Region V Children's Services Coordinating Committee



A History of Collaboration, Caring, and Community Building

Baby years 1990-1994

A concept is born...

1991 Century Code established for CSCC's 1992 meetings begin FM Area Foundation relationship First projects -Children's Fact Book March 1994 -Parenting Resource Center April 1994





Developing a vision, mission, and values State and local Developing a plan -9 goals Developing a structure - Broadening the base of involvement

- Vision: To create a caring community that believes in the worth of children as our greatest resource, and to enhance the quality of children's lives through support and development of a nurturing family.
- Mission: Plan, collaborate, and coordinate with parents, policy makers, and service providers to increase public awareness and support, to develop needed programs for children and families in Region V.



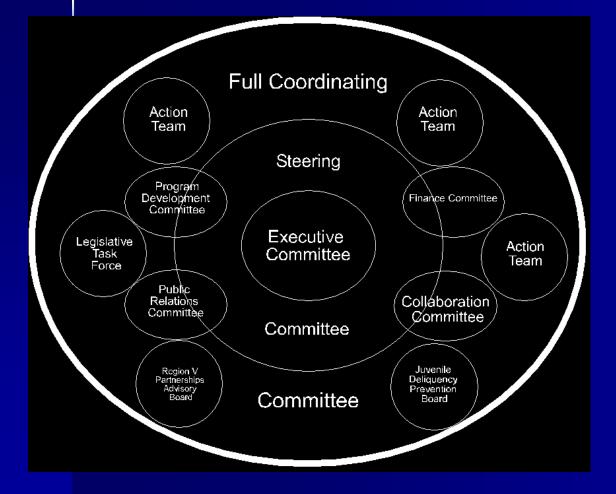
9 Goals:

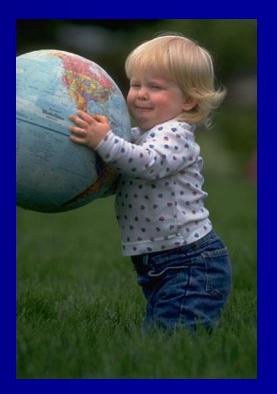
- **1.** That all children have the opportunity to be born healthy.
- 2. That all children's health be maintained at an optimal level.
- 3. That all children are educated to their fullest potential.
- 4. That all children have safe living environments.
- 5. That all children have adequate financial support.
- 6. That all children are nurtured and valued.
- 7. That families and communities model and teach respect and responsibilities which are reflected in appropriate children's behavior.
- 8. That families, as primary care givers, have available and accessible a range of treatment and support services to enable them to care for their children.
- 9. That a range of child care development services are available to meet the unique needs of children and their families.

Values:

- Children have inherent worth & dignity as individuals.
- Families are the most effective structure for caring for children.
- The most effective way to nurture children is through familybased services that are provided in the child's natural environment such as home school, or childcare.
- Communities have an obligation to assist families in nurturing and supporting children.
- Prevention and early intervention are the most compassionate and cost-effective methods of helping children and families.
- Families with distinctive cultural backgrounds should be recognized in accord with the unique values of their culture

Toddler years 1994-1995 Developing a structure:





Major projects Building refinancing structure Partnership grant Clarifying role of CSCC – direct service coordination Framing an infrastructure for growth



Growing years 1995-2000

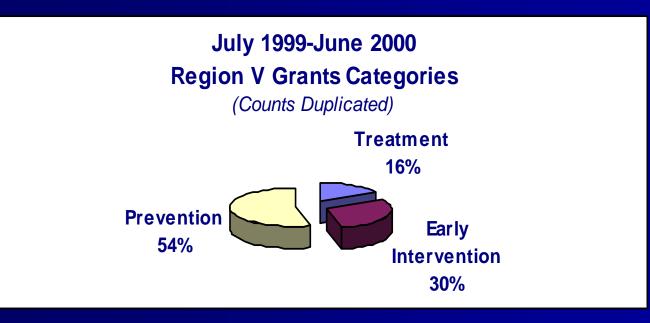
Expanding the base of involvement
1995 Refinancing developed
Measuring outcomes
Formalizing policies/procedures/practices
Working together

Learning to balance
urban & rural needs



Grants Distribution

1995-2000 over 1.6 million was granted





Adolescent years 2000-2002

Revised Community Plan Revised Committee Structure Implemented special projects Expanded coordination functions -Substance Abuse Prevention Expanded Partnerships -Dakota Medical Foundation





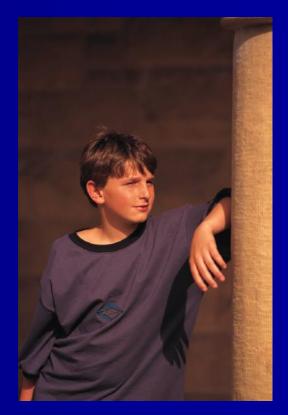
Dakota Medical Foundation Relationship

- Established grant rounds through Dakota Medical Foundation in 1999.
- Established a Region V CSCC Donor Advised Fund in 2002. As of 12/31/07 assets at \$309,182.00.
- Received the Regional Substance Abuse Prevention Grant in 2001.
- Received the Children's Mental Health Initiative grant in 2007.
- Have coordinated and collaborated on many projects. (Children's Health Insurance Initiative, Children's Mental Health Coordination, Lend a Hand, grant writing)

Adolescent years 2000-2002

Development of 2000-2005 goals & community plan:

- 1) That all children are cared for and nurtured.
- 2) That all children are safe physically and emotionally.
- 3) That all children have a healthy start and a healthy future.
- 4) That all children have effective education.
- 5) That all children shall contribute to community through service and positive behaviors.





Adolescent years 2000-2005

Simplified Committee Structure



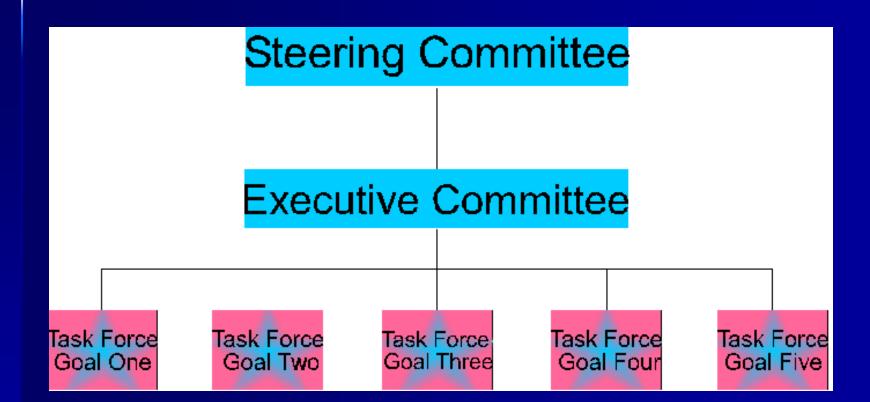
Entering into Adulthood...

Revised Mission:

Plan and collaborate with parents, policy makers, service providers, and the community to provide advocacy and support for children, youth, and families.







Has the Region V CSCC worked?

- 1.Coordination has happened.
- 2. A common vision has been built.
- 3. Support has been provided.
- 4. Children's services have been expanded.
- 5. More effective use of resources has been demonstrated.
- 6. We have had fun and learned to appreciate each other.



Adult Years 2008 & Beyond Sowing seeds of growth...

- What do we want to be when we grow up?
- How can we best serve children and youth?
- What does the community need?
- Why is this committee important?



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