

Community Partnership for Protecting Children (CPPC) 6-Month Program Report July 2009 to December 2009

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Reporting Period: July 2009 - December 2009

Please describe your community's implementation of its strategic rollout plan during the reporting period. Include the following information:

The last six months of 2009, **Community Partnership for Protecting Children** members focused on embedding the work of preventing child abuse and neglect, and building on the spirit of the few years we have been at this work. The activities associated with child abuse prevention month provided a spring board for other work, and a few community tragedies provided a springboard for the group to talk about prevention broadly – the importance of people having good information in their hands. Lastly, members have created a dialogue at meetings about not just families in-need, but families in-hope – who need of services to get through this crucial economic downturn of the last 18 months.

Although awkward, this group is grappling with connecting with existing community groups to determine if a 'merge' would be appropriate as a way to sustain discussions and activities. The group has answered for itself 'what do we have in common, what are the ties that bind us, etc., but without a clear push to merge. This is not a bad thing in that the members want to know that prevention of child abuse and neglect will be a priority on meeting agendas and work of the group. A 'community partner readiness' survey was completed in July by a separate community group, of which partners of CPPC participated, but the results have not been made available to this group, an indication that additional discussions are needed.

Lastly, the partnership has worked within the strategic plan developed; attempting to advance projects and pieces around protecting children, without overwhelming this 'all' volunteer cadre.

During this six-month reporting period, a stronger relationship around families connecting with mental health services continued to surface, moving this membership to consider and agree upon a liaison position (task specific, time-limited) to do visits with families who are 'waiting' for their first appointment for mental health services from any provider, focusing on connecting the families to intermediate services as a 'stop-gap.' This is a community-based strategy, working primarily through a youth services center and CHFS/DCBS, with the intention of making connections across organizations with parents.

Built upon the foundation established by leadership of the Cabinet regionally, CPPC embraces the values that

- All children deserve to grow up in a family that is safe and permanent.
- All children need to have an adult in their life that provides unconditional and long term love and acceptance. These types of bonds are formed best in families, not institutional settings.
- All individuals, families, and communities have strengths. By identifying and building on those strengths, we can enhance a family's ability to care for their children. Families and children need to be given 'ownership' over the decisions that impact their lives.
- The protection of children and support of their families is a shared responsibility involving not only the public child welfare agency, but also schools, service providers, and the larger community.
- Children have connections to siblings, family members, friends, and to the communities from which they come. There is value in these connections children have made in their lives. These connections are important to the child's development and identity, and should be preserved.
- Therefore, placement moves should be the option of last resort.
- Race, gender, ethnic background, economic or social status should not play a role in determining the child's experience in the foster care or protective services system.
- We believe that agencies and individuals should be accountable for the decisions they make on behalf of children.

This foundation of CPPC in Grant County is the foster care reform effort, *Family to Family*, which the region formally concluded in December 2009. Alive in this local CPPC effort are the strategies of Family Team Meetings and Building Community Partnerships. Efforts target reducing the number of children entering foster care through the increased number of community-based safety supports and efforts for children and their families. These efforts are organized regionally in strategies (and workgroups) around Team Decision Making: Engaging Families in Live-Decisions around Safety and Possible Removal of Children; Building Partnerships to Enhance Families Capacities to Care for their Children; Recruiting, Training, and Supporting Resource Parents; and making informed decisions through greater understanding of our data. CPPC strategies and outcomes are supported by this foundation in Grant County.

Challenges discussed in previous reports continue to be addressed. For instance, communication among workgroup chairs and project management team has been an important strategy to reduce conflicting information and improve broader understanding of activities and strategies. Although it might feel there is very little progress between meetings, the communication has allowed for a more open flow of information to ensure we are moving in the same direction – regardless of how slow.

For the past 3 years, project management meets (conference call) prior to each meeting ensuring consistency in messaging. The struggle continues to be the all 'volunteer' leadership efforts of folks who have full-time positions, which in turn, creates competing interests.

The Steering Workgroup meets monthly, with consistent discussion around How Are Our Children? and What Can We Do About It? Members bring a **can-do** to meetings, which is contagious, as well as distributes the work throughout the membership as best as possible. This was seen with the efforts around the Domestic Violence Team meetings, and participating as a group in fairs to ensure prevention information/messages were shared with attendees.

Attendance at the meetings continues to fluctuate, averaging 23 people (up from 19 people for the previous reporting period), with as many as 23 and as low as 12 partners attending. Partners are eager to work together on joint activities, so attendance is greatest during meetings where a training or significant information-sharing is occurring.

Parents, and other relatives raising children, are the hallmark of our meetings. We organize the meetings to 'take care of business,' however, parents continue to push through what it might look like from their peers' perspective. During this period, past parent participants of MVParents and Teens have, in turn, attended CPPC meetings, and volunteer at other venues. Further, we had a large contingency of parents attend the *Kids Are Worth It* Conference in September 2009, reporting they learned much from the experience, have a greater understanding of abuse and neglect, and a larger appreciation for the prevention efforts to reduce and eliminate child abuse and neglect.

Lastly, we had 3 people (CHFS staff, youth services center coordinator, and a parent) participate in a video taping of parents experiences with organizations that work hard together. This was a unique experience for the 3 individuals, as well as the organizations they represent. The video tape is a success and is being used statewide in foster parent training.

The following tables show attendance by meeting type or training, as well as perceived outcomes of this child abuse prevention effort.

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During this reporting period, our local Protection and Permanency office was fully staffed unlike previous reporting periods. This allows for consistent participation of this staff – providing good information for community partners on prevention and safety nets available to families and needs to help them thrive in their community. Family Support staff has been unable to participate in the last 6 months.

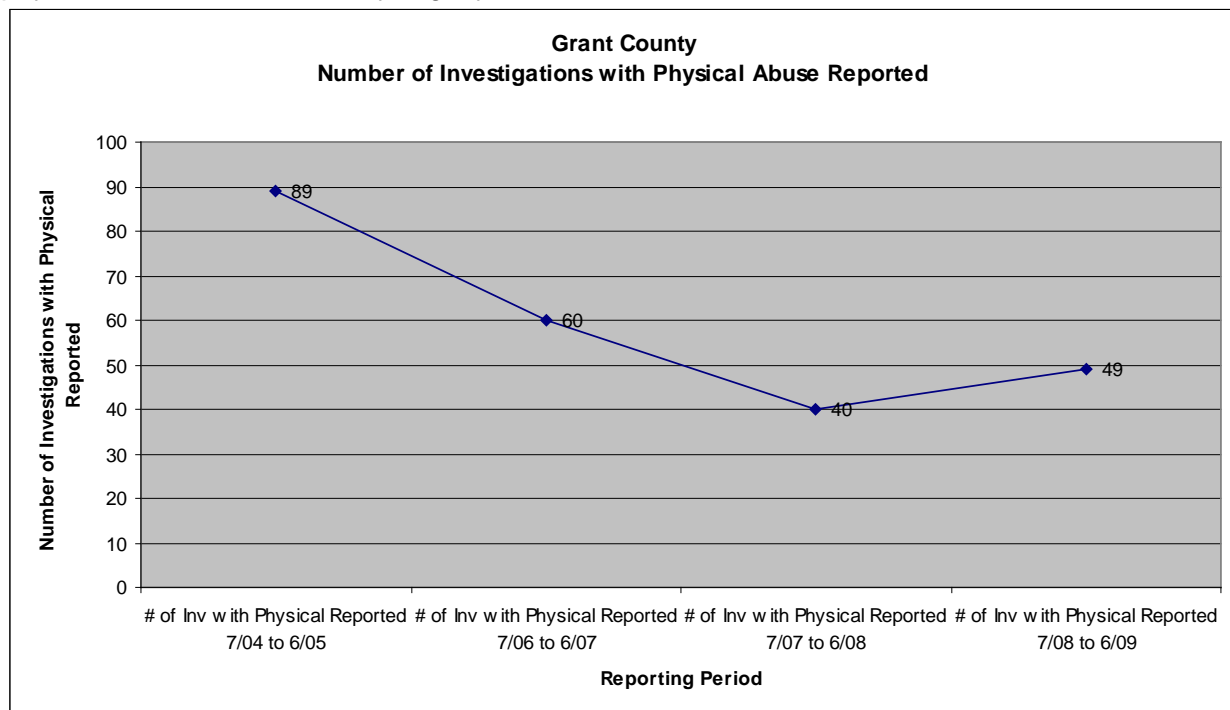
Regarding Child Abuse and Neglect, Grant County has had less substantiation of abuse and neglect, but a higher rate of sexual abuse substantiation and, in recent months, the Protection and Permanency office is seeing higher rates of adolescents entering care.

TWS-Y084 07/07/09 From : 7/1/2008 To 6/30/2009
Child Abuse and Neglect Data by Program Type

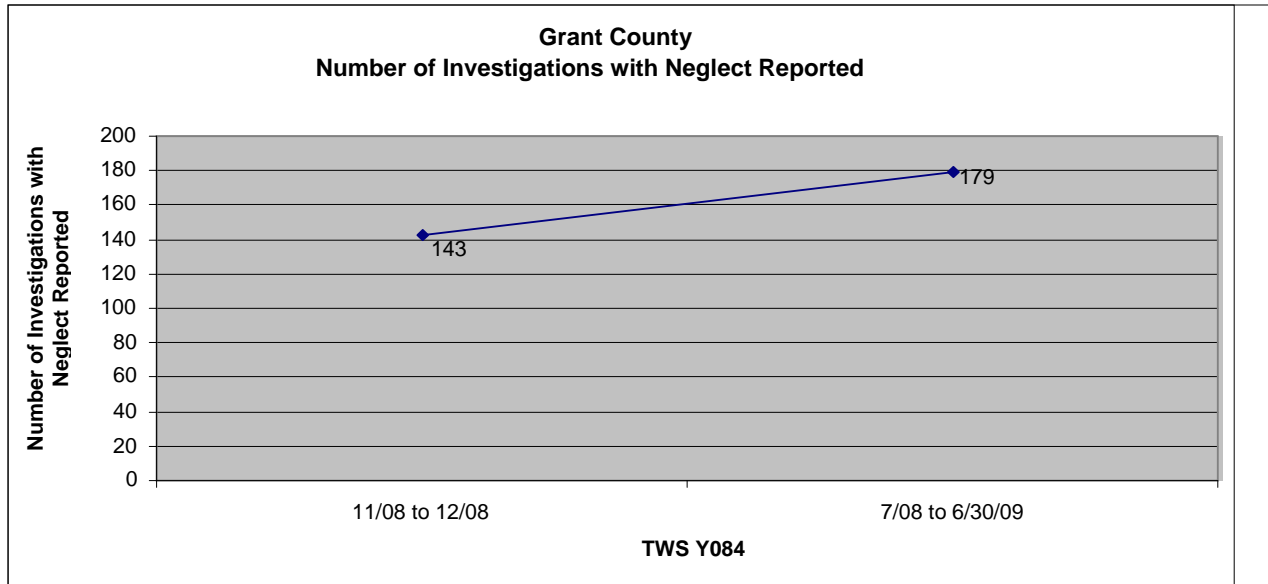
<u>Region</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>PHYSICAL</u> <u># of Inv with Physical Reported</u>	<u>SEXUAL</u> <u># of Inv with Sexual Reported</u>	<u>NEGLECT</u> <u># of Inv with Neglect Reported</u>
Northern Bluegrass	Grant	49	20	179

Of substantiations, 82.5% have a substance abuse risk; and the county has a 10.34% recurrence of child abuse and neglect.

The following chart shows the pattern of Investigations with Physical Abuse, specifically, that between July 2004 and June 2008, there was a decrease in the number of reports of physical abuse reports in Grant County. From July 2008 to June 2009, the number of reports for physical abuse increased only slightly.



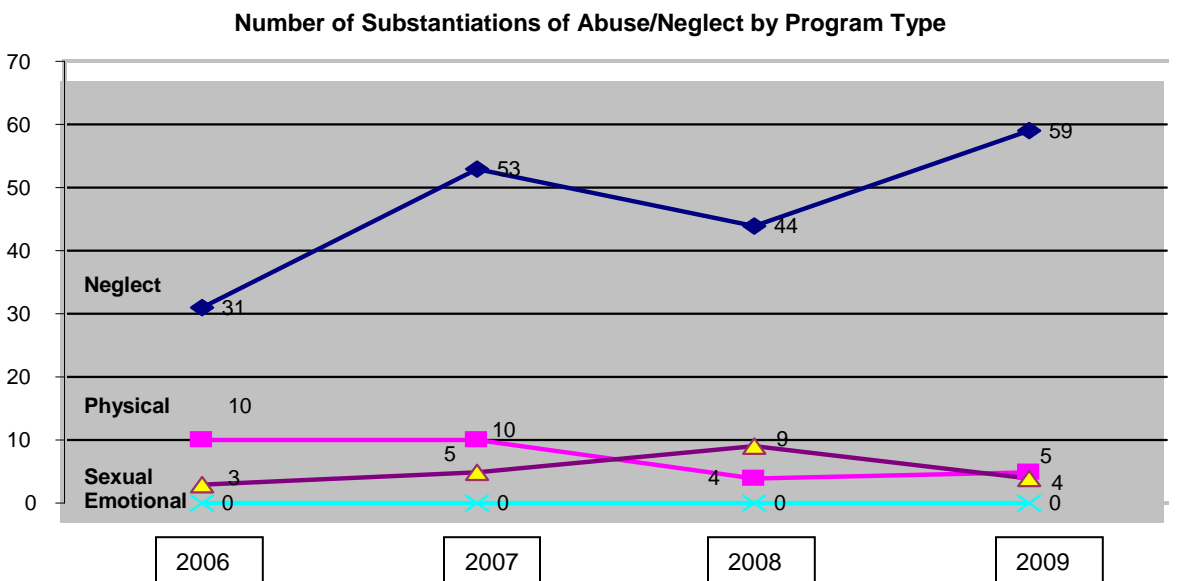
The following chart shows the increase in the number of Investigations with Neglect reported in Grant County, from 143 reports to 179 reports.



Since Grant County CPPC beginning, the following chart indicates the change in substantiations by type of abuse (Neglect, Physical, Sexual, and Emotional) from 2006 to 2009.

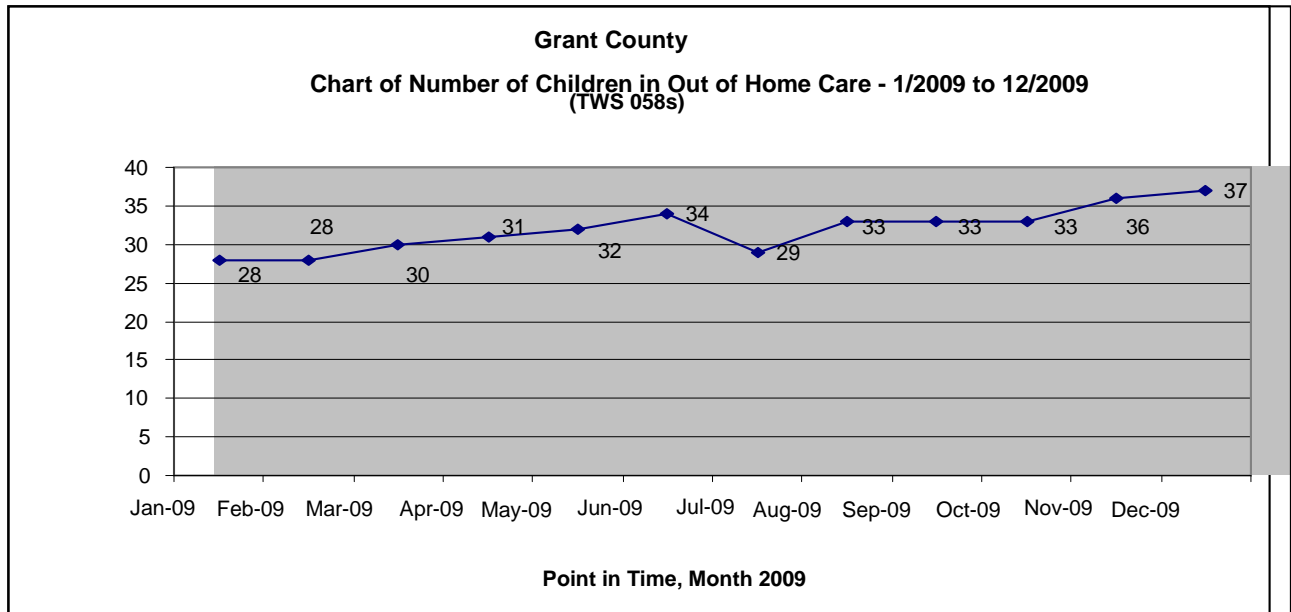
Substantiations in Grant County	2006	2007	2008	2009
Total	44	68	57	64
Neglect	31	53	44	59
Physical	10	10	4	5
Sexual	3	5	9	4
Emotional	0	0	0	0

The following graph presents the increase or decrease in type of abuse/neglect over this same time, 2006 to 2009.

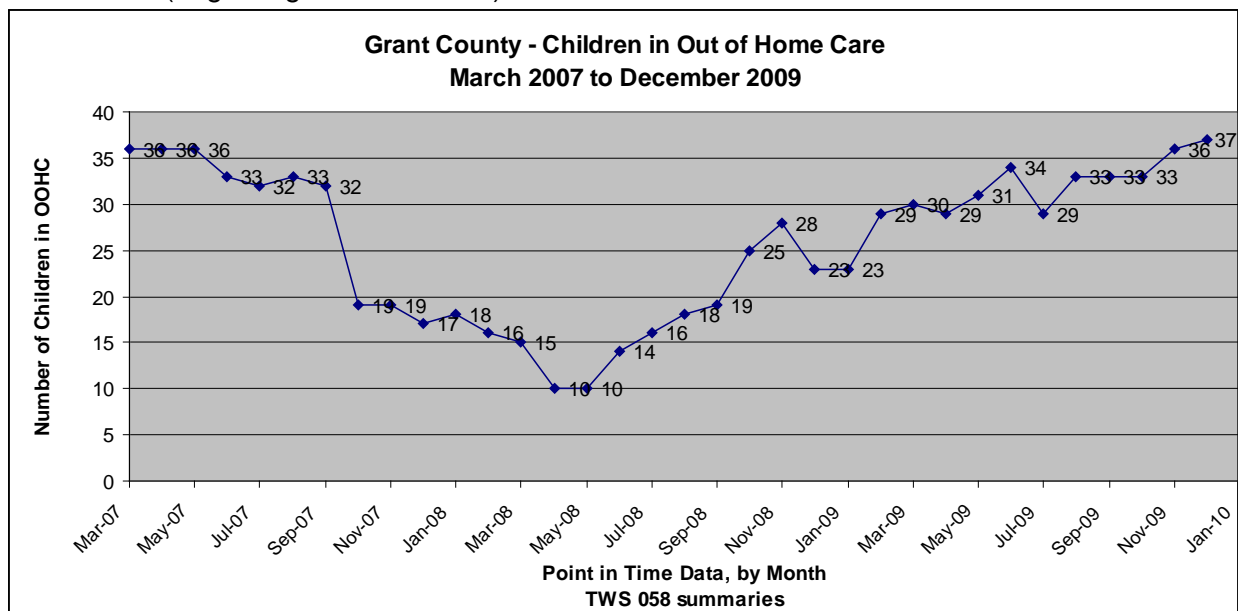


As a result of heightened awareness of the number of reports of child abuse and neglect and the number of adolescents at risk of entering care, partners have been participating in **Safety Facilitated Family Team Meetings** (risk of removal) at a higher rate. These meetings work to ensure safety and stability of the child in the least restrictive, most appropriate setting.

The following chart indicates the number of children entering care (point in time data) during the past calendar year. As of 12/09, the Children in Placement report (TWS 058), 37 children in this county were in care, up 3 children from the previous reporting period.



This next chart represents the number of children in out of home care in Grant County between March 2007 (beginning of CPPC work) and December 2009.



Coordinated training opportunities mark the growth in numbers to the partnership.

During this reporting period, there was one training opportunity, a jointly sponsored Engaging Fathers workshop, with a renowned speaker from Florida. Anecdotally, these types of opportunities correspond with the growth in the number of people able to share the message of prevention of child abuse and neglect.

Because of the persistence of focus in keeping prevention of child abuse and neglect at the fore of the work, this has provided consistent messaging and stable partners around the table.

Activities and programs operationalized during the previous six-months were continued during this time period. Partners continue to be judicious in their spending of CPPC dollars, with the partnership continuing to have a high balance going into the last six months. The partnership purchased items to support child abuse/neglect prevention efforts community-wide. Invoices have been submitted.

Other than routine meetings as listed above, monthly meetings in the following program areas occurred, and are detailed in the below sections: MVParenting (November), Relatives Raising (October, November, December), VINE training (November).

Further, the workgroup supported local efforts around helmet safety and car seat safety. DJJ; CHFS; Grant County Middle/High Youth Services Centers; Grant County Diversion; Sherman Elementary; Dry Ridge Elementary.

SAFETY - *Family Centered Practice include: # of Family Team meetings held, # of substantiated cases, re-abuse & serious physical injury. Also address building Community Partnerships and Neighborhood Networks, new connections made-formal and informal in your community. What other preventive efforts have been tried?*

MVParenting This program was challenging during this reporting period with just 3 parents completing the program. Actual referral/attendance of families was 24 adults and 19 teens.

Although the parents formerly involved in the program have moved to become 'volunteers' in some capacity in the community, the parenting program could not get a sufficient number of referrals to do an adequate job. Through discussion with the partnership, it was thought that perhaps a saturation point had been reached because a famously known partner organization was able to begin conducting parenting programs in the county during this time – thus a saturation point was reached.

It is noted that this low referral could also be indicative of the severe needs families/parents are presenting, which lead the partnership to introduce and commence with a home visitor – community liaison position to meet families who were on 'wait lists' for programs and help them plan and connect with intermediate resources.

MVParenting coordinator has agreed to continue the program with the existing funding as soon as a few additional parents are referred.

Parents that did participate over the past six months were biological parents, step-parents, and grandparents. They were provided a:

- Weekly , 2.5 hour meeting with families using 8 week curriculum developed by MVParent and Teens Advisory Committee based on the 40 Developmental Assets.

- Program including a lite-meal with parents/children together, a separate meeting/dialogue of parents and teens, and then a second hour of practicing skills presented.
- Childcare.

Community Services Orientation did not continue through this fiscal year. This was a successful service to at-risk, families in-hope, but the sponsoring organization, even with CPPC funding could not continue the efforts due to the increase needs they were seeing in their own programs.

Family Team Meetings Although not incorporated as a strict CPPC activity, using the Cabinet's model of gathering families and community partners during critical decision points (potential moves) in the life of a child, this community has seen success for children using Facilitated Family Team Meetings. Community partners, especially school partners, participate in the Cabinet-driven Facilitated Family Team Meetings, hosting the meetings, calling the meetings, and much more importantly, wrapping community-based programs and services around the children and their families.

Collaborative partners, including FRYSCs and other school personnel, Women's Crisis Center, faith-based members, continue to increase the number of Family Team Meetings they attend or initiate. During this reporting period, Grant County Youth Services Center (middle/high schools) participated in 14 Family Team Meetings called because of the risk-safety of the child and the potential removal from home.

One goal for the next reporting period would be to plan on how to engage other community partners in these meetings, i.e., service organizations, faith community, and sponsoring a Family Team Meeting Training/Orientation.

PERMANENCY - *Recruitment, retention, training and support of foster and adoptive parents –include children in out of home placement and # of foster homes*

Permanency Workgroup offered several (9) sessions of QPR (suicide prevention training) during this reporting period, with a special target group of high schools students.

This group continues to pursue engaging faith leaders in activities, not giving up in spite of attendance or participation.

Relatives Raising... was embedded during this reporting period, with the core group of parents taking leadership roles in outreach to other relatives raising and in the monthly topics discussed. CPPC will continue to support this through the end of the grant-period.

Relatives Raising...

- Promoted support group during Grant County's Senior Bash to promote group, resulting in 6 referrals.
- Food Pick-up to families – 4 families served.
- Monthly Relatives Raising Children Support Group meetings served 57 families (some duplication).
- Family activities included a visit to a Pumpkin Patch and a Christmas program, which serve to recruit additional relatives.

- Conducted monthly mailings regarding Booster Seat giveaway and local fitness challenge.
- Added a toddler/preschool children's component to include a stipend adult. Toddler/preschool and elementary children are supported by middle/high school volunteers, trained.
- Provided meal/food staple bags for families attending programs, including gas cards to families attending 2 consecutive meetings, resource binders for all families.
- Special activities are supported by the relatives themselves, who spend time organizing and coordinating pieces, and serve as an opportunity for leadership development for Relatives.

The community continues to be challenged by availability of mental health, substance abuse and preventative assistance – and coordination between each of the organizations providing these services. The addition of a **Community Liaison** was put in place during this grant period to address the lag-time between referrals and first visits of families – with referrals coming through schools and the Cabinet. The liaison will not have case-carrying responsibilities, but instead will be armed with information of resources and a service attitude to help families and parents make it through to the first appointment.

Using the **How Are the Children** model, different organizations request the Cabinet come to them to talk about children in Out-Of-Home Care, and trends in issues for open-cases.

WELLBEING - *Address work completed in the inter-related areas of Domestic violence, mental health, substance abuse and education.*

Women's Crisis Center has taken the lead in spear-heading this workgroup, focusing efforts on the establishment and strengthening of a **Domestic Violence/Child Protective Services Team**.

This DV/CPS Team is comprised of Family Court Judge, County Attorney, Sheriff, Family Nurturing Center, Women's Crisis Center, KY State Police, LINK, Grant County Clerk, and CHFS/DCBS. As reported, this workgroup provides a unique opportunity to talk about what each partner does, but also the role of each partner in the protection of victims, the protection of children.

Meetings focus on Domestic Violence Orders (EPO/DVO), overviews of orders, processing and serving, documentation in LINK, and the role of Women's Crisis Center in educating and assisting victims in use of legal options. Inter-agency cooperation and understanding of roles and boundaries is also discussed.

During this reporting period, this workgroup, sponsored **VINE Training** (November 2009), coordinating their efforts with Travis Fritch of Mary Byron Foundation, providing a good foundation in understanding these systems, Grant County data, and data regarding protective orders.

In Grant County alone, Women's Crisis Center served 52 victims in Grant County, with 42 for domestic violence and 10 for sexual assault, for a total of 290 contacts.

This workgroup had some high-points and low-points during this reporting period. High points are directly related to the CPS/DV Team Meetings that resulted from the Judicial Forum last spring. Low-points continue to be related to ensuring programs or activities have an

infrastructure. Today, this workgroup is challenged by organizations cutting back on resources, further dividing the individuals' involved and the time they can devote.

The group is planning a training in Spring on Enforcement Interventions and the Use of EPO/DVOs, and Impact of Domestic Violence on Children.

Building Partnerships and Partners

To deepen the understanding of partners to the vast scope of the concept and work of CPPC, trainings and conferences are important and encouraged. During this reporting period, training provided was Engaging Fathers and the VINE Training spearheaded by Women's Crisis Center.

Members bring a variety of Monthly meetings during this past six months focused more on the need for mental health service needs for adolescents as a way to prevent them from entering care. This will continue into the next fiscal year.

The partnership supported Booster Seat giveaway (68); safety helmet distribution (102); and coordinated and taught 9 QPR classes (signs of and suicide prevention) to Freshmen and Sophomores in 2 schools systems in Grant County.

Please describe the following support areas:

Community Shared Decision Making - *How are community residents & partners included in the Steering Committee and Work Teams?*

This has been a hard six months for the Steering Workgroup. Partners are still engaged in different types of work, and continue to share the message of prevention of child abuse and neglect. However, all organizations and people involved are doing more with less – which has made it difficult for folks to consistently attend these meetings.

Regardless, shared decision making is still how business is conducted, with the Project Management Team gathering additional information as needed.

This workgroup continues to engage different types of speakers for meetings – mostly speakers from within the group – on topics that have meaning to individual organizations as well as to the partnership. For instance, one of the most successful presentations during this past six months was on Developmental Assets – using information compiled through the schools as a way to understand the importance of these assets as well as how youth in Grant County are faring.

Although primarily comprised of Community service organizations, the Steering Workgroup continues to have 3 parent representatives (grandparents, mothers, etc.) participating in meetings during this reporting period. Of (grand) parents participating, 3 have attended 2 of 4 meetings during the reporting period.

Parent representatives are provided a stipend for their participation, recognizing that organizations are paying their staff to be at the table; and come to us through existing organizations that have great contacts with folks whose children are/were at-risk for abuse and neglect.

One of the parent representatives co-chairs the Permanency Workgroup. His efforts are supported by his co-chair...to ensure good flow of information and communication.

Communications - *What methods have been used to engage the broader community and media in community partnership efforts?*

Print materials in community newspapers are a challenge. First, timing of completion of the print-material is important. Second, knowing the contacts, and knowing the format that best gets across the message. School flyers, too, have been used for different pieces.

Of significance during this reporting period is that the Cabinet created a video of parents, foster parents, and community service providers – focusing on the importance of partnerships in protecting children, and what specific partners have done that helped. Grant County had a birth parent, a Youth Services Center coordinator, and a DCBS staff member all speak on what the partnership has meant to help change lives. This video was produced for the annual Keeping Children Safe Spirit Program, held in June 2009.

Lastly, the one-page special created last year continues to be updated and used at different public forums as a way to share information about CPPC and their efforts.

Self Evaluation – *What methods are you using to document the work of the Partnership and to assess progress toward prevention of child abuse & neglect and PIP outcomes?*

This fall, the region’s Child and Family Service Review data (pertinent to prevention efforts) was shared with the partnership, and every month, data about service delivery within the community is shared. The Cabinet takes time at every meeting to share information on abuse/neglect reports, as well as children entering and exiting care.

Information from the CPPC Steering Workgroup meetings has been entered into the Cabinet's PP-MET (Primary Prevention-Meeting and Event Tracking) System since the last reporting period. However, information on individual programming is not because it's not available.

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The Cabinet is great about sharing data about referrals and children in care. It would be great if organizations came to the table prepared to share their own data more readily as a way to cross-reference how we are doing.

Monthly, the Cabinet reports on open-cases and issues associated with these, and children in Out-Of-Home Care and what services would have prevented the children from entering care without violating confidentiality. Currently, schools are more apt to share truancy information and teen pregnancy information, and have a history of being open regarding teen deaths (suicides and accidents). Women’s Crisis Center provides valuable state and regional data. All this information creates a better picture of how children in Grant County are doing, and provides an opportunity for informed decision making.

Recently, improving services to adolescents with Severe Emotional Disorders or in need of mental health services has been a big topic, at every meeting. This is being discussed to the point of asking folks to step forward with data about the extent of need, what services are not available, what kind of wait time is there for services, etc. The steering workgroup has agreed to channel dollars to support mental health services in the next fiscal year.

What are the target populations you wanted to reach? Are you reaching the target populations you intended to serve?

Through the sponsored programs and activities, we want to serve anyone in the community whose children are at-risk of (re) abuse and (re) neglect. Targeted over the past six months were relatives raising children, parents of adolescents, parents of preschoolers, pastors, our judicial partners, and families in need of services (Cabinet resource linkages).

Not everyone is being reached. Parents of adolescents have been extremely difficult to recruit for MVParenting, and it’s been difficult to reach pastors to share information with them.

Describe the results you have achieved to date. Is the work producing the results you hoped to achieve?

Yes, the work is producing results we hoped to achieve. The objective is: **Parents have stronger ties to their children, stronger ties to their community, supported through sharing of good information leading to improved parenting skills, and support from systems serving their children.** However, it is agreed we know this mostly anecdotally, and due to the Cabinet’s information on children served.

If you have held programs or events as part of your rollout, what was the attendance? If evaluations were done, what were the results?

Evaluations of the programs are not collected and reviewed by CPPC Steering Workgroup.

Community Partnership Steering Workgroup meetings occur monthly and average 19 in attendance. Workgroups (3) at times struggle to meet routinely; they have between 5 and 9 members participating – all comprised of people with full-time jobs, already asked to do more at their work with less.

Programs:

For one quarter during this reporting period, we were able to estimate CPPC touched 237 people. Data for the six-month time period is as follows:

- MVParents – During this reporting period, 13 families (a total of 27 individuals) registered for parenting classes. Since beginning, these parenting classes have served 42 families, representing more than 123 individuals. Of participants, 17 families have completed all 8 sessions in a parenting class series.
- Relatives Raising... – monthly sessions reached 57 relatives raising children.
- QPR Training – with Freshmen and Sophomores in 2 school systems, providing 9 classes. It was not possible to count the number of students reached with this suicide prevention workshop.
- 12 unduplicated families, 19 adults and 16 children (unduplicated); with 7 new families joining in 08/09. Contacts or referrals with this group are: 30 children and 23 adults (unduplicated); 88 children and 115 adults (duplicated).
- CPS/DV Team Meetings – meets quarterly, with 5 to 7 members attending routinely (family court judge, court clerk, county attorney, child abuse/neglect prevention agency, domestic violence agency, child protective services).
- Booster Seats – to 68 families so children have safe car seats.
- Safety Helmets – to 102 children who ride all-terrain vehicles and bicycles.

Some families have open cases with the Cabinet, but this is a difficult number to determine as well as it is not required that families participating in CPPC programs reveal this. Relatives Raising... program estimates 9 families being served that have open cases.

What are the barriers/challenges you have encountered?

Relationships take time to develop. This means we have to be extremely mindful in planning out programs and their timelines.

Time is a huge constraint for the partnership. Combined with funding limitations and restrictions, it's imperative that leadership be able to answer for organizations: **What's In It for You?**

For families served, lack of transportation continues to be a barrier for attendance. Grant County is rural, with various communities – over a large area, and no public transportation.

Do you have need for additional support?

Always! Partners are reporting more often their organization's need to do more with less. This is creating stress and tension with the partnership, and clearly, the most opportune way to sustain members of the work is to ensure there is funding.

The growth in attendance is directly related to shared-programming – which we did less of in the last six-months. We've seen fewer organizational partners participate in routine meetings because they had to make choices about which community partner meetings to attend. The loss of these members as partners in the monthly discussions is counter-productive for such a young partnership.

Technical assistance that is related to developing a larger vision around the protection of children – so that we sustain the work, would be helpful. Especially since we will be competing for partners' time in the next year – this is of particular concern.

As mentioned in a previous report, to go to scale in community-initiated Family Team Meetings for prevention, additional dollars will be needed. Dollars will be used to train community partners and to put in place an infrastructure to support Family Team Meetings for prevention. At this time, the strategic plan supports one Family Team Meeting community meeting – but it does not support the scope with which CPPC consultants are requesting the partnership go.

What technical assistance do you need?

Ideas on ways to support the infrastructure of the work would be helpful. And, it would be even better if this support was at all levels of participating organizations and parents. For instance, during some meetings when the scribe was not available, meeting notes weren't actually taken or list of attendees wasn't created. These are time consuming responsibilities that individuals from within the group have not been able to carve time for to support. The concern is that without support for the infrastructure, the partnership loses many opportunities to communicate with the community and each other.

So, additional support in this area from CPPC-statewide will be required in the future. The Cabinet's assignment of a Procedures Development Coordinator's assistance in organization provides for good information sharing between meetings among members, a good history of our partnership, meeting notes and notices, etc. However, this person is a limited resource.

How often do your Steering Committee and Safety, Permanency and Well-Being work teams meet? What is their level of functioning at this time?

The Steering Workgroup meets one time per month, and is fully functioning. During the past 6 months, we held just 4 meetings as 2 were postponed due to weather.

Similar to the last report, workgroups have difficulty meeting one time per month. The challenge is time constraints. Often, the way through time constraint is to provide dollars for the work – where members have a vested interest because there is something on the table. Workgroups need to meet around meaningful activities. This partnership is getting there, but has a way to go before this effort is fully embraced for the work and not the money.

What else will help you successfully implement Community Child Protection in your county?

During the last 2 reporting periods we requested strong technical assistance in engaging community leadership and faith based partners. This paid-off for us through the Consultants. Sustaining these efforts is something we need to organize ourselves around and could benefit from support here.

Continued funding is critical for continued success in implementing CPPC. Of the efforts supported locally, not one needed lots of dollars. But dollars keep people at the table until the practice is imbedded in the work of organizations.

Please attach documentation and feel free to share additional information:

CPPC statewide consultant has meetings notes and rosters for each of the meetings.

CPPC – Annual Plan for 2009 – 2010

A. Safety Workgroup Proposals:

Service/Activity to Sponsor	Next Steps/Responsibility
Parenting Classes	To be determined - Allison
Developmental Asset Building with Parents	Allison and Nancy
Community Training (Identify specific training opportunities)	Partnership
Drug-Affected and Shaken Baby Simulator – Education Series	Allison

B. Permanency Workgroup Proposals:

Service/Activity to Sponsor	Next Steps/Responsibility
Talkshops – Relatives Raising...	Nancy
Parent Stipends – to encourage and support parental participation in CPPC efforts; Parents (4) X \$25/session x 10 meetings = \$1000	Need Wal-Mart Cards - Kate
Faith-based Workshops	Gene, Reverend Summer, Lanette, Nancy, Kay

C. Wellbeing Workgroup Proposals:

Service/Activity to Sponsor	Next Steps/Responsibility
Judicial Forum and Law Enforcement forums	Laura
Be Date Safe with Adolescents in middle and high school	Laura
Green Dot Training	Laura and Allison
Community Partner Trainings (3): Domestic Violence, VINE Program with Travis Fritsch, 1 additional training	Laura
Community Training, i.e., Ethics, Fatherhood, etc.	Steering
ATV Safety	Marylee

D. Additional Activities Workgroups Identified to Undertake:

Strategies to Share Messages	Next Steps/Responsibility
Flyers/Mailings to residents	

E. Steering Workgroup Proposals:

Service/Activity to Sponsor	Next Steps/Responsibility
Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect Promotional Items	Kate
Monthly Community Partner Meetings	Project Management
Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect Training	Project Management
Annual Meeting of Community Partners (Keeping Children Safe Spirit Program)	Allison, Jen and Kate
CPPC Training – with national trainers	Steering
Fatherhood Seminar	Steering Workgroup
Mental Health Services	Steering Workgroup

Some of the attendees during this 6-month period:

Full Name	Agency
Allison Mortenson	Grant County Youth Services Center
Areka Collinsworth	Brighton Center

Beth Palm	Dry Ridge Elementary
Bonnie Edwards	Women's Crisis Center
Caitlin Hay	Family Nurturing Center
Caitlin Pillow	Grant County Youth Services Center
Carissa Coyle	Women's Crisis Center
Caroline List	Cabinet for Health and Family Services
Carrie Pugh	Northern KY Community Action Commission
Chuck Dills	Grant County Sheriff
Dawn Cook	Parent – Northern KY Community Action Commission
Gene Nelson	Grandparent
Jamie Davis	Department of Juvenile Justice
Jane Adams	Grant County Middle School
Jen McComas	Cabinet for Health and Family Services
Jennifer Jorgenson	Family Nurturing Center
Joe Taylor	Grant County Attorney
Kate Goodenough Hackett	Cabinet for Health and Family Services
Katie Burke	Cabinet For Health and Family Services
Kay Hughett	Grant County Schools
Kaye Bergman	N KY Health Department, Grant County
Kim Davis	Department of Juvenile Justice
Kresta Stone	Parent
Lacey Marcum	Cabinet for Health and Family Services
Larry Michalczyk	UL/Community Partnership for Protecting Children
Laura Kinney	Women's Crisis Center
Lee Linville	Cabinet for Health and Family Services
Leslie Bigelow	Parent
Lorie Mansfield	Dry Ridge Christian Church
Lynn Bailey	Grant County Middle School
Marylee Willoby	Grant County Coroner
Nancy Powell	Sherman Elementary Family Resource Center
Rebecca Abney	Northern KY Community Action Commission
Reverend Jerry Summers	Dry Ridge Christian Church
Rhonda Schlueter	Grant County Schools, District Health Coordinator and LaLeche League
Sarah Dills	KEYS of NorthKey, Grant County Collaborative
Shannan Meese	Cabinet for Health and Family Services
Tony Watkins	NorthKey Community Care
Traci Hudson	Cabinet for Health and Family Services
Tracy Fuchs	Family Nurturing Center
Vanessa Rose	Grant County Community Collaborative, Grant County Fiscal Court

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