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February 5, 2021

At our K-Ready Rally event last year, Dr. Joel Hunter asked us, "What kind of community do we want? What are we willing to work for?"

The K-Ready Community project is about working together to become the kind of community that invests in a better tomorrow by taking care of our children today. In a K-Ready Community, EVERY SINGLE child gets the start they deserve and the start they need to thrive in school and in life.

It's time to take action! This newsletter includes some things that you can do

now to help and get engaged. Stay tuned for more details and project updates soon, and contact us anytime if

you would like to do or learn more.

Leslie The K-Ready Community Project Team

P.S. Please consider joining the K-Ready Alliance and making a donation to

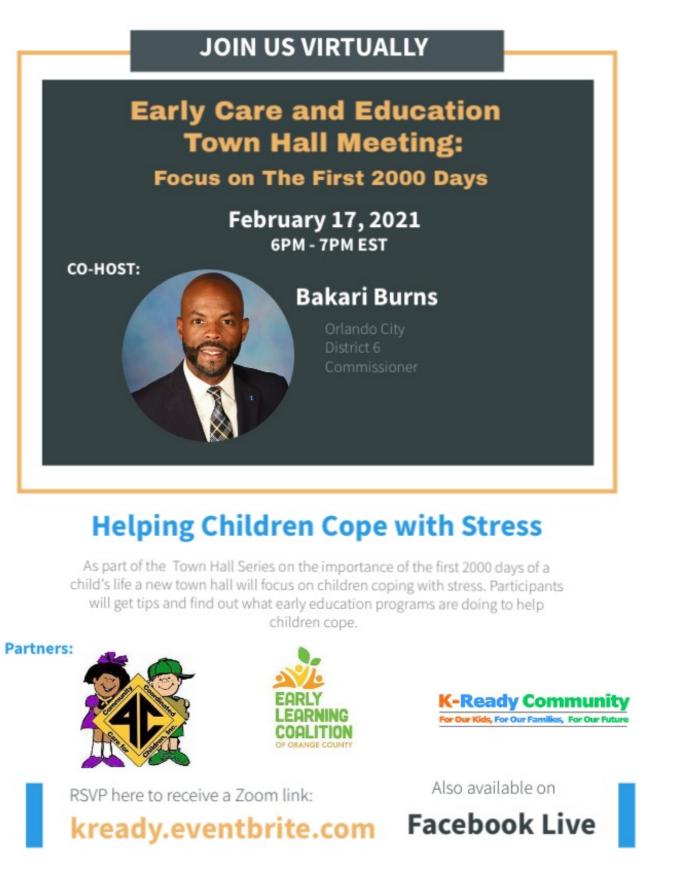
power the movement to become a K-Ready Community!

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JOIN US FOR OUR NEXT TOWN HALL February 17, 6:00 p.m.

At the next in our series of town halls about the importance of the first 2000 days of a child's life, we will be talking about how to help children cope with stress. We hope you can join the event host, Commissioner Bakari Burns, for this important conversation.

**Register Here** 



## Our partner, the Children's Movement of Florida is offering advocacy training on

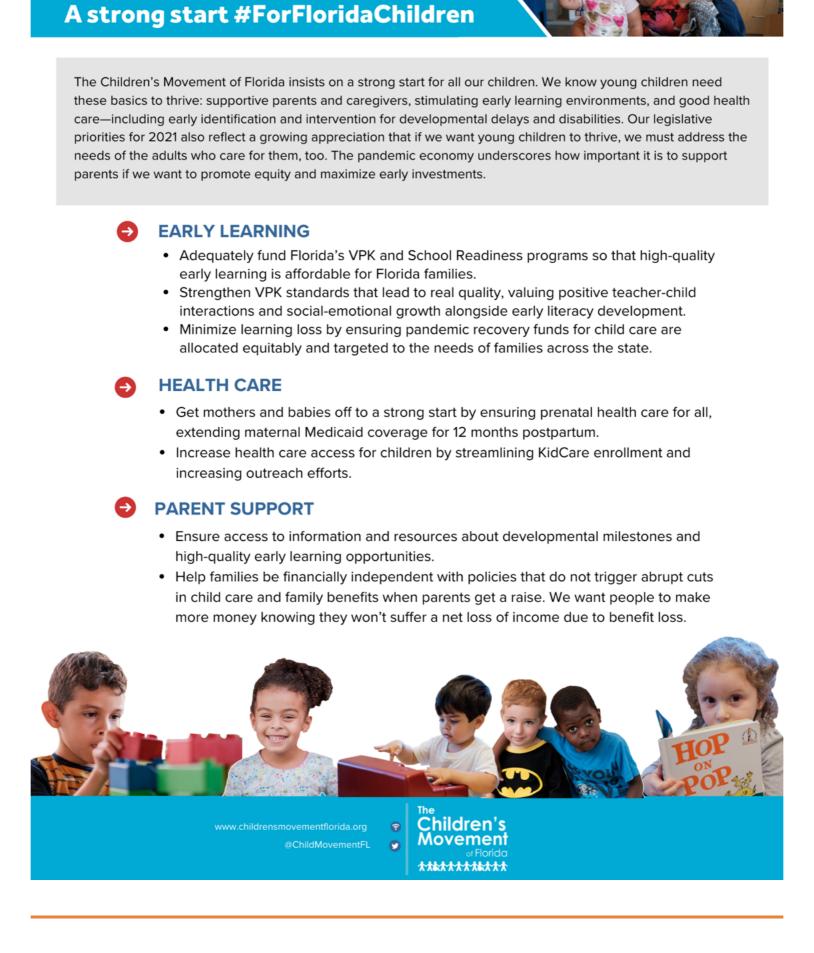
**BECOME AN ADVOCATE FOR OUR CHILDREN** 

Tuesday, February 23 from 12:30 to 2:00. Learn to effectively tell your story to our legislators so they know what action

to take. From concerns about child care and health to unemployment, there is a range of issues that can affect family and child wellbeing. Legislative session 2021 starts March 2 and continues until April 30, so you will

have a chance to use what you learn to impact legislation that matters to you and to K-Ready. The Children's Movement's 2021 Legislative Agenda, which aligns with the K-Ready priorities, are outlined below and can be accessed here. The training is free, but you need to <u>register here</u>. We'll see you there!

2021 Agenda



## Join 100 Women Strong and the Early Learning Coalition of Orange County and donate to the #MaskandSmile fund to provide clear

**DONATE CLEAR MASKS FOR TEACHERS** 

masks to early learning providers to promote safe and healthy socioemotional development!



\$10 SHARES A SMILE \$75 MAKES A CLASSROOM SMILE \$500 MAKES A CENTER SMILE

visit www.elcoc.org/Donate and note that

your donation is for #MaskandSmile

Coalition of Orange County's #MaskandSmile Fund.

\$1000 MAKES TWO CENTERS SMILE \$3000 MAKES 6 CENTERS SMILE \$5000 MAKES A NEIGHBORHOOD SMILE To donate and help spread more smiles,

**Donate to #MaskandSmile** 

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## Virtual Reading Opportunities: Have a free hour to spare in the morning? Sign up to read virtually to a classroom of preschoolers. Book Buddy: Have fun promoting emerging literacy skills by being a

movement to become a K-Ready Community!

A few other ways to get involved...

pen pal with a deserving 3 or 4-year-old. Sign Up Here

Join the K-Ready Alliance to stay informed, get involved, and be a part of the

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