



CHILD CARE SERVICES OF YORK COUNTY

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June 8, 2015

RE: Status of Child Care Services of York County

Dear Folks,

We (the administration of Child Care Services of York County, United Way of York County and York County Community Action Corporation) are contacting key members of the York County Community to inform them of the very real potential that Child Care Services of York County will be discontinuing services, effective September of 2015.

We are also inviting you to participate in a community conversation around the impact of losing these services, and to see if, within our local communities, there are other organizations who could assume the services CCSYC has traditionally provided.

This meeting is scheduled for:

Thursday, June 18,

3:00 PM – 5:00 PM

York County Community Action Program Conference Room

6 Spruce Street, Sanford ME 04073

If you are able to make this meeting, please RSVP to info@ccsyc.org. If you are unable to attend this meeting, but would like more information or clarification, please feel free to contact us at this same e-mail address. Please feel free to share this information and invitation to any other community members you feel would benefit from this information.

In terms of some history:

Child Care Services of York County began as The Children's Center of Sanford in 1974, with the intent of providing quality child day care to the working families in York County. From our beginning, this program has worked in partnership with the wider community and the State of Maine. We have shared, with many of you, the goal of ensuring the well being and healthy development of the children while supporting families to find and maintain employment. Supporting children at risk (from poverty, abuse, and/or developmental delays) has always been at the forefront of this work.

Child Care Services of York County has worked directly with these children and families via on-site child care programs and indirectly through community support and training programs.

After 41 years of operation, two name changes and two changes in location, this goals of this organization has remains the same. However, we now find that there is no business model available to us to ensure the long term stability for the services these children and families need. Towards this end, the Board of Directors of Child Care Services of York County has chosen to terminate the corporation.

The goal is now to find alternative homes for the current programming. If that fails, the loss to the community will range from parents unable to work or attend school, children not receiving necessary therapies, and an overall reduction in the both quantity and quality of care for children throughout the county.

The specific services lost would include:

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Direct Service:

Overall Child Care Enrollment
4-8 Infants
28 Toddlers
70 Pre-Schoolers

Funding Source/Economic Need/Child and Family Need:

29 children from low income working families enrolled in Child Care Subsidy Program
18 children enrolled in the ASPIRE Program (TANF, TANF Transitional families.)
20 children of low income families working families subsidized by some other source (United Way, Military Voucher Program, Child Support Agreement, etc.)
23 children paid in full or part by Child Development Services
24 children from "full fee" families
30 children with diagnosed special needs or developmental delays
19 children with Significant Health Concerns (Juvenile Diabetes, Reactive Airway Syndrome, Celiac Disease)
6 children in Child-Protective status

Indirect Service:

Child Care Providers in Credentialing Program
25 Child Care Teachers enrolled in the CDA program

Sponsored Family Child Care Providers

40 Child Care Providers supported by the Carelink Child and Adult Childcare Food Program

Individual Child Care Teachers (both Center Based and Family Child Care) Receiving some form of Training/Professional Development

240 Providers receiving Carelink Trainings

Total number of children impacted by the teachers who take part in our training programs

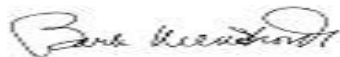
3,840 Children

Once again, we felt it important to inform the community of this potential loss, and to work with the community to preserve as much of this service as possible.

Sincerely:



William Hager, CCSYC Executive Director



Barbara Wentworth, President and CEO United Way of York County

Barbara Crider, CEO York County Community Action Corporation



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