

Oklahoma Institute for Child Advocacy

*Creating awareness, taking action and changing
policy on behalf of children and youth.*



2005 Annual Report

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Purpose

The Oklahoma Institute for Child Advocacy (OICA) is the voice for Oklahoma's children and youth!

Mission

The Oklahoma Institute for Child Advocacy creates awareness, takes action and changes policy on behalf of children and youth.

Issue Areas

OICA is a broad-based, multi-issue organization that promotes issues, programs and policies designed to improve the health and well-being of our state's children and youth. OICA remains flexible and grass-roots oriented to better respond to the wide array of needs identified across our state. For most of 2005, OICA provided staff and/or support to four broad programmatic categories:

ADVOCACY:

Purpose: To ensure that the needs of children and youth are a priority in local and state policy and budgetary decision-making.

Programs and Activities:

Children's Information Network

Funded by Subscribers and Donations

Legislative advocacy
Training and technical assistance
Publications: alerts, voting records

Oklahoma KIDS COUNT Partnership

Funded by Annie E. Casey Foundation & Partners

Annual state factbook
KIDS COUNT Leadership Class
Child Watch Tours

Rural KIDS COUNT Partnership

Funded by Annie E. Casey Foundation & Partners

Research / Rural focus groups
Special two-state report (OK-AR)
Part of a national initiative and report

Policy Counts!

Funded by Annie E. Casey Foundation

Research / Reports
Training and technical assistance

Annual Fall Forum

Funded by Corporate Donations & Participants

Development of the Oklahoma
Legislative Agenda for Children and Youth

Annual Friends of Children Awards

Funded by Ticket Sales and Donations

Recognizing outstanding efforts
on behalf of children and youth

MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH

Purpose: To address the health care needs of children and families through education, outreach and access to health coverage.

Programs and Activities:

Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies Coalition

Funded by the Oklahoma State Dept. of Health

Public awareness and education
Advocacy on health issues
Professional training

Covering Kids and Families Partnership

Funded by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

Outreach, simplification and coordination
to improve the processes for
identifying, enrolling and retaining
eligible children and pregnant women
in Medicaid coverage

The Lead Poisoning Prevention Program- Get The Lead Out!

*Funded by Dupont /U.S Conference of Mayor,
The Office of the Attorney General and Integris Health.*

Outreach / education for families to
eliminate childhood lead poisoning

YOUTH INITIATIVES

Purpose: To promote key data, research, “best practice” strategies, program resources and collaborative efforts that will help expand programs and policies to address the needs of youth more effectively and link prevention with positive youth development from an asset-based approach.

Programs and Activities:

Healthy Teens OK (Teen Pregnancy Prevention)

Funded by the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Women’s Foundation of Oklahoma and The Merrick Foundation

State teen pregnancy prevention work with the state coalition and state/national partner organizations

HEART of OKC Project

Funded by contributions from individuals and the Junior League of OKC

Vietnamese Youth Today
Teen Outreach Program (TOP) prevention program model

Youth Asset Survey

Contract with University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center through a grant from CDC

Longitudinal research study involving 1,100 teens and parents
Preparation of academic journal articles
Dissemination of research findings linking prevention with youth development

Refugee Youth Project

Funded by Office of Refugee Resettlement Justin Vogt Donor Fund, Kirkpatrick Family Fund, and individual donors

Outreach and support to help refugee youth assimilate into school
Youth leadership development
Tutoring and language skills

Teen Pregnancy Prevention Project

Funded by the Oklahoma State Department of Health with additional community support

Postponing Sexual Involvement (PSI) curriculum program model in two inner city middle schools in OKC
Positive Ways high school peer educators
Parent involvement
OKC area community coalition, with Central Oklahoma Turning Point

Oklahoma Afterschool Network

Funded by The Charles Stewart Mott Foundation, the State of Oklahoma and other sources

Statewide network
Program and resource development
Training and technical assistance
Selected for the Mott Foundation’s afterschool network initiative
Linkage with national organizations

Disconnected Youth: Teen Parents

Funded by the Annie E. Casey Foundation

Research and needs assessment
Development of program and policy recommendations

Healthy Communities-Healthy Youth

Funded by contributions

Resources for asset-building activities
Participation in national HCHY conference

Ready by 21 Initiative

*Partnership provided by the Forum for
Youth Investment*

- Technical assistance
- Tools for program and policy development

ORGANIZATIONAL SUPPORT/PARTNERSHIPS

These organizations were housed at OICA in 2005. OICA provided office space, staff and/or support to these organizations in 2005.

EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION

Oklahoma Partnership for School Readiness/Smart Start Oklahoma

Funded by state legislative appropriation

- Improving school readiness opportunities
for Oklahoma's young children and their families
- Recognizing and promoting best practices
for existing programs, and coordinating
private and public funds

OPSR Foundation

Funded by private donations

- Supporting the work of the OPSR
by developing private resources

CHILD FITNESS AND NUTRITION

Oklahoma Fit Kids Coalition

Funded by the Fit Kids Coalition Partnership

*Including Integris Health, St. Francis Health System
and Oklahoma State Department of Health*

- Childhood obesity reduction
- Public awareness and education
- Legislative advocacy

2005 Highlights of Accomplishments

ADVOCACY

Children's Legislative Agenda, Children's Information Network, Annual Fall Forum, Oklahoma KIDS COUNT Partnership, Annual Friends of Children Awards

2005 Legislative Session - Children's Agenda

The 2005 Oklahoma Legislative Session was historic in many respects, with term limits creating the largest class of freshmen legislators in 40 years, so the sheer volume of new legislators made our job particularly challenging! Yet policy makers supported our issues in record numbers, with 123 out of 149 legislators supporting at least 80% of our agenda. Child health was our utmost priority as poor nutritional habits and sedentary lifestyles have created a crisis in childhood obesity, causing alarming health problems in children and adolescents. To address this issue, lawmakers enacted three measures to help our schools create an environment that promotes healthy habits in Oklahoma students. SB 265 limits access to foods of low-nutritional value in schools. SB 312 requires 60 minutes per week of physical education in grades K-5, and requires middle and high schools to offer physical education as an elective. HB 1647 directs the State Board of Education to establish the "Walk Across Oklahoma" physical education program for 5th graders. These three measures were among the several victories from the 2005 Children's Agenda.

Annual Fall Forum

The October conference was our largest ever. With a focus on *The Picture of Health*, OICA welcomed Ron Pollack, founding Executive Director of Families USA, the national organization for health care consumers, to address the crowd of over 400 participants, including state-agency directors, legislators and advocates from across the state. Together, participants developed the 2006 Legislative Agenda for Children and Youth, and have pledged to remain engaged throughout the year to make a lasting difference for kids.

Honoring the Unsung Heroes - Annual Friends of Children Awards

This year's Friends of Children Banquet was an outstanding evening of good food, good entertainment, and gratitude for all of those working to improve the lives of children and youth. Honorees for 2005 were:

- Volunteer: Bruce Holmes, Eagle Ridge Institute, Oklahoma City
- Professional: Terrence L. Stull, Chairman OUHSC Department of Pediatrics, Oklahoma City
- Youth: Dinh Ngo, Vietnamese-American Community, Oklahoma City
- Program: Happy Hooker Crochet Group, Moore & First Capitol City Quilters, Guthrie Guild of the Christ Child
- Corporation: Stillwater National Bank, Central Oklahoma Division, Oklahoma City
Joey P. Root, President
- Lifetime Achievement: Liz Reece, Tulsa

Oklahoma KIDS COUNT Factbook 2005

The 2005 Oklahoma KIDS COUNT Factbook was released at the Fall Legislative Forum in October. The *Factbook* updates the annual indicators of child, family and community well-being tracked for the last nine years for Oklahoma and each of its 77 counties, and provides solid information for guiding state and community policy decisions. This latest book focused on the state of children's health in Oklahoma and included indicators such as access to health care and insurance coverage. The entire book is available online, at www.oica.org in an interactive, searchable format.

KIDS COUNT Leadership Class XI

Oklahoma KIDS COUNT Leaders, now numbering over 160 alums, are among the most valued volunteers of OICA. KIDS COUNT Leaders extend the mission of OICA into communities throughout Oklahoma. Class XI was made up of 13 Leaders from throughout Oklahoma. Each leader participated in a group project that improved outcomes for children and youth in their community. The leaders finished ten trainings, beginning in August with a leadership retreat and ending with a graduation celebration in May. Creating awareness, taking action and changing policy are the areas used to frame the work of the Leaders as well as the Institute as a whole.

MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH

Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies Coalition; Covering Kids and Families Partnership; The Lead Poisoning Prevention Program

Promoting Breastfeeding

After several alarming incidents of breastfeeding moms being harassed and run out of local business establishments, the Oklahoma Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies Coalition worked with the Central Oklahoma Breastfeeding Alliance to change state regulations to exempt breastfeeding mothers from public indecency laws. Pediatricians joined the cause and helped raise awareness about this important issue.

Process Improvement Collaborative

For a second year, the Oklahoma Covering Kids & Families Process Improvement Collaborative on Maximizing Efficiency and Effectiveness of Medicaid and SCHIP Eligibility Systems for adults and children was involved with eleven other teams from across the U.S. Oklahoma's five-member team worked on improvement strategies that would help to increase the number of successfully renewed medical cases by decreasing the number of automatic case closures. Oklahoma's team was instrumental in the implementation of a phone-in process for renewals; in streamlining the work flow for walk-in clients at a pilot site; in developing an effective second-reminder letter for upcoming renewals that has been used in not only the pilot site, but adapted for future implementation by other Medicaid expansion programs.

The Lead Poisoning Prevention Program – Get The Lead Out!

The main purpose of the program is the elimination of childhood lead poisoning as a public health problem in Oklahoma. The program addresses primary prevention activities by; educating families and organization, exchanging lead-based contaminated products for lead-free products and inspecting the lead-contaminated houses. This OICA Program was able to reach and impact more than 800 families. Activities included 42 outreach events, where 373 families participated in “product exchanges,” trading lead-contaminated bean pots and mini-blinds for new, lead-free products. The project also completed 28 home inspections, and educated property owners and residents about the hazards of lead paint.

EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION

Smart Start Oklahoma (Oklahoma Partnership for School Readiness), Oklahoma Partnership for School Readiness Foundation, and Smart Start Oklahoma Communities

Oklahoma Partnership for School Readiness (OPSR)

The Oklahoma Partnership for School Readiness Act was signed into law in April 2003, establishing the Oklahoma Partnership for School Readiness - a 29 member public-private partnership with the task of promoting school readiness in Oklahoma. The Oklahoma Partnership for School Readiness, known now as Smart Start Oklahoma, pursues public-private agreements and strategies aimed at improving school readiness opportunities for Oklahoma's young children and their families. Smart Start Oklahoma is tasked with recognizing and promoting best practices for existing programs, as well as coordinating private and public funds. With the help of OICA during its incubation, Smart Start Oklahoma has grown into a fully operational partnership initiative. In September 2005, Smart Start Oklahoma moved from its incubated location at OICA to its own offices (right across the street!).

Oklahoma Partnership for School Readiness Foundation

Also established in late 2003, the Oklahoma Partnership for School Readiness Foundation is a private 501(c) 3 organization comprised of community leaders who share the vision that all Oklahoma children are safe, healthy, eager to learn and ready to succeed by the time they enter school. The primary focus is to raise private funds to support the efforts of Smart Start Oklahoma and maximize the impact of private dollars to influence early care and education opportunities for Oklahoma's young children. The Foundation currently has two OICA Board members serving on its board of trustees, Bill Doenges and Bob McCormick. Bill Doenges also serves as chairman of the Foundation.

Smart Start Oklahoma Communities

Smart Start Oklahoma communities bring together community leaders, businesses, educators, advocates, and parents to develop initiatives tailored to the needs of young children and their families in each community. Currently, Smart Start Oklahoma has a 16-member community based network. The 16 communities include:

Ada	Muskogee	Tulsa
Bartlesville	Norman	Duncan
Durant	Oklahoma City	Choctaw, McCurtain and
Enid	Ponca City	Pushmataha (Tri-County
Guthrie	Shawnee	area)
Lawton	Stillwater	Tahlequah

The work in these communities addresses a variety of school readiness issues including: parent education and support, good health, quality childcare and positive early learning environments.

CHILD FITNESS AND NUTRITION

Oklahoma Fit Kids Coalition, an OICA Contract Project

Advocacy

In the second year of OICA's contract to manage the operations of the Oklahoma Fit Kids Coalition project, additional legislation was passed to limit school offerings in vending machines (SB 265) and to require physical education in elementary schools (SB 312). In partnership with the State Department of Education, new guidelines were written to support the 2004 legislation requiring each school to have a Healthy & Fit School Advisory Committee, and this requirement was added to the school evaluation process for the future.

Accomplishments

- At the OK Assn. of Health, Physical Education, Recreation & Dance Annual Conference, Anne Roberts was honored for her work in promoting the health of our children.
- *The Oklahoma Physical Activity & Nutrition State Plan* was outlined as a cooperative project of the Oklahoma State Department of Health and Fit Kids Coalition members.
- Community outreach partnerships resulted in the Omniplex opening the Fit Kids Clubhouse as part of their "Smart Mouth" exhibit;
- Subway restaurants in Oklahoma City and Tulsa sponsored a visit by their spokesman, Jared Fogle;
- the Schools for Healthy Lifestyles offered a post-conference Fit Kids summer workshop, "G.Y.M. CONNECTIONS," for all of Oklahoma's educators that was a huge success;
- as the result of the OICA Fall Forum section on "Child & Adolescent Health", Fit Kids began work with several partners for the "Farm-to-School Program" that provides fresh foods to school systems.
- The Fit Kids Coalition sponsored a series of short info-mercials on TV Channel 9 (OKC), "Together at the Table", promoting healthy meal preparations and family dinnertime together.

YOUTH INITIATIVES

Youth Asset Study, *HEART of OKC*, Healthy Communities • Healthy Youth: OK, OKC Teen Pregnancy Prevention Project, Refugee Youth Project, Healthy Teens OK: Interagency Coordinating Council on the Prevention of Adolescent Pregnancy and STDs, Oklahoma Afterschool Network, and Ready by 21

Youth Asset Survey

The Youth Asset Survey (YAS) explores the relationship between a series of youth assets (protective factors) and adolescent health risk behaviors. Findings from over 2,000 pairs of teen/parent interviews have been published in 13 academic journal articles with four additional articles in progress. Presentations were made at numerous state and national conferences in 2005. The YAS began in 1997 as a research partnership between the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center (OUHSC) and OICA as part of the CDC-funded *HEART of OKC* Project. In 2002, the OUHSC received additional multi-year CDC funding to support the OUHSC/ OICA research team in refining the initial YAS survey tool (in English and Spanish) and conducting another round of over 1,000 in-home interviews with Oklahoma City teens during 2004. Wave 2 interviews were conducted in 2005 as a part of the longitudinal study, which involves interviewing the same teens on an annual basis. CDC officials have called the YAS some of the most important youth development research in the country.

***HEART of OKC* Project**

Several activities developed by the *HEART of OKC* (Healthy, Empowered And Responsible Teens) Project have continued, following the end of the CDC funding in 2003. The project continues to be featured at national conferences and in publications for its work in linking teen pregnancy prevention to positive youth development in new and creative ways.

▪ **Older Teens and Teen Pregnancy Prevention**

The *HEART of OKC* has worked to raise awareness of the need to address teen pregnancy among older teens (18-19 year olds) more effectively at the local, state and national levels. In 2005, the Teen Birth Indicator in the Annie E. Casey Foundation's national *KIDS COUNT Data Book* was changed from young teens only (15-17 years of age), to the birth rate that included ages 15-19, in part, due to the work of OICA in promoting the needs of older teens. The 2005 *Oklahoma KIDS COUNT Factbook* changed its Teen Birth Indicator to include older teens, thus providing a more accurate and complete picture of teen birth rates in the state.

▪ **Teen Outreach Program (TOP)**

The Teen Outreach Program (TOP) has been identified as a youth development/teen pregnancy prevention program that has some of the strongest evidence of effectiveness. The TOP program model that was established in the Oklahoma City Public Schools continued at the Emerson Teen Parent Program and N.W. Classen High School during 2005. This is the only TOP model in Oklahoma.

- **Viet Youth Today Association**

The Viet Youth Today Association continues to establish its reputation in the community and region as an exemplary model for youth-planned and youth-driven leadership and volunteer service projects. A main focus of the group's volunteer effort this past year included planning and conducting the tutoring and other leadership and learning programs for the Refugee Youth Project.

Healthy Communities • Healthy Youth: Oklahoma

OICA continued its leadership role in promoting an asset-building approach to youth development and prevention, continuing to be a source of asset-building ideas and technical assistance in the state and the primary Oklahoma contact in Search Institute's State Asset-Building Network. Several Oklahoma participants attended the national HCHY conference in 2005, thanks to OICA.

Teen Pregnancy Prevention Project: Postponing Sexual Involvement (PSI)

OICA coordinates one of the State Health Department's eight community-based teen pregnancy prevention projects. Area high school students were recruited and trained to present the five-session Postponing Sexual Involvement (PSI) for Young Teens abstinence-based curriculum to nearly 300 students at Jackson and Webster Middle Schools in Oklahoma City. Results for 2004-05 PSI evaluation, conducted by the OUHSC, indicated improvement in numerous student outcome areas. The greatest improvements were in the area of student knowledge of the subject matter. The overwhelming majority of students rated the program as beneficial and the instructors as outstanding, indicating that both the curriculum and the program staff are meeting the needs of this diverse population.

Positive Ways Peer Educators

A group of 25 students from Southeast High School in Oklahoma City were selected to serve as the Positive Ways peer educators for the 2005-06 school year to facilitate the PSI sessions at Jackson and Webster Middle Schools during the fall and spring semesters. The peer educators from the 2004-2005 school year planned and implemented other teen pregnancy prevention activities in the community, including a special event at Crossroads Mall to promote the National Day to Prevent Teen Pregnancy in May. This year's peer educators displayed an exceptional level of dedication, responsibility and enthusiasm. The leadership training for the teen volunteers included public speaking and communications skills, health issues, and problem-solving skills for making better choices.

Refugee Youth Project

The Refugee Youth Project moved into its second year in 2005, providing critical tutoring and support activities for young people who have come to Oklahoma as refugees, speaking little (if any) English and having few resources. The project assists refugee youth in gaining the information and skills they need to adjust to their new community and culture, adapt to the school setting, understand the importance of good health and plan for their future. The stories of the refugee youth in the project were featured in a 2005 Refugee Youth Project Calendar that was presented to the families and shared with community leaders.

State Teen Pregnancy Prevention Council

Sharon Rodine, OICA Youth Initiatives Director, was appointed by Governor Henry to serve on the state teen pregnancy prevention coalition, the State Interagency Coordinating Council for the Prevention of Adolescent Pregnancy and STDs. During 2005, OICA played a lead role in gathering and presenting data, working with the state agencies and organizations, identifying effective programs and strategies being used by other states, building contacts with national organizations and suggesting ways to improve the state's teen pregnancy prevention efforts. Sharon worked with the chair, Kay Holladay, to prepare the ICC's 2005 State Report which was presented to Governor Henry in December.

Healthy Teens OK Project

OICA prepared and submitted a proposal on behalf of the state teen pregnancy prevention coalition that was selected by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) as one of nine state coalitions to participate in a five year project focused on helping the coalitions identify, select, implement and evaluate science-based practices to teen pregnancy prevention. The project, "Healthy Teens OK", will work with CDC and with three national organizations (National Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy, Advocates for Youth, and Healthy Teen Network) to provide the training and technical assistance to the state coalition and its member agencies and organizations.

Oklahoma Afterschool Network (OKAN)

During 2005, OICA provided leadership and organizational support for the Oklahoma Afterschool Network (OKAN), which is composed of key state agencies, coalitions and private sector organizations and works to expand the quality and quantity of afterschool programs in Oklahoma. Currently, over 60 agencies and organizations have representatives on OKAN. In 2005, OICA prepared the OKAN proposal that was selected by the Charles Stewart Mott Foundation as one of the six state afterschool networks to be added to their national afterschool initiative. OKAN joined 18 other states in the Mott Foundation's national initiative in October and will receive three-year funding and technical assistance from the Foundation as part of the project. The match funding required for the Mott Foundation project was provided by the State Legislature.

Ready by 21: Partnership with Forum for Youth Investment

OICA, representing Oklahoma, was one of 16 state and community groups invited by Karen Pittman, and the Forum for Youth Investment to participate in a short-term technical assistance project during 2005 that was focused on promoting their "Ready by 21" framework. The RB21 framework focuses on three main elements that are needed in the lives of young people: prevention, preparation, and participation. OICA is working with the Forum for Youth Investment to explore ways the "Ready by 21" framework can be used in Oklahoma in the coming year to improve youth program and policy development.

2005 Contributors

A sincere thanks to all of the individuals, organizations, foundations and corporations that helped us to continue the work of our mission in 2005.

Visionary \$10,000 and greater

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Center for Disease Control and Prevention

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Oklahoma Attorney General's Office
(from cy pres restitution ordered in New York, et al. v. Salton, Inc.)

Oklahoma Partnership for School Readiness

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Organizational Information

Fiscal Management / Operational Budget

The Oklahoma Institute for Child Advocacy is governed by a 23-member Board of Directors, who bring a wealth of expertise to their service on the Board. Board members serve 3-year terms, and meet on the second Tuesday of each month from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm, at the Faculty House in Oklahoma City.

In 2005, OICA operated on a budget of \$1.066 million. Approximately 25% of the income was provided by government grants and contracts while 39% was provided by private foundations. The other 36% was provided through the generosity of individuals, corporations, organizations, and tribal entities.

In 2005, OICA added a full time position to facilitate the organization's website development and computer technology needs. This is reflected in the administrative expenditures of 11%. OICA also created a part time position to focus on fund development (specifically the Board's fundraising efforts). The position was made possible by a grant from the Sarkeys Foundation and has added a new category to our financial report titled "Fund Development".

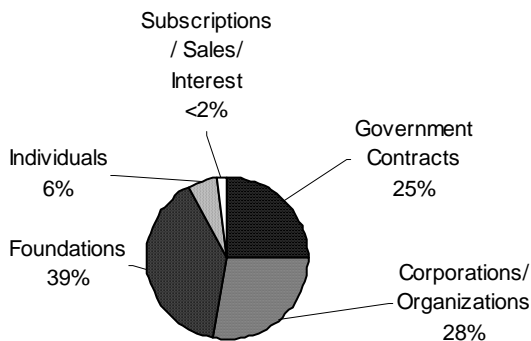
The expansion of Smart Start Oklahoma to its new operating space minimized OICA expenditures in the early childhood category for 2005.

At the end of 2005, the staff included 11 full-time employees, 5 part-time employees, and numerous consultants and volunteers. OICA has partnered with the local universities and services providers, who continually send us excellent practicum students and interns. We are especially pleased with this opportunity to train young people in the practical aspects of child advocacy, and build new relationships within our community.

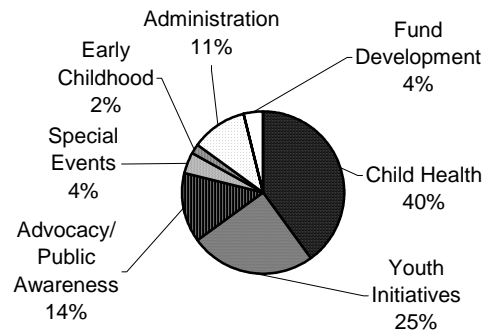
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The following figures are preliminary and have not yet been audited.

Oklahoma Institute for Child Advocacy 2005 Financial Report



2005 Revenues: \$1,136,724



2005 Expenditures: \$1,020,366

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