



**CALVERT COUNTY FAMILY NETWORK
INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM**

TO: Board of County Commissioners
THROUGH: Maureen Hoffman, Director, Department of Community Resources *MH*
FROM: Jennifer Moreland, Coordinator, Calvert County Family Network *JM*
DATE: December 9, 2016
SUBJECT: Annual Report for Calvert County Family Network

Background:

Legislation to create Local Management Boards (LMBs) was enacted in 1990 and renewed in 2006. This legislation created a partnership between state and local jurisdictions with the goal of improving service delivery to children, youth, and families (Human Services Article §8-301-305). LMBs receive funding and oversight from the Children's Cabinet through the Governor's Office for Children (GOC) and employ it to coordinate programs, services, and initiatives. Calvert County Family Network (CCFN) is Calvert's Local Management Board.

Annual Report Fiscal Year 2016

Budget: \$547,202 Actual: \$545,788

Purpose

CCFN does not provide direct services, but focuses on assessing critical needs, planning and implementing strategies, and monitoring services to children and families. CCFN brings together community partners to facilitate local decision making, identify gaps in service, and take action to ensure that services are coordinated, locally driven, and of high quality.

Past Accomplishments

- Through Tri-County Youth Services Bureau's Youth Interventionist program, the Local Access Mechanism, and the Local Coordination Team, Calvert County joined other Maryland jurisdictions in diverting youth from residential treatment. In 2015, Calvert's out-of-home placement rate dropped to 5% – a near decade low.
- In preparation for a Community Plan, CCFN conducted two needs assessments this past year:
 - "Calvert County Results for Child Well-Being" an overview of trends impacting children and families
 - "Needs Assessment of the Governor's Strategic Goal Areas," an analysis of data that relates to Governor Hogan's four specific strategic goal areas: 1) disconnected youth (ages 16-24, not working and not in school); 2) children and families impacted by incarceration; 3) hunger; and 4) youth homelessness

Current Status

The CCFN Board meets quarterly on the fourth Monday of February, May, August and November, at 2 pm, in the Community Resources Building's Duke Room or University of Maryland Extension's Conference Room.

Future Goals

- Implementation of two programs to address rising youth unemployment, substance use, and the high percentage of incarcerated, disconnected youth in Calvert County:
 - An expanded Youth Services Bureau program to include a Youth Engagement Coordinator, providing life skills training and psychosocial education to youth at-risk or currently disconnected.
 - A new Reentry Case Management program to provide assessment and interventions to address defined risks, needs and strengths of disconnected youth and parents incarcerated at the Calvert County Detention Center.
- Collaboration with partners to identify and apply for funding to expand behavioral health and home visiting services in Calvert County to high risk, high need populations, i.e. under-insured, substance-using parents, and disconnected youth.

Thank you for your support.