

	<p>Haywood County Smart Start / Local Interagency Coordinating Council Team Meeting Minutes Date: 11/20/24 Minutes completed by Jody Miller</p>
<p>Welcome and Introductions</p>	<p>Christy Yazan (CDSA); Sylvella Symonds (Maximus); Julie Davis (Vaya); Lori Baker (LANC); Michelle Trulle (HHHS); Jessica Winkel (Vaya); Randi Braun (RAPC); Jennifer Smith (PAT); and Jody Miller (RAPC)</p>
<p>Presentations</p>	<p>Michelle provided an overview of Food Nutrition Services (FNS). Sometimes called Food Stamps, EBT, or SNAP. One can apply via online through EPass, in person at DSS, or mail off a paper application. It is income based, and assets and resources are viewed. Household expenses can offset the income. Drug related felonies can sometimes get excused. College students possibly can qualify as well as single adults. Expedited applications are turned around usually within 7 days however try to turn around applications with a day as long as all the paperwork is needed to confirm items on the application. Best to try and apply.</p> <p>Randi and Jennifer provided an update on Parents as Teachers in Haywood County. Free in-home visitation program for any family with a child prenatal to kindergarten entry. Visits are once or twice a month depending on the stressors in the family. Personal visits focus on parent / child interaction; development centered parenting; and family well-being. Screening and assessments are done for the child as well as the parents. Family connections occur once a month. The affiliate maintained their Blue Ribbon status for Quality Endorsement. Jennifer shared a success story of one of her moms moving forward in the right direction.</p>
<p>Upcoming Presentations</p>	<p>December—No meeting January—Housing forum with Mountain Projects and Habitat for Humanity February—Vaya Health March--Parents as Teachers April--No meeting May—open June—planning for next fiscal year</p>
<p>Smart Start Strategic Plan</p>	<p>The team is focusing on Children in Households that are food insecure: 13.7% in 2021. A decrease from 19.4% in 2019. There was concern that this may not be an accurate number. Mentioned from the 2023 Roadmap of Need County Profile that the 27% Housing Cost Burden reflects on the food insecurity.</p>

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	The team is focusing on the housing cost burden of 27% as indicated on the 2023 Roadmap of Need County Profile.
LICC Strategic Plan	Transition presentation Encourage caregivers to attend the team meeting Roll and Read child find event—3rd grade students scoring proficient in reading went up to 56.5% in 2021-2022 from 51.2% in 2020-2021.
Activities to Achieve Strategies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organize workshops around food insecurity in spring and fall. Details to follow • Organize a housing workshop. Details to follow • Bring presenters to address food insecurity as well as transition
General Team Goals	Desired outputs for 2024 - 2025: Number of meetings/times review goals: 8 (3); Number of events: 1 (0); Number of team member / community presentations: 7 (6)
Old / New Business	The Roll and Read Planning Meeting will occur right after this meeting using the same link.
Planned Community Events	Roll and Read 4/26/25 rain or shine.
What worked, what should we do differently, and when do we meet again	Our next meeting is scheduled for January 15, 2025.

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