



LINCOLN COUNTY RESOURCE BOARD

Putting Kids First in Lincoln County

"Hope is born again in the faces of children." - Maya Angelou

LCRB to Fund More than \$2 Million

The Lincoln County Resource Board (LCRB) has approved more than \$2 million in funding for local children and youth mental health services. The LCRB's next 12-month funding cycle begins July 1, 2023 and will conclude June 30, 2024, supporting 13 nonprofit agencies/public entities and 24 programs.

LCRB-funded services include: school-based prevention and early intervention programs; crisis care; counseling; parent-support and home-based programs; psychiatric services; substance use disorder prevention and outpatient services; therapeutic mentoring; case management; and more. Additionally, the LCRB will fund three new programs: The Crisis Nursery's Lincoln County Family Empowerment; Gateway Human Trafficking's Breaking the Chains of Human Trafficking (prevention); and the Troy R-III School District's Mental Health Series (ParentGuidance.org).

The LCRB's level of funding for Lincoln County kids reflects the urgent need for local mental health services, as evidenced by the declaration of a national emergency for children's mental health by several pediatric health



"If we are to keep pace with the level of local need, we, as a community, must commit to shopping locally," said LCRB Chairperson Kathy Boessen. "When we shop in Lincoln County, we are investing in the mental health of our children and adolescents ... the future of Lincoln County. As a board, we thank our local constituents who approved this sales tax measure, shop local, and, essentially, provide the LCRB with the ability to fund more than \$2 million in prevention, early intervention and crisis services for Lincoln County kids."

Please continue to shop locally to fund the LCRB's mission ("Put Kids First") to provide mental health programs and services to Lincoln County kids in their homes, schools and communities. **When you shop in Lincoln County, you are directly investing in our children and families.**

organizations in 2021, as well as local needs assessments conducted by the LCRB (available at www.lincolncountykids.org/reports).



Lincoln County Showers Babies with Love

Lincoln County residents satisfied their hunger to end child abuse and neglect by dining out at Chihuahua's Mexican Restaurant & Cantina in Troy last month.

Generosity and kindness are in bloom during this 2023 Shower of Love campaign and donation drive. Thank you to the Bank of Old Monroe, which once again filled the Lincoln County Resource Board office with critical baby care items to keep our babies healthy and to reduce family stressors associated with child abuse and neglect. The Bank of Old Monroe also presented monetary contributions. This year, our Lincoln County Early Childhood Task Force has leveraged monetary gifts to help prevent homelessness, keep families employed, and promote healthy care for Lincoln County babies and infants. Thank you Bank of Old Monroe for Putting Kids First in Lincoln County!

Chihuahua's "dine out" event for Shower of Love raised \$751. This donation will be used to purchase critical care items for Lincoln County's babies, infants and toddlers. Thank you Chihuahua's for your continued support!



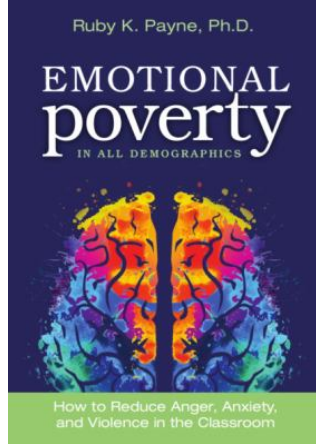
LCRB to Bring Dr. Ruby Payne to Lincoln County

When: Monday, August 14

What: Three Emotional Poverty Keynote Presentations delivered by Dr. Ruby Payne

Times: TBD

Where: Troy R-III School District



Performing Arts Center

Who: Faculty and staff from Troy, Winfield, Elsberry and Silex School Districts

***Community members who are interested in attending, please email director@lincolncountykids.org.**

The LCRB's investment in addressing emotional poverty in our county will better equip our community to meet the evolving needs of our students while retaining our quality educators in the process.

Strengthening Families; Protecting our Kids

Talk with experts. Learn about risks. Protect our kids.

The Child Advocacy Center provides FREE Strengthening Families programs for Lincoln County parents and caregivers. The May course will be offered at the Lincoln County Health Department May 23 and 25.

Contact Lori Lindsey to reserve your seat.

CHILD ADVOCACY CENTER
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STRENGTHENING FAMILIES

The Strengthening Families program is a FREE COURSE designed to teach parents and caregivers:

- Choices and behaviors to reduce the likelihood of your child becoming a victim
- What child abuse is and its effects
- Age appropriate sexual behaviors of children
- Indicators of child sexual abuse
- Tips on how to prevent child sexual abuse
- Signs of potential perpetrators
- Ways to respond responsibly to a child's disclosure
- Importance of reporting child abuse

WHERE: Lincoln County Health Department
5 Health Department Dr. Troy, MO 63379

WHEN: This program is a 4 hour course split between 2 nights, May 23 and May 25
2023 from 5:30-7:30pm

For more information contact Lori Lindsey
at lindsey@cacnemo.org or 636-332-0899 ext 128.

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Students Speak: Missouri Student Survey Findings

The **Missouri Student Survey** presents hundreds of questions to Missouri students regarding topics,



The Missouri Student Survey serves as the only survey where the LCRB receives feedback directly from students.

Findings from the 2022 survey include:

- One out of every five high school students had engaged in self-injury at least once in the past year (except for 12th graders with 18.1%).
- One out of every 20 middle and high school student respondents planned a suicide.
- By 11th grade more than 1/5 of the student sample had used marijuana at least once in their lifetime.
- Across all grade levels, more than 1/3 of the students reported engaging in emotional bullying at least one or more times in the past three months, with almost one out of every two students reporting being a victim of emotional bullying.

including: depression, use of alcohol and drugs, mental health, bullying experiences, school-based behaviors, and self-injury/suicide.

The 2022 Missouri Student Survey, developed and implemented by the Missouri Department of Mental Health, includes respondents from Lincoln County public school students with grades ranging from six through 12.

The LCRB partnered with Cynthia J. Berry, Ph.D., to analyze Lincoln County data, conduct a comparative analysis against statewide reporting and perform grade-level analysis to help guide future funding allocations. The comprehensive survey can be found at: [Missouri Student Survey | dmh.mo.gov](https://dmh.mo.gov). The LCRB survey analysis is available in our [website](#).

LCRB Meetings

The LCRB will hold its May meeting on Wed., May 24 at 8:30 a.m. at the Cuivre River Electric Cooperative in Troy and via Zoom. The May meeting will

feature a Zoom presentation by Dr. Cynthia Berry regarding the 2022 Missouri Student Survey findings.

Visit our [website and its meetings page](#) for more information and instructions.



All LCRB meetings, unless otherwise posted on the LCRB website, are held the fourth Wednesday of the month at Cuivre River Electric Cooperative (Troy), Community Room. **Please note our new meeting time: 8:30 to 9:30 a.m.**

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