

County Report Canadian County October-December, 2015

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Sooner SUCCESS works intimately with both the public and private sectors with the overarching goal to promote a comprehensive, coordinated system of health, social and educational services for Oklahoma children and youth with special healthcare needs in their local community.

Sooner SUCCESS Activities

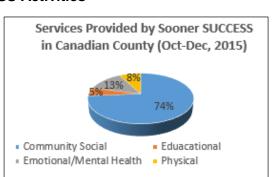
No. of Family Served: 24

No. of Children Served: 27

Children with Sooner Care: 8 (29.63%)

Children without any insurance: 3 (11.11%)

Services Provided: 38



(Community/Social: 28, Emotional/Mental Health: 5, Physical Health: 3, Education: 2)

Sooner SUCCESS Coalition and Capacity Building Activities

County Coalition- The Canadian County Coalition for Children & Families **Date/Time of meeting:** Second Tuesday of each month. The meeting runs from 12:00-1:00p.m.

Location of Meeting: 7565 E. Highway 66, El Reno, Oklahoma

Community Highlights

Fall Family Festival

Sponsored the Mustang Sibshops/Respite Fall Family Festival Oct 3rd. Had over 120 attendees. SS staff ran the parent education program while volunteers provided respite (recreational programs) for the children and adults with special needs and the Sibshop for typically developing siblings. The Respite program had pumpkin painting, a dance class, and self-advocacy scrapbook making. The Sibshop played games and had pumpkin painting as well. To end the evening, families came back together and enjoyed a meal from Swadleys BBQ.

Family Story

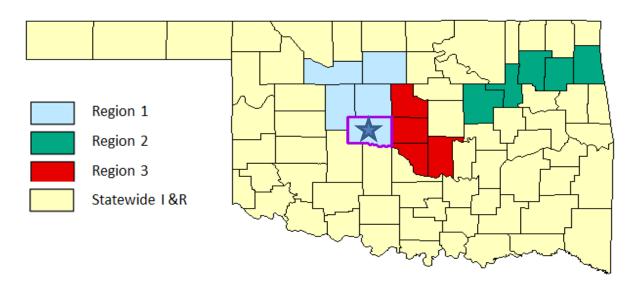
SS was contacted by a grandmother who is raising her grandson with special needs and who recently lost her husband. They had not previously applied for assistance because the grandfather had a military benefit. Once he passed away, things changed and she had difficulty getting the VA benefits staff to answer questions and provide her with necessary forms. SS gave her a contact for a Veteran's Aid group that handles paperwork free of charge and knows exactly what is needed. They are willing to come to her home to discuss the situation, bring the needed paperwork and help her access her Widow's pension. While it will take a while for VA to grant benefits, she is started on track.

Total Population: 129,582

Children under 5 years: 8,811 (6.80%)

Children under 18 years: 34,339 (26.50%) -- (Census Estimates as of 2014)

Sooner SUCCESS in Oklahoma



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Additional Statewide Services:



Sibshops are opportunities for brothers and sisters of children with disabilities, special health care needs, and mental health challenges to obtain peer support and education within a recreational setting.



A one day conference that assists families, who live with an individual with a disability, navigate a complex system



Provides a much-needed temporary break from full-time caregiving for their loved one. This program is for caregivers who do not qualify for other respite programs. If eligible, caregivers may receive respite vouchers.

Supporting Parents with Disabilities

Sooner SUCCESS is partnering with Through the Looking Glass to provide statewide training in June, 2016 for professionals that assist parents with physical and intellectual disabilities to increase and enhance services for these families.

Healthcare Transition

Sooner SUCCESS is working with families, providers, and partners to improve healthcare transition process. Healthcare transition is a change from pediatrics to adult healthcare when a child becomes an adult.