

	<p>Haywood County Smart Start / Local Interagency Coordinating Council Team Meeting Minutes  Date: 3/19/25  Minutes completed by Jody Miller</p>
<p><b>Welcome and Introductions</b></p>	<p>Christy Yazan (CDSA); Syvella Symonds (Maximus); Julie Davis (Vaya); Randi Braun (RAPC); Jennifer Smith (PAT); Jessica Winkel (Vaya); Sherre Dean (PAT); Desiree Durning (AmeriHealth); Tabitha Justice (Mtn Projects); Jamie Bryant (LANC); Hannah Robinson Michael (NC Child); Lori Baker (LANC); Eunice Ledford (Schools); Angie Parker (NFP); Kendra Vignola (Triple P); and Jody Miller (RAPC/FSN)</p>
<p><b>Presentations</b></p>	<p>Jennifer and Sherre provided an update on the local Parents as Teachers program. The program is currently serving 33 families. Have opening slots. Shared about the upcoming group connections for those who are part of the program. Randi provided updates on the program as it relates to the region. Hired a new PAT educator for Swain, Sunny Parks. Maintained their blue-ribbon status. Working on MOUs with agencies to fill the only missing areas.</p> <p>Angie provided information about Nurse Family Partnership. A free in-home program for individuals who are pregnant for the first time prior to 28 weeks. If after 28 weeks, approval needs to be received to enter the program. In-home is ideal, however can meet at other places. Referral can be received from anyone. Assessments are completed as well developmental screenings of the children. A nurse stays with the mom until the child turns 2. The focus is on increasing positive outcomes, improving child’s health and development, and helping the individual become economically self-sufficient. Currently serving 83 clients with 125 being full capacity. Looking at serving at least 100 with a new hired nurse for the farther west counties.</p>
<p><b>Upcoming Presentations</b></p>	<p>April—No meeting  May—Youth Villages/Hope4NC  June—planning for next fiscal year</p>
<p><b>Smart Start Strategic Plan</b></p>	<p>The team is focusing on Children in Households that are food insecure: 13.7% in 2021. A decrease from 19.4% in 2019. There was concern that this may not be an accurate number. Mentioned from the 2023 Roadmap of Need County Profile that the 27% Housing Cost Burden reflects on the food insecurity.</p> <p>The team is focusing on the housing cost burden of 27% as indicated on the 2023 Roadmap of Need County Profile.</p>

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<b>LICC Strategic Plan</b>	<p>Transition presentation</p> <p>Encourage caregivers to attend the team meeting</p> <p>Roll and Read child find event—3rd grade students scoring proficient in reading went up to 56.5% in 2021-2022 from 51.2% in 2020-2021.</p>
<b>Activities to Achieve Strategies</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Organize workshops around food insecurity in spring and fall. Details to follow</li> <li>• Organize a housing workshop. Details to follow</li> <li>• Bring presenters to address food insecurity as well as transition</li> </ul>
<b>General Team Goals</b>	<p>Desired outputs for 2024 - 2025:</p> <p>Number of meetings/times review goals: 8 (6); Number of events: 1 (0); Number of team member / community presentations: 7 (10)</p>
<b>Old / New Business</b>	N/A
<b>Planned Community Events</b>	Roll and Read 4/26/25 rain or shine.
<b>What worked, what should we do differently, and when do we meet again</b>	<b>Our next meeting is scheduled for May 21, 2025.</b>

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