



Inspiring Hope for a Better Tomorrow

Welcome

Grant
Informational
Meeting for the
2020-2021
Request for
Proposal



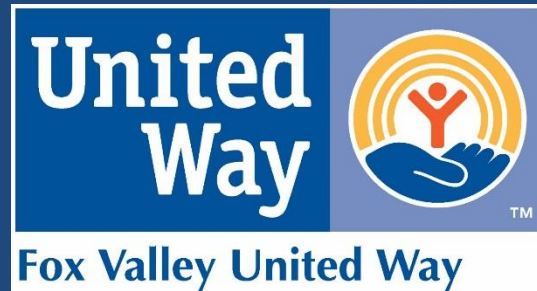
Our Mission:

To empower our diverse families and children, *birth to five years old*, to attain full success in learning and life.

Our Bold Goal:

All children will be Strong, Prepared And Ready for Kindergarten





Fox Valley United Way has been serving the community for nearly 100 years

Currently, we support social service agencies that help the neediest residents in 23 communities in Kane and Kendall Counties

Expanded Service Area

as of 8-1-16



Current Service Area



Why we are choosing to emphasize Early Childhood development

- 90% of a child's brain develops in the first five years of life.
- There are only 2,000 days from birth to Kindergarten for that critical window of learning.
- A child's vocabulary at age 3 can predict 3rd grade achievement.
- Up to 3rd grade, students are learning to read. After 3rd grade, students are reading to learn.
- If a child is not reading at grade level by 3rd grade, they are four times more likely to drop out of high school.
- Access & Equity -Where you live should not determine the quality of education that your child receives

James Heckman, from *Lifecycle Benefits*

High quality birth-to-five programs for disadvantaged children can deliver a

13%
Return on Investment

Starting earlier provides greater returns. Learn more.

www.heckmanequation.org

Funding Details

- Grant cycle covers period from July 2020 - June 2021
- Applications are limited to one program
- Funding for period of July-December 2020 is guaranteed. Period from January-June 2021 can be adjusted based on collections through December 31, 2020.
- 23 agencies were funded in 2019-2020 cycle

New Applicants

If you are a new applicant, please contact

Trish Rooney at (630) 896-4636 ext. 108 or email
at trish.Rooney@foxvalleyunitedway.org

To discuss your proposal to ensure that it aligns
with one or more of our strategies.

Our Approach

Leverage Resources



Build Capacity



Work Collectively



Collectively we Explore the Possible Positive Outcomes for Families and their Children

Impact Strategies

Strategy 1: Parents and the community are educated and informed about the importance and value of an early childhood education for all of our young children and the impact it has on children's success in school and life

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Strategy 2: Support the on-going improvement of the early childhood programs in the Fox Valley area through continued professional development of individuals who work with families and children and/ or improving the quality of early childhood program

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Strategy 3: Ensure that all children have equitable access to quality early childhood programs and resources

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Strategy 4: Build an early childhood coordinated system in Fox Valley communities in which the school districts, community based early childhood programs, community agencies, serving families and children, all work as one unit to ensure that Fox Valley's young children have the resources, knowledge and skills to be Strong, Prepared And Ready for Kindergarten

Grant Guidelines

- Please choose ONE program. The proposed program must align with one or more Fox Valley United Way early childhood priorities reflected in the impact strategies described in this document. Proposals must demonstrate that services to be provided are tailored to meet the needs of the identified population in one of the 23 identified communities supported by FVUW

Resources

- Data Profile (handout)
- KIDS Summary Data for FVUW communities (handout)
- KIDS Report -
<https://www.isbe.net/Documents/RMF19-001-KIDS%20Report.pdf>
- Risk and Reach Report -
<https://www.erikson.edu/policy-initiatives/risk-reach/>



Grant Portal

- Orientation to the grant portal
- Manual provided
- Q&A



Important Dates

- ❑ The online Request for Proposal (RFP) process opens on February 10, 2020.
- ❑ Informational Session will be on February 10, 2020
- ❑ Due date for online application submission Friday March 27, 2020.
- ❑ Applications will be reviewed during the April-May period. Funding recommendations are made at the end of May. The grant award notification timeframe is late June
- ❑ Program funding will begin July 1, 2020 and end June 30, 2021

Details can be found on FVUW's website at www.foxvalleyunitedway.org

Change doesn't happen alone. To live
better, we must

LIVE UNITED!

