



FAMILY & CHILDREN FIRST COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP

The Butler County Family & Children First Council (FCFC) works collaboratively with public and private family-serving agencies, individuals and systems to improve the well-being of families and children. Our Administrative Council meets five times per year to work on initiatives that increase the likelihood that children can grow up safe and healthy, surrounded by the support of their families and communities. Ohio Revised Code 121.37 identifies mandated members of FCFC as well as provides the opportunity for other non-profit agencies, groups, school districts and governmental agencies to become members. **Due to the support of state & local funds, membership is free in State Fiscal Year 2024.**

#### WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP?

- Contributing to the “greater good” of Butler County through partnerships and collaboration
- Voting privileges for members on Council resolutions and actions
- Networking and relationship-building with community partners
- Inclusion in the member directory
- Access to information, training and resources

#### WHAT ARE THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF MEMBERS?

- **Attend**-5 Council meetings per year and support other FCFC events
- **Participate**-in Council discussions, initiatives and sub-committees
- **Collaborate**- with FCFC members to find innovative solutions & improve access to services for Butler Co. families
- **Communicate**-the good work your agency is doing, share what you learn from Council with your staff and consumers, and promote the FCFC mission and vision to others

#### WHO MAY BECOME A VOTING MEMBER?

- Any local public or private organization that funds, advocates, or provides services to children and families of Butler County
- Individuals who have been served by a member agency may apply to participate as a “Family Representative.”

#### TO APPLY FOR MEMBERSHIP, SUBMIT A WRITTEN REQUEST TO THE COUNCIL DIRECTOR THAT INCLUDES:

- Commitment to improve the well-being of Butler County families and children through collaboration with FCFC member organizations
- Agreement to attend Administrative Council meetings on a regular basis
- Description of the funding, advocacy or services the organization provides signed by their CEO or Director

**-OR-**

Assurance that they or a family member have received services from a member organization

Submit membership request letters to FCFC Executive Director, Beth Race at [beth.race@bcesc.org](mailto:beth.race@bcesc.org). All requests will be presented to the FCFC committee for approval. If you have questions, contact Beth at 513-240-6253.