

Supporting Families Together Association's 2025 State Policy Agenda



Increase Access to Supports for Family Wellbeing

1. Increase the impact of the Family Resource Center Network

- **Established statewide infrastructure** for family support services
- **Comprised of 35 non-profit agencies** physically located in communities across Wisconsin
- **Primary service delivery platform** for the Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Board
- **Services proven to:**
 - Strengthen all families
 - Produce academic gains for children
 - Reduce rates of child abuse in communities
 - Yield a high return on investment: ~ \$5 dollar return for every \$1 invested

Increase Investment by \$4.875 million annually for the Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Board

2. Expand programming that supports children's mental health

- **Triple P's: Positive Parenting Program & Positive Early Care and Education**
 - Best practice, evidence-based curriculum
 - Proven to promote healthy child emotional and cognitive development
 - Offered through Supporting Families Together Association Joint Network
- **Healthy Minds Healthy Children**
 - Social & Emotional trainings for early childhood providers and families
 - Wisconsin's statewide infant and early childhood mental health consultation program
 - Offered through Wisconsin Alliance for Infant Mental Health

Invest \$5 million annually in programs offered through the SFTA Network and Wisconsin Alliance for Infant Mental Health

3. Bolster the Child Care Resource & Referral Network

- **Federally-mandated state infrastructure** established to support early care and education providers in Wisconsin
- **Comprised of 9 non-profit agencies** across the state, responsible for supporting providers in all 72 counties and 11 First Nations
- **Services for providers:** Recruitment, training, individualized assistance/coaching
- **Services for families:** Personalize assistance to connect with available child care options and other human services
- **Services are critical to:**
 - Expand, maintain the early care and education workforce supply
 - Ensure qualified early care and education providers
 - Maintain health and safety standards

Increase Investment by \$2 million annually in Child Care Resource & Referral Network

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