from Programs and Activities Funded Under CBCAP

The FSPS has a long history of collecting data related to evidence-based home visiting and other programming. With MIECHV funding, the agency was able to create a centralized database for all home visiting programs regardless of model. Social Solutions customized their "Efforts to Outcomes" program for Oklahoma programs. Today, data from NFP, PAT, SafeCare and historical Healthy Families America can be pulled and analyzed from one system. This data is used for MIECHV benchmark reporting, model fidelity, day to day program management, as well as for reports provided to federal partners, the Oklahoma Legislature and the Oklahoma Governor.

#### Demonstration of Program Satisfaction

Overall, participants of programs and activities that were funded by CBCAP in FFY22 indicated a high satisfaction. When CBCAP staff asked those funded programs and activities for specific or additional feedback from participants, it received overall positive comments. The evaluations for some of the programs and activities also include an area of suggestions from participants. A range of further discussion and action has been taken from these suggestions including how to include more discussion during trainings about LBGTQ+ and same sex partners, physical locations of the trainings, and how to ensure that service providers are provided professional development in special interest areas of program populations.

#### **Data Quality**

ETO has now been in place for seven years with a focus on data quality within the system. Sites have the ability to run a report for various data needs at any time. Some of the commonly used reports are Caseload report, Internal referral report, Training tracker reports, Data quality report, etc. Reports are used to get updated data for a specific need,

and can be stratified by program, by staff, and any other parameter of interest. The aim of data quality reports is to reduce the missing data in variables by 10 percent or more

#### Blue Ribbon Tree Campaign Evaluation

The data from this campaign was stored in the ETO database for FFY22. With descriptive statistics reported to show location and organization type. A statewide map of the data was produced to view the dispersion of active Blue Ribbon Trees across the state. This was instrumental in identifying gaps in participation as well as new areas to focus outreach efforts for the future.

<u>Expenditure Reporting from Evidence Based / Evidence Informed Programming and Activities</u>

Well-Supported				
Program Name	Supporting Reference	Total Amount of CBCAP Funding \$	Total Infrastructure Costs* \$	Total Match Funding \$
Children First – Oklahoma's Nurse Family Partnership	https://www.cebc4cw.org/program/ nurse-family-partnership/	\$342,156	\$4,060,405	\$0
Parents as Teachers National Center (curriculum/users fees)	https://www.cebc4cw.org/topic/ home-visiting/	\$1,565	\$1,565.00	\$0
Parent Child Interaction Therapy	https://www.cebc4cw.org/program/parent-child-interaction-therapy/	\$16,000	\$16,000	\$0
The Incredible Years	https://www.cebc4cw.org/program/ the-incredible-years/	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$0
Start Strong SEL Conscious Discipline	https://www.pewtrusts.org/en/rese arch-and-analysis/data- visualizations/2015/results-first- clearinghouse-database; https://consciousdiscipline.com/me thodology/	\$1,239	\$1,239	\$0
Totals:		\$410,960	\$4,129,209	\$0
Supported				
Program Name	Supporting Reference	Total Amount of CBCAP Funding \$	Total Infrastructure Costs \$	Total Match Funding \$
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Totals:		\$0	\$0	\$0	
<b>Promising Programs</b>	Promising Programs and Practices				
Program Name	Supporting Reference	Total Amount of CBCAP Funding \$	Total Infrastructure Costs \$	Total Match Funding \$	
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Totals:		\$0	\$0	\$0	
Emerging and Evider	nce Informed Programs and Practices				
Program Name	Supporting Reference	Total Amount of CBCAP Funding \$	Total Infrastructure Costs \$	Total Match Funding \$	
Ages and Stages Questionnaire Online Subscription and Implementation	https://agesandstages.com/wp- content/uploads/2019/08/ASQ- 3-Technical-Appendix web.pdf	\$1,275.00	\$1,275	\$0	
Family Resource Centers (NFSN's FRC Frameworks – Strengthening Families Protective Factors and Principles of Family Support Practice, and	https://www.nationalfamilysupport network.org/frameworks  https://8c49defa-92cd-4bf1-ac5b- 91471683def4.filesusr.com/ugd/20 e556_58df7bcbc3bf453d9790c21c0 eeaa8ab.pdf	\$312,000	\$312,000	\$0	
NFSN Standards of Quality (training, national membership, and state network implementation)	https://8c49defa-92cd-4bf1-ac5b- 91471683def4.filesusr.com/ugd/20 e556_58df7bcbc3bf453d9790c21c0 eeaa8ab.pdf	\$30,276	\$30,276	\$0	
Totals:		\$343,551	\$343,551	\$0	

Program Lacking Support/Positive Evidence/Harmful/Undetermined				
Program Name	Supporting Reference	Total Amount of CBCAP Funding \$	Total Infrastructure Costs \$	Total Match Funding \$
CCAN and Speakers	https://www.ouhealth.com/docume nts/events/Conference-Brochure- 2021.pdf	\$24,450	\$24,450	\$0
Circle of Parents	https://www.cebc4cw.org/program/ circle-of-parents/detailed	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$0
Circle of Security Parenting	https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC5543687/	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$0
OCCY PACs / PPB	https://hv-coiin.edc.org/sites/hv-coiin.edc.org/files/Parent%20Leadership%20Toolkit_FINAL.pdf	\$105,750	\$105,750	\$0
OKDHS / OSDH Child Guidance Oklahoma Warmline	https://oklahoma.gov/okdhs/servic es/child-care-services/child-care- licensing/warmline.html	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$0
OUHSC Child Sexual Abuse Prevention Statewide Workgroup	https://oklahoma.gov/content/dam /ok/en/health/health2/aem- documents/family- health/fsps/child-abuse- prevention/Oklahoma%20Child%20 Sexual%20Abuse%20Prevention%2 0Directory%20of%20Services.pdf	\$75,000	\$75,000	\$0
OUHSC Sooner Success Respite Voucher Program	https://soonersuccess.ouhsc.edu/Se rvices-Programs/Respite/OKDHS- DDS-Respite-Voucher-Program; https://archrespite.org/respite- research	\$112,868	\$112,868	\$0
Totals:		\$723,119	\$723,119	\$0
Overall Totals:		\$1,477,630	\$5,195,879	\$0

### Section 9 – Child Abuse Prevention Month and Public Awareness Activities Conducted by the CBCAP Lead Agency

Number of individuals who received public awareness or public	14,826
education activities via social media	

Each year in April, the OSDH, Family Support and Prevention Service (FSPS) and CBCAP staff observe National Child Abuse Prevention Month (NCAPM) with events and activities included in an elaborate and strategic statewide plan. This is made possible with the expertise, dedication, and involvement of countless prevention partners who meet throughout the year as part of the Child Abuse Prevention (CAP) Action Committee. Many communities across the state issue proclamations and media releases to raise awareness on the importance of child abuse prevention.

During SFY 2022, the CAP Action Committee led NCAPM planning meetings virtually each month. New partners continued to join the group and the Oklahoma Child Abuse Prevention Facebook continues to be a growing avenue for public awareness and education activities. In FY22, the OCAP Facebook sustained growth with increases in likes, follows, and reach of posts from the previous FFY. There were 1,403 Likes on posts and the page was followed by 1,548 people. Facebook activities reached 11,785 people throughout the year with 38% of the total reach in the month of April, alone.

The longstanding partnership with the Oklahoma Department of Libraries (ODL) continued in FFY22 with the 15<sup>th</sup> year of collaboration of libraries across the state joining the efforts of CAP for the month of April.

Oklahoma Department of Libraries (ODL) were encouraged to join efforts to prevent child abuse during the month of April. Staff at libraries across the state were prompted to get involved by raising awareness at their local library through creating bulletin boards devoted to prevention, building a blue-ribbon tree or setting up display tables with useful information for parents.

The Community Resource Guides from the Children's Bureau's Office on Child Abuse and Neglect (co-sponsored by Child Welfare Information Gateway and the FRIENDS National Resource Center for Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention) were disseminated to partners across the state such as school counselors, home-based parenting programs, libraries, schools, county health departments, local task forces and others upon request. The link to download the publication was also widely shared.

The annual Outstanding Child Abuse Prevention Awards were held in April 2022. There was a record number of Oklahomans in attendance at the Awards Ceremony, which returned to the Oklahoma State Capitol in 2022 with exceptional individuals and programs being honored for their work. The Awards ceremony was coordinated through CAP Action with special help from Brown's Bakery, the Oklahoma City Crisis Nursery, and Parent Promise / PCA-OK.

The following awards recognized outstanding commitment and dedication for particular aspects of child abuse prevention:

- Marion Jacewitz Award Given to an individual in Oklahoma who has made significant contributions to the prevention of child abuse on a statewide level, was awarded to **Linda** Whaley, with the Oklahoma Department of Human Services, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.
- The Outstanding Child Abuse Prevention Program Award, given to an exceptional community program that has an emphasis on child abuse prevention, was awarded to two outstanding programs: **ROAR**, A Child Sexual Abuse Prevention Program within the CARE Center, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

- The Mary Ellen Wilson Award, given to an individual who has demonstrated outstanding commitment and dedication to child abuse prevention activities in his or her community, was awarded to **Shawna Norman**, with Parent Promise/PCA-OK, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.
- The Julie L. Bonner Award, given to an outstanding nurse, was awarded to Dana Taylor, R.N., with the Tulsa County Health Department, Broken Arrow, Oklahoma and Michelle Coonfield, R.N., with the Tulsa County Health Department, Broken Arrow, Oklahoma.
- The Outstanding Home Visitor Award, given to a parent educator who has demonstrated outstanding commitment and dedication to child abuse prevention activities in his or her community, was awarded to **Mona Wheeler** at Great Plains Youth and Family Services, Inc., Hobart, Oklahoma.

The ceremony was followed by the *Field of Flags* Ceremony, presented by Parent Promise / PCA-OK, on the south lawn of the Oklahoma Capitol. When completed, hundreds of American Flags representing children from across the country who have lost their lives due to abuse and neglect were placed on the lawn. Along with the American flags, there were also Oklahoma flags added to remember the tragedy of the loss of our own Oklahoma children due to abuse and neglect.

#### 2022 Child Abuse Prevention Month Campaigns, Events and Activities:

- Creation of social media campaign materials for all activities and events (Designed by the CAP Action Committee members and the OSDH/OOC)
- Social media promotion leading up to and throughout April via the Oklahoma Child Abuse Prevention Facebook page
- Promotion of 2022 April NCAPM Campaigns on OSDH website
- 2022 CAP Month Newsletter
- Happy Day Coloring Challenge
- The Super CAP Month Challenge
- Pinwheel Gardens Led by Parent Promise/PCA-OK
- Dissemination of Children's Bureau National CAPM Resource Guides
- Media Event: Governor Kevin Stitt and First Lady Sarah Stitt Discuss Child Abuse Prevention Month, highlighting the Oklahoma Child Advocacy Centers
- <u>CAP Social Media Challenge</u> Community partners were challenged to use social media to spread awareness about child abuse prevention using Facebook, TikTok, Instagram, or Twitter.
- Annual Build a Blue Ribbon Tree for Kids Campaign
- 2022 Blue Ribbon Tree Slideshow
- 2022 Blue Ribbon Tree Flyer
- 2022 Blue Ribbon Tree Yard Sign
- 2022 CAP Month Images

#### **Notable Dates:**

- October 14, 2021 and April 1, 2022: Biannual Collaborative Convening Partnering with OKDHS
- April 1, 2022: <u>Annual Wear Blue Day</u>

- April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022: Sky Dance Bridge Lighting goes blue for NCAPM
- April 13-15, 2022: FSPS Co-hosting 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Child Abuse and Neglect Conference
- April 18-22, 2022: State Capitol Lit up in Blue & YMCA's 5 Days of Action
- April 21, 2022: Annual Outstanding Child Abuse Prevention Awards Ceremony at the Oklahoma State Capitol including First Lady Sarah Stitt

## Section 10 – Important Contextual Factors that Impacted the Ability of the CBCAP Lead Agency to Implement their Proposed Plans in FFY22

In FFY22, many of the programs, services, and activities that were funded and/or supported by CBCAP in Oklahoma remained in a virtual format. Home-based services were shifted, yet again, from being fully virtual to being back to in-person or being offered through a hybrid format. In 2020 when the state's public health agency pulled much of the workforce to a public health emergency a lot of work was shifted away to focus on COVID-19 efforts. It was well into FFY22 when the nurses, epidemiologists, clinicians and some general staff that were representative of the CBCAP programs and activities returned to fully focus on those activities and programs. This not only affected the FSPS and CBCAP staff but partners as well. Through the collection of outcomes for this report, it was reported multiple times that the number of completed events or activities and even the number of participants continue to be affected in the aftermath of the pandemic.

One additional area that has stood out in FFY22 is the attrition that has been experienced by local programming staff. The feedback that the CBCAP staff continues to receive from partners across the state is the initial number of staff lost at the beginning of the pandemic had a significant and far-reaching impact. Organizations and programs did eventually shift and adapt and successfully hired new staff; however, once the transition back to in-person services occurred, another wave of staff began leaving. Some programming supervisors reported that staff exits were largely related to the difficulty of transitioning from virtual to in-person home visiting or seeking other job opportunities that offered the convenience and flexibility of telework to achieve a greater work-life balance. Due to all of this, more emphasis needs to be placed on sustaining caseloads of existing service providers, reviewing professional development options, and looking at compensation and incentives of service providers in more innovative ways than before.

Section 11 – Updates on the CBCAP Lead Agency's Use of Supplemental Funding Provided Through the American Rescue Plan (not addressed in other sections of this report)

Provide the type of activity undertaken or planned by checking the appropriate category(ies) here.

Check all that apply.

- ☑ Develop public awareness
- ☑ Enhance work in reducing racial and economic disparities

- ☑ Increase number EB/EI prevention programs
- ☑ Provide concrete supports
- ☑ Provide support to underserved communities (i.e., LGBTQ+, communities of color, military families, etc.)
- ☑ Strengthen parent leadership and family engagement
- ☑ Other (please specify details in the box below)

Once staff received the notice of the award amount that would be provided through the supplemental ARP funds for CBCAP, there was extensive planning done internally and with external partners to devise the most effective strategy for utilizing CBCAP funding to enhance support for families and communities in Oklahoma. In addition to the in-depth assessment, planning, and implementation of the statewide network of Oklahoma Family Resource Centers, the outside partners that were also included in the strategy included the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center's Sooner Success for the bolstering of respite vouchers program for caregivers of children with disabilities and the Oklahoma Commission on Children and Youth's development of statewide parent leadership efforts as well as professional development for partners across the state that is focused on the development, identification, and sustainability of parent leadership at the community level.

All of these projects have been thoroughly explained throughout this report. There are a couple of things to note about how the funding was allocated, as a whole. Each of the projects are impactful and were needed services or resources on their own, but they are all smaller moving parts of a larger picture of a statewide effort to connect resources for communities and families as well as to begin shifts in system work based on the voice of those families and communities. Additionally, all efforts of this work have been planned and implemented while maintaining fidelity to the National Family Support Network's framework for the Standards of Quality implementation and Family Resource Centers. This has allowed CBCAP staff and partners to ensure that family centeredness, family strengthening, diversity, equity, inclusion, community strengthening, and evaluation remain at the core of all planning and implementation