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#### **OUR VISION**

All children in Randolph County enter kindergarten healthy & ready to succeed in school and life.

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"And now let us welcome the new year, full of things that never were."

~Rainer Maria Rilke Poet and Novelist

### Back to <the> Basics <Randolph>

We're celebrating new initiatives, new Board Directors, and kicking off the new fiscal year honoring some of our most dedicated volunteers.

Please plan to join us 8:30 a.m., Friday August 23 at AVS Catering & Banquet Centre for breakfast, networking, and presentations.

RSVP to Micki Bare at 336-629-2128 x12 or mbare@randolphkids.org.



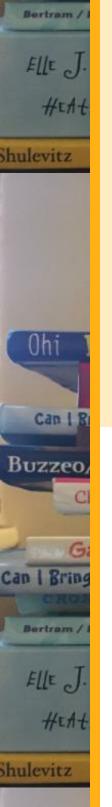
### **Our New Website is Now LIVE**

What better way to usher in the new fiscal year than to launch our new website? Content has been updated and functionality expanded. We think you'll also enjoy the sleek new look and ease of navigation.

#### WHAT'S NEW:

• The site is divided into three main sections: Families, Community Partners, and Early Educators.





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In addition to content about programs, there are **resources** in each section and on the bottom of each page that support our vision, mission, and partnerships.

- There are **surveys** for each group (Families, Community Partners, and Early Educators) accessible in the resource sections so we can receive ongoing feedback.
- The site can be **translated** into multiple languages to better serve the diverse cultures of our communities.
- The **Family Resource Guide** (formally known as "The Parent Guide") is now available as a

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searchable data base on the website.

- The **Events** page filters calendar items based on community events that we are either participating in or hosting.
- The Training page filters calendar items based on professional development opportunities for early educators and has our registration form available for download.
- Our monthly and quarterly **newsletters** are posted for review and download.
- Our highest tiered **sponsors** are now featured along with our **grant funders** in our scrolling logo strip on every page just below the content.

Visit Our New Website

# **AmeriCorps VISTA Position**

The Randolph <u>KidsReadyNC</u> work continues this fall with the onboarding of an AmeriCorps VISTA volunteer. We have been approved for the VISTA, who will take the lead on a local early childhood fiscal mapping project.

Help us find the perfect candidate! We are looking for a recent college graduate who:

The VISTA at the Randolph Partnership for Children will lead the organization's fiscal and service mapping project for services and supports to families with children birth-5. The work will address food deserts, child care deserts, school readiness, health, and toxic stress. By addressing these specific issues facing young children and families, we have an opportunity to remove barriers that hinder opportunities for families and break the cycle of poverty. The VISTA will be trained by experts in the field, work directly with leaders in our community, and assist in presenting findings to our KidsReadyNC collaborative, family coalition, service providers, and town and county governments.

Activities will include data research and collection using online databases and resources, data collection through surveys and interviews with local service providers, compilation of data, and analyzing and reporting data through written reports and graphics. The project will inform community partners, reduce duplication of services, help us use existing resources more efficiently, and identify and secure additional resources to close gaps.

Our ideal candidate will have strong math, research, and analytical skills, be highly organized, and have a bright personality that will connect with service providers, business leaders, elected officials, and families of all backgrounds.

Interested candidates must complete an application on the AmeriCorps website.

**Position Description** 

**Application Link** 



## Maximize Love, Manage Stress #TheBasicsRandolph



The Basics Randolph Website

Babies and toddlers thrive when their world feels loving, safe, and predictable.

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Respond with smiles, words, and touch to help them see, hear, and feel your love.

You will help them develop a sense of security and self-control.

## Create \* Inspire \* Change Become a Volunteer

On August 23, we will honor a few of our outstanding volunteers, as well as name our 2019 Volunteer of the Year. We hope their example will inspire others to join our Partnership family in service to children and families in our community.

We have a variety of opportunities for those who want to get involved and make a difference. Our mission is to ensure strong families with healthy, well-prepared children by galvanizing our community to advocate for and invest in their future. We believe in facilitating great beginnings that lead to strong futures. We believe the community is an essential part of our children's path to success.

If our mission speaks to you, we'd love for you to complete our Volunteer Interest form. Descriptions from our 2019 Volunteer of the Year nomination forms:

"Nailed the Wow! factor."

"Follows through, isn't afraid to speak up, and offers so much valuable input."

"Serves as a role model and advocate."

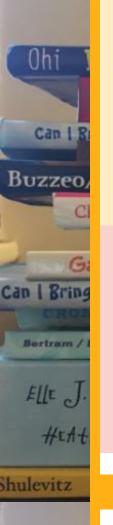
"One of those rare and extremely impactful people who gives generously of time, talent, and treasure."

"Ability to inspire."

### **VOLUNTEER INTEREST FORM**

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- Thursday, July 25: Randolph KidsReadyNC Meeting 4 p.m.
- Tuesday, Aug. 6: National Night Out in Archdale, visit our BOOTH! 4:30-8 p.m.



- Thursday, Aug. 22: Sustainability Committee Meeting *1 p.m.*
- Thursday, Aug. 22: Randolph KidsReadyNC Meeting 4 p.m.
- Friday, Aug. 23: Annual Meeting & Volunteer Recognition Breakfast at AVS 8:30 a.m.
- Saturday, Aug. 24: Free Haircut Day in Ramseur, visit our BOOTH! 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Visit our calendar online, too!

### Help us put kids first in Randolph County!

Donate new & gently used books new infant blankets diapers

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We're connected with Amazon Smile, so when you shop and select Randolph County Partnership for Children, you're helping to raise money for literacy programs, parent support, early childhood professional development and NC Pre-K right here in Randolph County!

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