



## CCFI Completes First Year as Family Resource Center

Thanks to funding from the National Family Support Network, the Oklahoma State Department of Health and the Oklahoma Family Support Network, our agency has officially completed our first full year as a Family Resource Center (FRC)! The FRC model is designed to make our agency a one-stop hub for services and/or referrals and handoffs to other agencies.

Throughout the past year, our Family Navigator, Carla Garcia, provided focused case management and warm handoffs for needs that CCFI cannot meet to ensure that families feel connected and seen in the community. In addition to this focused work, we also...



- **Created a Community Needs Assessment** to help identify needs and find better ways to serve and advocate for the community at large. We were thrilled to have received 100+ responses with detailed feedback and ideas!
- **Distributed basic essential needs**, such as toilet paper and hygiene kits, as a direct result of our community needs assessment.
- **Handed out FREE activity/admission passes** to local attractions like the Oklahoma City Zoo, Museum of Osteology, Play Pit, Westwood Water Park and more.
- **Established a Parent Advisory Committee (PAC)** with 9 members made up of caregivers that have received services at CCFI. This committee meets monthly and provides valuable feedback on what is needed for families in the

community. PAC members also volunteered their time this past year, helping at events such as the Mutual Aid Fair and Downtown Norman Fall Fest.

- **Hosted a Back to School Bash** at Boys & Girls Club of Norman for CCFI clients and the surrounding community. This event was put on in collaboration with multiple agencies to create a one-stop-spot for back to school resources and essentials. PAC members also volunteered their time stuffing backpacks with supplies and helped distribute diapers and menstrual products during the event.
- **PAC members attended a *Be Strong Families Parent Café* training**, offered by the Oklahoma Commission on Children and Youth (OCCY) intended for parent leaders in the community. With this training, PAC members plan to host these FREE, guided conversations at CCFI – *stay tuned for more scheduling info!*



We look forward to even more exciting offerings for our community as we continue this FRC model through the end of 2026!

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## Hands & Hearts Set for May 2nd

The date is officially set for our annual Hands & Heart fundraising luncheon! Mark your calendar and join us on **Thursday, May 2nd at Embassy Suites in Norman**. Doors open at 11:30 a.m. and programming will begin at 12:00, noon.

# Hands & Hearts

If you are interested in serving as a Table Captain to help bring guests to the event, please contact us today at 405-364-1420.

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## There's Still Time to Support Our End of Year Giving Campaign

Thank you for making our 2023 End of Year giving campaign a success! If you missed the December 31st deadline, we are still accepting contributions for this campaign.

Remember, your tax-deductible gift will help us fulfill our critical mission and equip our community's children with the relational building blocks they need to grow into happy, healthy adults. You can make an impact by giving in-person, by mail or through the link below.



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## NEW Part-Time & Full-Time Job Openings Available

Boys & Girls Club of Norman is seeking enthusiastic individuals to fill multiple openings for part-time **Youth Development Professionals**. These positions will help research, coordinate, plan, prepare and facilitate activities for Club members during BGCN's after school program. We also have an opening for a full-time **Program Director** to manage all program operations of the Club.

We are also searching for a full-time, **Lead Client Service Representative** to provide quality customer service to visitors and clients. This individual will provide day-to-day direction for Front Office staff and provide a wide array of other administrative support to the agency as needed.

To learn more these opportunities, [CLICK HERE](#).

# We're hiring.

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## Save the Date: Business Before Hours

Mark your calendars – we will be hosting a Business Before Hours networking event at CCFI on **Wednesday, March 27th** in partnership with the [Moore Chamber of Commerce](#). This event will be come-and-go, beginning at 8:00 a.m., where coffee, juice and breakfast will be provided.

*We would love to have you all in attendance to learn about our mission and see our newly expanded second floor!*

## CCFI Adds New Parent Educator

We are excited to expand our Bringing Up Babies program into Pottawatomie County with the addition of our newest Parent Educator, Seth Coleman! Seth has always had a passion for working with youth and families, and comes to CCFI with a bachelor's degree in Family & Lifespan Development. He intends to use his experience and education to support families and make a positive impact in the lives of children. Welcome, Seth!



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## Lunch & Learn Series: NEW Sessions Added for 2024

Our lunch & learn series is expanding! Explore a diverse range of topics, earn FREE CEUs and get to know other therapists in your community with our FREE Lunch & Learn series. Drinks and light snacks will be provided, and all classes are offered on a first come, first served basis. The next topics of discussion include:

- **Friday, January 19th** - *The Science of Hope*
  - Presented by Kathryn Morris-Scott, LCSW, PMH-C, IMH-E® and Melissa Klink
- **Friday, February 16th** - *Autism & Sensory Processing Disorder*
  - Presented by Kathryn Morris-Scott, LCSW, PMH-C, IMH-E®
- **Friday, March 9th** – *Touch & Attachment*
  - Presented by Kelley Nedbalek, LCSW, PMH-C, IMH-E®



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## Corporate Sponsorship Opportunities Available for the New Year

Corporate partnerships remain vital to the continued success of our agency and can help transform countless lives throughout our community. To help ensure every child is safe, nurtured and loved, we ask that you consider investing in CCFI by **making a 2024 corporate sponsorship gift**. With your support, we will be able to continue offering our critical services and discover new and innovative ways to serve the Norman community.

Please help us thank our Premiere Sponsor, [NMT Roofing & Construction!](#)



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## Upcoming BabyMobile Schedule

The BabyMobile - from [Infant Crisis Services](#) - will be hosting drive through events at CCFI (10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.) to bring FREE essential baby items to the Norman community. Upcoming dates include:

- Monday, January 29th
- Monday, February 26th

No appointment is needed and services are offered while supplies last. To learn more about the BabyMobile guidelines, [CLICK HERE](#).



Remember... guests may also visit the CCFI Baby Pantry! The Baby Pantry offers baby supplies FREE of charge, no questions asked, as is open weekdays from 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.



CCFI's program-specific wish lists include items that directly benefit the children and families we serve. These in-kind donations are greatly appreciated, as they help offset program costs. Click the link below to view our current needs!

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*to our recent in-kind donors!*

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