



President's Report

June 25, 2025

Mark your calendars:

1. July 1, 3pm – Ribbon Cutting and 4:30pm Open House at MCCOY
2. ESSA celebration – NCAA Hall of Champions, August 21st (evening event)

Operational Updates:

- 2 summer interns: marketing; MYLC
- Office Renovation – we are back in the office!
 - A few things still to be completed (including training room technology!)
- Strategic Planning work underway – Phase 1 report will be shared at the Board meeting
- New performance management system launched
 - Semi-annual review (May-October; November-April) - first formal reviews done by November 1, 2025
 - Annual goals component will be up and functional by July 6
- Impact Report/Annual Report – goal is to have it finalized by July 1

Fundraising updates:

- New grants in the pipeline
 - MHAJ grant to support Juvenile Advisory Council (\$40,000)
 - Women's Fund grant to support next cohort of Fever Confidence (All-Star Ambassadors) (\$50,000)
 - Old National Bank grant to support adding Financial Literacy to T.R.A.P. program (Glick properties) (\$15,000)
- Donor wall installed in the new office

Program Updates:

- **ADVOCACY**



- Legislature out of session – no specific updates
- **ALL-STAR AMBASSADOR PROGRAM (FUNDED BY WNBA LEGACY COMMITTEE)**
 - The Cohort (25 junior and senior HS students) will wrap up with July 18-19 – WNBA All-Star game events
 - Scholarships are being awarded through IN 529 plan by IN Sports Corp – in 2025 for seniors, in 2026 for current juniors
 - Working on plan for the next cohort for 2025/26 school year
- **EARLY INTERVENTION PLANNING COUNCIL (FUNDED BY THE CITY)**
 - *Where the Children Are Report* published!
 - Community presentations underway and ongoing
 - Strategic planning underway to set priorities for the next 2-3 years
- **GLICK PROJECT (FUNDED BY GLICK PHILANTHROPIES) – FLETCHER TO UPDATE BOARD AT THE MEETING**
- **JUVENILE ADVISORY COUNCIL (FUNDED BY THE INDIANAPOLIS FOUNDATION)**
 - Launched application process April 4 – goal is 10-15 members
 - Struggling to get the first cohort filled – working to understand and remove the barriers
 - Kick off session of the JAC tentatively planned for June – won't happen until we have at least 7 members
- **MAYOR'S YOUTH LEADERSHIP COUNCIL (LEI AND CITY OF INDY FUNDED)**
 - Next cohort secured – 10 returning members, 15 new members
 - Orientation scheduled for August 2 at Peace Learning Center at Eagle Creek
 - Developing 2025/26 programming with emphasis on fostering youth voice and connection to decision makers
- **THE RESILIENCE PROJECT (UNITED WAY FUNDED)**
 - Goal: skills training in mental wellness awareness and response
 - Warran township pilot also includes an “emotions check-in” tool for teachers and students
 - Kickoff scheduled for June (asynchronous piece), July in-service workshops in Warren Township (6th grade); Pike Township (2nd grade)
 - Includes teacher training for 20 teachers in each township
- **SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAM (FUNDED PRIMARILY BY LEI, WITH SUPPORT FROM THE CLOWES FUND AND NINA MASON PULLIAM TRUST)**



- **TRAINING**

- Rookie Boot Camps complete (4 camps – over 160 participants)
 - Enrollment in Spanish boot camp was disappointing – will assess and regroup for next year
- 2 CPR certification training workshops completed

- **SYPF PROGRAM SUPPORT**

- SYP Newsletter – reaches 260+ organizations bi-weekly with updates and resources to support their programs
- Camp/program promotion to families across Marion County
 - Billboard and bench campaign
 - Launched new online search tool (white labeled on the Find Help platform)
- Learning Day @ Children’s Museum
 - Wednesday, June 25
 - Registration is full! (475 youth; 100+ adults)
- Excellence in Summer Service Awards (ESSA)
 - Recognizes and celebrates youth workers nominated and supported by their summer programs
 - \$1000 award
 - ESSA celebration – NCAA Hall of Champions, August 21st
- Quality Program Assessments
 - Launched with 8 summer programs so far

- **YOUTH ACTIVITY DIRECTORY**

- Should be ready by early July
 - Delayed this year due to the move to new online platform; going forward we will have updates online throughout the year and the annual print version update by end of March

- **YOUTH WORKER WELL-BEING PROJECT**

- Re-starting the DEIB-related programs
 - Emerging Leaders of Color will restart with January 2026 cohort
 - DEIB grants will be re-opened with the next application round later this summer
 - Introducing new grant for “Organizational Culture”