



Children's Trust Fund
Protecting Michigan's Children



CTF NEWS BRIEF

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CTF Auction a Huge Success!



Your overwhelming passion for the mission of the Children's Trust Fund is deeply appreciated! Thank you for your dedication, enthusiasm, and hard work to make our fourteenth annual Pam Posthumus Signature Auction Event a huge success!

Because of your support, the event raised approximately \$475,000 for child abuse prevention programs in Michigan and hosted more than 650 guests! We are grateful for your continued support, generosity and commitment to this very important issue of child abuse prevention. As the event has grown, so has the number of champions for children. You have helped us prove that a group of committed individuals can make a difference. On behalf of the Children's Trust Fund, we would like to express a heartfelt thanks to our Legislative Co-Chairs, Advisory Committee and Sub-Committee Co-Chairs, CTF Board, Sponsors, Auction Item Donors, Program Offices, and the many, many volunteers. We could not have done this without each and every one of you! See a press release on the event at www.michigan.gov/mdhhs/0,5885,7-339-73970_71692_71696-385207--,00.html.

The Children's Trust Fund gratefully acknowledges this year's Platinum Sponsor, Cinnaire, Premiere Sponsors, CNSI, DTE Energy Foundation and Jackson National Life Insurance Company, Official Carrier, Delta Air Lines, Mobile Bidding Sponsor AT&T Michigan and all of this year's generous sponsors. Please visit our event website at <http://501auctions.com/CTFsignature> to view a complete list of sponsors.

CTF is honored to have presented, Cinnaire President and CEO Mark McDaniel, the 2016 Children's Advocate Award at this year's event. As a six-year member of the Children's Trust Fund board, McDaniel has been a tireless champion for children's issues. Under McDaniel's leadership since 2004, Cinnaire has contributed over \$390,000 in support of Children's Trust Fund efforts to prevent child abuse and neglect in Michigan. Visit <http://cinnaire.com/ctf2016> for additional information on this year's award recipient.

If you or someone you know is interested in becoming involved with our 2017 Signature Auction Event, please feel free to contact our Fund Development Manager, Tricia Headley, at 517-241-7226 or headleyp@michigan.gov.

Thank you for making a difference in the life of a child!

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CTF Welcomes New Board Members

Alisande Henry

Representing Michigan Department of Education



Alisande Henry is the Special Assistant to the State Superintendent in the Michigan Department of Education, a position she has held since April 2011. In this role, she serves as a member of the Superintendent's Cabinet and is responsible for a variety of projects and initiatives within the Superintendent's Office and the Michigan Department of Education (MDE). Prior to coming to MDE, Alisande served as the Administrator for the Michigan Council for Labor & Economic Growth, the state's federal Workforce Investment Board in the Michigan Department of Energy, Labor & Economic Growth. Her past experience includes overseeing the work of the Governor's Council of Economic Advisors, serving as the Executive Assistant to Lt. Governor John D. Cherry, Special Assistant to Lansing Mayor David C. Hollister, and staff in a Michigan State Senate office.

Alisande received her BA in Political Science/Public Policy from Michigan State University, earning Phi Beta Kappa honors, and was selected to serve as a member of the College of Social Science Dean's Advisory Council.

She is a resident of Lansing, where she serves on the city's Planning Board, and is the proud mother of three adult children and grandmother to three young granddaughters.



Sgt. Kim Vetter

Representing Michigan State Police

Sergeant Kim Vetter is a graduate of Ferris State University and is currently earning a Master's Degree from Davenport University. She is a fifteen year veteran of the Michigan State Police and has extensive experience in child abuse and neglect prevention and investigation.

Sergeant Vetter has served as a board member to several child abuse councils, including Child Advocacy (Gratiot County), Meceola Children's Council (Mecosta and Osceola Counties), and Child and Family Enrichment Center (Isabella County) while assigned to the Ithaca and Mount Pleasant Posts as a Community Service Trooper. She has served on child death review Teams and as a crime scene technician, and was often called on to investigate and assist with difficult child abuse and neglect cases. Sergeant Vetter is also a Child Passenger Safety Technician Instructor and has helped to promote regional and statewide programs to ensure the safety of traveling children in and around cars. Sergeant Vetter has also been involved on several other non-profit boards including Girls on the Run of Central Michigan, Big Brothers Big Sisters, School Safety Alliances, domestic violence shelters, and substance abuse coalitions.



2016 Tier Advancement Competition

At the May 5th Local Council Workgroup phone-conference meeting, CTF executive director Mike Foley announced that the CTF board of directors had approved \$55K to be used toward a competitive process to permanently promote a minimum of 3 tier I councils to tier II and 2 tier II councils to tier III. The \$20K remaining dollars is to be allocated based upon the quality of the applications received.

This tier promotion will go into effect for fiscal year 2017. CTF Local Councils are designated as either Tier I, Tier II or Tier III councils. Typically, councils receive the following amounts for each tier: Tier I, \$5K; Tier II, \$10K; and Tier III, \$20K. Additional cash reserves enabled CTF to offer this opportunity.

Applications are due no later than July 15th. The review, subsequent decision-making, and administrative processes are planned to be completed in time for the start of the 2017 fiscal year which begins on October 1, 2016. To support this application process, training has taken place and technical support is available.

CTF is excited about this opportunity which will enable those successful applicants an opportunity increase their capacity to positively affect the child abuse and neglect prevention presence within their respective communities. We wish all applicants the best of luck.

2016 CTF Local Council Regional Meetings

This summer marks the 6th year that CTF Local Council Coordinator, Emily Schuster-Wachsberger will be conducting 7 regional meetings throughout Michigan. These meetings provide an opportunity for regional Local Council partners to; share, collaborate, learn, laugh and have fun with their colleagues. It is particularly a special time for Emily to spend time connecting with Local Councils in person. Each year a new agenda is created. Topics are chosen for a variety of reasons including: their relevance to child abuse and neglect prevention programming; the ability to address organizational administration; and the ability to specifically explore quality measures. This year the topics covered will include; use of the research based Protective Factors, cultural competence, and board development. Each meeting has its own character and is dynamic. In addition to a continental breakfast and full lunch, there is chocolate and other treats provided in the afternoon. CTF has extended the invitation of this meeting to include Local Council board members and volunteers. The following is a list of regional meeting dates and locations.



1. Southeast – Tuesday, June 28th at the Washtenaw LRC, 4135 Washtenaw Ave, Ann Arbor, MI, 48108.
2. West – Wednesday, July 13th at 1268 East Newell, White Cloud, MI 49349.
3. Southwest – Thursday, July 14th at 370 East Chicago St., Coldwater, 49036.
4. Northern Lower Peninsula – Tuesday, August 2nd at DHHS, 931 S. Otsego Ave, Gaylord, MI 49735.
5. East – Wednesday, August 3rd at 1311 North Michigan Ave, Saginaw, MI 48602.
6. Eastern Upper Peninsula – Tuesday, August 23rd at the Village Inn of Newberry, 7552 M 123 Newberry, MI 49868.
7. Western Upper Peninsula – Wednesday, August 24th at RESA, 321 East Ohio Street, Marquette, MI 49855.



Anne Stokes Joins CTF Staff



Anne Stokes has been hired to serve as a Departmental Technician in the CTF office, effective May 9, 2016. She will provide CTF with permanent office support and help increase CTF's capacity for special projects. Anne has been supporting CTF as a temporary contractor in a variety of roles in the office, since April 2013, including the donor database, public awareness, PLAT and helping with the previous four Pam Posthumus Signature Auction Events.

Anne lives in Lansing with her husband Alan and their 11 year old son Jonathan. CTF is pleased to welcome Anne to our team.



FRIENDS PFS Database 3.0

Children's Trust Fund Direct Service Grantees will begin utilizing Version 3 of the Protective Factors Survey Database when they send in this year's data in the Fall. FRIENDS released the update in January 2016. The update provides enhanced reporting features and accepts the transfer of data from the previous versions.

The instructions and resource for downloading PFS Database Version 3 can be found online at <http://www.friendsnrc.org/protective-factors-survey/pfs-database>. If grantees have any technical difficulties incorporating the update into their program, they should contact Alan Stokes at phone 517-241-7793 or email stokesa@michigan.gov.



New Resources for Pregnant and Parenting Teens

Child Welfare Information Gateway recently added a new web section to Preventing Child Abuse and Neglect Parenting Resources on Supporting Pregnant and Parenting Teens. The new section features resources and parenting tips, to support pregnant and parenting teens. Resources also include State and local examples. You can view this information on the Child Welfare Information Gateway website at www.childwelfare.gov/topics/preventing/promoting/parenting/pregnant-teens.



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