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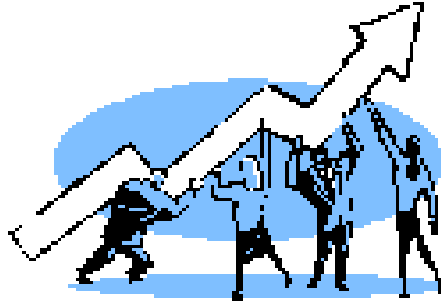
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Ashtabula County Family & Children First Council



**Strengthening families to help them reach
their fullest potential**

**For further information about Ashtabula
County Family & Children First Council or
any of its programs, please contact
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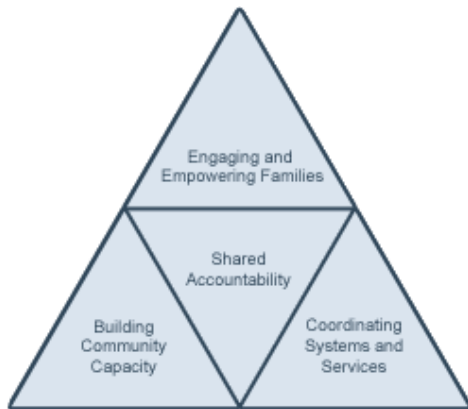


**Promoting healthy children,
strong families,
and thriving communities**

OHIO FAMILY & CHILDREN FIRST COUNCIL

Ohio Family and Children First Council (OFCFC) is a partnership of state and local government, communities and families that enhances the well-being of Ohio's children and families by building community capacity, coordinating systems and services, and engaging families. OFCFC's vision is for every child and family to thrive and succeed within healthy communities.

Ashtabula County Family and Children First Council is the local arm of OFCFC, and supports its commitments to children and families by improving access to services, empowering families, coordinating providers and building each community's capacity to better meet the needs of children and families.



CORE FUNCTIONS OF FAMILY AND CHILDREN FIRST COUNCILS

Ohio's Six Commitments to Child Well-Being

- Expectant Parents and Newborns Thrive
- Infants and Toddlers Thrive
- Children are Ready for School
- Children and Youth Succeed In School
- Youth Choose Healthy Behaviors
- Youth Successfully Transition into Adulthood

OUR MISSION

Vision:

The vision for the Ashtabula County Family & Children First Council is for every child and family to thrive and succeed within healthy communities.

Mission:

Ashtabula County Family & Children First Council is a county wide collaborative that enhances the well-being of Ashtabula county families and children through strengthening the skills needed to thrive, coordinating services, and empowering families.

Initiatives of Council:

- Economic Stability for Families
- Family & Youth Resiliency

PROGRAMS OF COUNCIL

Cross Systems Training:

Council's Public Information Committee is proud to offer trainings on multiple topics throughout the year. Education credits are often available.

Early Intervention:

Early Intervention is a program of Council that is operated by the Ashtabula County Board of Developmental Disabilities. This program is available for children under the age of three who have demonstrated developmental delays. Call the Early Intervention office at (440) 992-2111 for more information.

PROGRAMS OF COUNCIL cont.

Service Coordination:

Service Coordination is a family driven process based on the strengths and needs of each individual and family that aims to eliminate redundancies and coordinate existing government services through the construction of a family team of both natural and professional supports.

The objective of Service Coordination is to be a preventative measure against out of home placements for youth.

Eligibility: Service Coordination is available to children and youths that meet all of the following criteria:

- Younger than 22 years of age (or 24 for the DD population)
- Residing in Ashtabula County
- Has complex and/or severe unmet needs in two or more service systems (such as Children Services Board, Juvenile Court, Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, etc.)
- At risk of out of home placement

Service Coordination is:

- Available to eligible families residing in Ashtabula County regardless of their income.
- A 100% voluntary program.
- Does not override systems with which the child/youth is involved
- Utilizes an innovative, changing the perception of the problem approach when traditional services fail to meet the child/youth's needs

To make a referral to Service Coordination, contact Council Coordinator, Robinlyn Vogel, at (440) 998-8178 or via email at robin.vogel@jfs.ohio.gov.