



Wyoming Children's Trust Fund
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Joint Appropriations Report

2020-2021

Wyoming Children's Trust Fund (WYCTF) was established in 1994, W.S. 14-8-101 through 108, to provide funding for the prevention of child abuse and neglect. Wyoming Department of Family Services (DFS) serves as the fiscal agent for the Governor appointed board. There are five Governor appointed members, one designee from DFS, one designee from Wyoming Department of Education, and one designee from Wyoming Department of Health. In 2020, WYCTF hired two state employees to perform the operations of the board.

Vision

WY children will thrive in healthy families and strong communities

Mission

Coordinating prevention efforts in Wyoming to prevent incidents of child neglect, emotional, physical and sexual abuse.

Board Membership:

Board Chairperson: Chuck Kratz

Board Vice Chairperson: Lynn Huylar

Board Treasurer: Marguerite Herman

Parent Representative: Amber Barnhart

University of Wyoming Representative: Tiffany Hunt

Governor State Agency Designees:

Wyoming Department of Family Services: Debra Hibbard

Wyoming Department of Education: Jo Ann Numoto

Wyoming Department of Health: Guy Beaudoin

Staff:

Sara Serelson, Executive Director

Nicole Neider, Business Office Coordinator

WYCTF has made significant progress in stability during 2020-2021 with the addition of two full time employees. An Executive Director, Sara Serelson, began with WYCTF on September 1, 2020, and a Business Office Coordinator, Nicole Neider, began with WYCTF on November 12, 2020. WYCTF has transitioned to offices in the Hathaway Building, a significant cost savings from rent in a previous location; has gained capacity to process payments through WOLFS, and is an approved site location for both Bachelor of Social Work internship students and AmeriCorps Vista Volunteers.

Wyoming Children’s Trust Fund Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention:

WYCTF supports primary and secondary child abuse prevention efforts across the state. Primary prevention are strategies that prevent a problem from occurring. Secondary prevention are strategies that target at-risk populations. WYCTF’s targeted populations include: parents (all, new, teens, etc.), parents and/or children with disabilities, racial and ethnic minorities, fathers, homeless families and those at risk of homelessness, unaccompanied homeless youth, members of underserved or underrepresented groups, and adult former victims of domestic violence or child abuse.

Wyoming Children’s Trust Fund Operations:

WYCTF manages several internal initiatives, coordinates with Wyoming Department of Health (WDH) to provide the *My 307 Wellness App* which assists families in managing their healthcare needs, coordinates with training initiatives to provide education to professionals throughout the state working with families and children at risk, and offers grant funding to local communities for prevention efforts based on local needs.

Additionally, WYCTF offers trainings and outreach opportunities related to identifying child abuse and early trauma, building Protective Factors in families, and preventing and identifying domestic violence. WYCTF also co-sponsors and facilitates several statewide conferences including the Wyoming Joint Symposium for Youth and Families and the Wyoming Prevention and Response Conference.

WYCTF became the Prevent Child Abuse Wyoming (PCAWY) Affiliate in July of 2018, and is scheduled for a site visit from Prevent Child Abuse America October 19-21, 2021.

Grant opportunities for fiscal year 2020-2021 include;

- Local Child Protection Team (CPT) Prevention Grants
 - This is a multi-year funding cycle. Local CPTs receive funding for individualized community prevention planning. Prevention plans must address at least one category from the comprehensive statewide Needs Assessment conducted by the Wyoming Children’s Trust Fund.
 - Twelve counties applied and received CPT Prevention Funds.
 - Sweetwater County, Uinta County, Crook County, Weston County, Laramie County, Hot Springs County, Teton County, Campbell County, Park County, Natrona County, Carbon County, and Washakie County
 - Funding includes additional Technical Assistance and Training support around Primary Prevention, ACES, and Protective Factors for any community wanting to engage in prevention planning.
- Child Development Centers and Home Visiting Prevention Grants
 - This is a multi-year funding cycle. Local programs receive funding for individualized community prevention planning. Prevention plans must address at least one category from the comprehensive statewide Needs Assessment conducted by the Wyoming Children’s Trust Fund.
 - Two Child Development Centers (CDC) applied and received Prevention Funds.
 - Fremont County CDC, and Natrona County CDC
 - Five Parents as Teachers home visiting sites applied and received Prevention Funds.
 - Laramie County, Sweetwater County, Albany County, Natrona County, Fremont County

Proposed Budget for BFY 23/24- \$778,445

For additional information, visit www.pcawy.org

2020-2021 Wyoming Children Trust Fund Prevention Chart

Type	Date	Wyoming Community
Parent Zoom Cafe	11/30/2020 12/11/2020 12/14/2020 12/16/2020 12/17/2020 12/18/2020 1/15/2020 1/21/2021 1/22/2021 2/3/2021 3/1/2021 4/29/2021	Laramie County Albany & Carbon County Sweetwater, Uinta, and Lincoln County Johnson and Sheridan County Park, Washakie, Hot Springs County Campbell, Weston, Crook County Natrona County Platte, Goshen, Converse, Niobrara County Fremont, Sublette, Teton, Wind River Reservation Statewide Laramie County -Spanish Speaking Natrona County- Spanish Speaking
Grantee Technical Assistance/Training	12/15/2020 1/19/2021 1/25/2021 2/19/2021 2/22/2021 2/23/2021 4/19/2021 4/20/2021 4/26/2021 4/29/2021 5/5/2021 6/2/2021 6/4/2021 6/8/2021 6/22/2021 7/7/2021 7/8/2021 8/4/2021 9/1/2021	Carbon County Child Protection Team Group: State Child Protection Teams Park County Child Protection Team Sweetwater County Child Protection Team Home Visiting: Parents as Teachers Group: State Child Protection Teams Hot Springs Child Protection Team Natrona County Child Protection Team Park County Child Protection Team Sweetwater County Child Protection Team Group: State Child Protection Team Group: State Child Protection Team Home Visiting: Parents as Teachers Sweetwater County Child Protection Team Natrona County Child Development Center Group: State Child Protection Teams Home Visiting: Parents as Teachers Group: State Child Protection Teams Group: State Child Protection Teams
Community Event/Conference	1/16/2021 2/10/2021 4/15/2021 5/22/2021 6/15/2021	Laramie County Coroner's Office Grief Support Wyoming School Counseling Association Conference Laramie County Child Abuse Prevention Proclamation Wyoming Kinship Connections 5K Fundraiser Wyoming Joint Symposium Conference
Community Training	1/29/2021 2/26/2021 4/8/2021 5/25/2021 5/27/2021 6/9/2021 6/11/2021 6/11/2021 6/21/2021	Statewide Mandatory Reporter Training Statewide Mandatory Reporter Training LCCC Dental Hygiene Students Boys and Girls Clubs Wyoming 2-1-1 Laramie County CASA Parents as Teachers: Fremont, Sweetwater, Laramie, Albany, and Natrona County Parents as Teachers Wyoming Foster Parents

	6/14/2021 7/27/2021 8/27/2021 9/8/2021 10/5/2021	Uinta County- Healthy Moms, Healthy Babies WDE- Tech Ed Panel Statewide Mandatory Reporter Training Big Brothers, Big Sisters of Wyoming Natrona County Foster Parents
Congressional Meetings	5/11/2021 5/12/2021	Conference call with Congresswoman Cheney Staff Conference call with Senator Barrasso Staff

Statewide Collaborations

Group	Role
Wyoming Citizen Review Panel	Panel Member
Wyoming Human Trafficking Taskforce	Participant
Wyoming Home Visiting Network	Participant
Wyoming Children's Justice Project Council	Participant
Wy Home Matters	Participant
Children's Justice Act Taskforce	Participant
Preschool Development Grant	Steering Committee Member
Early Childhood State Advisory Council	Appointed by Governor
Social Determinants of Health Governor's Workgroup	Participant
DFS Major injury/fatality review panel	Participant
Wyoming Youth Advisory Council	Participant

Prevention Supports	Community Reach
Safe Sleep Sacks	Statewide to all 23 counties and Wind River Reservation
Safe Sleep Pack-n-plays	Albany, Laramie, Sweetwater, Natrona, Fremont County
Diaper Drive	Albany, Laramie, Sweetwater, Natrona, Fremont County and Wind River Reservation
Dadication Messaging materials (Fatherhood)	Statewide to all 23 counties and Wind River Reservation
Pinwheels for Prevention and Proclamation Template	Statewide to 100 Mayors and Wind River Reservation