

Kosciusko KIDSS

Kids In need of Support and Services

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+ Background



- Kosciusko Leadership Academy White Paper Project
 - Countywide
 - Sustainable
 - Doable
- “Children are our most valuable resource”- Herbert Hoover
- Life isn't the same as it was 10 years ago
- Children and families of today face more challenges than previous generations



Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs

+ NOT THIS



+ Problem



- Maslow's Hierarchy being the basis for all needs
- Growing need for help and support for school-aged children and their families
- Food: Free and reduced lunch programs

Corporation	Current Free/Reduced Rate	Increase in the last 10 years
Warsaw	48%	16%
Tippecanoe Valley	54.9%	24%
Wawasee	44.7%	16%
Whitko	45.1%	24%

+ Problem-continued

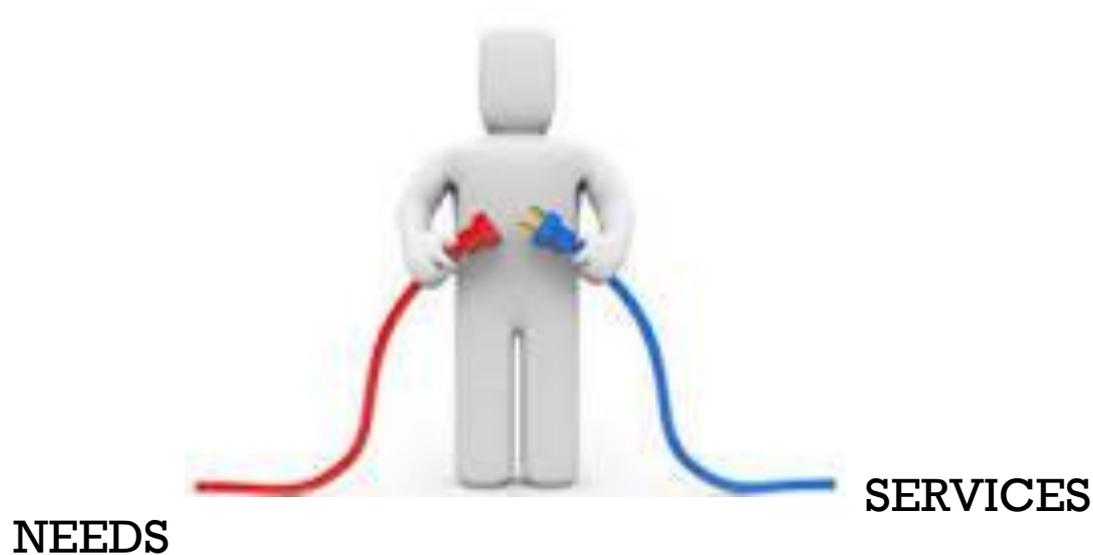


- There is currently no one single person or resource responsible for connecting school-aged children in Kosciusko County and their families with identified needs for social services
- Similar concerns identified in previous White Papers
- While United Way 211 has a purpose-considered “invasive” and “impersonal” making people hesitant to utilize

+ Challenge



- How do we provide one source that bridges the gap to connect needs and services?



+ Solution

- Create a Grant funded position – placing one person as the liasion to connect identified needs with available services:

“Kosciusko KIDS (Kids In need
of Support and Services)”

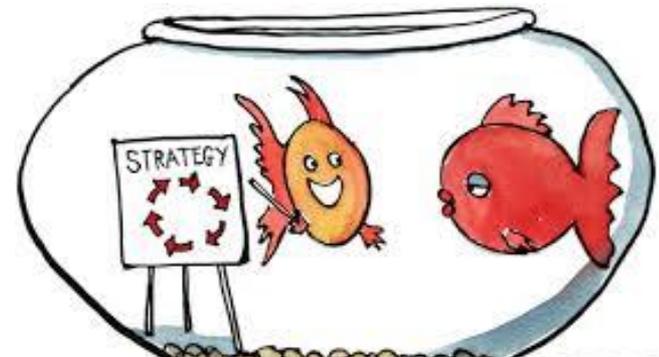




What does this position look like?



- After a period of planning and strategizing, someone that will:
 - Create and maintain a database of available services
 - Maintain an updated network of providers for available services
 - Work to establish resources that are identified as a need but not currently available in the county
 - Become heavily integrated and involved in the community, taking the program and referral process out to the public



+ What does this position look like (continued)?

- Someone that activates needed services through:
 - Public education
 - Schools and school websites, orientation days for staff and students
 - Churches
 - Public Forums and Fairs



+ Evolving Position

- As needs change, the Coordinator should stay current and ready to provide for the needs
- Coordinator will constantly assess and reassess available services vs needs
- Coordinator will maintain a current database/network
- Coordinator will identify gaps in services
- Coordinator will work to secure individuals, corporations, groups to fill needs
- Coordinator will be willing to use resources and imagination to create needed services



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Kids in Need of Social Services- A Community Outreach Database of Social Services in Kosciusko County



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Links



- [Kosciusko County YMCA](#)
- [Baker Youth Club](#)
- [CCAC](#)
- [Kosciusko County Visitors Bureau](#)
- [Kosciusko County Health Department](#)
- [Division of Family Resources](#)
- [Combined Community Services](#)
- [Bowen Center](#)
- [Cardinal Services](#)
 - [Early Headstart](#)
 - [Healthy Families](#)



Kosciusko Co. Schools

- **Eisenhower Elementary School**
- [Harrison Elementary School](#)
- [Jefferson Elementary School](#)
- [Leesburg Elementary School](#)
- [Lincoln Elementary School](#)
- [Madison Elementary School](#)
- [Mentone Elementary School](#)
- [Milford School](#)
- [North Webster Elementary School](#)
- [Pierceton Elementary School](#)
- [Syracuse Elementary School](#)
- [Washington Elementary School](#)
- [Edgewood Middle School](#)
- [Lakeview Middle School](#)
- [Tippecanoe Middle School](#)
- [Wawasee Middle School](#)
- [Whitko Middle School](#)
- [Tippecanoe High School](#)
- [Warsaw Community High School](#)
- [Wawasee High School](#)
- [Whitko High School](#)



Area Youth Events

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5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

Shelter

Fellowship Missions 574-268-9555
Kosciusko County Shelter (DV) 877-725-9363

Financial Assistance

Township Trustee *
Combined Community Services 574-269-6019
Salvation Army 574-267-5361
Warsaw Community Church 574-268-0188
Vineyard Community Church
(Residents of Syracuse & North Webster only) 574-457-4880

Energy Assistance Program (EAP)

Real Services 800-225-3367

WIC

574-269-4456

Division of Family Resources

(Medicaid, SNAP/Food Stamps, TANF, HIP)
800-403-0864

Employment

WorkOne 574-269-3050

Clothing

Combined Community Services 574-269-6019
Family Christian Development 574-773-2149
(Residents of Wa-nee School District only)
Faith Community Church 574-674-8494

Legal Assistance

Indiana Legal Services 800-288-8121
Volunteer Lawyer Network 574-277-0075

Mental Health

Bowen Center 800-342-5652

Hospitals

Kosciusko Community 574-267-3200

Abuse Reports

Child Abuse Hotline 800-800-5556
Adult Protective Services 800-626-8320

Child Care Assistance/Referrals

Early Childhood Alliance 800-423-1498
Community Action 800-589-2264

Prescriptions

Township Trustee *
Medication & Dental Assistance 574-372-3604
Good Samaritan Fund 574-372-3500
Warsaw Community Church 574-268-0188
Partnership for Prescription Assistance
888-477-2669

Housing

North Central Indiana Housing 574-269-7641
Indiana Housing Now 877-428-8844
SSFV (Assistance program for Veterans who are
homeless or at risk of becoming homeless) call 21

Child Care Assistance/Referral

Early Childhood Alliance 800-423-1498
Community Action 800-589-2264

Immunizations

Health Department 574-267-7028

Senior Services

Real Services 800-552-7928
Kosciusko Community Services 574-267-2012

Combined Community Services

1195 Mariner Drive
Warsaw, IN 46582
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday
9:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.
Wednesday 9:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.
574-269-6019

God's Highway to Heaven Church

555 Webber Street
Warsaw, IN 46580
1st and 4th Tuesday 4:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m.
574-267-4061

Our Father's House

401 Argonne Road
Warsaw, IN 46580
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday
1:30 p.m.—4:00 p.m.
574-268-1800

Salvation Army

501 East Arthur Street
Warsaw, IN 46580
Monday—Friday 8:00 a.m.—11:30 a.m.
574-267-5361

Soup Kitchen

Our Father's House
401 Argonne Road
Warsaw, IN 46580
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday
11:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m.
574-268-1800



- [Kosciusko County YMCA](#)

- [Youth Engagement Classes](#)

- The Youth Conditioning Course was created as a benefit of membership to help children learn and understand the benefits of exercise and how to properly use the exercise equipment at our Y.

- [Youth Development](#)

- We believe the values and skills learned early on are vital building blocks for life. Because of the Y, more young people in neighborhoods around the nation are taking a greater interest in learning and making smarter life choices.

- [Healthy Kids Day](#)

- The Kosciusko Community YMCA is celebrating YMCA's Healthy Kids Day® with a free community event to inspire more kids to keep their minds and bodies active. YMCA's Healthy Kids Day, the Y's national initiative to improve families' health and well-being, features games, healthy foods, crafts and safety and health information to motivate and teach families how to develop a healthy routine at home.

- [Summer Camps](#)

- Day camps are about discovery. Kids have the opportunity to explore nature, find new talents, try new activities, gain independence, and make lasting friendships and memories.

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- [Baker Youth Club](#)
 - [IBOP Spring Bling](#)– Craft Show and Vendor Fair with Quarter Auction
- CCAC
 - [Calendar of Events](#)
- [Kosciusko County Visitors Bureau](#)
 - [Calendar of Events](#)
 - [Lego Crew](#) Lego Crew is for ages 5 and up! The Milford Public Library supplies the Legos and you supply the imagination!
 - [A visit from Abraham Lincoln](#) -- A live historical program about Abraham Lincoln & the Civil War



About

KIDSS is all about connecting children in need of services, with the social service to fulfill that need. Its as simple as that.

The first and most regular line of contact to identify children in need of services are school staff, youth organization leaders, and CASA volunteers. However, once they identify these needs where do they turn to see if a service is available, and then how do they provide access to the service?

Internet searches lend us to an abundance of information that requires time to sort through, research, and decide what information is useful and what is not regarding what we are looking for.

The purpose of this database is to concentrate the information from many different websites into one central, easy to use website providing access to social services within the Kosciusko County area in a timely and efficient manner.

If a service is not found within this database please contact the Community Coordinator at communitycoordinator@kidss.com for assistance.

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Contact Us

Community Coordinator
Bob Smith
123 Social Services Avenue
Warsaw, In 46580

1-800-HelpKids

communitycoordinator@kidss.com

- **Transportation Assistance**
- **Social Services Educational Seminar**
- **FAQ's**
- **Tips for Inquiry**



Kosciusko Area Services

- [Food](#)
- [Clothing](#)
- **Health**
- **Education**

- **Franklin Township Trustee**
 - **Requirements: Live in Franklin Township * documentation of income and expense * low income or financial need**
 - **Contact: 574-491-2482 Call to make an appointment**
- **Harrison Township Trustee**
 - **Requirements: Live in Harrison Township * documentation of income and expense * low income or financial need**
 - **Contact: 574-858-9354 Call to make an appointment**
- **Clay Township Trustee**
 - **Requirements: Live in Clay Township * documentation of income and expense * low income or financial need**
 - **Contact: 574-566-2394 Call to make an appointment**
- **Seward Township Trustee**
 - **Requirements: Live in Seward Township * documentation of income and expense * low income or financial need**
 - **Contact: 574-491-3750 Call to make an appointment**
- **Plain Township Trustee**
 - **Requirements: Live in Plain Township * documentation of income and expense * low income or financial need**
 - **Contact: 574-453-3749 Call to make an appointment**

Clothing

- [North Webster Area Community Services](#)
- [Combined Community Services](#)



NORTH WEBSTER AREA COMMUNITY SERVICES

102 South Morton Street
North Webster, IN 46555

(574) 244-2142
<http://www.northwebster.com>

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CLOTHING
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Description: Provides gently-used to new clothing for people in need. Assistance is provided once a month. Limited service area.

Hours: Tues 9am-11am and Thurs 1pm-3pm ET

Eligibility: * Living in Tippecanoe Township in Kosciusko County
* Not received assistance from this pantry in the past 30 days

Intake procedure: Walk in.

What to bring: * Photo ID
* Proof of address (such as a utility bill or signed lease)

Fees: None

Services: Clothing Donation Programs, General Clothing Provision

Accessibility: Wheelchair accessible
On-site parking

Last Updated: Mar 19, 2015

Other services at this location

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COMBINED COMMUNITY SERVICES

1195 Mariner Drive
Warsaw, IN 46582

(574) 269-6019
<http://www.combinedcommunityservices.org>

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CLOTHING PANTRY
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Description: Provides clothing and household items when available to persons in need. Availability of household goods varies, based on donations.

Hours: Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri 9am-3:30pm; Wed 9am-11:30am ET

Closing information: Closed on state and federal holidays

Eligibility: * Living in Kosciusko County
* Limit twice per month

Intake procedure: Walk in.

What to bring: Valid Government-issued photo ID

Fees: None

Services: Bedding/Linen, General Clothing Provision

Last Updated: May 02, 2014

Other services at this location

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