

All In For Kansas Kids



Strengthening Early Childhood in Kansas

WEBINAR APRIL 8, 2020



WELCOME

- Webinar established for B-5 Preschool Development Grant
- Early Childhood Care and Education Needs Assessment
 - Available online
 - <https://kschildrenscabinet.org/needs-assessment>
- Early Childhood Care and Education Strategic Plan
 - April 14th – Kansas State Board of Education
 - April 24th – Kansas Children's Cabinet and Trust Fund

General Updates



WELCOME

- **Kansas Kindergarten Readiness Summit – POSTPONED**
 - As we know more about what the future looks like we will establish new dates and modes of gathering for the Summit.
 - Everyone who has registered will receive a refund. We will retain your contact information to let you know when the new registration opens.
- **Children’s Cabinet and Trust Fund Meeting – April 24th**
 - Virtual meeting is open to the public
 - Zoom link is available on the Cabinet Website

General Updates



STORIES FROM KANSANS

- **We want to hear the stories of Kansans.**
 - Personal experiences; needs, challenges, and struggles; and reflections and insights on any new opportunities or “bright spots”.
- **Understand Impact**
 - Stories offer deeper context for understanding the real impact on families, meet needs, and prioritize efforts to support more of what is already working, and ideas for trying new approaches.
 - Perspectives in the words of Kansans.

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STORIES FROM KANSANS

➤ **Background Information**

- Our Tomorrows (1.0) – used to collect personal experiences of Kansans for the 2019 Early Childhood Care and Education Needs Assessment.
- Nearly 3,000 stories collected from Kansans in each of our 105 counties.

➤ **Online Tool - SenseMaker™**

- Web-based
- Kansans enter their story or experience into an online tool that is customized with Kansas-specific questions.

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STORIES FROM KANSANS

➤ How?

- Online link – ourtomorro.ws/KCCTF
- Anonymous
- Brief description of an experience you want to share from:
 - Past week – could be COVID-19 related
 - A general time of family thriving or surviving
- Survey questions about this experience - 5-15 minutes
- Share as many stories as often as you'd like.
- Option to share the story of another (client, family, etc.)

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STORIES FROM KANSANS

➤ Help Collect Stories of Kansans!

- Get a custom URL for your organization or group.
- Help collect stories – become a Citizen Journalist!
- Share the link that is currently available on social media and the Cabinet website.

➤ Questions?

- Reach out – ourtomorrows@ku.edu
- Cabinet website Share Form - <https://kschildrenscabinet.org/share/>

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STORIES FROM KANSANS

- **Why is Sharing My Story Important?**
 - Online Kansas-specific Story Bank
 - Used by leaders and decision-makers at all levels to help understand impact, make decisions, take next steps.
 - Local-ized Decision-making
 - Custom URLs to collect stories
 - Story packs and Trend Data

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GENERAL STATE RESOURCES

- Kansas Children's Cabinet and Trust Fund <https://kschildrenscabinet.org/>
 - Resources for Families (parenting, self-care, support)
 - Resources for Providers (links to state agencies)
- Kansas Department of Health and Environment = <https://govstatus.egov.com/coronavirus>
- Kansas Department for Children and Families = <http://www.dcf.ks.gov/COVID19/Pages/default.aspx>
- Kansas State Department of Education - <https://www.ksde.org/>

Resources for Kansans



GENERAL STATE RESOURCES

- Kansas Department of Labor – <https://www.dol.ks.gov/covid19response>
- Kansas Department of Commerce = <https://www.kansascommerce.gov/covid-19-response/>
 - Small Business Administration – Payment Protection Program and Emergency Forgivable Loans
 - Available for ALL small businesses, including self-employed individuals

Resources for Kansans



OTHER GENERAL RESOURCES

- Child Care Aware of America – Online Hub *(for Families and Providers)*
 - <https://info.childcareaware.org/coronavirus-updates>
- Home Visiting Guide for Telehealth Services – Will email after this webinar.
- Virginia Child Care Provider Resource Guide –
 - https://www.vecf.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/Child_Care_Guide.pdf

Resources for Kansans



LISTENING

- Questions?
- General Questions, Ideas, Concerns = <https://kschildrenscabinet.org/share/>





Thank you!

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Share Updates and Questions

