

2022 SUPPORTING YOUNG FAMILIES TOOLKIT UPDATE



This list of resources serves as an update to the American Public Human Services Association's [2020 Toolkit for Supporting Young Families Through Human Services](#). This toolkit provides links to a multitude of resources to help health and human services leaders evaluate and intentionally design programs to meet the unique needs of young families.

Resource	Description	Source
Advancing Equity for Fathers in Human Services Systems	This brief outlines four key practices identified by experts from the child welfare, child support, and fatherhood fields to help advance equity for fathers across human services systems.	The Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation, and Mathematica, Inc. (2022)
APHSA Young Parent Leader Panel	Nicole Lynn Lewis, author of <i>Pregnant Girl</i> , and founder and Chief Executive Officer of Generation Hope, is joined by Parent Leaders from APHSA's <i>System Alignment for Children & Families Working Group</i> in a panel discussion celebrating their successes as parents, students and professionals and hearing their thoughts on what we can do to create a better future for all young families.	American Public Human Services Association (2021)
Building a 21st Century Research Agenda: Using Evidence to Promote Better Outcomes for Families	This new agenda identifies a large array of research gaps that need to be addressed to inform a 21st-century system to support children and their families. The report also contains recommendations for how research should be undertaken and used in decision-making to improve practice and policy.	Annie E. Casey Foundation, Casey Family Programs, and the William T. Grant Foundation (2022)
Centering Parent Voice in Policy and Advocacy	These resources and examples, gathered during Alliance for Early Success' Centering Parent Voices Huddle session, inventories examples and resources from state agencies centering parent voice.	Alliance for Early Success (2021)
Community Organizing and Family Issues (COFI)	For nearly 25 years, COFI has been building the leadership, power and voice of low-income parents (primarily mothers and grandmothers) to improve life opportunities for children and families. Explore COFI's website for resources and reports.	

<u>Community Resource Hubs Promote Connections, Well-Being, Services For Young Minnesota Families</u> <u>Supplemental Link</u>	Minnesota's federally funded Community Resource Hubs connect young families with the services they need for children to thrive in communities across the state. Read Minnesota Department of Human Services' report for additional details on how Minnesota is using these hubs to address the root causes of adverse outcomes, including structural racism and historical trauma, to prevent those struggles, and to support child and family well-being.	Minnesota Department of Human Services (2021)
<u>Early Childhood Systems Collective Impact Project</u>	This one pager provides information on the <i>Early Childhood Systems (ECS) Collective Impact Project</i> designed to re-envision a coordinated approach to program implementation design that advances equitable early childhood and family well-being outcomes across federal programs.	The Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation (ASPE), and the Health Resources and Services Administration (2022)
<u>Engaging Young Parents: A Toolkit for Youth-Serving Organizations and Agencies</u>	This toolkit of best practices, tips, and resources is designed to support youth-serving institutions authentically engage young parents as partners and leaders in their organization's efforts to serve young families. The toolkit gives insight on creating a Young Parent Leadership Council (YPLC), among other insights.	Advocates for Youth (2021)
<u>Family Voice Compass</u>	This resource hub, informed by the <i>Colorado Department of Human Services' Family Voice Council</i> , provides information, tools, and resources to help agency efforts in creating a family advisory structure for human services organizations, programs, or departments.	Colorado Department of Human Services (2022)
<u>National Parent Leadership Institute</u>	The National Parent Leadership Institute is a parent-centered, anti-racist organization that partners with parents and communities to equip families with the civic skills, knowledge, and opportunities to be leading advocates for children at home, school, and in the community.	
<u>Manifesto for Race Equity & Parent Leadership in Early Childhood Systems</u>	A group of 40 parent leaders and agency staff from nine EC-LINC communities, with support from CSSP staff and consultants, came together to create this Manifesto for Race Equity and Parent Leadership in Early Childhood.	Center for the Study of Social Policy (2019)
<u>Parent Engagement and Leadership Assessment Guide and Toolkit</u>	This resource is designed to help agencies, systems, and collaboratives working with young children and their families to chart a course toward an expanded approach to family engagement.	Center for the Study of Social Policy (2019)

Supporting Young Parenting Students With Navigation Services - Child Trends	This brief explores how navigation services can support young parenting students as they pursue higher education. This brief draws on work in Austin, Miami, and Santa Fe through the Expanding Opportunities for Young Families (EOYF) initiative funded by the Annie E. Casey Foundation and highlights young parent leaders at each site.	Child Trends (2022)
Understanding Families' Experiences of Poverty	This research report outlines key takeaways from the <i>2019 Childhood and Family Experiences Qualitative Study</i> that sought to understand how children, adolescents, and parents perceive and experience poverty.	MDRC (2022)
Working Together: A Roadmap to Human Services System Alignment for Young Families	This Roadmap establishes a framework to modernize health and human services agencies, realigning siloed programs and services focused on important, but segmented, aspects of community needs.	American Public Human Services Association (2021)
Youth Listening Session Toolkit	This toolkit and its accompanying workbook include 18 ready-to-use templates, forms, and sample documents informed by the lessons and insights gained through the <i>Youth Listening Session (YLS)</i> collaborative pilot.	HHS Office of Population Affairs (2020)
100% New Mexico's 10 Vital Services Model Resonated Strongly During Pandemic Supplemental Link Supplemental Link 2	This evaluation study looks at eight New Mexico counties' adaptation of the 100% New Mexico model to ensure access to 10 vital services during the COVID-19 global pandemic.	Chapin Hall (2022)