



Regional Service Council Minutes Region # 18

Meeting Date: 07/21/2023

Meeting Location: Microsoft Teams

Council Members Present

Myra Albertson, Washington County Probation
Caitlin Busick, Clark Co Director (DCS)
Brad Fortner, Regional Manager/ Council Chair (DCS)
Rick Hurst, Clark Co Supervisor
Tawana Jackson, Harrison Co Director (DCS)
Judge Vicki Carmichael/Paul Lenfert, Proxy for Clark Co. Judge
Kelly Shelhamer, Scott County CASA

Council Members Absent

Rachel Ballard-Mil, Harrison County FCM (DCS)
Mark Barry, Washington Co Director (DCS)

Others in attendance

Ashley Braswell, Clark County Youth Shelter
Shannon J. Emmett, Recording Secretary (DCS)
Timon Givan-Coots, National Youth Advocate
Program
Kristi Glotzbach, The Family Ark
Kati Guernsey, Centerstone
Angela Hood, George Junior Republic
Lesley Lemar, Lifeline Youth
Dana Lemon, Associates in Counseling
Amber Millay, Centerstone
Jason Nelson, Regional Services Coordinator
(DCS)
Krystal Pollard, Program Director (DCS)

Amy Rutherford, Scott Co Director (DCS)
Nathan Samuel, Childplace, Inc.
Paris Scott, Ireland Home Based Services-
Community Partners
John Smith, The Refuge for Children
Karen Sommer, Ireland Home Based Services-
Community Partners
Danielle Stansfield, Ireland Home Based
Services- Community Partners
Liz Stauth, Anthem
John Taylor, Family & Children's Place
Heather (Guest) Unknown

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Meeting Called to Order by Brad Fortner, Regional Manager.

- I. **Welcome, Introduction and Approval of Minutes** Brad Fortner, Regional Manager, welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced the council members. Tawana Jackson made a motion, seconded by Caitlin Busick to approve the minutes as read from the April 2023 meeting. All were in favor, motion carried.
- II. **Budget Report** Debbie Dailey, Regional Finance Manager, was unable to attend and Brad Fortner shared updates on the FY 23 budget year through June 2023. The region spent 101.48% of our budget. Average caseload for FY 23 was 862 compared to FY 22 of 973, which was a 11% decrease in the average number of children served. With the decrease in number of children being served there was a decrease in community-based services costs, as well as foster care and LCPA costs. Driving costs pushing the region over target are residential costs which increased 22.59% over last budget year. One contributing factor to the increase in residential care is that effective 1/1/23 residential rates for most facilities increased. This increase can be seen in March through June residential expenditures not only in region 18, but across the state. Overall, the average number of children in residential decreased from 45 to 41 when comparing FY 22 to FY 23. The FY 24 budget began 7/1/23. Regional allocations include adjustments for changes in community-based service hourly rates from the Milliman study and the addition of the Kinship stipend.
- III. **Programs and Services** Jason Nelson, Regional Services Coordinator, reminded everyone that the virtual statewide Family Preservation provider call is this afternoon. Biggest change since the last meeting is that juvenile probation cases can now receive Family Preservation services. Within region 18 there are 90 active referrals and 15 of those are juvenile probation cases. Prior to allowing juvenile probation cases, active referrals hung between 90 and 100. Numbers are heading in the right direction when it comes to additional substantiations after Family Preservation services. Region 18 has been very effective in taking a more direct approach to work with families by intentionally and quickly progressing towards case closure. New rates took effect on July 1st. Council members can look at the new rates here: <https://www.in.gov/dcs/service-standards/service-standards-community-based-rfp-attachment-a/> and there's also a link there where you can compare to the previous rates. Jason thanked our partner agencies and field staff, congratulating them on the good work with the new supervised parenting time service standard. The goal was not to change referral types but to meet the family's need and that interventions be as minimal as safety permits. Region 18 is second in the state when it comes to fitting the service to the family. We have been able to utilize standard supervised parenting time referrals at a rate of 85%, which is much higher than other regions in the state.
- IV. **Community Partners** Danielle Stansfield, Ireland Home Based Services (IHBS) presented the community partners report (note - reports forwarded after meeting date). Reports included: breakdown of the number of referrals for each county referral source and service type, and a finance report on expenditures. June 2023 totals were not finalized at the time of the meeting, but Danielle shared that through May 2023 they had utilized 100% of their budget. Fortunately, they were granted additional funding to cover the overage. She is unsure if there will be additional funding granted in the next budget year but will communicate updates with the council once more information is received. There were 641 referrals received in FY 2023: 279 for Clark, 222 Floyd, 31 Harrison, 65 Scott, and 43 for Washington. The year before in FY 2022 they received 573 referrals. Currently have 31 open referrals.

Paris Scott shared a community partner's success story with those present.

There was a Community Partners statewide meeting yesterday where other agencies shared their plans to open family resource centers. One agency will be opening their center next week in August, and a couple of other agencies shared they would be opening in September or October. Region 18's target date is still to open in October or November. In August, the IHBS team is attending a training being held by the DCS Prevention Team that is partnering with Firefly. Firefly already has a resource center that was put in place by the Indiana School of Social Work a couple years ago. Danielle and her team will also

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be attending a national training in September regarding the Standards of Quality Certification for the upcoming family resource center. Danielle shared the finalized recent survey results. Most prevalent needs were additional mental health services, parenting support, safe sleep, education, financial support, job readiness programs, substance abuse support and life skills. The results of this survey will be used when building calendars, planning events and scheduling speakers for the upcoming family resource center. Paris Jackson has been searching and reviewing potential locations for the center. They are still working on proposals, and nothing has been finalized yet, but the hope is that the center will be in a location that people can easily walk to and accessible from the Housing Authority in Clark County.

- V. **Other Business** Service Providers introduced themselves and gave updates on their programs.
- VII. **Adjourn** Kelly Shelhamer made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Paul Lenfert, all were in favor and meeting was adjourned at 10:37 a.m.

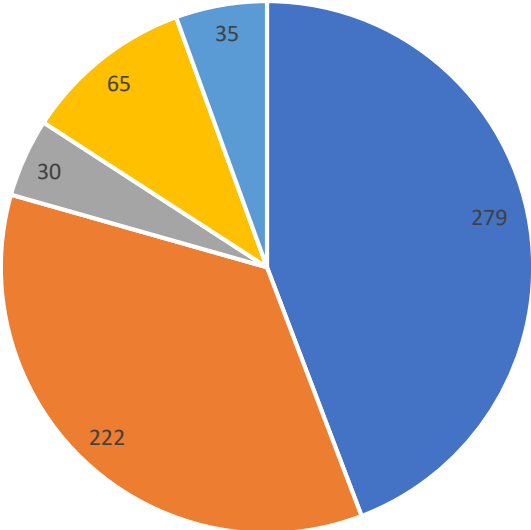
Shannon J Emmett, Recording Secretary



Referrals Received 2022-2023

	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	Total
Clark	25	19	29	19	25	21	21	26	28	17	22	27	279
Floyd	19	23	20	18	16	21	16	21	17	23	18	10	222
Harrison	5	1	3	0	1	1	2	3	1	6	5	3	31
Scott	4	5	6	5	4	5	6	6	8	6	6	4	65
Washington	2	6	5	3	3	1	3	7	5	3	4	1	43
Total:	55	54	63	45	49	49	48	63	59	55	55	45	641
Fiscal Year 2019-2020	44	56	47	55	40	37	35	52	52	33	41	33	525
Fiscal Year 2020-2021	39	39	43	59	49	41	38	73	57	47	52	47	584
Fiscal Year 2022-2023	32	36	49	43	58	41	43	36	69	62	59	44	573

Referrals Received



■ Clark ■ Floyd ■ Harrison ■ Scott ■ Washington

Clark

	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	Total
Centerstone School Board	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	3
Child's Place	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	2
Clark Memorial Hospital	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
Community Montessori	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	1	1	0	0	5
DCS	21	9	19	12	15	12	12	14	19	12	14	21	180
Franklin Elementary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Greater Clark Co Schools	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	6
Homeless Coalition of Southern Indiana	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
First Steps	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Juvenile Probation	0	0	0	0	1	2	2	1	0	1	3	1	11
Life Spring	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	4
New Albany Floyd County School Corporation	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	3
Northaven Elementary	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	3

Norton Health Care	0	0	1	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Nurse Family Partnership	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
River Valley Middle School	0	0	1	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	4
Self-referrals	1	8	2	2	0	6	4	1	5	3	2	4	38
Silver Creek Elementary	0	0	3	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Silver Creek Primary School	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Utica Elementary School	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Wellstone Regional Hospital	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Total	25	19	29	19	25	21	21	26	28	17	22	27	279

Sources of self-referrals:

	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	Total
211	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	4
Centerstone	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
DCS	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	6
Family/Friend	0	1	0	0	0	1	2	0	1	0	0	0	5
Head Start	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Healthy Families Program	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
IHBS Staff	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Juneteenth event	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Previous Client	0	3	0	1	0	2	1	1	3	1	1	2	15
Unknown	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2
WIC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Total	1	8	2	2	0	6	4	1	5	3	2	4	38

Floyd

	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	Total
Associates in Counseling	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Building Blocks	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
CASA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Clark Memorial Hospital	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Community Montessori	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	3
DCS	14	12	13	10	9	10	8	11	11	13	11	8	130
Department of Health	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Fairmont Elementary	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	3
Family and Children's Place	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	3
Floyd Central High School	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Head Start	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	3
Homeless Coalition of Southern Indiana	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Highland Hills Middle	0	0	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	5
Life Spring	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	2

Mt. Tabor Elementary	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	1	0	0	5
Middletown Elementary	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
New Albany High School	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	3
New Albany Middle School	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
NAFCS	1	4	0	0	1	5	2	4	0	4	2	0	23
Self	3	3	2	5	1	3	2	3	2	2	2	1	29
Wellstone Regional Hospital	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Women and Family of Southern Indiana	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Total	19	23	20	18	16	21	16	21	17	23	18	10	222

Sources of self-referrals:

	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	Total
211	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2
Baptist Health Floyd	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Child's Place	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
DCS	2	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Family/Friend	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	4
Head Start	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
IHBS Employee	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Ivy Tech Cares	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
NAFCS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Previous Client	1	1	2	1	0	0	1	2	1	0	2	0	11
School Counselor – Unknown School	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Total	3	3	2	5	1	3	2	3	2	2	2	1	29

Harrison

	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	Total
Blue River Services	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
DCS	3	0	2	0	0	1	1	3	0	3	3	0	16
East Washington Schools	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Kids First Pediatrics	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Homeless Coalition of Southern Indiana	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Lanesville Elementary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
North Harrison Elementary School	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Self	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	3	8
Wellness IOP	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Total	5	1	3	0	1	1	2	3	1	6	5	3	31

Sources of self-referrals:

	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	Total
Child Abuse Hotline	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
DCS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Family/Friend	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2
Internet search	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Juvenile Probation	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Lanesville Elementary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Previous Client	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Total	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	3	8

Scott

	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	Total
Brown Elementary	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Childrens Advocacy Center	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
DCS	4	4	2	5	3	4	5	5	5	5	4	4	50
Healthy Families	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Homeless Coalition of Southern Indiana	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Johnson Elementary	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	3
Schmeck Medical Center	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Scottsburg Elementary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Self	0	0	3	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	6
Total	4	5	6	5	4	5	6	6	8	6	6	4	65

Sources of self-referrals:

	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	Total
Family/Friend	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
First Baptist Church	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2
Previous Client	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
WIC	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Total	0	0	3	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	6

Washington

	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	Total
Bradie Shrum Elementary	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	6
DCS	2	2	3	1	0	0	1	0	3	0	2	1	15
East Washington Elementary	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	5
Indiana Digital Learning School	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
IU Health	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Landlord	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Salem Middle	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	5
Self	0	2	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	2	1	0	8
Still Water Counseling	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Total	2	6	5	3	3	1	3	7	5	3	4	1	43

Sources of self-referrals:

	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	Total
DCS	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	2
Family/Friend	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Life Springs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Outside The Walls	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Previous Client	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	3
Total	0	2	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	2	1	0	8

Ireland Home Based Services, LLC
Community Partners for Child Safety - Region 18
Total Budget: \$641,124.77

Month	Service Delivery	Flex Funds	Total	Budget Remaining	% of budget used	Target %
July '22	\$70,151.57	\$187.58	\$70,339.15		8%	8%
August '22	\$54,558.49	\$0.00	\$54,558.49		21%	17%
September '22	\$52,106.31	\$0.00	\$52,106.31		29%	25%
October '22	\$54,392.51	\$763.22	\$55,155.73		39%	33%
November '22	\$52,040.72	\$0.00	\$52,040.72		48%	42%
December '22	\$71,767.73	\$369.00	\$72,136.73		55%	50%
January '23	\$58,318.38	\$0.00	\$58,318.38		64%	58%
February '23	\$61,597.42	\$300.50	\$61,897.92		74%	66%
March '23	\$51,742.52	\$564.79	\$52,307.31		82%	74%
April '23	\$57,185.12	\$369.19	\$57,554.31		91%	83%
May '23	\$55,187.23	\$702.19	\$55,889.42			91%
June '23	\$69,492.06	\$225.16	\$69,717.22			100%
TOTAL	\$708,640.06	\$3,481.63	\$712,021.69	-\$70,896.92		

Summary of Service Delivery by County

Month	Clark	Floyd	Harrison	Scott	Washington	Total
July	\$28,460.49	\$21,627.73	\$11,161.11	\$5,955.87	\$2,946.37	\$70,151.57
August	\$21,779.74	\$19,777.46	\$6,143.29	\$1,429.43	\$5,428.57	\$54,558.49
September	\$18,435.21	\$25,255.92	\$2,000.88	\$2,297.90	\$4,116.40	\$52,106.31
October	\$23,551.96	\$22,953.64	\$788.69	\$2,328.00	\$4,770.22	\$54,392.51
November	\$27,373.12	\$19,463.23	\$171.73	\$1,608.06	\$3,424.28	\$52,040.72
December	\$32,044.29	\$32,417.48	\$1,471.24	\$2,519.05	\$3,315.67	\$71,767.73
January	\$27,771.21	\$23,519.80	\$828.12	\$2,781.79	\$3,417.46	\$58,318.38
February	\$29,289.57	\$24,478.81	\$1,798.64	\$344.96	\$5,685.44	\$61,597.42
March	\$22,782.23	\$19,341.35	\$434.64	\$3,689.24	\$5,495.06	\$51,742.52
April	\$25,819.08	\$18,476.51	\$2,321.72	\$5,781.42	\$4,786.39	\$57,185.12
May	\$24,723.99	\$18,178.67	\$4,481.81	\$5,838.81	\$1,964.67	\$55,187.23
June	\$31,813.47	\$26,427.83	\$3,217.48	\$4,822.75	\$3,210.53	\$69,492.06
TOTAL	\$313,844.36	\$271,918.43	\$34,819.35	\$39,397.28	\$47,561.06	\$708,640.06

Summary of Flex Funds by County

Month	Clark	Floyd	Harrison	Scott	Washington	Total
July	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$181.88	\$5.70	\$187.58
August	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
September	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
October	\$0.00	\$313.22	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$450.00	\$763.22
November	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
December	\$0.00	\$369.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$369.00
January	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
February	\$0.00	\$300.50	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$300.50
March	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$564.79	\$564.79
April	\$300.00	\$69.19	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$369.19
May	\$369.11	\$0.00	\$333.08	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$702.19
June	\$0.00	\$225.16	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$225.16
TOTAL	\$0.00	\$1,207.88	\$0.00	\$181.88	\$455.70	\$3,481.63