

**Funding:**

***Ohio County Fatherhood Initiative Conference Call/Kickoff Webinar with Coaches from OPNFF (Ohio Practitioners' Network for Fathers and Families) and the County Leaders at Morgan, Scioto, Ross and Warren Counties:*** OCF staff participated on a conference call/webinar with the coaches from OPNFF and County leaders. OCF staff welcomed the participating counties to the project. The Coaches discussed the purpose and vision of how the program works while using their PowerPoint Presentation. They also discussed the tools and techniques that will be used with the county and the fathers they serve in the community. The webinar was held on January 30, 2019.

***Ohio County Fatherhood Initiative (OCFI) Conference Call with Ross County:*** OCF staff participated on a conference call with the OCFI OPNFF (Ohio Practitioners' Network for Fathers and Families) coach and the Ross County OCFI leadership team. The coach discussed the Toolkit topics and the overview of the project and timeline for working through the six-month project to include the action plan deliverable. The OPNFF coach also discussed the first county deliverable of providing the team agreement signature page to ODJFS/OCF.

***Call to Coleman about final invoice:*** OCF staff contacted Katrina Walker, program manager at Coleman to inquire about the possibility of them submitting their final invoice on or before May 15<sup>th</sup>. Because of the resignation of key staff vital to the fatherhood grant, Coleman relinquished their grant with the final day of services to be April 28. OCF would like to be able to calculate how many dollars are remaining in Coleman's budget so those funds can be used to purchase needed supplies by OCF.

***RFGA Release:*** OCF posted a new Request for Grant Applications (RFGA). OCF seeks to award applicants that will develop and implement regional approaches to promoting responsible fatherhood by helping fathers in diverse communities throughout Ohio to succeed as parents, partners and providers. OCF seeks to award at least five (5) organizations \$130,000 each per year for two years starting on July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2021. Applicants must provide comprehensive fatherhood services to a minimum of 200 fathers per year in at least two Ohio counties. Applications are due May 17, 2019, by 3:00 pm.

**TANF Grantee Meetings, Events and Conference Calls:**

***Monthly Conference Call with Program Managers:*** OCF staff facilitated the monthly conference call with program managers from the seven TANF funded Fatherhood programs. Program managers were provided a snapshot of services each program is providing as of the SFY halfway point.

***Conference call with Action for Children (ACF) to discuss data request from OSU students:*** OCF Executive Director and staff participated on a phone conference with ACF leadership to discuss the data stored in ETO and the request for the Ohio State University interns to access the data to recommend process improvements. It was decided that the OSU students do not require access to the raw data in ETO. Action for Children's Fatherhood program will, instead, provide

them the statistical information via a report/presentation; therefore, a data sharing agreement is not required.

**OSU Student Presentations – Action for Children:** OCF Executive Director and staff attended presentation by students from OSU Fisher College of Business analyzing the effectiveness of AFC's Fatherhood program. They used data collected using ETO to identify program strengths and deficiencies and made recommendations for improvements.

**Conference call to Harold Howard Talbert House:** OCF Executive Director participated on a call with Harold Howard from Talbert House to discuss the Ohio County Fatherhood Initiative activities and to ensure that all coaches assigned to the four participating counties are consistent in their training.

**Presented at ForeverDads in Zanesville, OH:** OCF Executive Director attended the Tribute to Fatherhood in Zanesville. ForeverDads, funded by OCF, pays tribute to fathers in the community who have been or still are pillars of the community as well as strong family men. Various elected officials to include judges, city officials as well as Congressman Troy Balderson, whose father was honored as one of the community fathers, were in attendance.

**Conference Call with Steve Killpack regarding Data Collection – Exit Surveys:** OCF Executive Director participated on a conference call with Steve Killpack of OPNFF (Ohio Practitioners' Network for Fathers and Families) regarding his perspective on the collection of exit surveys to be completed by fathers at the end of program services provided by the seven grantees. These exit surveys will assist Ohio University with cross-program analysis as well as a perspective from fathers regarding the services they believe they received from the respective program.

**Data Collection Follow-up Conference Calls with OCF Funded Grantees:** OCF Executive Director participated on a series of calls with four OCF funded Fatherhood programs, Passages, GLCAP, Action for Children and Talbert House to discuss the exit survey collections as it pertains to both community and incarcerated fathers. Data in ETO (Efforts to Outcomes) reflects that some programs are missing opportunities to collect the final exit surveys. OCF Executive Director has scheduled phone conferences with the remaining three grantees for a later date.

**ETO Exit Surveys Phone Conference with Katrina Walker (Coleman Professional Services):** OCF Executive Director facilitated a phone conference with Coleman Professional Services regarding ETO (Efforts to Outcomes) data as well as the wrap-up of services provided by Coleman's Fatherhood program due to the resignation of the program manager. Coleman Professional Services leadership decided to release the remaining grant funds by requesting their contract be terminated. The program is unable to provide parenting classes as no one is certified to teach the curriculum. Additionally, no one is trained to provide ongoing services in the Allen Correctional Facility. Services will terminate as of April 26, 2019 with final invoices due May 28, 2019.

**ETO Review with Burl at ForeverDads Center for Fathers and Families Conference Call:** OCF Executive Director facilitated a phone conference with ForeverDads staff regarding ETO (Efforts to Outcomes) data, specifically the logging of exit surveys and serving youth with

prevention of premature Fatherhood programming vs. serving fathers. ForeverDads does a very good job logging case management activity, which will provide rich outcome data for the secondary data analysis conducted by Ohio University.

**Phone Conference with Steve Killpack with OPNFF (Ohio Practitioners' Network for Fathers and Families) to Debrief ETO Data Collection:** OCF staff participated on a phone conference with Steve Killpack with OPNFF to debrief the current data collected in ETO by the OCF funded grantees and to discuss the ETO buildout for the upcoming two-year grant cycle and the required data measures to be built in the system.

**Ohio University/FRPN (Fatherhood Research and Practice Network) Check-in Call:** OCF staff participated on the monthly conference call with Ohio University and FRPN to discuss the progress of the data collection and evaluation project. FRPN has contracted with OU to provide a secondary evaluation on the data collected and stored in ETO by the seven Commission on Fatherhood TANF grantees. Ohio University will collect SFY 2019 data until June 30, 2019, evaluate the data and provide a final report to FRPN by September 2019.

**Conference Call with Ohio University (OU) and Ohio Practitioners' Network for Fathers and Families (OPNFF) – Evaluation Wrap-up:** OCF staff facilitated a conference call with Ohio University and the Ohio Practitioners' Network for Fathers and Families to discuss the end-date of data collection for the OU/FRPN (Fatherhood Research and Practice Network) data collection project. Grantees will conclude entering data for the project by May 31, 2019. OPNFF will work with cleaning the data the first week of June 2019, and OPNFF will transfer the data to OU on June 10, 2019 to begin the analysis for the evaluation report.

**Talbert House Graduation – Nurturing Fathers Cohort 47 in Cincinnati, OH:** OCF Staff attended the 47<sup>th</sup> fatherhood class graduation and was the keynote speaker. 24 fathers completed a ten-week cohort. Over 100 family members and Talbert House staff were in attendance.

**Bi-monthly Conference Call with caseworkers:** OCF staff conducted the final conference call with case managers under the current biennial grant. The group discussed effectiveness and frequency of calls. OCF staff updated the case managers on latest completion data in ETO.

**Grantee Meeting at Talbert House:** OCF Executive Director and staff attended the grantee meeting at Talbert House in Cincinnati. The staff reviewed expectations for Efforts to Outcomes data entry, the time line for data entry and the definition of case management completion. Staff from six of the seven grantee programs attended the day-long event hosted by Talbert House staff. The Talbert House staff presented on the services provided by their organization and four fathers participated on a panel discussion and advised the grantees of the services they received as participants of the Talbert House Fatherhood program.

**Follow-up Questions Phone Conference with Judy Williams (Action for Children):** OCF Executive Director facilitated a phone conference with Action for Children to discuss ETO (Efforts to Outcomes) data entry and coordinating the data regarding fathers enrolled with the monthly invoices.

**Ohio University (OU)- FRPN (Fatherhood Research and Practice Network) Conference Call:** OCF Executive Director and staff participated on a conference call with staff from FRPN and OU. The team discussed the procedure to complete the secondary analysis evaluation of the data collected from participants enrolled in the seven OCF funded Fatherhood programs. The data collection will end on May 31, 2019 for purposes of the evaluation project. The grantees will ensure all data is entered by June 7, 2019, and Steve Killpack, with OPNFF, will clean the data and submit it to Ohio University for evaluation. OU must submit the final report to FRPN by mid-September 2019. The OCF grantees will continue to enter data in ETO through June 30, 2019 per their contracts.

### **State Agency Collaboration:**

**Commission on Fatherhood Updates Conference Call with new ODYS Commissioner:** OCF Executive Director had a conference call with the new designated commissioner, James Jackson, from the Ohio Dept. of Youth Services. She provided Mr. Jackson with an overview about the Ohio Commission on Fatherhood and provided details on Commissioner roles and responsibilities. Executive Director will meet with Mr. Jackson one hour before the scheduled Commission meeting at the Riffe on February 14, 2019 to provide him with OCF materials.

**Conference Call with Molly Rafeld in Legislation:** OCF Executive Director participated in a phone call with ODJFS Office of Legislation Deputy Director Molly Rafeld regarding General Assembly and Governor appointments to the Commission. The Feb. 14, 2019 Commission meeting did not include 7 of the 20 statutorily appointed commissioners. Deputy Director Rafeld will work on the six appointments (2 senators and 4 representatives) as well as the governor's office appointment.

**Conference Call with State Representative West:** OCF Executive Director participated on a conference call with State Rep. West (Canton District). Representative West advised that he had ideas for the Commission on Fatherhood and advised that he was in conversation with Director Hall regarding additional funding for OCF. OCF Executive Director provided Representative West with the various planned programming that aligns with the Governor DeWine's children's initiatives.

**Meeting with Tom Hutter (OWD) Regarding Dr. Penny Smith (Keys to Degrees):** OCF Executive Director met with Tom Hutter from Workforce-OMJ in preparation for the scheduled meeting with Dr. Penny Smith with Keys to Degrees. Dr. Smith conducted research to develop a mobile application that will assist non-custodial parents with parenting and employment. Dr. Smith connected with Fatherhood programs and local Child Support Agencies in Cuyahoga, Franklin and Stark counties.

**OCF Quarterly Commission Meeting February 14, 2019:** OCF staff facilitated the quarterly Commission on Fatherhood meeting held at the Riffe Towers. The new Department of Youth Services appointee was welcomed, Mr. James Jackson. Attendees also heard a presentation from OCF funded grantee, GLCAP (Great Lakes Community Action Partnership) formerly WSOS

(Wood, Sandusky, Ottawa and Seneca) Community Action. The Commission is missing seven statutorily appointed commissioners, six from the General Assembly and one from the Governor's Office.

***Faith-based/Fatherhood Connection with Chip Weiant, Executive Director Michele Reynolds:*** OCF Executive Director met with the newly appointed Executive Director of the Governor's Office of Faith-based and Community Initiatives and board member Chip Weiant. Executive Director Reynolds discussed the possibility of being appointed as the governor's designee on the Fatherhood Commission. The group also discussed their common goals, focus and service delivery to better serve Ohio families.

***GOFBCI (Governor's Office of Faith-based and Community Initiatives) Faith-Friday:*** OCF Executive Director attended the first "Faith-Friday" event sponsored by the Governor's Office of Faith-based and Community Initiatives. The audience included Community Based and Faith-based Organizations interested in receiving funding or partnering with GOFBCI to provide various services throughout Ohio. The Office of Family Assistance provided information on TANF programming from a fiscal perspective, to include the four TANF purposes. As a partner of GOFBCI, OCF Executive Director provided information on services offered to low income fathers and families by the TANF funded Fatherhood programs. The audience also heard presentations from Ohio Association of Food Banks (a GOFBCI grantee) and Serve Ohio, a GOFBCI partner.

***Meeting with Office of Communications Redesign Four Brochures:*** OCF Executive Director and staff met with OCOMM staff to discuss changes to four Fatherhood Program brochures. OCF staff requested to add the OCF statute to the Ohio Commission on Fatherhood brochure will remove the signing of the Paternity Affidavit as the only recommended way to establish paternity. OCF staff also requested new photos of young fathers and children. After speaking with OCOMM, OCF will be adding JFS form numbers to the brochures.

**Development and Collaboration Meeting with Samuel Davis, DAS Business Process**

**Analyst:** OCF Executive Director met with DAS staff, Samuel Davis regarding the current activities of the Ohio Commission on Fatherhood. Ms. Davis plans to attend the next OCF meeting, May 9, 2019 to learn of ways to be better informed in ways to engage and empower fathers in Central Ohio.

***Dr. Kathleen Lamb ODRC Family Engagement Update:*** OCF Executive Director participated on a phone conference with ODRC staff, Dr. Kathleen Lamb. Dr. Lamb provided an update on the direction of the ODRC Family Engagement Project, implemented over the past two years. The project resulted in the re-introduction of a Family Engagement Council and new family engagement coordinators at the various state prisons. ODRC has also continued the Family Support Project piloted in Madison Corrections.

**GoToMeeting phone/web with ODRC/Child Support Collaboration:** OCF Executive Director participated in the quarterly ODRC/Child Support meeting. Various updates were provided to include CNS (Criminal Non-support) commitments, an update on the NCSEA (National Child Support Enforcement Association) Policy Conference session, “When Parents are Inmates.” The committee also heard updates from OCF Executive Director regarding the Ohio County Fatherhood Mobilization and the four counties currently involved in the trainings, and the various national presentations and webinars the Ohio Commission on Fatherhood Executive Director has been requested to participate in since the release of the HHS/ACF Information Memorandum. There was also an update provided by the various Re-entry Coalitions as members of the committee. The group discussed possible cross-training opportunities as a way to revisit the “Building Bridges between Child Support and Rehabilitation and Correction” training implemented in previous years.

**Early Childhood Mental Health Wellness Fair at Hilton:** OCF Executive Director provided Commission on Fatherhood materials and information to Early Childhood Mental Health Conference attendees during the conference Wellness Fair.

**Early Childhood Mental Health Conference (ECMHC) at Hilton Hotel:** OCF Executive Director and staff provided Commission on Fatherhood materials and information during the Early Childhood Mental Health Conference. Various connections were made to include follow-up with programs interested in learning more about the Commission and the services offered as well as the current funded Fatherhood grantees.

**Early Childhood Mental Health Conference Leadership Summit at Hilton:** OCF Executive Director participated with OFA Executive Staff in the Leadership Summit as part of the Early Childhood Mental Health Conference. The team learned various leadership styles as well as how to become more effective leaders.

**Meeting with State Representative Glenn Holmes:** OCF Executive Director met with Representative Glenn Holmes, who has been newly appointed to the Commission by the House of Representatives’ Speaker Householder. OCF Executive Director provided Representative Holmes with various OCF handouts, the OCF padfolio and lapel pen.

**Meeting with State Representative Terrance Upchurch:** OCF Executive Director met with Representative Terrance Upchurch, who has been newly appointed to the Commission by the House of Representatives’ Speaker Householder. OCF Executive Director provided Representative Upchurch with various OCF handouts, the OCF padfolio and lapel pen.

**Conference Call with Scott Neely and Joseph Hill regarding OCF Agenda Topics:** OCF Executive Director participated on a phone conference with Mr. Scott Neely and Mr. Joseph Hill to discuss the agenda topics for the upcoming OCF Commission Meeting scheduled for May 9, 2019. The Feb. 14, 2019 meeting minutes and the May 9, 2019 meeting agenda will be sent on April 24, 2019 with the reminder e-mail of the upcoming meeting and plans to elect Executive Committee members.

**Meeting with State Representative J. Todd Smith:** OCF Executive Director met with Representative J. Todd Smith, who has been newly appointed to the Commission by the House of Representatives' Speaker Householder. OCF Executive Director provided Representative Smith with various OCF handouts, the OCF padfolio and lapel pen. Representative Smith asked about the OCF budget and what the office funds with the budget and what the office will be able to accomplish with additional funds.

**Meeting with State Representative Riordan McClain:** OCF Executive Director met with Representative Riordan McClain, who has been newly appointed to the Commission by the House of Representatives' Speaker Householder. OCF Executive Director provided Representative McClain with various OCF handouts, the OCF padfolio and lapel pen. Representative McClain also asked about the OCF budget and possibly requesting an amendment to the OCF budget to allow for prevention and early intervention programming.

**(OCPIM) Ohio Collaborative to Prevent Infant Mortality Quarterly Meeting in Toledo, Ohio:** OCF Executive Director attended the quarterly OCPIM meeting in Toledo, which was the first OCPIM meeting that was held outside Columbus. The new OCPIM co-chairs decided to hold the OCPIM quarterly meetings via webinar every other quarter and off-site in various regions of the state during the other two quarters. The next in-person OCPIM meeting is scheduled for Cleveland.

**Fatherhood – Infant Mortality Prevention with Ms. Jennifer Jones from ODH:** OCF Executive Director met with Ms. Jennifer Jones from ODH. Ms. Jones will work with 28 counties on safe sleep marketing and the promotion of breastfeeding. OCF Executive Director provided information on how OCF and various other Fatherhood programs work in Infant Mortality prevention.

**Noble County Re-Entry Fair:** OCF staff participated in the Noble County Correctional Re-Entry Fair. Staff discussed the Fatherhood program materials to the inmates, distributed Fatherhood program materials and answered questions.

**Chillicothe County Re-Entry Fair:** OCF staff participated in the Chillicothe County Correctional Re-Entry Fair. Staff discussed the Fatherhood program materials to the inmates, distributed Fatherhood program materials and answered questions.

**Ross County Re-Entry Fair:** OCF staff participated in the Ross County Correctional Re-Entry Fair. Staff discussed the Fatherhood program materials to the inmates, distributed Fatherhood program materials and answered questions.

**Meeting with Kathy Wolfe and Jody Walker at Ross County:** OCF Executive Director met with Ross County JFS Director, Jody Walker, and Ms. Kathy Wolfe from Families and Children First Council in Ross County. OCF Executive Director discussed details of the Ohio County Fatherhood Mobilization project and ensured the county leadership team that the OPNFF coach will assist with the county assessment and walk the county through the community conversation.

The community conversation is scheduled for May 21, 2019 and will be added to the second half of the morning after the Family and Children First Council meeting.

**Ross County Fatherhood Initiative Update Call with OPNFF President, Harold Howard:** OCF Executive Director facilitated a phone conference with OPNFF President, Harold Howard, regarding the status of Ross County's Fatherhood Initiative Mobilization Project. There were some questions and concerns about the process and assistance with completing the assignments provided to them. Ross County community conversation and Training is scheduled for May 21, 2019.

**General Fatherhood Outreach, Meetings and Conference Calls:**

**Buckeye Health Plan Meeting:** OCF Executive Director met with Ms. Anisa Ballard and Mr. LaVelle Betts from Buckeye Health Plan. Ms. Ballard and Mr. Betts were interested in how Buckeye Health can partner with the Commission and how they can more intentionally work on father's/men's health. Ms. Ballard works closely with the Montgomery County Fatherhood Initiative.

**Meeting with Mr. Fred Points and Ms. Melissa Starr (Jewish Family Services):** OCF Executive Director attended a meeting at Jewish Family Services to discuss the services provided by the agency as well as the Fatherhood work being implemented throughout the state. Jewish Family Services is working with Director Susan Brown, Franklin County Child Support under the Journey project that includes early intervention at paternity establishment. Action for Children and the United Way are also partners in the project.

**Meeting with Ms. Avis Files Brothers United:** After presenting to the Lucas County Fatherhood Initiative, OCF Executive Director met with Ms. Avis Files from Pathways/Brothers United. Ms. Files provided an update on the HMRF grant project to include successes and challenges. OCF Executive Director will continue to connect with Lucas County's Fatherhood Coalition to include Ms. Files and Director David Kontur, Lucas County Family and Children First Council.

**Dave Kontur Meeting re: Early Childhood and Head Start in Toledo, Ohio:** OCF Executive Director presented at the Lucas County Fatherhood Initiative in Toledo. The presentation included a high-level on the Commission on Fatherhood, data grantee and a discussion regarding the Informational Memo released by HHS/ACF on October 17, 2018.

**Meeting with Montgomery County Leadership:** OCF Executive Director met with the Montgomery County Administrator, Michael Colbert, Fatherhood Coordinator, Michael Newsom, JFS Director, Michelle Niedermier, County Director of Strategic Planning, Kelly Geers and County Deputy Administrator Tom Kelley. The meeting focused on enhancing the Montgomery County Fatherhood programming and aligning strategic goals with those of OCF.

**Ohio Head Start Association Conference – Fatherhood 3-hour Session:** OCF Executive Director participated in a three-hour presentation with Shawn Crable from Stark County's Early Childhood Program and Dr. Solveig Spjeldnes from Ohio University. OCF Executive Director discussed the mission and purpose of the Ohio Commission on Fatherhood as well as recent



policy and procedure changes that positively impact low income fathers and families. Shawn Crable discussed ways he engages and empowers fathers in Early Childhood through programming. Dr. Spjeldnes discussed research, data and myths of low income and African-American fathers.

***Institute for Research and Poverty (IRP) Webinar:*** OCF Executive Director participated on the IRP/Wisconsin Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Board webinar titled, “Unique Contributions of Fathers to their Children’s Development.”

***Mobility Advisory Board Meeting with Tonia Pullins:*** OCF Executive Director attended the quarterly COTA Mobility Board meeting. The board heard various presentations from MORPC (Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission) staff regarding connecting seniors with transportation options and COTA staff regarding Older Road User Statewide Initiative, Mobility HUB Initiative, the State Transportation Budget and Mainstream On-Demand

***Fatherhood – Faith-Based meeting:*** OCF Executive Director met with Ms. Ruth McNeil, Church Relations Director of Citizens of Community Values. Ms. McNeil provided information on her current role as Church Relations Director and OCF Executive Director updated Ms. McNeil on the various activities currently provided under OCF funding. Ms. McNeil is interested in working advocating for the important role of fathers in their families as well as the increased rate of success realized by children when dad is involved.

***OCF Executive Director Interview with Christopher Brown at (NFI) National Fatherhood Institute:*** OCF Executive Director provided an interview to NFI President Mr. Chris Brown. NFI plans to post the interview in an upcoming NFI blog. NFI president asked a series of questions to include, the role of the Commission, the passion of the OCF Executive Director and the partnership between OCF and NFI. President Chris Brown will send the interview responses to OCF Executive Director prior to posting the blog.

***Conference Call Connecticut Fatherhood Commission – State Fatherhood Commissions:*** OCF Executive Director participated on a conference call with staff from Connecticut Department of Social Services. Connecticut is another state that has a Commission on Fatherhood codified in state law; however, the Commission is not staffed, and funds are passed to six local Fatherhood programs to serve fathers and families. Connecticut staff were interested in how OCF maintained the support of a state Fatherhood Commission for 20 years.

***Conference Call with Mr. Timothy Grimes – Restored Citizen:*** OCF Executive Director participated on a call with Mr. Timothy Grimes, who was incarcerated at Marion Corrections and attended a presentation provided by OCF Executive Director and Ms. Tiffany Chinn, State Office of Child Support in 2015. Mr. Grimes was released February 19, 2019 and connected with the OCF office to assist with re-engaging his two child support cases in Madison and Trumbull counties. Mr. Grimes will be connected with the State Office of Child Support and Madison County CSEA.

**Bootcamp for New Dads/ODH Infant Mortality Analytics Project Conference Call:** OCF Executive Director participated in a conference call with staff from Accenture. Ms. Anika Vinze, Accenture, attended the “Boot Camp for New Dads” session at the OCPIM (Ohio Collaborative to Prevent Infant Mortality) Summit in Cincinnati. The Accenture group is working on a project and wanted to hear more about the Boot Camp for New Dads program as well as other resources for expectant and new fathers.

**Columbus Urban League (CUL) Graduation Keynote Speaker:** OCF Executive Director provided the keynote speech during the Columbus Urban League’s Fatherhood graduation. Fathers graduated from one of two programs, Father2Father (community fathers) and Choose2Change (justice involved fathers). OCF Executive Director discussed her experience as a statistic of father absence. OCF Executive Director discussed father absence and the negative outcomes for children as a result. She also provided recent policy changes that positively impact fathers and families, to include H.B. 366, the Child Support Guidelines Bill, effective March 28, 2019 and the new Home Visiting rules effective July 2018.

**Fatherhood Plenary Panel Presentation (OCSE All-Hands Meeting), Arlington, VA/ in D.C – Federal Office of Child Support:** OCF Executive Director participated on a panel with three Fatherhood practitioners and researchers at the Federal Office of Child Support’s All-staff Training and Awards Ceremony. The event was a three-day event with the “Future of Father Engagement” panel occurring on day two. OCF Executive Director provided information regarding her experience at the local and state levels of Child Support in Ohio.

**Good Plus Foundation Child Support/Workgroup Conference:** OCF Executive Director along with Franklin County CSEA’s Director participated on a conference call with the Good Plus Foundation and stakeholders from other states regarding national Child Support policies as well as introduced Child Support legislation in California.

**Phone Conference with Panelists to Speak at the National Fatherhood Conference in Nashville, TN June 4-6, 2019:** OCF Executive Director is scheduled to moderate a panel of women who work in the field of Fatherhood during the National Fatherhood Conference scheduled in June 2019 in Nashville, TN. The group discussed a title and abstract for the session. The team also introduced themselves and discussed their roles as women in their respective Fatherhood programs. Executive Director will explore research in the area of men facilitators vs. women facilitators in Fatherhood programming.

**Fatherhood and City of Columbus Business Development Meeting (Housing):** OCF Executive Director met with Mr. Kim Stands, City of Columbus, Department of Development. Mr Stands provided information regarding how the City supports various housing services to non-profits and for-profit agencies in Franklin County under the Framework of Action to Address Homelessness Continuum of Care. The City provides grants to support housing barriers to various at-risk populations in Columbus, to include youth aging out of Foster Care, restored citizens, expectant women, fathers, etc.

**Conference Call Update with Anthony Slosser:** OCF Executive Director participated on a phone call with concerned father, Mr. Anthony Slosser. Mr. Slosser continues to attend and support the Commission on Fatherhood meetings. Mr. Slosser provided OCF Executive Director with an update regarding the ongoing parenting-time issues he has been attempting to work out in the Franklin County courts.

**Connections for Non-Profit Organizations – Mr. James White:** OCF Executive Director met with Mr. James White with The Ohio State University, Moritz College of Law. Mr. White is interested in mentoring 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grade youth in impoverished communities in Atlanta by exposing them to minority professionals, politicians, educators, etc. OCF Executive Director connected Mr. White with Mr. Ken Braswell in Atlanta. Mr. Braswell advised that Atlanta inner-city schools need mentors.

**The Payback Problem: Why Child Support Does Not Go Where It's Needed Most:** OCF staff participated in a webinar sponsored by the Aspen Institute regarding states (NJ, CO and VT) that are paying all child support directly to the families and children rather than requiring low-income parents to pay back public assistance through their child support payments. Requiring parents to pay back public assistance takes money from low-income children, sets low-income parents up to fail, and saddles families with growing debt that they cannot pay. The panel included Vicki Turetsky, Former Commissioner of the Office of Child Support Enforcement, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

**Love Notes Update Meeting:** OCF Executive Director and staff met with Irene Varley to review changes made to the curriculum, Love Notes 3.0 and to learn about a new curriculum designed to overcome adversity and build resiliency, “Mind Matters.”

**Conference Call with Mathematica and Administration for Children and Families (ACF)-Project ASPIRE:** OCF Executive Director provided an interview to Mathematica, a research company funded by ACF, regarding how Ohio serves NCPs in the Child Support Program, using TANF funds. ODJFS/OFA SNAP TANF staff also participated to answer TANF questions outside of funding Fatherhood programs.

**Discussions with Joshua Baer from Social Solutions – Efforts to Outcomes (ETO):** OCF Executive Director participated on a phone conference with Mr. Joshua Baer with Social Solutions regarding pricing for the ETO system development, buildout of touch points, technical assistance and development of reports for the next two-year grant cycle. OCF Executive Director forwarded the estimated cost for the ETO system received from Social Solutions.

**Ohio County Fatherhood Initiative Mobilization Conference Call:** OCF Executive Director participated on a phone conference with Clinton County JFS Director regarding sustainability funding for the Clinton County Dadz Program. Clinton County received \$10,000 in seed funding to mobilize Fatherhood during SFY 2017. Executive Director provided tips regarding how to sustain the programming.

***Summit County Fatherhood Initiative Call - Female Facilitators Phone Conference:*** OCF Executive Director participated on a phone conference with Mr. William Macchione, Summit County Fatherhood Coordinator. Mr. Macchione asked advice on how to better prepare two newly hired female facilitators on engaging fathers in classroom settings.

***Ohio County Fatherhood Initiative Mobilization Project Conversation with Washington County Child Support Director, Kimberly Hinkle:*** OCF Executive Director participated on a phone conference with Washington County's Child Support Director, Kimberly Hinkle. Director Hinkle is interested in hearing more about the Ohio County Fatherhood Initiative Mobilization and asked to be considered for the next round of the \$10,000 seed funding to mobilize Fatherhood in Washington County.

***FRPN (Fatherhood Research and Practice Network) Planning Grant Learning Community web-ex call with Eleven Grant Funded States:*** OCF Executive Director participated on a webinar hosted by FRPN to provide advice and recommendations regarding how to engage legislators in their respective states on the topic of a state supported Fatherhood Commission/Coalition. Other presenters included, former State Senator Bill Beagle and representatives from Fatherhood programs/coalitions in Pennsylvania and South Carolina.

***Learning Community Conference Call Prep with FRPN and Eleven States in Receipt of Grant Funding:*** OCF Executive Director participated on a phone conference with staff from FRPN, Temple University and the Connecticut Fatherhood program manager to discuss the PowerPoint topics for the Learning Community Webinar with the eleven states in receipt of the \$10,000 grant funds awarded by FRPN. OCF and Executive Director and the Connecticut Fatherhood program manager alternated topics on the various slides and provided suggestions and recommendations on the various benefits, challenges and pathways to a state Fatherhood commission or coalition.

***FRPN Learning Community Webinar on Fatherhood Practitioner Networks and State Summits:*** OCF Executive Director participated on a webinar with Dr. Jessica Pearson from FRPN and Dr. Jay Fagan from Temple University, Steve Killpack from Ohio Practitioners' Network on Fathers and Families as well as other presenters from other states like Minnesota, North Carolina and Texas on forming state Fatherhood Practitioner Networks and on how to implement a State Summit. The Learning Community webinars are offered to the eleven states selected by FRPN to receive \$10,000 seed funding to create a state Fatherhood Commission/Coalition.

***FRPN/Temple University Hosted Webinar with Eleven Grant Funded States and the Ohio and Connecticut Commissions on Fatherhood:*** OCF Executive Director participated on a webinar with Dr. Jessica Pearson of FRPN, Dr. Jay Fagan of Temple University and Mr. Anthony Judkins Connecticut Social Services/Office of Child Support. OCF Executive Director and Connecticut Program Manager, Anthony Judkins provided recommendations and suggestions on how to form a state Fatherhood Commission as well as the benefits and challenges. They answered questions from the eleven states and offered to share tools. FRPN has scheduled subsequent webinars to include conversation with legislators and state Fatherhood Networks.

***Webinar Planning Session with Fatherhood Research and Practice Network (FRPN)***

***Learning Community Call for April 30, 2019 with Jessica Pearson:*** OCF Executive Director participated on a practice webinar with Dr. Jessica Pearson from FRPN and Dr. Jay Fagan from Temple University as well as other presenters scheduled to speak during the April 30<sup>th</sup> Learning Community Webinar. The Learning Community webinars are offered to the eleven states selected by FRPN to receive \$10,000 seed funding to create a state Fatherhood Commission/Coalition.

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***COPLTI (Central Ohio Parent Leadership Training Institute) Graduation:*** OCF Executive Director attended the COPLTI graduation at the State House. OCF Executive Director provided a presentation during session 7 of the 20-week training program. Parents apply to the program and decide on various community projects to implement while learning the various government systems and how to advance better outcomes for their communities. Representative Bernadine Kent was the keynote speaker at the event. This was the first cohort of the national model implemented in Central Ohio. The graduation was covered by ABC News.

***Central Ohio Parent Leadership Training with Karla Poole:*** OCF Executive Director attended the Central Ohio Parent Leadership Training class to introduce OCF Commissioner Tarik White to the program and parent leaders. The guest speaker was Ms. Megan Kilgore, Columbus City Auditor. The parents learned various facets of a government budget to include appropriations, revenue and expenditures.