



Welcome to the

Child Abuse & Neglect **PREVENTION CONFERENCE**

March 23-24, 2017

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**Strengthening families
& preventing child abuse
& neglect through
grant distribution, education,
awareness & partnerships.**

- Strong Parents, Stable Children Protective Factors Training
- Community & Family Resilience
- Parent Engagement/Leadership/Café
- ACEs/Trauma Informed Care
- Stewards of Children Sexual Abuse Prevention
- Mandated Reporter Online Training
- Missouri Kids Count
- Focus on Fatherhood
- *and much, much more!*



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April 7 is
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Conference Agenda

At a glance

Thursday, March 23

- 10 a.m.-5 p.m. **Registration**
- 1:15-2:30 p.m. **Opening Keynote**
Parent Partnerships/Using Data to Tell Your Prevention Story
Carolyn Abdullah, Training & Technical Assistant Coordinator, FRIENDS National Center for Community Based Child Abuse Prevention (CBCAP)
- Parent Engagement & Support***
Suzanne Greenberg, President & CEO, CAN Council Great Lakes Bay Region
- Search Inward, Turn Outward, Look Upward, Press Forward***
Dr. David Schramm, Professor & Family Life Specialist, Utah State University
- 2:30 p.m. **Refreshment Break**
- 2:30-3:30 p.m. ***Resilience: The Biology of Stress & the Science of Hope (documentary)***
- 3:45-5 p.m. **Four (4) Break-out Sessions**
- 5-6 p.m. **Networking Reception**

Friday, March 24

- 7:30 a.m.-12 p.m. **Registration**
- 7:30-8:15 a.m. **Breakfast**
- 7:45-8:05 a.m. **Wake-up Message**
Those at the Front Table
Kelly Schultz, Executive Director, Office of Child Advocate
- 8:15-9:45 a.m. **Four (4) Break-out Sessions**
- 9:45-10 a.m. **Refreshment Break**
- 10-11:30 a.m. **Four (4) Break-out Sessions**
- 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. **Luncheon Keynote**
Bouncing Back & Beyond: The Power of Resilience
Thomas Vansaghi, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Nonprofit Leadership, William Jewell College
- 12:30-2 p.m. **Four (4) Break-out Sessions**
- 2-3 p.m. **Closing Rally**
Victory by Design
D.J. 'Eagle Bear' Vanas, Motivational Storyteller & Leadership Expert, Native Discovery Inc.

General Information

Host Hotel Accommodations:

Capitol Plaza Hotel
415 West McCarty Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101
800-338-8088

Rate: \$89 per night

(single or double occupancy room)

* Please make your reservation by **Monday, February 27, 2017** to ensure the rate.

Registration Fee:

\$95 per person

* Please register online at ctf4kids.org.

* Fee includes all conference materials, workshops, general sessions, refreshment breaks, one continental breakfast & one lunch.

* Please include payment with your registration.

* Registration Deadline: **Monday, March 13, 2017**

* There will be no cancellation refunds after **Friday, March 17, 2017**.

* Please complete one Registration Form for each person attending.

Exhibit Opportunity (Atrium):

\$50 Exhibit Only

\$125 Exhibit & Attendee (includes exhibit & fee for one person to attend all conference events)

* Please include payment with your registration.

Display Times:

Thursday, March 23, 2017 12-5 p.m.

Friday, March 24, 2017 8 a.m.-12 p.m.

Nine (9) Possible Training Hours.

Tweet from the conference & participate in live conversation by using the hashtag **#ctf4kids**.





Workshop Agenda

Thursday, March 23

10 a.m.-5 p.m. Registration Opens
Convention Lobby

1:15 p.m. Welcome
Missouri/Capitol Room
Kirk Schreiber, CTF Executive Director
Peggy Krokstrom, CTF Chair

1:15-2:30 p.m. Opening Keynote (all attendees)
Missouri/Capitol Room

It is an **adult responsibility**
to protect kids.



General Session Speakers

Three prominent national leaders in the field of child abuse and neglect prevention will present teaser and general information about their specific workshops specific to resilience, parent leadership & strengthening families.

Parent Partnerships/Using Data to Tell Your Prevention Story



Carolyn Abdullah
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Carolyn Abdullah is a Training and Technical Assistance Coordinator for the FRIENDS National Center for CBCAP where she provides technical support and training to CBCAP State Leads. Carolyn has over 25 years of experience working on issues related to children, youth and families. Prior to joining FRIENDS she held positions at Prevent Child Abuse North Carolina, the National Alliance of Children's Trust and Prevention Funds and the DC Children's Trust Fund. She has experience working with parent leaders to expand and advance meaningful roles for parents in family strengthening programs. This includes working in partnership with parents and practitioners to host guided community conversations where participants share their knowledge and experiences as they create strategies to improve the lives of children, families and communities. Carolyn has a Bachelor's Degree in Communications and a Master's Degree in Instructional Design.

Parenting Support



Suzanne Greenberg
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Suzanne Greenberg has served as President/CEO of the CAN Council Great Lakes Bay Region for 22 years. As a survivor of childhood physical and sexual abuse, Suzanne's commitment to and passion for stopping child abuse and neglect is palpable. The organization has grown to include not only Child Abuse Prevention Education (CAPE) but the local Children's Advocacy Center (CAC) and Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) programs. In 2012, the CAN Council regionalized to include Bay County's Nathan Weidner Center. In 2016, advocacy expanded to include Arenac County as well. With 37 years of public speaking experience, her volunteer efforts include speaking throughout the region, state and country as well as leading collaborative efforts such as Great Start Collaborative. She has served on the Board of Directors for the Michigan Nonprofit Association, Michigan CASA Association and the National CASA Association, Midland Jaycees, North Midland Family Center, First Congregational Church of Saginaw and is currently serving on the New ERA group working to improve the city of Saginaw as well as ACT—HEAL group working to improve the lives of children in Uganda.

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Thursday, March 23



Search Inward, Turn Outward, Look Upward, Press Forward

Dr. David Schramm
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David Schramm, Ph.D., is an Assistant Professor and Family Life Extension Specialist in the Department of Family, Consumer, and Human Development at Utah State University. After graduating with his Ph.D. in Family Studies from Auburn University, he spent nine years as a Family Life Specialist at the University of Missouri. His work centers on promoting happy and healthy relationships, including romantic and marital relationships, parent-child relationships, and co-parenting relationships for separated or divorced parents. He married his high school sweetheart Jamie, they have four children, and live in North Logan, Utah.

2:30 p.m.

Refreshment Break Missouri/Capitol Room

2:30-3:30 p.m.

Resilience: The Biology of Stress & the Science of Hope

Missouri/Capitol Room

Introduction by Missouri KidsFirst/Missouri Prevent Child Abuse America Chapter



This documentary chronicles the birth of a new movement among pediatricians, therapists, educators and communities, who are using cutting-edge brain science to disrupt cycles of violence, addiction and disease. Though the original research was controversial, the results revealed the most important public health findings of a generation. **RESILIENCE**, a new one-hour documentary released by KJPR Films, delves into the science of Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) and a new movement to treat and prevent Toxic Stress. Now understood to be one of the leading causes of everything from heart disease and cancer to substance abuse and depression, extremely stressful experiences in childhood can alter brain development and have lifelong effects on health and behavior. However, as experts and practitioners profiled in **RESILIENCE** are proving, what's predictable is preventable.

3:45-5 p.m.

Four (4) Break-out Sessions (please choose one)

▶ Parent Support Is Possible

Room TBD

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Have you been working hard to create a strong network of parent support for the parents you serve? While making this happen would be easier and faster if we "just did it by ourselves", it is critical to partner with area providers, businesses, foundations, schools and many others! In this highly interactive and humor-filled workshop, we will look at one region's response to the need for parenting support, in addition to home visiting and case management services. The barriers and solutions to funding this programming will be shared.

Learning Objectives

- Participants will learn the keys to creating a successful community collaborative program.
- Participants will learn and share experiences to inspire administrators and providers alike.
- Participants will learn about potential barriers and solutions to meeting their community's need for parent support.



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► Missouri KIDS COUNT Experts Panel Discussion Room TBD



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Tracy Greever-Rice, Ph.D., Director, Office of Social & Economic Data Analysis (OSED), University of Missouri
Wayne Mayfield, Ph.D., Research Associate, Office of Social & Economic Data Analysis (OSED), University of Missouri
Miriam Martinez, Ph.D., Associate Research Professor, Center for Family Policy & Research, University of Missouri

The Missouri KIDS COUNT indicators have been relatively consistent over the 25 years in which it has been released. Over time state data sets change, policies change and influences on child well-being change. To ensure the MKC indicators are accurate, reliable proxies for children's status in Missouri, MKC conducted a review and formed a committee of data experts to recommend changes. The panel will discuss this process, the results and what is being learned from the new data collected.

Learning Objectives

- share expertise with the audience about state administrative data
- describe the process of reviewing current indicators and expanding to possible new indicators
- receive audience reactions to the new indicator recommendations in anticipation of the 2018 MKC Data Book

► Coffee at the Cafe Room TBD

Brian K. Williams, Executive Director
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Come join us for a quick overview of the Parent Cafe process and how it is being utilized to build strong families and stable children through the 5 Protective Factors in an insightful, informative and interactive setting. Parent Cafés engage parents in meaningful conversations about what matters most – their family and how to strengthen their family by building protective factors. Participants will have the opportunity to experience a hosted table conversation facilitated by a trained table host. Grab a cup of coffee and come join us at the Parent Cafe!

Learning Objectives

- Increased knowledge of the 5 Protective Factors
- Increased understanding of the key components of a Parent Café
- Increased awareness of resources to begin a Parent Cafe

► Empowering Mandated Reporters Online Training Room TBD

Cherisse Thibaut, LMSW, Manager of Prevention & Community Outreach
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Learn about Missouri's Online Mandated Reporter training recommended and developed by the Task Force on the Prevention of Sexual Abuse of Children. This free and assessable training will provide up-to-date information about the legal responsibilities of mandated reporters, the indicators of abuse/neglect, how to respond to suspicions of abuse/neglect, and how and when to make a report.

Learning Objectives

- Understand what Missouri law requires of mandated reporters.
- Recognize the indicators of child abuse and neglect.
- Understand the process that occurs after a hotline call is made.

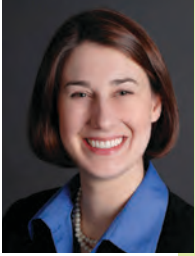
5-6 p.m.

Networking Reception
Atrium

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Friday, March 24

7:30-8:15 a.m. Breakfast Wake-up Message (all attendees)
Missouri/Capitol Room



Those at the Front Table

Kelly Schultz, Executive Director
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Certain people always find themselves sitting at the front table, the front pew, and the front of the class. Do you sit at the front table when it comes to protecting children?

Kelly Schultz was appointed the Director of the Office of Child Advocate by Governor Jay Nixon and the Missouri Supreme Court July of 2011. The Office of Child Advocate is the third party reviewer to the Children's Division and performs five main functions:

- 1) Review unsubstantiated findings in child abuse investigations;
- 2) Review foster care case management;
- 3) Coordinate mediation between parents and schools when allegations of abuse arise in school settings;
- 4) Child fatality reviews; and
- 5) Provide information and referrals for families needing resources.

Prior to being the Child Advocate for the State of Missouri, Kelly spent twelve years working in the Capitol. In addition to her public policy experience, Kelly has served as the President of the Boone County Foster Parent Support Group; was a house parent at the Rainbow House, an emergency shelter for children; worked at the University of Missouri Police Department; and volunteered at the Women's Shelter. She received her undergrad in Political Science and Masters in Public Administration from the University of Missouri. Kelly and her husband Loren are foster/adoptive parents and have helped to raise 17 children throughout the years now ages 3-27. They currently have three daughters in their home ages 7, 9, and 11.



8:15-9:45 a.m. Four (4) Break-out Sessions (please choose one)

► Strong Parents, Stable Children Training: Building Protective Factors to Strengthen Families – Part I

Room TBD

Dr. David Schramm, Professor & Family Life Specialist
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• **Please note that this session is a three (3) hour training; those registering for this session shall also register for Part II scheduled at 10-11:30 a.m. in the same room.**

This workshop provides a foundation for better understanding of the five Strengthening Families Protective Factors and offers participants numerous handouts and research-based ideas for professionals to share directly with parents.

Learning Objectives

- Participants will better understand the five Strengthening Families Protective Factors and how they relate to child and family well-being.
- Participants will learn about new tools and guide sheets they can use as they work with parents.



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► Darkness to Light, Stewards of Children Training — Part I

Room TBD

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• *Please note that this session is a three (3) hour training; those registering for this session shall also register for Part II scheduled at 10-11:30 a.m. in the same room.*

One in 10 children will be sexually abused by the time they turn 18. Learn how to prevent child sexual abuse and create a safer community for children by attending a Stewards of Children workshop. This training uses survivor stories and expert insight to supply practical steps to help you prevent, recognize and react responsibly to child sexual abuse. Attend and learn how you, too, can better protect the children in your life and/or youth serving organization.

Learning Objectives

- Increased awareness of the prevalence, consequences and circumstances of child sexual abuse.
- New skills for adults to prevent, recognize and react responsibly to child sexual abuse.
- Proactive, positive change to organizational policies and procedures.

► Meaningful & Effective Parent Partnerships: The Path to Readiness

Room TBD

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This workshop will provide practical guidance on assessing organizational readiness for engaging and supporting parent leaders. Participants will also explore strategies for creating meaningful and effective parent/practitioner partnerships of shared responsibility for the design, implementation and evaluation of child abuse prevention programs.

Learning Objectives

- Participants will learn about the benefits of partnering with parents—for programs, for families and for the community.
- Participants will learn about strategies and tools to help assess readiness to engage and support parent leaders.
- Participants will learn strategies for developing and sustaining parent leadership roles in program development, implementation and evaluation.

► Fatherhood: The Fact, Facts & Factor

Room TBD

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Research finds that father love is just as IMPORTANT as mother love for a child's happiness, well-being, social and academic success, emotional stability and self-esteem. This workshop will provide strategies to build a strong responsible fatherhood education program that promotes father participation, involvement and engagement. Presenters will share the challenges, concerns and consequences of developing their fatherhood program and the Focus on Fatherhood Network.

Learning Objectives

- Increased knowledge of father facts and their impact upon the lives of children
- Increased understanding of how to move from father absence to father presence
- Increased awareness of program development, capacity building resources

9:45-10 a.m.

Refreshment Break

Atrium

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10-11:30 a.m.

Four (4) Break-out Sessions (please choose one)

► Strong Parents, Stable Children Training: Building Protective Factors to Strengthen Families – Part II

Room TBD

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* Please note that this session is Part II of a three (3) hour continuation session.

► Darkness to Light, Stewards of Children Training – Part II

Room TBD

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* Please note that this session is Part II of a three (3) hour continuation session.

► Using Data to Tell Your Story

Room TBD

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This workshop will guide participants in using data to tell the story of their program's practices and effectiveness. Recognizing that different audiences are interested in different aspects of a story, participants will identify the features of their story that will best capture the interest of their audience. Participants will have the opportunity to practice sharing their story in formats tailored to a variety of audiences.

Learning Objectives

- Participants will identify the messages they want to share about their program.
- Participants will explore how to choose the data and stories that will help them share their message.
- Participants will practice sharing their story in formats tailored to a variety of audiences.

► Hiding in Plain Sight-Prevent Child Sexual Abuse (A)

Room TBD

Greg Holtmeyer, Executive Director
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Childhood sexual abuse is a topic that most prefer not to think about or discuss. While there have been many studies concerning children and women that have been sexually abused, the study of males that have been sexually abused is still grossly inadequate. Greg will give a first hand and in-depth look at the most under reported crime against males. The long term effects of sexual abuse of males are misunderstood even by many counseling professionals. Greg will go into detail of the short and long term effects, treatments and resources available.

Learning Objective

- Participants will be able to list common behavior characteristics of sexually abused males.
- Participants will be able to list multiple effects of being sexually abused.
- Participants will be able to list multiple resources for treatment.



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11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. **Luncheon Keynote (all attendees)**
Missouri/Capitol Room



Bouncing Back & Beyond: The Power of Resilience

Thomas Vansaghi, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Nonprofit Leadership
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The long term, negative impact of adverse childhood experiences and trauma is well documented. New evidence indicates that those who have suffered from moderate trauma and/or adverse childhood experiences may have an opportunity to actually achieve life-altering, transformative positive growth. Dr. Thomas Vansaghi will share the keys to transforming trauma into personal growth, his own "brush" with trauma, and work being done through the ResilienceKC initiative to illustrate the importance of this work at the community level in Kansas City.

Learning Objectives

- Demonstrate an understanding that people who have experienced adverse childhood experiences and/or trauma can achieve positive, transformative growth.
- Provide a thorough overview of Rendon's six keys for transforming trauma into positive change.

Dr. Tom Vansaghi combines over twenty years in public service and nonprofit work with a solid base of academic and teaching credentials. He began his career as a volunteer on a gubernatorial campaign, which led to a series of opportunities in Jefferson City, Missouri as a public servant. He eventually sought a career in public higher education advocacy, teaching, fundraising, marketing, public and community relations. Over the years, he has held a variety of senior level positions in the public and nonprofit sectors that enable him to bring real-world experiences to the classroom.

He has served as a senior fellow at the Midwest Center for Nonprofit Leadership since 2010 where he teaches graduate classes focused on nonprofit fundraising. Since 2013, he served as executive director of the North American Primary Care Research Group and also served as the chief development officer for the Society of Teachers of Family Medicine Foundation. Both are nonprofit organizations dedicated to promoting the triple aim of enhancing the patient experience, improving the health of the population and reducing costs.

In 2015, he became an assistant professor of nonprofit leadership at William Jewell College in Liberty, Missouri where he is engaged with undergraduate students to prepare them for meaningful careers leading nonprofit organizations. He continues to lead the North American Primary Care Research Group to remain grounded in nonprofit work.



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12:30-2 p.m. Four (4) Break-out Sessions (*please choose one*)

► Integrating Conscious Discipline into Parent Education & Your Organization

Room TBD

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Jessica Jobe, Teens As Parents Coordinator
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Wouldn't it be great if we all could push the "pause" button before we reacted? Wouldn't it be great if instead of making child abuse and neglect hotlines we could transform homes and connect with parents to empower them to consciously respond to conflict rather than unconsciously react to it? Conscious Discipline empowers you with the self-awareness, brain information, developmental knowledge and useable skills necessary to create safe, connected, problem solving homes. At Southwest we have integrated Conscious Discipline into everything we do within our classrooms, our staff meetings, our parent education and more.

Learning Objective

- The 7 Powers of Conscious Discipline: composure, assertiveness, encouragement, choices, empathy, positive intent and consequences
- How to integrate Conscious Discipline into parent education (parent meetings, home visits and teen meetings) and your organization

► Supporting Children & Families Who Have Lived Experiences of Trauma

Room TBD

Patsy Carter, Ph.D., Director, Children's Clinical Services
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This presentation will provide a quick overview of the impact trauma has on child and family functioning and then explore what individuals and organizations can do to support children and family who have experienced trauma. This will include non-clinical activities that promote resilience as well as help regulate the body and mind. Policy and environmental factors will also be explored. Participants should have a cursory knowledge of the impact of trauma both on behavior and the body.

Learning Objectives

- Participants will be able to identify physiological impact of trauma.
- Participants will learn one activity they can do with children and/or families to help build resilience and/or regulate the body or mind.
- Participants will understand impact that organizations' policies, practices and environments can have on individuals who are affected by trauma.

► Hiding in Plain Sight-Prevent Child Sexual Abuse (B)

Room TBD

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* *The A session is not a prerequisite.*



Workshop Agenda

Friday, March 24

► Empowerment: Obtaining the Services That Fit Your Needs

Room TBD

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This workshop will focus on how parents and families can improve the services they receive and how they can advocate for more effective services for their communities. The Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Services (CLAS) standards are presented to assist parents in understanding the importance of community engagement. Lecture, discussion and role play will be used to assist families to advocate for services that fit their social context and needs, express grievances and find ways to be involved in planning for services in their community.

Learning Objectives

- Participants will understand community engagement and management of grievances from the CLAS perspective.
- Participants will gain practice in respectfully requesting services, that address their social and cultural context and needs, and in stating their grievances.
- Participants will discuss and plan for ways that they can participate with service providers to better meet community service needs.

2-3 p.m.

Closing Rally (all attendees)

Missouri/Capitol Room



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Victory is not born from waiting for a better economy, a new administration, the perfect moment or the exact mix of resources – it's about using what we have right now, around us and within us, to create success in what we do. Our clients, community members and co-workers deserve the best service we can provide them – regardless of circumstances – and this program will empower and inspire you to do just that. After all, what we have (or don't have) in resources is not most important – it's how we use what we have that delivers victory!

Learning Objectives

- Learn how to better leverage scarce resources (time, energy, etc.) for maximum effect in serving others.
- Understand how to re-establish and maintain alignment with our goals and actions.
- Learn ways to prevent overwhelmness and be more efficient/effective in our daily efforts.

D.J. 'Eagle Bear' Vanas is a husband, father, internationally-acclaimed motivational storyteller and a leadership and personal development expert. He is also the author of the celebrated book *The Tiny Warrior: A Path to Personal Discovery & Achievement* which is printed in six countries. His latest book, *Spirit on the Run*, is his first novel.

D.J. is a tribally-enrolled member of the Odawa Nation and a former military officer. He shows organizations how to practically apply the power of the warrior spirit to perform at their best, stay resilient and thrive in tough, changing environments. For twenty years, he's delivered his dynamic programs in 49 states and overseas to over 7,000 audiences including Walt Disney, NASA, Intel and hundreds of tribal governments, communities and schools. He's also been invited to the White House to speak – twice.

He holds a B.S. from the U.S. Air Force Academy, an M.S. from University of Southern California and has served on the Board of Directors on the National Board of Certified Counselors. After serving ten years as an Air Force officer, he is now the president of his own company, Native Discovery Inc. D.J.'s mission is to "build the warriors of tomorrow...today."



Thank You



to the Missouri Department of Health & Senior Services (DHSS) for supporting the Children's Trust Fund 2017 Child Abuse & Neglect Prevention Conference – *Build Resilience Everyone Everywhere!*



Additionally, funds from the Community Based Child Abuse Prevention (CBCAP) federal grant from the Department of Health & Human Services, Administration for Children & Families were used in support of this conference.

On behalf of the Children's Trust Fund Board of Directors and staff, thank you for participating in this year's biennial conference on child abuse & neglect prevention – *Build Resilience Everyone Everywhere!*

We also express our sincere gratitude and appreciation to all individuals and organizations who donated their time and talents in making this conference possible. Thank you to each and every one of you who participated in this year's conference. We hope the information provided and the tools and strategies learned will prove valuable to you in your professional work and personal life.

Most importantly, thank you for continuing to make a lasting and positive difference in the lives of Missouri's children and for your ongoing efforts to build **Strong Families, Safe Kids.**

CTF Board & Staff



BLUE day April 7



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