



PRINCE GEORGE'S CHILD  
RESOURCE CENTER, INC

# Newsletter and Training Calendar



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2007

## From the EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

As Prince George's Child Resource Center enters its seventeenth year, we have taken time to reflect on all we have accomplished. Did you know that each year the Resource Center provides family support services to over 7,000 families and training to over 4,500 child care providers, parents and human services workers? We estimate that we have touched the lives of nearly half a million children since we began in 1990! Our core commitment to empowering families has yielded the following outcomes in recent years:

- 93% of parents who participate in our Family Support Center improve their literacy skills and 91% of children improve their cognitive and language abilities.
- 90% of child care providers rate workshops as excellent and say they plan to use information gained in workshops to improve their early childhood programs.
- 98% of children in our Healthy Families Program reach developmental milestones as indicated by the American Academy of Pediatrics.
- 85% of teen parents receiving our LOCATE child care referral services stay in school.

These concrete successes are encouraging, and with your help we will continue to strive for a community where all children are nurtured in strong and stable families. To find out more about how we are accomplishing this, check out our new and improved website. The address remains the same, [www.childresource.org](http://www.childresource.org), but you will find a new look, easier access and a wealth of information at your fingertips. Let us know what you think!

We are so grateful to the Meyer Foundation for awarding us a *Management Assistance Program* grant. With this funding we were able to hire a consultant, Catalan deMatties, who is guiding us as we navigate the world of fundraising, marketing and development.

We now have a Development Department with Jennifer Hoffman as the Director and Yenny Lucero as Development Associate. Jen and Yen (hard to resist) inaugurated this new department by celebrating Mother's Day. Within this newsletter, we detail not only our generous donors, but the women that meant so much to them. Thank you all for your support of the work that we do. We could not do it without you!

And one last note ... we always knew that the Resource Center is a great place to work. Now it has been confirmed. The Resource Center has been awarded the 2007 Workplace Excellence Award from the Alliance for Workplace Excellence. We have always emphasized the importance of supportive and family-friendly personnel policies for our staff members. We want to thank the Alliance and let them know that it is wonderful to be recognized for our efforts.

*Marti Warshtil*

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# Celebrating MOTHER'S DAY 2007



We know how important family is in every child's life. For Mother's Day, the Resource Center celebrated mothers – and aunts, grandmothers, sisters and friends – because without them, where would we be? Join us in celebrating these women who were honored:

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Lateca Roman  
Leona Shrewsbury  
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Marie Sizer  
Donna Smith  
Barbara Steinmetz  
Nyree Stewart  
Ana Suazo  
Angie Suttles  
Mattie Suttles  
Laura Terrell  
Fannie Twilley  
Sugell Villegas  
Juliette P. Walcott  
Heidi Waldon  
Ruth Helen Washington  
Alaina McMahon Watkins  
Margaret Goode Watkins  
Janie Mae Williams  
Wendy Wilson  
Rosetta Wise  
Susan Zucker

## *In MEMORIAM*

Emma Baldwin  
Ruth Baldwin  
Ann Oliver Iverson  
Alice Jacob  
Shirley Levy

Gladys McAulay  
Muriel Milligan  
Mae Nestor  
Margaret Newnam  
Nancy Nichols

Patricia Regner  
Alice Moore Robinson  
Novella Wilson  
Betty Wynkoop  
Queen Esther Yates

# DONORS

**W**e wish to thank our donors who made our First Annual Mother's Day Appeal a success. Over \$10,000 was contributed, helping to ensure that we will continue fulfilling our mission in Prince George's County:

*To help create healthy and nurturing environments for children by supporting their parents and educating their caregivers.*

Anonymous  
Bernadette Aldrich  
Martina Alvarado  
David & Shari Argue  
Aldene Ault  
Ron Baldwin  
William A. Baldwin  
Sherrie & Andrew Bailey  
Kimberly Barrs  
Linda Barrs  
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## Have you HEARD?

☀️ Congratulations to Sandra Ortega, a participant at our Adelphi/Langley Park Family Support Center. Sandra first came to the Center three years ago unable to speak English and expecting her first child. Today Sandra has graduated from high school, speaks English fluently and is making plans to attend college. Her son is healthy, bright and thriving. We are very proud of Sandra and her accomplishments.

☀️ In May, the Herb Block Foundation awarded a \$25,000 grant to support our Family Literacy Program. A special thank you to our newest funding partner.

☀️ Our Healthy Families Prince George's received *three* awards from the Department of Family Services for excellence in administration and program services. Way to go Healthy Families staff members.

☀️ Visit [www.childresource.org](http://www.childresource.org) to see our beautiful new website! Register for workshops, check for job openings here at the Resource Center, use our helpful "resources" page, or just find out more about who we are.

☀️ Hellos and goodbyes ... welcome back to Jodi Regner, former Director of LOCATE: Child Care. After her husband's military assignments around the world we are delighted that Jodi is once again at the Resource Center. However, we are sad to be losing

Tanya Porter who will be moving to Macon, Georgia where her Air Force husband has been reassigned. Good luck Tanya!

☀️ According to the Maryland State Department of Education's most recent school readiness report, Prince George's children's scores rose dramatically in many areas. However, only 40 percent of children in Prince George's County are "fully ready" for school in the area of science. When browsing through our enclosed training calendar, providers will notice several workshops to help enhance science curriculum. Come take science workshops and help our children learn that science is fun!

☀️ Congratulations to Prince George's Office of Child Care Regional Manager, Evelyn Adebisi. She received the 2007 Judith P. Hoyer Award for Outstanding Service to Children at the 10th annual Celebrate Children Conference.



*Congressman Steny Hoyer presents the award to Evelyn Adebisi with her proud son, Chadwick, and Lynn Baldwin, Interagency Co-Chair.*

## Support the RESOURCE CENTER TODAY

Join us as we help create healthy and nurturing environments for children by supporting their families and educating their caregivers. Use the enclosed self-addressed envelope to make a tax-deductible donation or go to [www.childresource.org](http://www.childresource.org) and click on the "Donate" button. You can also pledge your support by becoming a member of the Resource Center. See the membership registration form in the training calendar or call for more information. You will be entitled to discounted workshops, fingerprinting and other professional services. Most of all, you will be showing your much-appreciated support.

## Project WIN

### Prince George's Early Mental Health Consultation Project Nikitia Forest – 301-772-3607

**D**o you know of a child in your child care program that is exhibiting challenging behavior? Have you tried almost everything? Is expulsion the next step? STOP!!!

There is HOPE ... keep the child, but lose the behavior. The Prince George's Child Resource Center is pleased to announce the launching of **Project WIN** (*Wise Identification Now*) Early Mental Health Consultation Project. The project will address the mental health needs of children age birth-to-five enrolled in child care programs. Project WIN is funded by the Maryland State Department of Education/Office of Child Care and partners with Bowie Therapeutic Nursery Center.

Project WIN's service is FREE to child care providers and includes:

- telephone consultations for child care providers,
- site visits by project staff conducting observation,
- technical assistance to enhance environments,

- assessment and diagnosis (if necessary),
- referral of children to agencies as needed,
- training for parents and providers, and
- follow-up technical assistance.

If you have concerns about a child's behavior or social/emotional well-being, contact the Resource Center today. With Project WIN, we all can win!



## School Age TRAINING

### Jodi Regner – 301-772-8420, ext. 243

**T**he Resource Center is pleased to offer six new school-age trainings. These six hour training modules are part of a grant from Maryland Committee for Children and the Maryland State Department of Education, Office of Child Care, and are being offered at the extraordinary price of \$25 for each six hour workshop. The topics are:

- **School-Age Care and Homework Assistance: Meeting Needs and Finding Balance** (curriculum, child development and community)
- **Developing Life Skills for the 21st Century** (curriculum, child development)
- **Developing the Whole Child** (health, safety and nutrition, curriculum, community)
- **How to Grow a School-Age Child** (child development, curriculum)

- **Family Portraits** (community, professionalism)
- **Building A Dynamic School-Age Program** (professionalism, curriculum)

There will be a total of 36 hours of training developed that will be offered in a variety of formats: a six-hour training, a one day workshop or as two three-hour sessions. I can even bring the training to your worksite. The trainings are geared to intermediate and advanced providers, but will be appropriate for everyone. In order to receive a certificate, participants must attend all six hours of each training module – and if you take all 36 hours your certificate will be gorgeous! Look for these topics in this issue of the *Resource Center Training Calendar*.

# Early Childhood Conference Celebrates TEN YEARS

**Lynn Baldwin and Sanders Shiver**

**Prince George's County Interagency Early Childhood Committee Co-Chairs**

Thousands of young children in Prince George's County are taken to child care each day, as parents go to work. Parents expect far more than just child care and safekeeping in the long hours that they are separated from their children. They want their small children to receive education in order to be ready to succeed in school. These expectations create a vital need for further training of child care providers in the foundations of early childhood education.

The Prince George's County Interagency Early Childhood Committee deserves a standing ovation for a key role in providing this essential training. The tenth annual "Celebrate Children" conference was held on March 31 at Eleanor Roosevelt High School with over 1,000 early childhood educators who care for children in Prince George's County in attendance. Collectively, over the past ten years the annual conference has had the honor of educating thousands, featuring outstanding speakers such as Dr. Ben Carson. This year, Sonia Manzano who is "Maria" from Sesame Street gave the keynote address.

The Interagency Committee members include over 30 agencies committed to ensuring the well-being of children, families and the community. Each year they diligently work to bring a high level and well-received professional conference to Prince George's County. This year participants noted on evaluation forms that they appreciated the workshops, gift bags, breakfast, lunch and entertainment. The Committee is already at work to bring another outstanding event in 2008!



## Special THANKS

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## MOST FREQUENTLY REQUESTED NUMBERS

### Prince George's Child Resource Center

Administrative Office.....	(301) 772-8420
Locate (child care referrals).....	(301) 772-8400
Vacancies/Provider Update.....	(301) 772-8411
TDD for the hearing impaired.....	(301) 772-8408; Fax (301) 772-8410
E-Mail Address.....	pgcrc@childresource.org
ARC/PGC (Association for Retarded Citizens).....	(301) 925-7050
MSDE Office of Child Care, Central Office (Baltimore).....	(410) 767-7805
MSDE Office of Child Care, Prince George's County.....	(301) 333-6940
Prince George's County Group Child Care Assoc.	
Lynn Baldwin, President.....	(301) 952-3764
Prince George's County Family Child Care Assoc.	
Janice Gray, President.....	(301) 358-1341
Professional Child Care Provider Network of Prince George's County	
Arlene Ennis, President.....	(301) 868-6918
Child Support Enforcement.....	(301) 952-4716
DBED (Day Care Financing Programs).....	(410) 767-6346
Family Crisis Center (24 hours).....	(301) 864-9101
Temporary shelter, counseling and legal information for victims of domestic violence.	
TDD.....	(301) 864-0282
Prince George's County Board of Education	
Child and Adult Food Program.....	(301) 749-4602

### Prince George's County Board of Education (cont.)

Early Childhood Office.....	(301) 408-5566
School Boundaries Office.....	(301) 952-6300
School Transfer Office.....	(301) 952-6366
Early Intervention Services	
Infants/Toddlers (under 3).....	(301) 265-8415
Pre-school (3-5 years).....	(301) 808-2719
Department of Social Services	
Purchase of Care.....	(301) 909-6200
Foster Care/Adoptive Parents.....	(301) 909-2010
Protective Services.....	(301) 909-2450
National Capital Poison Center.....	1-800-222-1222

## OTHER AREA RESOURCE AND REFERRAL AGENCIES

Child Care Resource Center (Anne Arundel Co).....	(410) 222-1712
Child Care Resource Center (Baltimore City).....	(410) 685-5150
Child Care Links (Baltimore Co).....	(410) 288-5600
Child Care Resource Center (Howard Co).....	(410) 313-1930
Child Care Resource Center (Montgomery Co).....	(240) 777-3110
Child Care Resource Center (Southern Maryland).....	(866) 290-0045
Department of Consumer & Regulatory Affairs (District of Columbia resource).....	(202) 387-0002

**For Information** — For general information concerning Training or Resource and Referral services provided by the Resource Center, or other information or questions you might have, please contact the Resource Center's administrative offices at: 9475 Lottsford Road, Suite 202, Largo, Maryland 20744-5357 • (301) 772-8420.

**Parents Needing Child Care** — Our LOCATE phone line is open to the community Monday through Friday, 9:30 am to 3:30 pm. (301) 772-8400.

**Provider Updates** — Providers wishing to update their file, add information, or report current vacancies can contact Ricky Bobbitt Monday through Friday, 8:30 am to 5:00 pm, (301) 772-8411 • TDD (301) 772-8408.



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