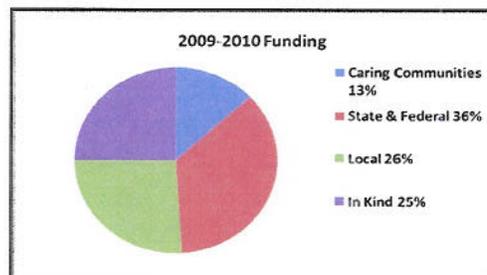


Butler County Community Resource Council

Established: 1997



**FY10 Result Achievement: Truancy Court
Children and Families Safe**

September 2010

Community Profile:

The Butler County Community Resource Council is located in Poplar Bluff and serves Butler County. Butler County has a population of 41,383 and is located in Southeast Missouri. Our residents are primarily Caucasian (91.8%) with African Americans comprising a significant minority of 5.4% of the population. Poplar Bluff, population 16,651, is the principle city and center of commerce, services, and industry for Butler County. 22,899 citizens reside outside of any municipality. The balance of the population resides in the three small communities of Neelyville, Qulin, and Fisk. The average median household income is \$32,364 with 18.7% of our population living in poverty. 29.4% of our adults do not have high school diplomas or GED certificates.

The Butler County Community Resource Council was incorporated in 1992 as a not-for-profit corporation in the state of Missouri. Founded by a group of human service professionals, the corporation's purpose was to promote interagency collaboration. In 1997, the Butler County Community Resource Council entered into a partnership agreement with the state of Missouri and was designated the entity responsible for implementing the Caring Communities initiative in Butler County.

Over 300 individuals participate in the activities of the Partnership representing over 100 local agencies. The Partnership is governed by a board of directors with 4 officers, 3 members at large and 6 members who serve as chairperson of committees responsible for each of the six core results of the Caring Communities initiative.

Staff includes the following: executive director, part-time community coordinator, and office manager. Two employees work with teen moms through MO Mentoring Partnership. Three employees manage our 38-member AmeriCorps team and 6-member VISTA team providing education enrichment in two school districts. One employee coordinates SPF-SIG to impact underage and binge drinking. Retired Senior Volunteer Program, RSVP, is staffed with one full time and two part-time employees. CASA of the 36th Judicial Circuit coordinates advocacy for children with one employee. Five employees work in Private Probation Services providing supervision of misdemeanor offenses. Also, we have one substance abuse counselor.

Major Collaborative Accomplishment:

The Butler County Community Resource Council's Children and Families Safe Committee, also known as Juvenile Crime Reduction Committee has worked on issues directed at improving the juvenile crime rate in Butler County. Such interventions as Boys and Girls Club, afterschool programming, and mentoring have been effective in reducing juvenile violations.

There is a strong connection between academic failure and juvenile crime. Programs that reduce the dropout rate, encourage school attendance, and improve academic skills have significant side benefits in the arena of juvenile crime.

The Committee approached Judge John Bloodworth about the establishment of Truancy Court. With his direction and input, it was the decision of the committee to expand Truancy Court to cover the 36th Judicial Circuit of Butler County and Ripley County.

Six school districts are participating in Truancy Court sharing the financial responsibility according to school populations. Two full-time deputy juvenile officers provide liaison between the 36th Juvenile Justice Center, Children's Division, and the school districts. The Community Resource Council wrote and received a \$5,000 ACT MO grant to support Truancy Court.

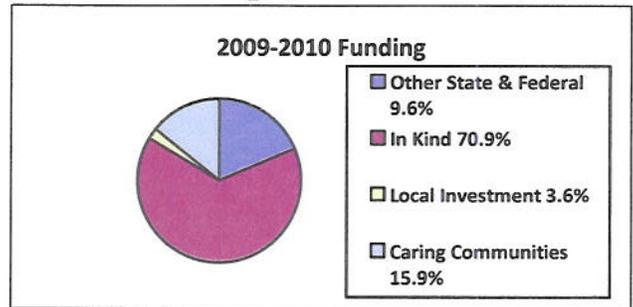
August 2, 2010 in Butler Co. and August 5, 2010 in Ripley Co., Truancy Court was held. Immediately, results were evidenced. School attendance has improved. Students are attending school and hopes are high for improved academic achievement among the 10,000 students educated in the 6 school districts.

List of Partners:

Poplar Bluff R-I School District, Naylor R-II School District, Neelyville R-IV School District, Lone Star R-IV School District, Twin Rivers R-X School District, Doniphan R-I School District, 36th Juvenile Justice Center, Children's Division, Southeast Missouri Behavior Health, Butler County Community Resource Council, Ripley County Caring Communities Partnership, Drug Court Administrator Jeanne Huffman, Presiding Judge Robert Smith, Judge John Bloodworth, Judge Dave Swindle

Jefferson County Community Partnership

Established: 1996



FY10 Result Achievement: Jefferson County "Give Kids A Smile" Dental Clinics offer local children comprehensive dental services

September 2010

Community Profile:

Jefferson County Community Partnership (JCCP) is located near Interstate 55 in Barnhart, Missouri. Our office is physically located on Marriott Lane across from the St. Joseph's Sports Fields. JCCP primarily serves the Jefferson County population, but several of our programs are available to the outlying counties of: St. Genevieve, St. Louis, Franklin and Washington. Jefferson County has an estimated population of 219,046 citizens (census data 2009.) It has a large geographical area of nearly 660 square miles, which is a mixture of both rural and suburban regions.

JCCP's Board is comprised of 17 Directors who broadly represent the community. They meet regularly to provide oversight and review the efforts and initiatives of JCCP. Staff at the Partnership in FY10 included seven full-time, and six part-time employees. A multitude of dedicated, caring volunteers provide their invaluable time, energy and service supporting the success of JCCP programs.

Major Collaborative Accomplishment:

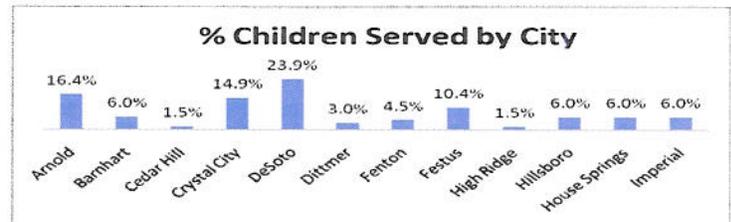
Give Kids A Smile (GKAS) is a community volunteer based program facilitated by JCCP. Its goals are to provide full dental clinical services (exams, fillings, and cleanings) and increase child and parent/caregiver knowledge about the importance of and proper techniques for good oral health. GKAS was created to be a source of oral health care for uninsured or under-insured children ages 5-18 whose parents are low-income (federal free and reduced lunch guidelines and/or child qualifies for Medicaid.)

The program promotes volunteerism by providing an organized opportunity for professional dentists, hygienists, assistants, and students studying in the dental field an opportunity to work with children who are in great need of their services. GKAS also has opportunities for non-dental volunteers to help carry out the non-dental duties at each of the clinics.

In 2010, GKAS provided local children with \$34,886 worth of comprehensive dental services.

- 96.7 % parents reported that GKAS met or exceeded their expectations for the services
- 87.5% parents agreed or strongly agreed that the event increased their knowledge of the importance of brushing 2x per day
- 100% children were instructed on proper brushing techniques
- 97.6% children could name food / drinks that could lead to cavities or that are associated with being bad for their teeth after receiving education
- Total leveraged dollars for the 2010 GKAS totaled \$54,228.40

One parent whose child received a pulpotomy (*baby tooth root canal*) had this to say about GKAS, "This was a great experience. I was nervous how my son would react and this team was awesome with him-Thank You."

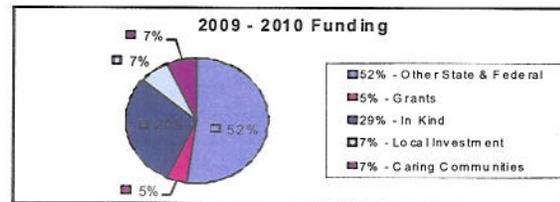


List of Partners:

Jeff. Co. Dental (Dr. Steven Cajigal, clinic host)..Dr. Jane Breeze & staff (clinic host) ...Endodontics South, Ltd. (Dr. Katherine Behrents & staff, clinic host)...Dr. Edmund Yopez... Dr. Nicholas Marino ...Scenic Dr. Dental (Dr. Jos. Schmieder)...Dr. John Empey...Dr. Ronald Parkin ...Brookwood Dental (Dr. Brian Stegmann) ...HealthCare USA...St. Louis Regional Office...Allied College...Metro Business College...St. Louis Community College...Dr. Fassler...Jefferson-Franklin Comm. Action Corp...Jeff. Co. Health Dept...Dierbergs...Chili's... Henry Schein...Leader Publications...Buffalo Wild Wings...St. Louis Pizza & Wings...Olive Garden...IHOP...Dominoes Pizza Subway...Harter's Bakery...Pogolino's...Papa John's... Give Kids a Smile, Inc...Delta Dental...Molina Healthcare ..And many other individual volunteers, too numerous to list separately.

The Community Partnership

Established: 1999



FY10 Result Achievement:

Safe Children – Capable Kids and Families® Expansion

September 2010

Community Profile

The Community Partnership (TCP), located in Rolla, serves **Crawford, Dent, Maries, Phelps, Pulaski and Texas** Counties. This region includes District 16 of the Missouri Senate and Missouri House Districts 112, 147, 148, 149, and 150. This six county service area covers 4,424 square miles with a total population of 158,930, or 36 persons per square mile (compared to 81.2 persons per square mile in Missouri). The Partnership also serves an additional seven counties through our Capable Kids and Families® Program. In FY10 we provided direct service to more than 12,000 individuals.

Poverty is a significant issue in rural Missouri with our region reporting significantly higher rates than the State average in poverty, Medicaid use, births to mothers without a high school diploma, and births to young mothers. Additionally, the region has a higher number of individuals with less than a high school diploma.

The Partnership Board of Directors is comprised of 16 community leaders who work under the premise that those citizens who are affected by community issues need to be involved in the planning and implementation of services. We use other state, federal, foundation, and community dollars to strengthen existing services and coordinate the identification and development of new services and programs. The Partnership has been providing family strengthening services for more than ten years and has managed approximately one million dollar budgets for each of the last eight years, tripling its capacity since 1999. The Partnership spends at least 85% of its funds on programmatic costs.

The Partnership staff consists of 30 full and part-time employees within five departments: Budget and Finance (which includes our Resale Shop); Capable Kids & Families; Community and Youth Development; Community Relations and Development; and Early Care & Education.

Major Collaborative Accomplishment

Capable Kids and Families® (CKF) was developed as a program of The Community Partnership (TCP) in 2001. CKF serves children with disabilities and/or developmental delays, from birth to age 12, and their families, in communities in thirteen counties in Missouri. The Program is comprised of home visitation, therapeutic equipment loan, and opportunities for children and family members to come together at playgroups and network meetings.

The stresses on a family confronted with the disability of a child, and the accompanying health problems and expenses, can be tremendous. Parents of children with disabilities are more likely to report high levels of stress, depression, and anger. In addition, these families are more likely to be poor, as the mere fact of their children's birth can significantly increase their risk of entering poverty, due to having to quit or cut back on work, underinsurance, or lack of health insurance.

The concepts underlying the success of CKF are two-fold: first, the focus on children's potential for development and second, empowerment of families. CKF strives to increase children's developmental gains, and improve children's health.

The diverse types of therapy equipment that CKF makes available to families are generally not available to them from any other source. Just as important, CKF works to empower families by reducing stress factors and isolation. Families report feelings of competence, achieve greater attachment with their children, and become stronger advocates for their children's well-being. Parents experience less stress and are better able to engage with their child. Our annual parental survey further demonstrates the positive outcomes associated with CKF.

Of parents responding to the 2010 survey:

- 83% rated CKF as Above Average or High in helping them cope with their child's disability;
- 89% reported that participation in CKF has reduced the level of family stress;
- 100% reported their satisfaction with CKF services as Complete or High; and
- 100% found CKF's help as Above Average or High in helping their child grow, learn, and develop.

In 2009 100% of responding therapists reported that equipment loaned by CKF had a Very High or Highest Value in helping children reach developmental goals.

By late 2008, the Program had helped well over two hundred families in this rural area. Families and therapists reported that the appropriate equipment enables families to support their child in achieving his or her development goals much faster. There was also good evidence that the effects of the equipment and of home visitation included a significant reduction in family stress and great improvements in family functioning.

As a result of this success, there was a steady stream of inquiries from around the state about the possibility of making the service available elsewhere. Initial research established that there was very little provision of this kind of service outside the Program's catchment area, the State, or even nationally. In May 2009, Chapin Hall at the University of Chicago sent a researcher, Dr. Ande Nesmith, to Rolla. Dr. Nesmith found that a comprehensive program evaluation was warranted. We are currently searching for funding to cover the cost of this evaluation by Chapin Hall.

In August of 2009, TCP received funding to establish a CKF site within the St. Louis Arc (the Arc). TCP created a training manual, a detailed replication model, and allowed staff to support the Arc through the initial hiring and training of staff, therapy equipment purchase, and the establishment of an advisory board. The Arc program was fully operational by December. They reached capacity (50 families) by March and currently have a waiting list of more than 30 families.

By June 2010, CKF St. Louis served 51 families; completed 235 home visits; held four play groups; purchased 540 pieces of equipment and loaned 687 pieces. This first pilot has demonstrated the high level of unmet need for CKF even in a highly resourced urban area of the State.

SUCCESS STORY

Three CKF St. Louis families were interviewed to gauge the effectiveness of the program. All respondents noted the uniqueness and necessity of the program – the following transcript reflects one family's experience of Capable Kids and Families®.

Before CKF came, we didn't have anything, really. We never had a playgroup, no equipment, no home-visits... I tried going to a local playgroup but I never felt more alone. My two year old son was just lying on the floor while all the 9 month olds walked past. The looks, the questions, the comparisons were just too much. We even quit the monthly home-visits with another group because they were just monthly reminders of what our son couldn't do. I would feel so bad after they left and one time my husband asked, "Why does she come here? Why do we do this? How is it helping us? It just seems to make us feel worse." The program just didn't work for us—we don't fit the mold.

We feel more connected to the community because of CKF. I had always dreamed of a playgroup where my son would fit in. With the playgroup, we connect with others. Also, it is just a good feeling to know that we can provide things for our son now that we couldn't provide before. Now, we have what he needs.

LIST OF PARTNERS

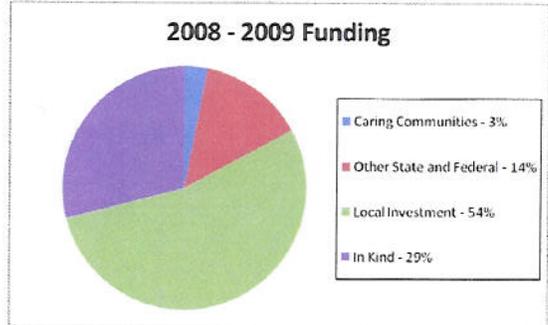
St. Louis Capable Kids and Families® is part of St. Louis Arc. In addition to The Community Partnership, partners who participate in the Advisory Council include:

- Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital
- Child Day Care Association
- Child Garden
- Children's Trust Fund
- DMH-Division of Developmental Disabilities
- Down Syndrome Association
- DSS-Children's Division
- First Steps
- Kid Partners
- Nurses for Newborns
- PS Kids, Inc.
- Special School District
- University of Missouri St. Louis

http://www.slarc.org/site/529/capable_kids_and_families.aspx

Area Resources for Community and Human Services (ARCHS)

Established: 1995



FY10 Result Achievement: Parents Working

September 2010

Community Profile:

ARCHS is the community partnership serving the Greater St. Louis Region (2.7 million residents).

ARCHS has an active 15 member board and 32 employees. This past year, ARCHS managed more than 400 community partnerships valued at **\$42.6 million** (leveraging \$31 for every \$1 of state community partnership funding).

ARCHS is in the fifth year of implementing a lifelong learning (L3) community partnership model that focuses on:

- Pre-Kindergarten/Early Childhood
- Grades K-12
- Adult Education
- Community Education

ARCHS' L3 model emphasizes education-related programming. L3 creates a unifying structure for ARCHS to best fulfill its role as a state partnership and enhance its ability to positively address the state's six core results.

ARCHS manages its partnerships through a formal business model called SOFA:

- Social Responsibility
- Objective Evaluation
- Financial Soundness
- Accountable Results

ARCHS' partnership database monitors the financial and programmatic progress of its partnerships with a focus on results (leveraged dollars, people served, etc.). The data is reviewed in real time to help troubleshoot issues and identify promising best practices that can be refined and replicated.

ARCHS has completed a three-year demonstration project for the MO. Dept. of Social Services that has a \$2.9 million positive impact on the state and influences how Missouri's welfare to work (TANF) work assistance programs are administered.

FY 08-10 ARCHS' Accomplishments:

Table 1: Mandated Measures by MO. Dept. Social Services

FY	Sanctioned By FSD	Engaged	Enrolled	DWD Re-Engaged	FSD Sanction Lifted
08	1,424	298	146	114 (8%)	73
09	1,196	266	266	211 (18%)	113
10	845	595	587	437 (52%)	123
Total	3,365	1,159	999	762 (23%)	309

Table 2: Additional Results Achieved by ARCHS

FY	Transitional Job Placements	Unsubsidized Job Placements
08	49	10
09	182	59
10	263	29
Total	494	98

Demonstration Project Key Results

Table 1: 23% reduction in the number of TANF sanctioned households over a three-year period. 762 TANF recipients re-engaged and participated in a countable work activity (St. Louis City/Co.)

Table 2: 494 individuals received work experience for a five-month period through a transitional jobs model. As a result of work experience, 98 were placed in permanent full time jobs. Increased TANF household income by \$11,000 and reduced state TANF expenditures by more than \$960,400.

ARCHS' Welfare to Work Business Model

ARCHS uses a recognized Transitional Job (TJ) model to place participants in allowable work activities resulting in sanctions being lifted. TJ's are time limited, subsidized wage-based employment strategies that combine work experience, skill development, and support services to persons with barriers to employment.

Population Served

- Work with St. Louis City and County TANF participants with multiple barriers, limited work experience and are in sanctioned status, conciliation status, or residing in transitional housing.

Engagement

- ARCHS uses a non-traditional model to engage TANF populations with a history of multiple barriers to employment.

Case Management

- ARCHS uses a clinical case management model to help TANF recipients with more severe barriers such as access to mental health, substance abuse, domestic violence and wrap around services.
- Assist with providing services that include: life skills, transportation assistance, child care referral and work related expenses that are made available through our partnership with DWD (uniforms, work boots, etc.)
- Short Term Skills Training: TANF participants receive a certificate of completion or a state certification in the following trainings:
 - Business Office & Automation
 - Medical Tech 1, CPR
 - Insulin Administration

Job Placement (20% transition rate from subsidized to unsubsidized jobs)

- Five-month placement with employers.
- Match skills and abilities of participants to the needs of employer.
- Structured employee appraisal process.
- A formal written job placement agreement with each employer.
- Opportunity to transition into permanent employment based on performance.

Economic Impact (FY08-10) \$2.9 million

- Unsubsidized earnings added \$1.96 million to the state's economy.
- TANF participants moving from subsidized to unsubsidized training added \$78,400 a year to the state through new employee payroll taxes.
- Savings to the state exceeded \$960,400.
- The total impact to the state economy exceeded **\$2,998,800.**

Additional Highlights

- Results of project influenced state issuing RFP in 2010 to transform the way TANF work support services are administered.
- Through ARCHS' network of 10 core welfare to work community partners, an additional \$5 million in additional leveraged/in-kind funding was secured above the annual \$1 million DSS grant.
- ARCHS provided technical assistance to state TANF directors at the 2008 Federal National Association for Welfare Research and Statistics Conference in New York.
- The Missouri Department of Social Services has recognized ARCHS work as a promising best practice.
- ARCHS' provided training for case managers using *Workn' It Out* training - a soft skills training program designed to help inexperienced workers adjust to the unfamiliar expectations of the work place.

ARCHS' Community Partners

- Missouri Department of Social Services
- Department of Workforce Development
- Provident, Inc.
- Women's Safe House
- West End Mt. Carmel
- Humanitri
- St. Louis Transitional Hope House
- Better Family Life
- MERS/Goodwill
- GUIDES Family Life Center

ARCHS' Employer Partners

- More than 80 area employers (refer to list at www.stlarchs.org/swift.htm).