



ETOWAH COUNTY CHILDREN'S POLICY COUNCIL NEEDS ASSESSMENT 2021

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501(c)3 Status	Etowah County
Is this CPC a 501(c)3?	Yes

NEEDS ASSESSMENT

The sections below relate to the needs of children ages birth to 19 in your community as well as the families of those children. Please find below your identified top needs for your 2021 assessment and the information about those needs.

Ranking of Needs and Corresponding Data for 2021	
Parental Involvement and Family Engagement Rank: 1	
Number of children in foster care	242
Are there enough available placements for foster children in your county?	No
Health and Well Being Rank: 2	
What is your county's infant mortality rate?	5.0
School Success Rank: 3	
Graduation Rate	90
Chronic Absenteeism	23
Reading Proficiency in 4th Grade	58
Math proficiency in 4th grade	54

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Below, is a list of your CPC's top accomplishments.

Accomplishment 1	Night For Our Stars: Special Needs Prom - VIRTUAL Edition! 14+ who have a special need or ability. It is free to all participants and families. Over 300 were in attendance, 170+ were special needs attendees, the rest were parents who attended with their attendees, other family members, staff or volunteers.
Who benefited from this accomplishment?	Special needs individuals and their families
Amount of funds dedicated to this accomplishment?	\$10,000.00
Source of funds for this accomplishment?	Fundraising/T-shirt sales

Accomplishment 2	Halloween Trunk or Treat - 300 children were served, including special needs individuals. Social Distancing
Who benefited from this accomplishment?	Children in Etowah County
Amount of funds dedicated to this accomplishment?	\$250.00
Source of funds for this accomplishment?	T-shirt fundraiser

Accomplishment 3	Food boxes - for 60 families - Collected food and distributed to families around Etowah County
Who benefited from this accomplishment?	Families in Etowah County who suffer from food insecurity
Amount of funds dedicated to this accomplishment?	\$100.00
Source of funds for this accomplishment?	T-shirt fundraiser

Accomplishment 4	Read along with us! We read books online for students/youth and partnered up with the local public library to offer reading to students who were stuck at home during quarantine of Covid-19.
Who benefited from this accomplishment?	Children in Etowah County
Amount of funds dedicated to this accomplishment?	0
Source of funds for this accomplishment?	

Accomplishment 5	Yellow Resource Cards that offer quick access to local resources, handed out at many agencies in Etowah County
Who benefited from this accomplishment?	Residents of Etowah County
Amount of funds dedicated to this accomplishment?	\$400.00
Source of funds for this accomplishment?	T-shirt fundraiser

Accomplishment 6	Coat Drive for Homeless children - Gave 49 coats to homeless children
Who benefited from this accomplishment?	Homeless Children
Amount of funds dedicated to this accomplishment?	0
Source of funds for this accomplishment?	T-shirt fundraiser