











SOUTHERN OREGON SUCCESS UPDATE

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BIG NEWS: LEGISLATURE PASSES UNIVERSAL HOME VISIT PLAN

The Oregon Legislature has passed [Senate Bill 526](#), a plan for a voluntary universal home visit program focused on the wellbeing of babies and families. All families with a new infant will be eligible for home visits by a registered nurse, who can assist with the child's welfare, the mom's health, and access to needed resources.

The plan will significantly increase the home visit programs in our region, which currently focus only on low income families. Under the new legislation, families of all income levels will have the home visits available.



According to the National Conference of State Legislatures, high-quality home visit programs have proven to have a positive impact on reducing incidences of child abuse and neglect, as well as improving school readiness for children.

This great news for our families, our region and our state as a whole.

BIG CHANGES: SOUTHERN OREGON SUCCESS MOVING TO INNOVATION NETWORK MODEL

Inspired by the collaborative work taking place in Del Norte County, California, Southern Oregon Success is moving to a new approach to our work here in Jackson and Josephine.

The Del Norte & Adjacent Tribal Lands (DNATL) Building Healthy Communities Initiative has worked with CoCreative, national consultants specializing in accelerating the work of collaborations. The [CoCreative](#) approach shifts from the traditional board/staff governance model found in many non-profits to a much more hands-on network model where participants are consistently developing prototypes and pilot programs to work towards a shared ambitious goal.

To get an idea of the energy, effectiveness and scope of the DNATL network effort, check out this [report](#).

We're very excited to have learned of this new model, and very grateful to the Gordon Elwood Foundation and the Family Ford Foundation for their support of our work with CoCreative to develop our network here. We've developed a great collaboration of all levels of education, health care, mental health care, human services, public safety and workforce development in Southern Oregon—now it's time to shift into a whole new gear.

We'll be working over the summer to make the transition from our current committee structure to the more dynamic design team/network model. More details to come in future updates!



EARLY PLANNING FOR “RESILIENCE AWARENESS MONTH” IN NOVEMBER

We’re inviting all agencies and organizations in our region to submit ideas for public events during November 2019 as part of our third annual “Resilience Awareness Month.” Southern Oregon Success will compile the master calendar of events and help promote through our network.

Past years have seen presentations of documentaries such as “Resilience” and “Screenagers,” as well as events and workshops presented by the Southern Oregon Early Learning Services (SOELS) hub, local school districts, Rogue Community Health, La Clinica, the Family Connection and others.

Our goal is to raise awareness of the core protective systems of resilience and how all of us can help intentionally build resilience in our kids, families, communities, organizations and our region overall.

To submit events, or for more information, please email peter_buckley@southernoregonsuccess.org.

EVERY CHILD OPPORTUNITIES

A great statewide organization, Every Child, is up and running in both Josephine and Jackson County, and has a wide variety of ways you can help kids and families. Every Child is based on the idea that youth in foster care need all of us. They make it very simple for people to step up and do everything from cooking a meal for a foster family to babysitting, donating what’s needed or even becoming a foster parent for a local youth.

Check out the [Every Child website](#) for more information.



2019 KIDS COUNT DATA BOOK

The Anne E. Casey Foundation has released their [2019 Kids Count Data Book](#), and it is well worth downloading for everyone concerned with how we're doing with our kids—great state by state information on education, health care and overall well-being.



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STATE TRENDS IN CHILD WELL-BEING

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OPEN ACES TRAINING AND OPEN WORKSHOP IN SELF-REGULATION & RESILIENCE COMING UP IN MEDFORD IN JULY

The Southern Oregon ACEs Training Team is offering an ACEs session for all comers on Tuesday, July 23 from 1 pm to 3 pm at the SOESD, 101 North Grape Street in Medford, as well as a workshop in Self-Regulation & Resilience on Tuesday, July 30, from 1 pm to 2:30 pm at the same location. Thanks to funding by our partner organizations, there is no cost for these sessions. Members of all agencies and the general public are welcome.

The ACEs training focuses on the science of N.E.A.R. (Neurobiology, Epigenetics, Adverse Childhood Experiences and Resilience), providing vital information on the impact of trauma on development as well as the core protective systems of resilience

The Self-Regulation & Resilience workshop offers a review of the N.E.A.R. curriculum (Neurobiology, Epigenetics, ACEs and Resilience) covered in the team's ongoing ACEs trainings then moves to a focus on specific tools for self-regulation and resilience.

For the ACEs training session, please register [here](#).

For the workshop in Self-Regulation & Resilience, please register [here](#).

To schedule a training session or workshop for any group, or for more information, contact peter_buckley@southernoregonsuccess.org.

GRANDMAS2GO AND ROGUE MENTORING SEEK VOLUNTEERS

Two outstanding local organizations, Grandmas2Go and Rogue Mentoring, are seeking volunteers interested in helping families and youth thrive.

Grandmas2Go is looking for women interested in becoming a short-term "grandma" for families without one to help. The organization has received national attention for its



program for matching volunteer grandmas with families in need. They are also in need of interns to assist with the overall administrative work. For more information, call 541-770-3476 or visit Grandmas2go.org.

And as for Rogue Mentoring...



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MENTORING ESSENTIALS

A TRAINING BY ROGUE VALLEY **MENTORING**

9am-5pm

JULY 27

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Volunteers: **FREE** | Community: **\$100**

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SUBJECTS COVERED INCLUDE

- ▶ One on one youth mentoring
- ▶ Relationship Building
- ▶ Active Listening
- ▶ Strength-Based Mentoring
- ▶ Healthy Boundaries
- ▶ And more...

Transforming entire communities through the mentoring of youth.

REGISTER BY EMAILING: **INFO@RVMENTORING.ORG**



JOIN US ON FACEBOOK

The Facebook page for Southern Oregon Success features almost daily postings of events taking place in our region and information shared from all over as part of our learning community efforts on what works and what doesn't in helping kids and families thrive.

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