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Community Impact Report

February 2023





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We would like to say thank you to everyone who took part in our 39th Annual Brown Bag Lunch to support SCAN's mission of protecting children and strengthening families.

Whether it was purchasing meals, volunteering to help us out during the event, or cheering us along the way, everyone who participated in Brown Bag Lunch this year made a big difference in supporting children and families in our community.

SCAN is excited to host our third annual Pinwheel Gala on April 11th at the Parkview Mirro Center in Fort Wayne. This blue tie affair is a mission-centered event for SCAN's supporters to connect with our work and learn how they can be a part of what SCAN is doing in our community.

The Pinwheel Gala will feature a formal dinner, a cocktail hour, and guests will enjoy stories showing how SCAN's work and mission impacts children and families in our area. Learn more and purchase tickets at scanfw.org/pinwheel-gala





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Region 3
Elkhart, Kosciusko, Marshall & St. Joseph

Impact Story

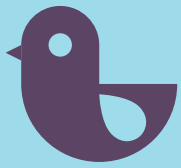
The Elkhart County Family Resource Center opened in February and we have already had our first families reach out. A father reached out for baby and safety supplies; a couple attended game night so their only child could interact with other children; a mother wanted resources for mental health; another mother wanted help finding resources for her son; and a grandmother asked about help for her son and daughter-in-law who lost their job and need resources.



South Bend Caregiver Fair

Summer's almost here! Are you already thinking about childcare arrangements or feeling a bit lost? Come join SCAN this Saturday, March 16, from 12-4 at the Kroc Center in South Bend for our Caregiver Fair. Meet local providers and get tips on crafting safe and enjoyable summer experiences for your kids!





Community Partners Outcomes February - Region 3

Improved Parent Functioning (75%)	Goal Attainment (90%)	# of Referrals in February	# of Referrals Program Year (YTD)	# of Referrals Last Program Year (YTD)
100%	85%	171	1,464	1,435

Prevention Education & Outreach By The Numbers In February

930
 people reached through educational presentations.

92
 people reached at community events.

Trainings Provided In February:
 Bullying - Career Academy School
 Body Safety Matters - Tippecanoe Valley School

In March We'll Be Training:
 Body Safety Presentation - Indian Springs School

Come See Us In March & April At:
 3/16 - Caregiver Fair - South Bend
 4/16 - St. Joe Community Health Fair
 4/23 - Caregiver Fair - Elkhart



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Region 4

Allen, DeKalb, LaGrange, Noble, Steuben, Whitley

SCAN & Bridge of Grace

SCAN is proud to be partnering with Bridge of Grace to offer our services to families in Southeast Fort Wayne. SCAN has a permanent office at Bridge of Grace's building at 5100 Gaywood Drive in Fort Wayne to provide no cost support to families. At this office, SCAN is able to provide developmental & behavioral screenings for children under 5, community connections to local resources, and supportive solutions for families.



Prevent Child Abuse Councils

Allen County

The Allen County PCA did not meet this month. They are hoping that the pinwheels in April and the Mayoral Proclamation will spark new interest in the council. New and past members are always welcome to attend meetings! If you're curious about the PCA or would like more information, please email Lynn at mherbst@scaninc.org.

DeKalb County

The DeKalb County PCA met this month to discuss the planning of a mayoral proclamation in their counties. The date is yet to be set, but they are hoping to increase knowledge and awareness about the prevention of child abuse in their community. They are always welcoming new and past members of the PCA, because preventing child abuse is the job of the whole community, not any one person. If you're curious about the PCA or would like more information, email Lynn at mherbst@scaninc.org.

LaGrange County

The LaGrange County PCA met in February to discuss the participation of their school and the Handle with Care Protocol with their students. They discussed what it looks like, paperwork, logistics, and are working with the Health Department to see if it's something that could be done at other schools within the state. The PCA is also looking to hold a mayoral proclamation of their own. If you are interested in your local PCA or want more information, email Lynn at mherbst@scaninc.org.

Steuben County

The Steuben County PCA was not able to meet in February due to technical issues with Zoom. They did meet in January and discussed the progress on pinwheels in their community, where they would like them to be displayed, and what a mayoral proclamation may look like to them. The date for the proclamation has not been set yet. If you're curious about the PCA or would like more information, email Lynn at mherbst@scaninc.org.



Community Partners Outcomes

February - Region 4

Improved Parent Functioning (75%)	Goal Attainment (90%)	# of Referrals in February	# of Referrals Program Year (YTD)	# of Referrals Last Program Year (YTD)
100%	100%	154	1,174	1,076

Prevention Education & Outreach

By The Numbers In February

1,077
people reached through education presentations.

290
people reached through community events.

Trainings Provided In February:
 Bullying - Central Lutheran School
 Indicators of Child Abuse & Neglect - St. Marks Global Methodist Church
 Fort Wayne Parks & Rec
 Preventing Sexual Abuse - West Noble Middle School

We'll Be Training In February At:
 Marketing Presentation - Allen County WIC Offices
 Presentation Bonding With Children - IYI Conference

Come See Us At These Events:
 3/9 - Noblepalooza - Kendallville
 3/20 - ConnectHer Women's Conference
 3/21 - North Side High School Passport to PreK



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Creating Connections - Family Connections Program

100%
 of participants
 of Family
 Connections have
 a signed safety
 contract

100%
 of participants
 report an increase
 in knowledge &
 understanding on
 effects of Domestic
 Violence on their
 children

100%
 of participants
 in Clinical DV
 have initial safety
 assessment within
 24 hours



Parenting Classes	14
Therapeutic Services Offered	5
Supervised Visitations	49
Batterers Intervention	5
Domestic Violence Services	9
Counseling Sessions	57

Classes Provided:

Power of Parenting
 Parenting Skills for Anyone

Always a Parent
 High-Conflict Co-Parents

Alternative to Anger &
 Control, for teens ages 13-17

Upcoming Classes:

Power of Parenting - Tuesdays
 Starting 2/6 - Open To Any
 Parent

Alternatives To Anger & Control
 - Starting February

Always A Parent - Thursdays
 From February 8th - March 14th



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A Glance At SCAN's Region 4 Impact

Impact Story

A SCAN Family Support Specialist (FSS) started working with a mom over two years ago. At that time, she was staying with different family members along with her five children. She had to go to the homeless shelter when she was eight months pregnant with her sixth baby due to domestic violence. Over time, the FSS has witnessed the mom being strong for herself and her children. She recently moved into her own apartment and has been doing great living with her six children. She has been so appreciative of the help and resources that she has received along the way.



93%
of families in
Healthy Families
successfully
created a Family
Goal Plan

53
assessments
were provided to
the families that
Healthy Families
serves

100%
of children
staying at
Daybreak Crisis
Homes were kept
free of abuse and
neglect



Region 6

Cass, Fulton, Howard, Huntington, Miami, Wabash

Local Prevention Dollar Update

We continue to hear great things from our Local Prevention Dollar partners agencies. Some recent comments after hearing a presentation on Suicide Prevention from YSB in Huntington include: “good to know how to properly ask someone how they are doing.” “ ... inspired me to to not hesitate to check-in with people.”.

100% of participants in February had increased knowledge of suicide prevention.



Substance Misuse Initiative News

This February, we hosted our biggest and most successful Substance Free Alternative Event in Region 6, so far! We filled Gravity Trampoline Park in Kokomo to capacity with 540 local families attending and learning that substances are not needed to have a good time together. Multiple families stopped us to say thank you for putting on this event, as they would not have been able to afford to bring their families to the trampoline park without our sponsorship of this event. It was wonderful to see so many children and families enjoying themselves together!

Prevent Child Abuse Councils

Huntington County

The Huntington County PCA met in the month of February to discuss their plans for Child Abuse Prevention Month in April. They are holding a Mayoral Proclamation on March 25 at 10:30 AM at the courthouse on Jefferson Street. They are also excited to launch the campaign of ‘Being a Hero for Huntington’s Kids’, and planting pinwheel gardens to bring awareness.

If you are interested in the Huntington County PCA, please email Lynn at mherbst@scaninc.org.



Miami County

The Miami County PCA met in February to discuss their plans for April. They are excited to have their Mayoral Proclamation on April 27 at the YMCA Kids Safety Fair. They have also seen significant growth in their membership over the past few months and would like to welcome past and new members to the PCA. If you would like more information, please email Lynn at mherbst@scaninc.org.



Community Partners Outcomes

February - Region 6

Improved Parent Functioning (75%)	Goal Attainment (90%)	# of Referrals in February	# of Referrals Program Year (YTD)	# of Referrals Last Program Year (YTD)
100%	100%	78	478	495

Prevention Education & Outreach

By The Numbers In February

1,148
 people reached through education presentations.

540
 people reached through community events.

Trainings Provided In February:

Child Safety Matters:
 North Miami Elementary
 Southwood Elementary
 Teen Safety Matters:
 Lewis Cass High
 Teen Mental Health Matters: Southern Black Girls & Women's Consortium Workshop

We'll Be Training In March At:

Indicators of Child Abuse & Neglect:
 Southwood High
 Teen Safety Matters:
 Lewis Cass Middle School
 INDGA Virtual High School

Come See Us In March At:

3/9 - Mental Health Fair - Kokomo
 3/14 - Back on Track Health Fair - Kokomo
 3/16 - Healthy Kids Day - Huntington



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A Look At Our Other Programs

Region	Completion of NCFAS within required time frames	Families Remain Intact	Families make progress toward one goal monthly	People Served Through Clinical Services	People Served Through Family Engagement Services
Regions 1, 2, & 3	100%	100%	33%	56	90
Region 4 & 7	100%	100%	71%	121	146

Support SCAN On Socials

Stay up-to-day with all the goings-on at SCAN by following us on social media. See updates on our services, announcements about our upcoming events and celebrations for what we are able to accomplish together. Find us by searching for SCAN, Inc or @SCANFW on any of the platforms you see listed below.

Over
 1,000,000
 impressions
 on social
 media in
 February!





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Impact of Community Partners



Mom temporarily left her oldest son with family while she and her infant son relocated to Fort Wayne from a large city out of state to get her children away from gang violence and crime. Mom was working and staying in a hotel until she could find appropriate housing shortly after relocating to the area.

Mom enrolled into Community Partners in January. The next day, client's car was totaled by an uninsured driver. A few days later, the client awoke one morning to find her bank account balance at -\$6,000 due to her account being hacked. Due to her bank being out of state, client had to wait nearly 3 weeks for this issue to be resolved, her money replaced and get a replacement card. Because of this, mom did not have the money to remain in the hotel and had nowhere else to go with her child. SCAN/Community Partners/Flex Funds helped client remain in hotel another two weeks. In the meantime, mom was able to secure a better paying job as well as secure stable housing with the help of Community Partners covering a portion of her deposit in collaboration with another agency who paid the remaining portion.

Mom has since been learning local resources and acclimating to her new community. She has secured childcare as well as applied for SNAP, child support and filed her tax return. When mom's probationary period is up at her new job, she will receive a boost in pay which will allow her to get off food stamps. Mom is currently working with her case manager to secure furniture and household items. Issues with mom's bank account have since been resolved and mom will be able to purchase a car this week (free/clear of a car note) using the insurance payout from her last vehicle.

The future plan for mom during her remaining time with Community Partners includes opening a bank account locally, continuing to learn resources and get her home ready to receive and be reunited with her oldest son from out of state. Mom is also working to bolster her account to include emergency savings.



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Local Prevention Dollar Update - Region 4



A mom and her 5 children arrived at Mission 25 just 2 weeks before Christmas. This family had bounced from domestic violence shelters throughout an entire year due to 45 - 60 day limits. As they began services with Mission 25, it was discovered the kids had not been in school for nearly 2 years due to living arrangements before having to flee from an abuser and then having to leave the shelters. Needless to say, 2 of the kids needed an IEP for school. Our contracted therapist worked closely with the mom and the oldest child. The kids were starting to connect at school, building friendships, doing fun things with their peers, and being invited to friends' homes for play dates. Our staff saw the kids thrive in a new way. One of our staff members was hanging out in the kitchen with the mom and a couple of her kids when one of them casually said, "Mom, when we have to leave, can we move into a hotel?" Mom was confused and said, "What do you mean? We aren't leaving, so we don't have to go to a hotel." He said, "But isn't it time to leave?" This little guy had been counting the days until they had to leave the place they were calling home - the 45 days were up. His bags were packed. He was only in 2nd grade. (Note - Mission 25 families can stay up to two years!).

Fast Forward....this family is now in our supportive housing and thriving! Their home has been established, friendships have been made, they have been building their community, they are in activities, they are finding their way in school and they truly have felt safety!!

P.S. When I met the mom the second day in our program, and I heard her story, I told her then that Mission 25 would be the last shelter that she and her family will be in. I truly believe that she believed that statement and is holding on to it!



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