Champions QUARTERLY

A quarterly newsletter for those who support Randolph Partnership for Children with their time and/or resources. We could not do what we do without you!

"The ones that are crazy enough to think they can change the world are the ones that do."

~Anonymous

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Grant applications in process

We began 2021 with opportunities to further our mission along the path of our current priorities. In early February, we will be submitting the following proposals:

Family Connects: The North Carolina Partnership for Children will be funding selected local partnerships to administer the Family Connects home visiting program.



If funded, RPC would collaborate closely with Randolph Public Health Department and Randolph Health to provide home visits by experienced nurses to all families of newborns. The initial visit would be scheduled when the newborn is about 3 weeks old and the nurse would work to connect the family to any needed resources. This program would be for all families with newborn, regardless of income or other factors.

Supporting Grassroots Efforts to Promote Equitable Early Childhood Outcomes: Blue Cross Blue Shield NC and Kate B. Reynolds foundations are seeking applications to promote equity in early childhood education. We are collaborating closely with Our Daily Bread under our Randolph ChAMPS collaborative to apply for this three-year grant. The application will focus on food insecurity in Randolph County as a means to educate and create systematic change as we strive for equitable foundations for all children in

preparation for success in kindergarten and beyond.



2020 Annual Awards Show

Commercial spot

The Asheboro-Randolph Chamber of Commerce is airing an awards show at 7 p.m. on February 5. Hometown celebrity Elizabeth Lail is hosting the online event, which will stream on YouTube and Facebook.

Be sure to watch for our mission video "commercial" during the event!

2021 Gala date set

Mark your calendar! Our 2021 Gala for the Children benefit auction and fundraiser will be held on **Saturday**, **August 21 at 7 p.m**.

This year, the theme is **"If you give"** and will celebrate the works of Laura Numeroff, including *If You Give a Mouse a Cookie*, *If You Give a Moose a Muffin*, and more!



We're planning a hybrid virtual event. Our goal is to live-stream on YouTube and Facebook for at-home viewers and donors. VIPs will be invited to participate in person (according to Public Health guidelines in August), where a catered meal and exclusive silent auction will be hosted.

IN addition, we're planning to open an online auction a week ahead of the event as we did in 2020. A live auction is planned during live event.

AmeriCorps VISTA work continues

January 19 marked the last day of our AmeriCorps VISTA, Shirley Stotts', year of service. That it was also Dolly Parton's birthday is apropos, because Shirley created a protocol and system of documentation for identifying early literacy champions in businesses and agencies across Randolph County.

With the script and toolbox she created, Shirley began reaching out



to potential community partners to ask:

Do you know about our early literacy programs?and ...

Would you like to help us promote these programs to young families that you see in your business/agency?

Now that her work is done, our Family Engagement and Leadership Coalition has taken on the charge to move this work forward. Our parent leaders are reaching out and fulfilling the vision Shirley brought to our agency. They are identifying champions and giving them the tools to connect families to Dolly Parton's Imagination Library, Reach Out and Read, The Basics Randolph, and Books for Babies.

If you would like materials for your business or agency, email Micki Bare at mbare@randolphkids.org.