MACON COUNTY CHILDREN'S POLICY COUNCIL NEEDS ASSESSMENT 2020

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501(c)3 Status	Macon County
Is this CPC a 501(c)3?	No

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 new (2020) assessment and the information about those needs.

Ranking of Needs and Corresponding Data for 2020	
Mental Health Rank: 1	
How many in-patient beds are available for children in your community?	0
How many in-patient beds are available for adults in your community?	0
Which population has the greatest mental health needs in your county?	9 to 17 years old

Parental Involvement and Family Engagement Rank: 2	
Number of children in foster care:	10
Are there enough available placements for foster children in your county?	No
Substance Abuse Rank: 3	
Number of juvenile arrests for drug and substance abuse violations	1
How many children have been removed from their home due to parent drug use?	10

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

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

Accomplishment	The annual Macon County Children's Policy Council Town Hall Meeting was held on March 9, 2020 on the "State of the Youth" in Macon County, Alabama. A group of Macon County School District middle and high school student leaders participated in a forum, by sharing their concerns, issues and positive occurrences in Macon County, that will help them survive and strive as successful adults. Gift cards were provided to the students who participated. Central Alabama agencies that provide services to children were present and set up at tables to discuss and distribute their literature to the attending public. The persons in attendance also completed a survey to assist the CPC identify its top 3 needs assessment for 2021.
Who benefited from this accomplishment?	Citizens of Macon County, Alabama
Amount of funds dedicated to this accomplishment?	\$200
Source of funds for this accomplishment?	Macon County Juvenile Court Services Fund

Accomplishment	Five hundred copies of the updated and free Macon County Children's Policy Council 2020 Resource Guide of agencies that serve youth in Macon County, Alabama were printed and distributed at the March 9, 2020 "State of the Youth" Town Hall Meeting as well being generally circulated throughout the county to churches, Board of Education, citizens, local stakeholders and other agencies.
Who benefited from this accomplishment?	Citizens of Macon County, Alabama
Amount of funds dedicated to this accomplishment?	\$1,324.62
Source of funds for this accomplishment?	Macon County Juvenile Court Services Fund

Accomplishment	The Macon County Children's Policy Council collaborated with the Jesse P. Guzman Foundation (JPG) to provide positive experiences to children, 8-14 years of age in the Macon County School District, who are served by East Central Mental Health by offering mentoring and field trip opportunities via a \$5,000.00 grant from the River Region United Way. The JPG Foundation and CPC collaborated to donate a sewing machine to assist the girls to make masks to donate to the community.
Who benefited from this accomplishment?	Identified and referred Macon County children who are receiving services from East Central Mental Health
Amount of funds dedicated to this accomplishment?	
Source of funds for this accomplishment?	\$5,000.00 grant from River Region United Way

Accomplishment	At the State Conference of Early Childhood Education, a Certificate of Appreciation was awarded to the Macon County Children's Policy Council by the Alabama Department of Early Childhood Education in August of 2019 for its programs and committed efforts to serve the children of Macon County.
Who benefited from this accomplishment?	Youth of Macon County, Alabama and the Macon County Children's Policy Council
Amount of funds dedicated to this accomplishment?	\$245
Source of funds for this accomplishment?	Macon County Juvenile Court Services Fund

Accomplishment	The Macon County Children's Policy Council collaborated with the Gift of Life Foundation, Inc.'s infant mortality prevention initiative for Macon County, which is a pilot program by the Governor to reduce the county's infant mortality rate by 20% over the
Who benefited from this accomplishment?	Infants born to Macon County, Alabama Residents
Amount of funds dedicated to this accomplishment?	
Source of funds for this accomplishment?	Governor of the State of Alabama
Accomplishment	Teens Empowerment Awareness with Resolutions, Inc. (TEARS) is a non-profit organization that not only provides substance abuse treatment and counseling for juveniles with substance abuse problems, but also operates a safe home called BRIDGES for girls ages 13 -18 in a basic residential group home for positive youth development, which is located in Tuskegee, Alabama. The CPC donates toiletries, collected from members' hotel stay and donates surplus luggage, totes and bags for use of the girls for travel.
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Accomplishment	TAG Counseling and Consulting Services, LLC has entered into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Macon County Juvenile Court to provide support and counseling to children in need of supervision and families in optimizing their mental health, emotional
Who benefited from this accomplishment?	Citizens of Macon County, Alabama
Amount of funds dedicated to this accomplishment?	\$3,605.00
Source of funds for this accomplishment?	Macon County Juvenile Court Services Fund

Accomplishment	Macon County Juvenile Court and the Macon County Board of Education received a \$20,000.00 matching grant from the Alabama Department of Youth Services (DYS), to intervene and prevent children from entering the Juvenile Court system for school related issues. The grant also targets the reduction of repeat referrals for truancy and other problems associated with at risk youth.
Who benefited from this accomplishment?	Students enrolled in Macon County Schools.
Amount of funds dedicated to this accomplishment?	\$40,000.00
Source of funds for this accomplishment?	Alabama Department of Youth Services and the Macon County Board of Education

Accomplishment	On February 25, 2020 Macon County Juvenile Court funded the Macon County Juvenile Court Dual Enrollment Scholarship to pay tuition for the Trenholm State Community College Orientation to College (ORI 101) class required for fifteen (15) underprivileged Ma
Who benefited from this accomplishment?	Macon County Alabama Juveniles
Amount of funds dedicated to this accomplishment?	\$2,355
Source of funds for this accomplishment?	Macon County Juvenile Court Services Fund

Accomplishment	The Macon County Children's Policy Council (CPC) received a grant from the Department of Early Childhood Education (DECE) for the purpose of applying for its 501(c)3 status with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). Macon County CPC was awarded the grant i
Who benefited from this accomplishment?	Macon County Children's Policy Council in order to apply for grants
Amount of funds dedicated to this accomplishment?	\$500
Source of funds for this accomplishment?	Alabama Department of Early Childhood Education (ADECA)