



## Door County Partnership for Children and Families Quarterly Partnership Update

Friday September 9, 2022

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The mission of the Door County Partnership for Children and Families is to promote resilience, strength, and social-emotional well-being for the families in our community.

**Attendees:** Rebecca Nicholson (DCPCF – Community Connector), Chad Welch (DCPCF – Family Engagement Liaison), Mary Ellen Smith (DCPCF Co-Chair), Ann Smejkal (DCPCF Co-Chair), Nikki Voight (Door-Tran), Candis Dart (Parent/Community Member), Kris Miller (Cradle to Career), Jess Holland (UWDC-Child Care), Beth Lokken (Door County Library), Josh Orberndorfer (YMCA), Katie Smullern (Sturgeon Bay Schools), Callie Krauel (DCMC), Sophie Sielen (Family Services of NEW – Sexual Assault Center), Cori McFarlane (DCDHHS), Cami Peggarr (UWDC-STRIDE), Autumn Depner (DCDHHS-Economic Support)

### 1. Partner Updates

- a. **Door-Tran (Nikki Voight)** - No major updates, still business as usual and would be open to talking to any agencies or organizations who would like to learn more about transportation options in Door County.
- b. **Door County Library (Beth Lokken)** - The Library is celebrating Library Card Signup Month(s) by encouraging people to get a (free!) library card (photo ID and 5 minutes is all it takes). If you have a card and bring it in during September or October, we will replace cards for free (normally a \$3 fee) and waive all overdue fees that may be on your card. This does not include bills for lost or damaged items.
- c. **Sexual Assault Center (Sophie Sielen)** - My name is Sophie and I am the new Door County Coordinator for the Sexual Assault Center. I can be contacted directly during business hours at 920-559-7511 and our 24/7 hotline is 920-746-8996. If anyone is interested in learning more please reach out. I can even drop off business cards and brochures at any of the other community organizations who are interested in having them on hand to share with clients. Thank you.

### 2. DCPCF Updates

- a. Dolly Parton Imagination Library – 707 active / 430 graduated
- b. Raising a Thinking Child training – Chad hopes to hold a fall and winter session this school year, more to come...
- c. Parent Cafes – looking to get some scheduled during this school year
- d. WOW Cafes – looking to get some scheduled during this school year
- e. Triple P – upcoming classes will be posted on our website events calendar and you can find more information here: <https://doorcountyparents.com/triple-p/>
- f. Welcome Baby program – we have procured enough funds to start this program. We have completed a soft launch with DCMC OBGYN department which started on May 2<sup>nd</sup>. Screens are being done for 1<sup>st</sup> time moms at their 1<sup>st</sup> prenatal visit. There have been 5 screens so far; 3 positive screens were forwarded to Gina Felhofer (Family Services of Northeast Wisconsin). 1 enrolled in Healthy Families, 1 is allowing Gina to follow up monthly until baby is born and the last is currently in an intake status for Healthy Families.
- g. Community Connections has served 46 families and filled 158 requests for diapers, wipes and formula between January and July of this year.

3. The Partnership is looking to increase community engagement and is looking for feedback on how to go about this. Our existing sub-committees have served us well but have not been meeting since pre-COVID. We are looking to create new opportunities for parent/community involvement in the Partnership. Ann Smejkal suggested another Community Conversation event.

4. Meeting schedule – the group decided that moving the Quarterly meeting to the third Friday of the month would be best to accommodate those that have a conflict with the STRIDE meeting.

Next Meeting: December 16, 2022