

Changing Children's Worlds Foundation

2014 Annual Report



Our Vision

For every child and adolescent to have a strong network of adult caregivers and professionals engaged in supporting their positive development in peaceful families and communities.

Our Mission

To work with communities and families to strengthen children's rights to positive development and well being, ensuring protection from violence.

CCWF Board Chairperson's Letter

Dear CCWF Friends and Supporters,

Thank you for your critical support in enabling CCWF to make huge strides to supporting FAMILY Development (Parents/Caregivers + Children) in 2014.

Because you have believed in our mission, our programs, our hard work with diverse communities and families around the Chicago-area, but also beyond, as we continue to find interest in our programs from New Orleans to Alaska, you have provided the strength we needed to accomplish significant success in 2014! Your strength and confidence in CCWF lent us credibility as we expanded our program outreach. Your understanding, engagement and advocacy for our work in Empathy-based Parenting/Caregiving & Family Relationship, provided increased visibility, networks and new partnerships, and of course the financial investment required to make our programs available to some of the most at-risk parents/caregivers and children in the Chicago area. That was no small feat - and we are positioned strongly to continue that work into 2015!

A few highlights from 2014, for you to reflect upon:

- 1) November 2013-October 2014: Year One of our first Pritzker Early Childhood Foundation Program Grant (\$35,000) in the Chicago-area (Carpentersville, Cicero, Englewood, Hermosa, Humboldt Park, Melrose Park, Rogers Park) allowed us to expand in new communities. Our first evaluations yielded strong early results of newly trained community-based ICDP Facilitators facilitating parent learning groups which increased parent's parenting capacity, efficacy, motivation and skills, as well as of their improved mental health. Further finding showed that caregivers' communications, interactions and relationships with their children and families improved. The Foundation approved our work and confirmed Year 2 (November 2014-October 2015), now in process!
- 2) October 2014-September 2015: Co-Founder Derek Peterson, secured a sub grant from the US Department of Education (through World Wide Idea), for CCWF to develop a program based on our Integrative Youth Development/ Student Support Card initiative for Elementary School Children (K-8), starting with IYD Partners in Nenana, Alaska. We are off to a very strong start with that program - helping children and the adults in their 'webs' to understand what the youth need to succeed, and how to obtain it (from relationship, to support, from tangibles to intangibles, to opportunities, etc.).
- 3) In Fall 2014, we held our first Military Family Program, focusing on Empathy-based Parenting & Family Relationship. We are very proud to report that our facilitators included Major Jack Erwin (ret.), Colonel Jake Wyatt (ret.), Loy Williams, MSW and Kimberly Svevo, Ph.D. Our Military participants included veterans with teen/young adult children; veterans and military personnel between deployments; a new recruit before heading out to boot camp, and their spouses and children. It was a true example of building community among families who shared and supported one another in many ways. The American Legion, VFW, AmVets, Tri-Cities Exchange Club and Rotary-St. Charles funded this important first Military Program, and have committed their support for future programs.

2012-2014 ICDP-USA Kane County	
Total Individuals Served: 97	
Trainers	4
Facilitators	10
Parents/Caregivers	38
Children	45

2012-2014 ICDP-USA Chicago	
Total Individuals Served: 153	
Trainers	6
Facilitators	28
Parents/Caregivers	51
Children	68

2012-2014 Total Individuals Served by ICDP-USA Nationally: 847	
Trainers	10
Facilitators	50
Parents/Caregiver	125
Children	270
Professional Conferences	957

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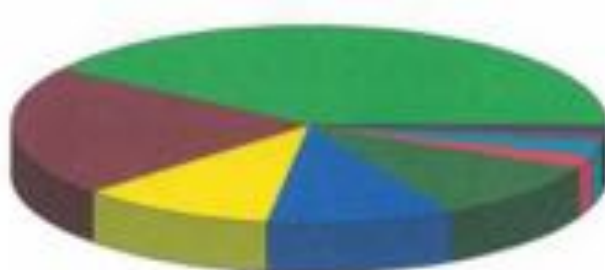
2014 Financial report

CCWF 2014 Revenue: \$233,466.26

Income Summary
January through December 2014

43500	In-Kind Time & Resources	44.58
43300	Grants	31.00
49000	Donor Events Income	14.33
47200	Program Service Fees	5.51
43400	Individual Donations	3.91
	Pro Bono Expert Volunteer Time	0.42
46400	Other Types of Income	0.24
	Total	\$233,466.26

CCWF 2014 Expenditures \$209,231.30

Expense Summary
January through December 2014

61000	Program Expenses	40.59
60100	Program Grant Expense	21.59
63000	Fundraising Expenses	10.79
65000	Operations	10.25
64000	Comm/Public Awareness & ED	10.14
62100	Contract Services	2.37
68300	Travel and Meetings	1.67
60150	CCWF Evaluation	0.95
65100	Other Types of Expenses	0.73
65150	Memberships and Dues	0.63
	Other	0.29
	Total	\$209,231.30

2014 Donor List

CCWF Founding Patron
\$10,000+

Pritzker Early Childhood Foundation
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CCWE Founding Donor
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Rogina, Ray
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Ward, Margaret
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2014 CCWF Highlights

January

- Jan 7: Kimberly Svevo-Cianci, Derek Peterson, along with interns Briana Collins and Maddie Wadington had an exciting teleconference planning the development of the Youth Board Members at CCWF.
- New interns Rachel Wilborn and Josephine Song started!
- Jan 14: Family Focus Cicero Focus Group: K Svevo-Cianci led a Focus Group to prepare for the ICDP Program about to be implemented in the community. Great ideas shared!
- Jan 15: CCWF participated in the Kindness in Kaneland Campaign meeting and advanced our planning for a District-wide Kaneland Art Festival children and families, ICDP-USA juried art contest!
- Carpentersville, Rogers Park, Englewood, Focus Groups were launched as ICDP Projects began starting up.

February

- New Orleans visit with ICDP Facilitator Trainees.
- ICDP Pilot Groups started in Villa Park, Schaumburg, Carpentersville, Cicero, Englewood and Rogers Park with Pritzker Early Education Foundation Grant

March

- Revised/updated ICDP materials were produced
- March 27: ICDP Facilitator Training Workshop Level 2 in Humboldt Park at Children's Home & Aid Society-VIVA Offices. Facilitators included JC Acevedo, Nidia Cabrera (Howard Area Community Center), Concepcion Acosta, Carmen Diaz, Elizabeth Escobedo, Margarita Morales, Adriana Pashazadeh (Family Focus Nuestra Familia), Fernando Arreguin, Catherine Byrd, Joy Livingston, Minissha McGee, Alejandra Ortiz, Mario Perry, Mary Stanciel (Children's Home & Aid)

April

- April 6: Villa Verone Fundraiser! A million thank you's to all who attended our Spring CCWF Fundraiser sponsored by Villa Verone, Geneva, IL! This successful evening supported our work for Families (Parents+Children) very much!
- April 13: CCWF Art Contest: Intl Child/Parent Development Program & Guidelines as ART!
- April 23: K Svevo-Cianci Video Presentation on the Convention on the Rights of the Child: Belarus Conference
- April 10: Presentation for St. Charles School District 303 at the Christ Community Church Suicide Prevention Program K Svevo-Cianci discussed the valuable role parents play in supporting our youth in her presentation "Community/ Caregiver/Child Capacity Development toward Violence Prevention (CCDevVP)"
- April 24: K Svevo-Cianci & Dominica McBride presented at Lurie Children's Hospital, Chicago: ICDP Introductory Workshop for Professionals.
- April 28-30: ICDP Facilitator Training Workshop 1: SGA-Mental Health Service Professionals, Brighton Park

May

- New Orleans, LA: ICDP Introductory Workshop New Orleans and Community Commitment Education Center meeting.
- May 5-6, Nashville, TN: ICDP Presentation and CRC Workshops at Archdiocese National Conference on Child Protection/Safety
- May 19, Geneva, IL: ICDP Facilitator Workshop 2: Trainees from Tri-City Family Services, Judson University and Wheaton School District.



June

- June 6: Playhouse Project launched at Riverfest.
- June 9: ICDP Family Development Learning Group Launch at Batavia Apartments with Tri-Cities Family Services
- Launched CCWF Youth Blog, led by Youth Board Members Briana Collins and Maddie Wadington
- June 11-12: APSAC Colloquium - ICDP Workshop by K Svevo-Cianci and Stacie LeBlanc, New Orleans Child Advocacy Center.
- June 12: Owen Rogers joined as a CCWF intern.
- June 17: Playhouse Project: Public Awareness & Education Campaign at Swedish Days, Geneva.
- June 26: Geneva, IL: ICDP Facilitator Workshop 1. Note: Every Facilitator Trainee reported positive change in their knowledge & confidence to implement ICDP Parent-Child guidelines on positive attitudes, communications, interactions and relationships - with children and with adults! It's a powerful program!

July

- July 9: Welcome to new CCWF Staff, Leigh LaSota! (Resource Coordinator)
- July 17: Launch of our very First ICDP Military Families Program, hosted at Fox Valley Presbyterian Church
- July 25: Playhouse Project Public Awareness Campaign featured in Kane County Chronicle!
- July 27: Playhouse Project Public Awareness Campaign debuts at the Illinois Homebuilders Cavalcade of Homes Exhibit "Play Village" in Naperville (July 27-Aug 13)

August

- August 1— Welcome to the intern team, Ross Kinkadel

- August 17: First Playhouse Raffle winners: Congratulations Dennis Starns, Pat Kwasniewski, and Mandy Davis!
- Welcome to new CCWF team, Jeffrey Fields (Manager) and Cynthia Dominguez (ICDP Coordinator)
- August 31: Playhouse featured at Batavia Block Party

September

- Sept 8 ICDP Presentation to the American Legion
- Sept 4,5,8- ICDP Facilitator Training with SGA Staff



- Sept 6: PlayHouse Exhibit at Kane County Flea Market
- Sept 11-16: ICDP-USA Founder Kimberly Svevo attended the UK Trainer Meeting with ICDP Chairperson/Founder Nicoletta Armstrong, and Trainees from Denmark, Ghana, Japan. Monday, informal collaborative meetings continue.
- Sept 28-Jazz and Golf Fundraiser: Cantigny Golf Course! Thank you to Guests, Staff, Interns & Volunteers for making this event a success!
- Sept 29: Met with U46/Hilltop Elementary Principal Ariel Correa to plan an ICDP Group for Hilltop Families.

October

- Oct 2: CCWF Staff held U46/Hilltop Elementary ICDP Introductory Session
- Dept of Education- Nenana Grant Received! via CCWF Co-Founder Derek Peterson to Adapt & Implement IYD for Elementary Students in Nenana, Alaska!
- Welcome to the interns: Emily Newbold and Breanna Todd!
- Welcome to new volunteer: Luiza Leite!
- Oct 10: CCWF Board member Sonia Velazquez, Exec Director, ELCT-Eliminating Child Labour in Tobacco Growing, Geneva, Switzerland visited CCWF Geneva office.
- Oct 23: Final celebratory official session of ICDP Military Family Program, sponsored by St. Charles American Legion, VFW and Exchange Clubs. Great group of Veterans, National Guard and families coming together to share, learn and grow as parents and community leaders.
- Oct 30: Family Focus Cicero Post Focus Group provided very encouraging feedback. Facilitator Adriana said "Everything in ICDP has been a perfect match for us. ICDP really opened the eyes of this group to things outside of parenting. They have grown."

November

- Nov 4: U46/Hilltop Parent ICDP Introductory Session 2.
- Nov 5: First Family Focus Hermosa Post Focus Group- Carmen and Elizabeth did another wonderful job as facilitators!
- Nov 13-14: Lincoln, NE: Kimberly Svevo presented at the Violence Prevention Summit in Lincoln, Nebraska! The CCWF presentation, titled "Community- (empathy)-based Parent/Caregiver Program toward Violence Prevention", focused on the importance of professionals working with parents/caregivers being able to model empathy-based communications and relationships with them, so they will model the same positive interactions with their children, toward positive family development and well-being
- Nov 21-24: Geneva, IL: ICDP Facilitator Workshop 1: Included special participation by Military Representatives who will bring ICDP to Military Parents/Families.
- Nov 22: The last session for ICDP at Batavia Apartments with co-facilitators Melissa Sofia and Cynthia Dominguez
- Dec 5: Hermosa, Chicago: ICDP Facilitator Certification Workshop 3 (Family Focus, Howard Area Community Center, Children's Home & Aid)
- Pritzker Early Childhood Foundation Grant is renewed for 2014-2015!
- Dec 6-11: Nenana, Alaska: K Svevo-Cianci & D Peterson, Nenana City Schools Superintendent Eric Gebhard, Project Director Natalie Chong, Principal Sherri Carratini and school counsellors Carrie and Mary Ellen work on a new project - CCWF/ Student Support for Elementary Children! And a visit and activities at the High School Living Center.

December

- Dec 3: K Svevo-Cianci initiated discussions with Network 11 Chicago Public School Principals (Bass & Langford, Englewood) to implement ICDP in 2015.
- Dec 8: Jeffrey Fields and Cynthia Dominguez represent CCWF at Aurora Coalition meeting, giving the group a brief introductory presentation about ICDP
- Dec 13: Yellow Ribbon Event- Kimberly Svevo represented CCWF at this event to promote an upcoming Military ICDP Parent Learning Group
- Dec 13, 19, 22: CCWF Volunteers participated in our Barnes & Noble Gift Wrapping event to raise funds
- End-December: Welcome to the intern team, Cristal Solórzano and Vanessa Botti, MSW students from Aurora University.
- Dec 28: Geneva, IL: ICDP Facilitator Certification Workshop 3: (co-hosted by Tri Cities Family Services) for four New ICDP-USA Facilitator Trainees: Melissa Sofia, MSW; Jack Erwin, M.Ed (ret. Major); Marsha Vaughn, Ph.D.; Julie Probus-Shad, MSW, were certified by newly certified ICDP-USA Trainers Michelle Clark, TCFS and Loy Williams, along with ICDP-USA Founder Kimberly Svevo.
- End of year giving campaign-Thank you to all Donors for giving us a boost into 2015 ;)

CCWF Programs

CCWF offers a holistic approach and understanding of what is needed for children, parents, child development & protection professionals, schools and neighborhoods to ensure that families are thriving and achieving high quality development and well-being - critical factors for healthy, non-violent families, schools and communities.

The CCWF approach integrates the following development levels:

1. Public Awareness and Community Engagement for all Stakeholders.
2. Education and Training tailored for each targeted constituency in the CCWF Framework - especially through our International Child Development and Integrative Youth Development Programs.
3. Community Advocacy for Capacity Development toward Non-Violence and Peace-building Social Action.
4. Community Advocacy to strengthen Policy which supports and invests in Families and Communities - to achieve important positive and sustainable Social Change.

The International Child Development Program (ICDP)

The International Child Development Program (ICDP) is an evidence-based program which strengthens parent/caregiver-child interaction, families, community by providing a comprehensive psychosocial approach to strengthening empathy-based adult caregiver/parent - child relationships. Empathy provides the foundation of attitudes and values which motivate caregivers, enabling them to feel and communicate their love and to guide their children's positive development. Expanding community members' "zone of empathy" also underlies a community-based expansion/replication program with Community Trainers supervising Community Facilitators of Caregivers/Parents, and supplemental programming for their children - intended for universal support of well-being/violence prevention and targeted interventions.

The three ICDP Dialogues promote caregiver/parent & child human development (from Social/Emotional Learning to Learning/Leadership Development and Self-Discipline) - within eight Guidelines shared through facilitated caregiver learning/ support groups (12-16 sessions), sustained over time: The Emotional Dialogue, exchanging positive emotional expressions leading to secure attachment:

- 1 Showing love and positive feelings;
- 2 Following and responding to the child's initiatives;
- 3 Establishing personal dialogues;
- 4 Praising and giving confirmation to the child.

The Comprehension Dialogue, promotes a child's understanding of the world, aiding cognitive development:

- 5 Helping the child to focus on things, situations in the environment;
- 6 Conveying meaning and enthusiasm to the child's experiences;



7 Expanding and enriching the child's experience.

The Regulative Dialogue provides guidance and support, sets positive limits, aiding the development of self-control:

- 8a Supporting the child step by step and offering alternatives;
- 8b Regulating and supporting the child with gradual support to encourage initiative;
- 8c Using situations and set routines to guide behaviors;
- 8d Setting positive limits with consequences to develop responsibility.

The Integrative Youth Development Program (IYD)

supports youth, family and community. It is a full spectrum approach that measures the developmental ecology of teen-aged youth and young adults. The work combines decades of research in positive youth development and student achievement/well-being. The work has been used to:

- Build caring and connected schools. Guide classroom strategies.
- Empower parents and families to build on their strengths. Allow a family to assess the quality and quantity of the developmental supports that exist in their kids' lives.
- Compel Community Engagement.
- Awaken public policy makers to "What Kids Really Need to Succeed."
- Adolescents need at least 5 anchors/adults to root them to family/school/community (relationships which offer them researched based, tangible supports and which model and teach kids intangible virtues and values);
- Adolescents must have opportunities for skill development and recognition of their innate talents and gifts.
- The adult relationships need to reduce the deficit behaviors in the lives of teens;
- The adults need training, support and recognition to succeed in their efforts to anchor their youth;
- Everyone needs to be aware of the social norms that are causing stress upon the entire support system.



OUR MISSION:

To raise awareness of the importance of empathy-based learning for parents, caregivers and children and to raise funds to support CCWF's work, our primary project being our Summer Parent Learning Groups, including one for families with a child with special needs. CCWF's eight simple empathy-based guidelines for family communications, interactions and relationships are taught to aid the social & emotional development of our children, helping them become strong learners and leaders!

Empathetically Yours,

Kimberly Svevo-Cianci

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