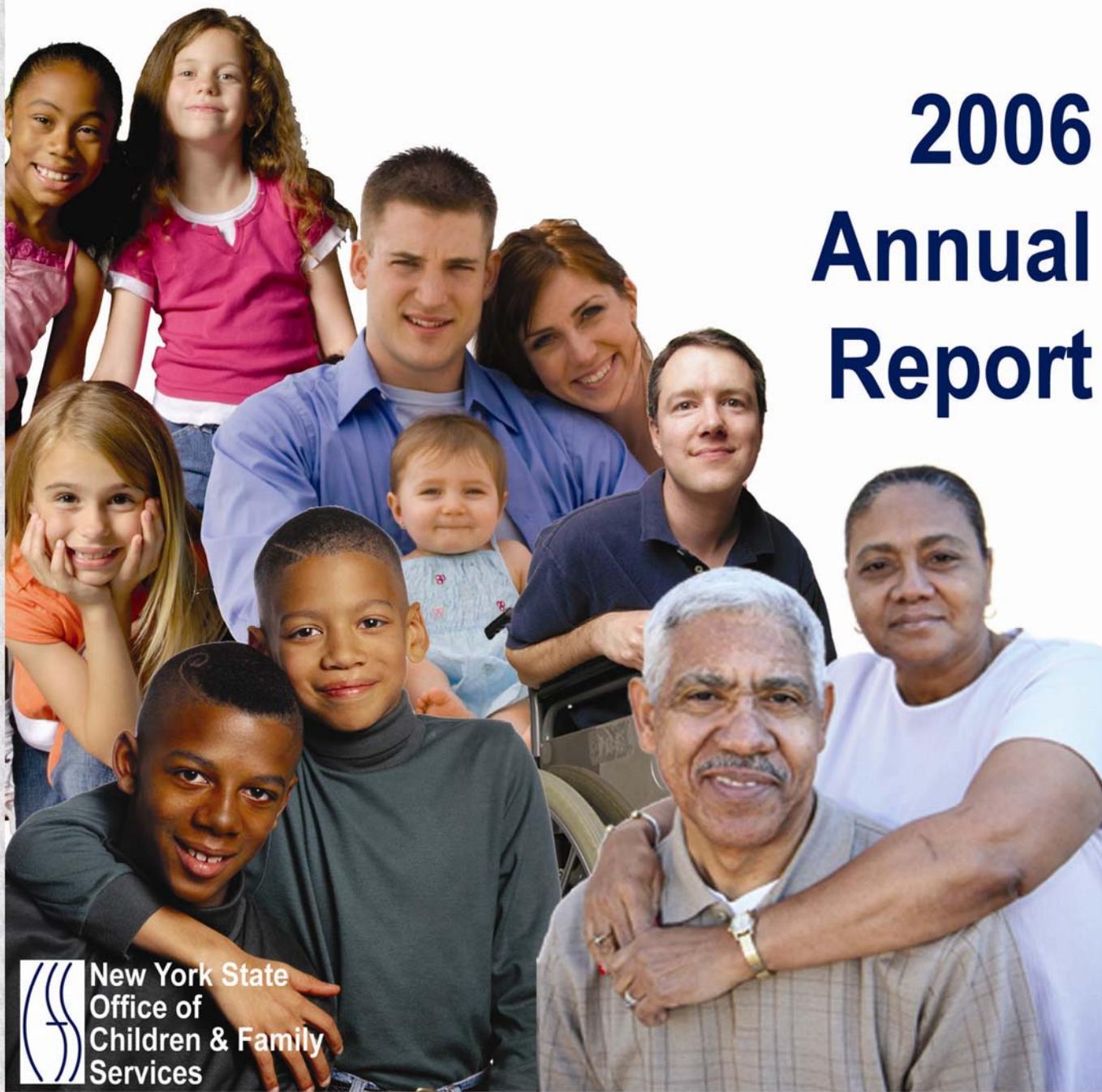




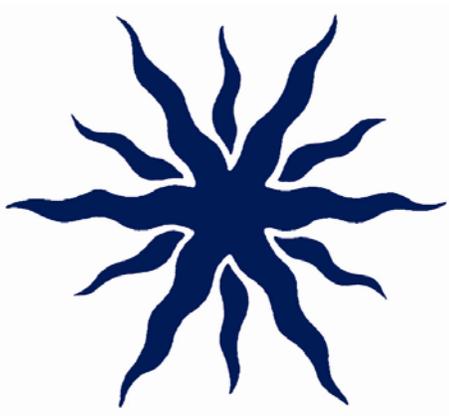
NEW YORK STATE
Wm. B. Hoyt Memorial
CHILDREN & FAMILY TRUST FUND

"Strengthening New York's Families"

2006 Annual Report



New York State
Office of
Children & Family
Services



2006 Annual Report

A Worthwhile Investment	1
■ Meaningful Funding Priorities	1
■ Making a Difference	2
■ Maximizing Funds.....	2
■ Focusing on Quality	3
Addressing the Spectrum of Family Violence	3
■ Child Abuse Prevention	3
■ Domestic Violence Initiatives	4
■ Elder Abuse Prevention	4
Building on Success.....	4
■ Sharing our Strengths	5
■ Planning for the Future	5
Appendix.....	7
■ Required Data.....	7
■ 2006 Grant Recipients	8
■ Program Funding Map.....	13
■ 2006 Advisory Board Members	14

A Worthwhile Investment

Being part of a family can be rewarding—and challenging. For some New Yorkers, the challenges in their family put them at risk of child abuse, domestic violence or elder abuse.

The New York State William B. Hoyt Memorial Children and Family Trust Fund (Trust Fund) helps prevent and decrease those risks. New York was one of the first states to establish a coordinated process through the Trust Fund to address all types of family violence. Established in 1984, the Trust Fund is part of the New York State Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS).

Through the Trust Fund, community-based programs strengthen families, helping them gain tools to meet challenges and thrive. By focusing on strengths, rather than on deficits, families are more likely to engage in services that decrease the likelihood of abuse.

Offering support *before* families become high risk or abusive is both compelling and cost-effective. Individuals are protected from harm and savings are realized by reducing the use of services needed *after* abuse occurs.

Every day, the Trust Fund supports resilient families in communities throughout New York State. Trust Fund programs support families through a range of services that:

- emphasize prevention by engaging families before abuse occurs;
- address specific needs and build a sense of community;
- recognize the multi-generational nature of family violence; and
- are available to all families, regardless of financial eligibility.

The Trust Fund is supported by a dedicated Advisory Board. The Board shapes current and future Trust Fund activities by setting funding priorities, linking to other resources and sharing their expertise. The members share a commitment to children and families and the firm belief that we must address family violence.

■ Meaningful Funding Priorities

New York was one of the first states to establish a Trust Fund that addresses the spectrum of family violence: child abuse, domestic violence and elder abuse. This is reflected in funding priorities, which are as follows:

- child abuse prevention, including Family Resource Centers (FRCs);
- domestic violence initiatives, including supervised visitation;
- elder abuse prevention; and
- statewide initiatives to expand successful programs and increase public awareness.

Every Trust Fund program addresses at least one of the priorities through its services and the population it serves. These priorities are described in more detail in “Addressing the Spectrum of Family Violence.”

2006 At A Glance

- approximately 75,000 children and adults were assisted through Trust Fund support
- 24 programs received funding
- \$1,538,027 distributed to programs

■ Making a Difference

Throughout the State, the Trust Fund helps change lives in small and big ways; it helps change the lives of children, adults and seniors. Families build on their own strengths, gain skills to manage challenges, gain access to health care and other crucial services and take action to improve their communities. When added together, these changes for individuals work to prevent the incidence of child abuse, domestic violence and elder abuse in our communities.

Trust Fund programs also recognize that all families have strengths. By working with these strengths, rather than focusing on deficits, families are more likely to engage in services to decrease the likelihood of abuse.

Highlights of Trust Fund accomplishments include:

- a sustained 50% decrease in shaken baby injuries in Western New York;
- the creation of a statewide network of Family Resource Centers enabling direct-service providers to share effective solutions and strengthen their skills;
- domestic violence trainings for child advocates serving families involved in the court system;
- trainings for senior services staff to identify the signs of elder abuse;
- a “New York Loves Safe Babies” campaign including an annual public event and the creation of educational materials to support safe and healthy growth and development in children;
- launching initial projects that evolved into Healthy Families New York, a proven effective program; and
- becoming a respected resource for state and national organizations addressing the needs of children and families.



The “New York Loves Safe Babies” event includes activities for the whole family. One young participant makes a project with Jessica Whelley, Assistant Coordinator of the Family Room Family Resource Center in Amsterdam, part of the Catholic Charities of Fulton and Montgomery counties.

■ Maximizing Funds

The Trust Fund administers funds from both New York State legislative appropriations and from the federal Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention Grant Program (CBCAP) from the US Department of Health and Human Services’ Office on Child Abuse and Neglect. The Trust Fund increases the total amount of funding available by providing the required state match for federal CBCAP monies. The Trust Fund maximizes state and federal funds in several ways.

\$1 → \$1.99

For every Trust Fund \$1.00 investment, local resources added .99 in 2006.

This effectively doubled the Trust Fund investment of \$1,538,027 leading to the delivery of \$3,069,944 in services to children and adults.

By working to *prevent* abuse, the Trust Fund reduces the need for costly services delivered after abuse has occurred. This can decrease costs associated with medical care, law enforcement activities, child protective services, mental health care, foster care, and court actions.

Funds are also maximized at the service-delivery level. The administrative costs of all programs supported by Trust Fund grants are low. Programs are generally funded for four years, with decreasing allocations in year three and year four.

In addition, many programs secure in-kind donations, volunteer support, local resources and funding from other public agencies. In 2006, programs secured \$1,531,917 in support from these other sources, nearly matching the Trust Fund support of \$1,538,027. Programs delivered services valued at \$3,069,944.

■ **Focusing on Quality**

Each Trust Fund program is carefully evaluated before, during and after they receive an award. This helps focus Trust Fund grants on high quality, in-demand services. Quality activities include closely evaluating grant applications, on-site visits, program monitoring, technical assistance, training and peer-to-peer networking. Throughout the life of each grant, we are in continuous contact with program staff. This helps us work with programs to achieve their performance targets and improve the lives of the people they serve.

Quality is also the focus of the Program Self-Assessment and Peer Review for the Family Resource Centers. This intensive process includes assessments from peers, families who access services and from community partners. This leads to the development of a strategic plan that is incorporated into the contract monitoring process. Three programs completed the process in 2006 bringing the total completed since 2000 to 17 programs.

Another evaluation tool was completed in 2006—a study of Family Resource Centers. Completed by the Center for Human Services Research at the University of Albany, the study was based on site visits and the analysis of nearly five years of data collected from the Centers. The study points to future quality-enhancing projects including assessing the effects of parenting education. The publication, “A Study of New York State’s Family Resource Center Network,” is available by request.

Addressing the Spectrum of Family Violence

For over 22 years, Trust Fund programs have provided powerful tools to help families break cycles of abuse. Trust Fund programs reach New Yorkers throughout the State, right in their own communities, to reduce child abuse, domestic violence and elder abuse. You can see details of each Trust Fund supported program in the “2006 Grant Recipients” section included in the Appendix of this report.

■ **Child Abuse Prevention**

Research has identified several factors that decrease the risk of child abuse and neglect. Trust Fund programs work to prevent child abuse by increasing these protective factors in families including:

- nurturing and attachment;
- knowledge of parenting and child development;
- parental resilience;
- social connections; and
- concrete support for parents.

Trust Fund programs nurture these characteristics by providing tangible services designed to meet the needs of families in their communities. Some of the many child abuse prevention services offered with Trust Fund support include parenting education classes, peer support groups, opportunities to strengthen parent-child interactions, home visits and safety workshops for children.

Making a Difference

Through child abuse prevention funds from the Trust Fund in 2006, the Family Resource Centers of Crestwood Children’s Center saw significant changes:

- of children receiving home visits, 85% met or exceeded developmental milestones; and
- of adults receiving home visits, 74% improved their use of effective parenting skills.

By participating in these services, parents learn appropriate expectations for their children and skills to guide their children's behavior in respectful ways. Parents are better equipped to keep their child's safety a top priority and handle stress. Families become more child-centered with parents and children becoming more confident in their relationships.

The Family Resource Centers (FRCs) is one group of programs focused on child abuse prevention. All families, regardless of financial or emotional need, can participate in a wide range of FRC services. This open environment helps reduce the stigma some associate with prevention programs and provides opportunities for community-building relationships to flourish.

■ Domestic Violence Initiatives

Trust Fund programs address domestic violence prevention through educational programs and support services for children and adults. In school-based prevention programs, children gain support and skills, increasing their confidence and resiliency.

Making a Difference

Through domestic violence prevention funds from the Trust Fund in 2006:

- 57% of participating children developed a safety plan; and
- 69% of participating mothers improved their capacity to negotiate social services, health, education and criminal justice systems.

Domestic violence initiatives supported by the Trust Fund also serve families coping with issues of domestic violence, child abuse or neglect. For these families, supervised visitation programs provide a safe environment for promoting healthy parent-child relationships. Trained staff helps parents gain skills to increase their ability to meet the needs of their children. In addition, support groups for children and adults increase their resilience and social connections.

■ Elder Abuse Prevention

Seniors are a steadily increasing segment of our population and often vulnerable to abuse. One of the priorities that emerged from the New York State Elder Abuse Summit in 2004 is the need for research on the prevalence of elder abuse. The Trust Fund is poised to administer funds for both this research and services that research may indicate is needed.

Building on Success

As programs prove their effectiveness, the Trust Fund helps programs expand their reach. The Upstate New York Shaken Baby Syndrome (SBS) Education Project is one example of this. In 1998, the Project began as a small pilot program designed to reduce the incidence of this devastating and preventable injury to newborns and young infants. The Project quickly proved its effectiveness through measurable outcomes with a sustained 50% reduction in the incidence of SBS in the pilot region. With Trust Fund support, this life-saving program has been replicated and now serves families in hospitals and health care settings in 28 counties across New York State. The Project is considered a model for health-related organizations in other states and around the world including New Zealand and Scotland. It has also been cited as the impetus for legislation being considered to establish a shaken baby prevention campaign at the federal level.



The Trust Fund works to prevent Shaken Baby Syndrome. This artwork is part of a calendar of tips for parents and caregivers. Artwork by Cherish, grade 9

Another example of building on success is the domestic violence trainings for Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) working with children. In 2006, CASA staff and volunteers gained skills to use with families affected by domestic violence. This face-to-face training will evolve into written practice

guidelines to reinforce skills and reach new volunteers. The guidelines will be published in 2007 with the support of the Trust Fund.

The Trust Fund also helps programs build on success through collaboration. This is especially evident in the Family Resource Center Network. Meeting regularly in person and through an online listserv, this group shares ideas about best practices, strategies to engage parents and solutions to common challenges. The Network was also an essential partner in the Program Self-Assessment and Peer Review process.



Wyn Frechette, Coordinator of the Lakeside Child and Family Center in Rochester, recipient of the 2006 Excellence in Child Abuse Prevention Professional Award presented at the Annual NYS Child Abuse Prevention Conference. Wyn assists the Trust Fund in coordinating the Family Resource Center Network Program Self-Assessment and Peer Review Process and is a strong advocate for families in her own community and across the state.

■ Sharing our Strengths

In addition to funding programs, the Trust Fund connects to numerous state and national organizations to share resources. Joining forces with others extends the reach of our strength-based philosophy, maximizes funding and builds links between organizations working to support families. Trust Fund Board members and staff routinely connect with others at the state and national level. In addition, staff shares resources and information through interactions with other OCFS programs that support children and families.

During 2006, some results of the many Trust Fund partnerships included:

- helping plan and staff the Prevent Child Abuse New York 2006 annual conference with a record number of 600 participants from across the state;
- improving the ability of CASA programs to respond to families through training in collaboration with New York State Coalition Against Domestic Violence and the New York State Office for the Prevention of Domestic Violence;
- actively participating in the National Alliance of Children's Trust & Prevention Funds with the Trust Fund Director serving in a leadership position;
- coordinating the annual New York Loves Safe Babies event, production of the 2007-08 Safe Babies calendar, distribution of the 30-minute Safe Babies DVD in Spanish and the continuing work of the committee which includes members from Department of Health, Prevent Child Abuse New York, OCFS and community-based organizations; and
- sharing resources and solutions with others from across the country at the PREVENT Child Maltreatment Institute, sponsored by Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and the National Center for Injury Prevention.



Dads use dolls in diapering race at New York Loves Safe Babies event.

■ Planning for the Future

As the Trust Fund Advisory Board and OCFS staff look toward the future, clearly there is an increased need to incorporate research and data collection. To respond to this need, the 2007 RFP will strongly encourage applicants to utilize research on effective programs to shape their activities.

The Trust Fund will also work with research experts in 2007 to collect data on the outcomes of effective parenting education activities. This will help Trust Fund programs incorporate research in the design and implementation of activities to strengthen families and build protective factors.

In 2007, the Trust Fund will build on the 2006 report of Family Resource Centers (FRCs). The Trust Fund will collaborate with FRCs to incorporate recommendations from the report to enhance their work. Also in 2007, the Trust Fund will initiate a study to evaluate the impact of parenting education activities, both formal and informal.



Family Resource Centers are welcoming community sites offering a wealth of services to strengthen and support families with young children.

Another activity to be implemented in 2007 is the creation of a publication that will increase the awareness of family violence prevention programs and the activities of the Trust Fund. This project will be a collaboration with Prevent Child Abuse New York and is an outgrowth of the strategic planning committee's work in 2005.

An outgrowth of the PREVENT Institute is also in the planning stages for 2007. Early discussions point to an initiative to increase the availability of high-quality parenting education opportunities. This goal is drawn from the New York State Early Childhood Comprehensive Services Plan. The collaborative will likely include community-based and state-wide organizations, state agencies, community members and other groups interested in helping parents enhance their parenting skills, knowledge and behavior.

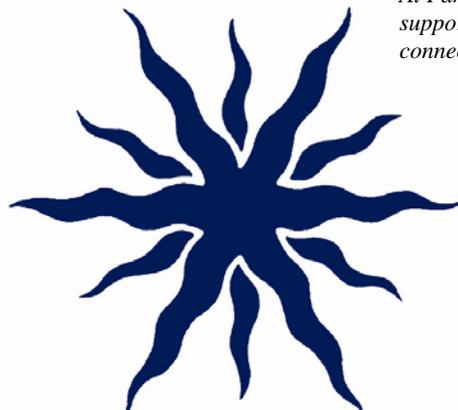
As noted in the report from the 2004 New York State Elder Abuse Summit, research is needed to determine the prevalence of elder abuse. If funding does become available, OCFS and the Trust Fund Advisory Board have established this as a priority for our 2007 RFP.

It is clear that the Trust Fund is an essential resource to promote the well-being and safety of children and families. In 2006, more than 75,000 adults and children received services, education and support through Trust Fund initiatives. This does not include the countless others who benefited when participants used their new skills to interact with family members or educate others.

Through high-quality prevention programs, the Trust Fund enables families to not only meet challenges, but to thrive. This resiliency leads to stronger families, and stronger communities, throughout New York State.



At Family Resource Centers, parent-child activities support nurturing relationships and social connections for families.



Appendix

■ Required Data

The law establishing the William B. Hoyt Memorial Children and Family Trust Fund, Social Services Law, Article 10-A, Section 481-e, identifies data that must be included in this annual report to the legislature. These requirements are listed below and followed by the correlating data.

the number of persons estimated to have been assisted in programs covered by this section;

In 2006, approximately 75,000 children and adults were assisted through services, education and support through programs receiving Trust Fund grants.

the amount of public and private funds used for approved programs by service type;

In 2006, programs received \$1,538,027 in public funds through the Trust Fund, \$340,761 in other public funds and obtained an additional \$1,191,156 private funds and in-kind donations to provide \$3,069,944 in services.

service type	public funds <i>Trust Fund state and federal CBCAP</i>	public funds <i>local public entities i.e., county department of social services</i>	private funds	value of services delivered to children and adults
child abuse	\$1,140,152	\$328,768	\$1,117,619	\$2,586,539
domestic violence	\$397,875	\$11,993	\$73,537	\$483,405
totals	\$1,538,027	\$340,761	\$1,191,156	\$3,069,944

the amount of funds used for the administration of such services;

A full 100% of Trust Fund state monies is awarded to programs. Of the federal monies, approximately 15% is used to offset administrative costs incurred by the New York State Office of Children and Family Services.

the number, recipients and amounts of grants to public agencies and not-for-profit corporations;

In 2006, the Trust Fund supported 24 programs: two public agencies and 22 not-for-profit corporations.

The recipient and amounts of each grant are included in the “2006 Grant Recipients” section beginning on page 8 of this report.

■ 2006 Grant Recipients

For each grant recipient, the source of funding is noted. CBCAP Grant indicates funds from the US Department of Health and Human Services' Office on Child Abuse and Neglect Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention Grant Program. Funds appropriated by the New York State legislature are noted as Trust Fund.

Child Abuse Prevention Programs

Inwood House

New York, New York

Trust Fund: \$79,500 (Year II) Local Share: \$41,187 Total Budget: \$120,687

Inwood House provides services for pregnant and parenting teens who are either currently in New York City foster care or are former foster children who are homeless. The program reinforces positive parent-child interaction through intensive, hands-on visual learning and supportive services through the SPIN Video Home Training Program in the homes of teen parents. Those who are homeless receive the additional support of Inwood's maternity residence programs.

Kingsbridge Heights Community Center

Bronx, New York

CBCAP Grant: \$56,250 (Year III) Local Share: \$39,113 Total Budget: \$95,363

This program provides sexual abuse prevention and education workshops for preschool, elementary and high school students. The project also provides training for human service and professionals working with children in educational settings.

Family Resource Centers

Family Resource Centers (FRCs) are an important child abuse prevention model supported by the Trust Fund. Programs in the FRC Network provide a centralized source for an array of services in communities. The Centers offer services and also provide referrals to other resources and links to information to meet the needs of the families. Centers are located in urban, rural and suburban communities across the state reaching children, parents, grandparents and others caring for children. Programs respect cultural, racial and family structure of participants. In addition to providing funding, the Trust Fund also supports the Network by facilitating information exchange and representing the Network at the state and national level.

Catholic Charities of Montgomery County

Amsterdam, New York

CBCAP Grant: \$35,260 (Year III) Local Share: \$8,815 Total Budget: \$44,075

Operated by Catholic Charities of Montgomery County, The Family Room offers a variety of crucial services including parent education, childhood screening, referral to other community services, a resource library, family activities, childcare and children's programs. Special outreach to teen parents and the Latino community in the city of Amsterdam are a major focus.

Cornell Cooperative Extension of Cortland County

Cortland, New York

CBCAP Grant: \$55,104 (Year III) Local Share: \$34,572 Total Budget: \$89,676

Known as the Cortland Family and Fun Resource Center, services include parenting education and support, and workshops in nutrition, budgeting, job training, and health. The program partners with other agencies for supervised visitation, health and developmental screenings, health insurance screening, substance abuse screening and links to other community resources.

**Child Care Coordinating Council of the North Country
Plattsburgh, New York**

CBCAP Grant: \$100,000 (Year III) Local Share: \$41,852 Total Budget: \$141,852

This program includes four centers in the Adirondack communities of Plattsburgh, Malone, Tupper Lake and Elizabethtown. Centers offer a broad continuum of programs including parenting education, playgroups, resource libraries, wellness clinics, family activities, and supervised visitation. A wide range of agencies collaborate to provide services.

**Chinese-American Planning Council, Inc.
New York, New York**

CBCAP Grant: \$30,000 (Year III) Local Share: \$14,669 Total Budget: \$44,669

This program provides comprehensive services to Chinese families in the five boroughs of New York City. These include parenting workshops, developmental screenings, information and referral, social events, respite services, naturalization and English as a Second Language (ESL) classes.

**Child & Family Resources Inc. of Ontario and Yates Counties
Geneva, New York**

CBCAP Grant: \$38,135 (Year III) Local Share: \$9,996 Total Budget: \$48,131

The Geneva Family Resource Center provides prevention-focused, strength-driven services to families with enhanced outreach to Hispanic families. Services include parenting education and support, developmental screening, and community referrals. The program collaborates with numerous local government and health agencies, Head Start and Cornell Cooperative Extension.

**Cornell Cooperative Extension of Tioga County
Owego, New York**

CBCAP Grant: \$58,890 (Year III) Local Share: \$127,662 Total Budget: \$186,552

Cornell Cooperative Extension operates the Family Resource Centers of Tioga County. Services include parenting classes, playgroups, and referral to other community-based resources. The centers collaborate with local human services departments, school districts, and community agencies to serve families with children from birth to five.

**Family Resource Centers of Crestwood Children's Center (formerly Rochester Family Resource Network)
Rochester, New York**

CBCAP Grant: \$56,000 (Year III) Local Share: \$14,000 Total Budget: \$70,000

This program of two FRC sites provides comprehensive services to low-income urban families with young children. Services include research-based parent education programs, workshops for grandparents as parenting young children, home visits to enhance early intervention services for children, respite child care for parents experiencing stress, employment coaching, literacy development for parents whose primary language is Spanish, referral to other resources, leadership training, and teaching parents to be effective advocates for their children in medical settings. In addition, Crestwood provides consultation services to programs participating in the Program Self-Assessment and Peer Review process.

**Family Service League of Suffolk (FSL)
Huntington, New York**

CBCAP Grant: \$37,500 (Year III) Local Share: \$61,610 Total Budget: \$99,110

The Manor Field Family Center provides critical services to low-income families in a predominantly Hispanic neighborhood. Services include parent education, crisis interventions, emergency food assistance, clothing, preschool, homework help, and parent-child activities. Training for adults include English as a Second Language (ESL) classes, vocational and computer training, help with forms for entitlements, fire and safety, translations, and links to other resources as needed.

**Mothers & Babies Perinatal Network of South Central New York, Inc.
Binghamton, New York**

CBCAP Grant: \$52,098 (Year III) Local Share: \$98,225 Total Budget: \$150,323

The network oversees one FRC in Binghamton and one in Hillcrest. Both are drop-in community centers for families and caregivers of children aged 0-5. Families can access social, recreational, and educational services/activities. The program offers services in collaboration with Cornell Cooperative Extension at the Hillcrest site.

**North Country Prenatal/Perinatal Council, Inc.
Gouverneur, New York**

CBCAP Grant: \$77,250 (Year III) Local Share: \$26,150 Total Budget: \$103,400

The Council operates Gouverneur Activity and Learning Center in this rural St. Lawrence County community. Services work to prevent child abuse and neglect by strengthening families and providing them tools to support their child's development. Services include parent education, parent-child activities, links to other resources, playgroups, job-readiness, family events and field trips. The program also offers unique supports for military families and their approximately 10,000 children in the community.

**Pro-Action of Steuben & Yates, Inc.
Bath, New York**

CBCAP Grant: \$82,340 (Year III) Local Share: \$124,147 Total Budget: \$206,487

This program includes three FRCs and a Family Development Program and targets low-income populations by coordinating vital family support activities. Services include parent education workshops, preschool playgroups, after school and summer vacation programs, family events, GED classes, literacy tutoring, referrals to other community resources, home visiting and emergency food pantry.

Healthy Families New York Home Visiting Programs

In 2006, three Healthy Families New York programs received funding to address child abuse prevention. Research has proven that Healthy Families is an effective program with positive results for families. These programs provide screening, education and home visits to families before and after the birth of their child.

**Behavioral Health Services
Plattsburgh, New York**

CBCAP Grant: \$65,700 (Year III) Local Share: \$17,000 Total Budget: \$82,700

This program screens all expectant parents and parents with infants less three months old in Clinton County who may be at risk of child abuse and neglect or health or developmental problems. Services provided to first-time parents include home visits, father support groups, peer support and parent/child activities.

**Schenectady County Public Health Services
Schenectady, New York**

Trust Fund: \$60,900 (Year III) Local Share: \$20,545 Total Budget: \$81,445

This screens pregnant and postpartum women and their partners to identify those in need of further assessment and services. Health education is also provided on topics including infant care, parent-child interaction and prevention of Sudden Infant Death (SID) and Shaken Baby Syndrome (SBS).

**Sullivan County Public Health Services
Liberty, New York**

Trust Fund: \$66,000 (Year III) Local Share: \$40,160 Total Budget: \$106,160

This program provides home visiting services to families in Sullivan County through Healthy Beginnings.

Statewide and Regional Initiatives

The Shaken Baby Project began at the Women and Children's Hospital of Buffalo in 1998. With Trust Fund support, the program has expanded and now reaches all new parents in 28 counties statewide. Through the Project, parents learn about the dangers of shaking babies, even in play before their newborn is discharged from the hospital. Trained nurses talk with parents to provide materials in the context of a caring relationship and to respond to each family's unique situation. Parents sign a statement affirming their commitment to keeping their baby safe from SBS.

Kaleida Health/Women and Children's Hospital of Buffalo Buffalo, New York

Trust Fund: \$97,500 (Year III) Local Share: \$466,719 Total Budget: \$564,219

These organizations manage the Upstate New York Shaken Baby Syndrome (SBS) Education Project. The program educates all new parents in 20 Western New York and Finger Lakes counties about SBS in two different health care settings: before leaving the hospital and again at the infant's first post-natal visit. This program has led to a consistent 50% decrease in the incidence of SBS in the Western New York region.

Children's Hospital Foundation at Westchester Medical Center Valhalla, New York

Trust Fund: \$91,725 (Year III) Local Share: \$259,965 Total Budget: \$351,690

Children's Hospital manages the Hudson Valley Shaken Baby Prevention Initiative, a replication of the successful Upstate (SBS) Education Program. In the eight county Hudson Valley region, participating hospitals educate all parents of newborns, before discharge, how to prevent shaking injuries. It also has evolved into a broader community awareness program and showing promising results.

Domestic Violence Initiatives

Edwin Gould Services for Children & Families New York, New York

Trust Fund: \$90,000 (Year II) Local Share: \$25,032 Total Budget: \$115,032

The Children's Therapy Program, operated by Edwin Gould, serves children ages 3-14 who have witnessed domestic violence and their non-abusive parents. Individual and group therapy is provided for the children and parenting education and support classes are offered to the parents.

Nassau County Coalition Against Domestic Violence Hempstead, New York

Trust Fund: \$59,000 (Year II) Local Share: \$15,846 Total Budget: \$74,846

This program, the Child Witness Project, provides domestic violence services in three community-based human service settings. A bilingual children's counselor provides support for both children and their non-abusive parents and links to other services such as legal services, safe housing, and advocacy.

YWCA of Schenectady Schenectady, New York

CBCAP Grant: \$31,500 (Year III) Local Share: \$11,993 Total Budget: \$43,493

Through the Domestic Education Outreach project, this program provides domestic abuse prevention training for 1st and 2nd grade students. The project uses age-appropriate techniques to address physical and emotional abuse, domestic violence, family and social dynamics. The project also provides workshops on domestic violence prevention and intervention for parents, caregivers and school personnel.

Supervised Visitation Programs

Supervised visitation programs provide a safe, comfortable environment for children to interact with their parents as mandated by courts or county departments of social services for supervised visits and exchanges. Programs serve families involved in the family court system or coping with issues of domestic violence, child abuse or neglect. Program goals include helping develop healthy parent-child relationships, safety for the child and custodial parent, increased coping strategies for the families and support of non-custodial parents. In 2006, the Trust Fund provided support for three supervised visitation programs.

Allegany County Community Opportunities and Rural Development Corporation (ACCORD)

Belmont, New York

CBCAP Grant: \$67,500 (Year III) Local Share: N/A Total Budget: \$67,500

ACCORD provides a Supervised Visitation Program including court-ordered supervised visits for families with a history of domestic violence and/or child abuse. The program also provides safety planning assistance, parent education activities, and facilitates improved interactions between parent and child, peer support, and links to other supportive services.

New York Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children

New York, New York

Trust Fund: \$49,875 (Year III) Local Share: \$32,659 Total Budget: \$82,534

This program provides therapeutic supervised visitation services including mental health services for children who have witnessed domestic violence, emotional support so parents can better meet their children's needs, safety planning, and links with domestic violence services. Funding also supports training for staff involved in the supervised visitation program.

Oswego County Opportunities, Inc.

Fulton, New York

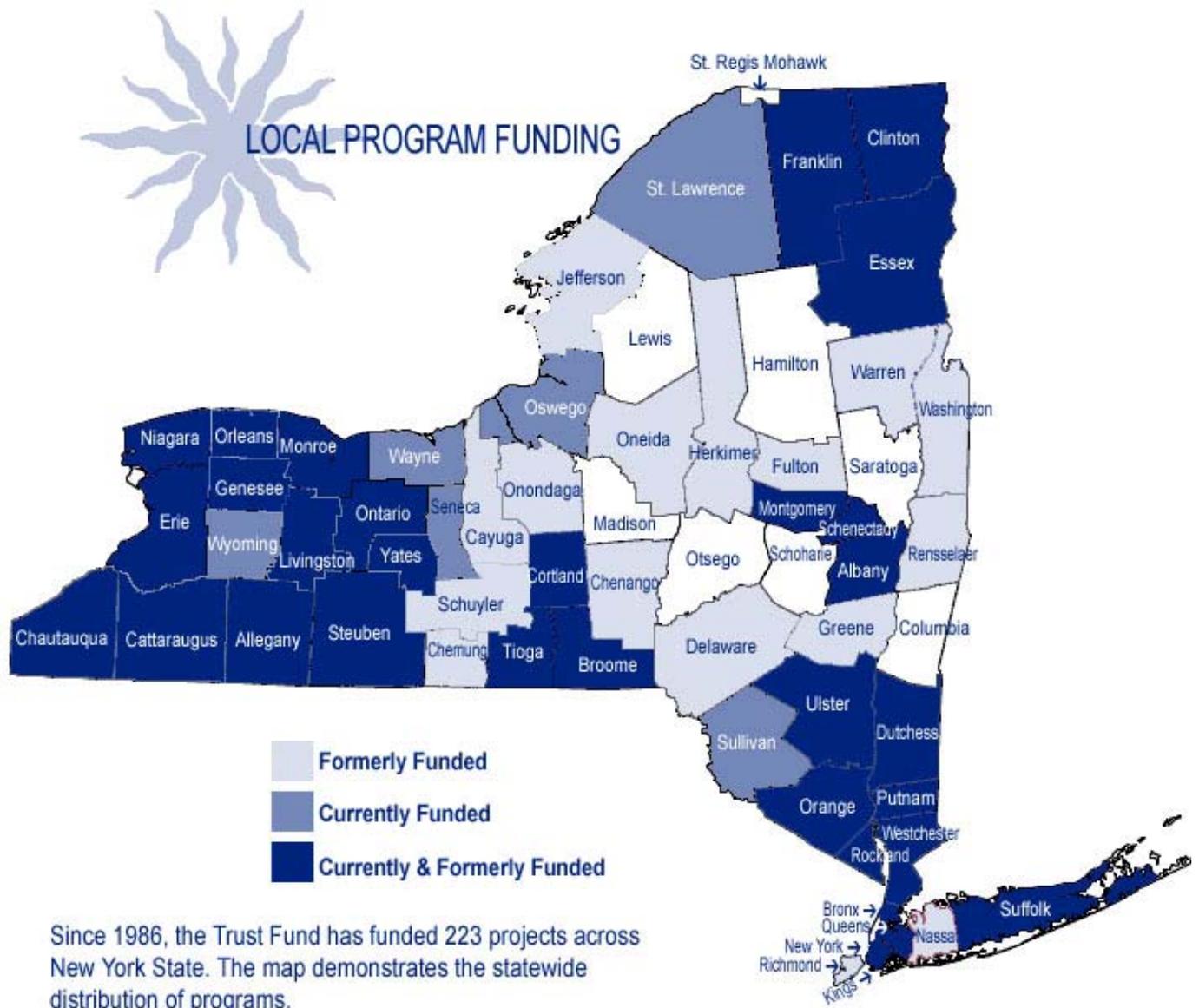
Trust Fund: \$100,000 (Year II) Local Share: \$N/A Total Budget: \$100,000

This program provides supervised visitation to non-custodial parents in an environment that is safe for all family members involved. Supportive services, such as support groups for non-abusive adults, support groups for children, parenting groups and linkage to self-sufficiency services, are also offered. Families receiving services are referred by Family Court, Child Protective Services, Preventive Services or Probation Department due to domestic violence or safety concern for the children.

Elder Abuse Prevention Services

As noted, the Trust Fund did not receive funding to support programs addressing elder abuse prevention in 2006. If funding becomes available in 2007, research on the prevalence of elder abuse will be considered a priority

■ Program Funding Map



Children and Family Trust Fund

■ 2006 Advisory Board Members

Thomas Roach, Chair
New Paltz, New York

Karen Buttacavoli
Peekskill, New York

James Cameron
Albany, New York

Dori L. Evans
New York, New York

Brien F. Hollowood
Saratoga Springs, New York

Ellen Thomson Kennedy
Buffalo, New York

Ronnie W. Lawrence
Merrick, New York

Arthur Mason
Webster, New York

Carolyn Hoyt Stevens
Buffalo, New York

Patricia L. Truscelli
Dobbs Ferry, New York

New York State Office of Children and Family Services Children and Family Trust Fund

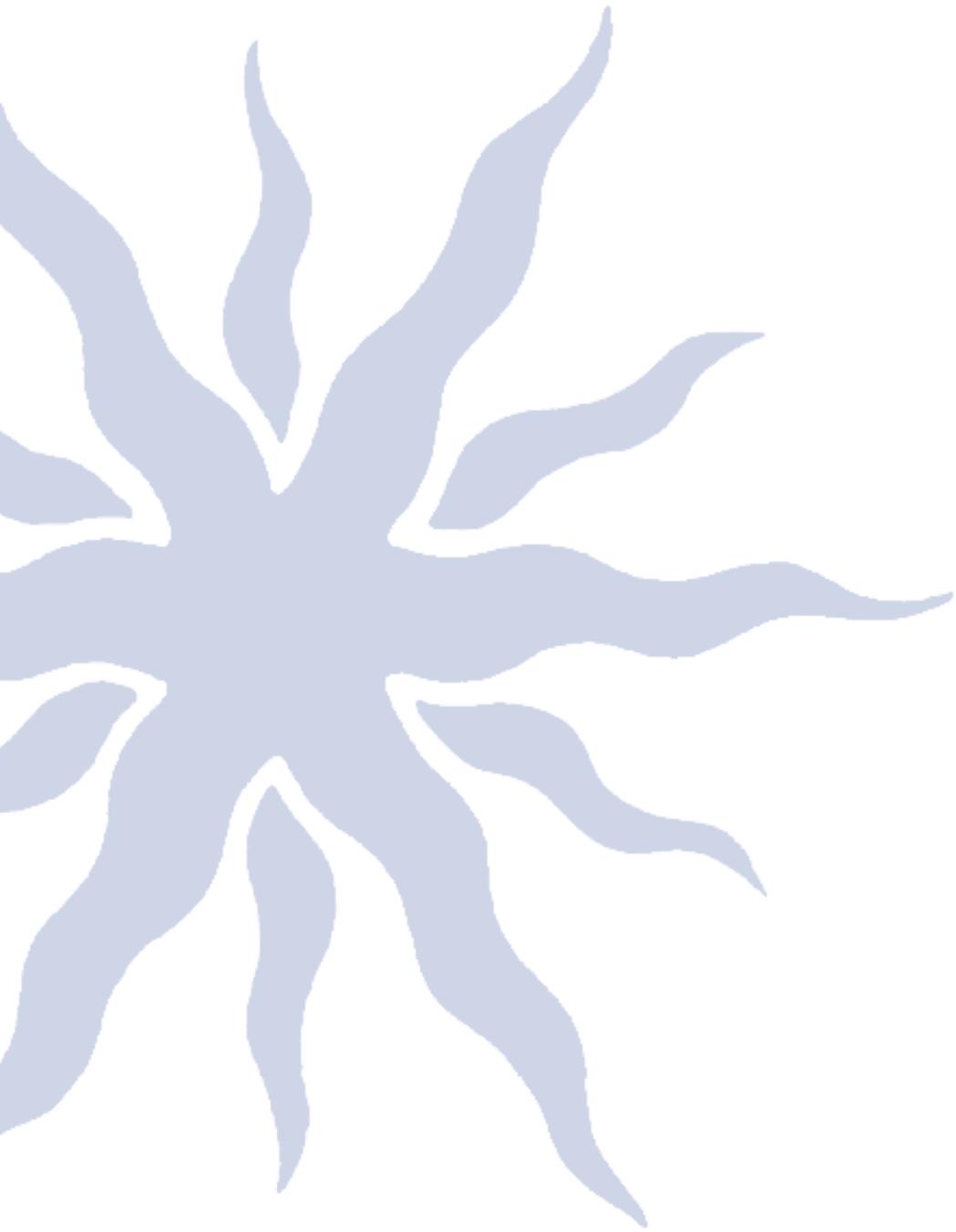
Staff

Judy Richards
Program Director

Veronica Adams
Cheryl Cannon
Kathleen Chu
Karen Kissinger
Maria Rosado

New York State Office of Children and Family Services
Division of Development and Prevention Services
52 Washington Street, 331 North
Rensselaer NY 12144

For further information, contact Judy Richards at
(518) 474-9613 • Judy.Richards@ocfs.state.ny.us



NEW YORK STATE
Wm. B. Hoyt Memorial
CHILDREN & FAMILY TRUST FUND
"Strengthening New York's Families"