



CREATE A BETTER TOMORROW
FOR ALL CHILDREN TODAY...
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2018 Celebration of Children Conference

Creating Hope in the Midst of Trauma

Solution-Based Recommendations to create more trauma-informed spaces for children.

School

- Teacher training
 - Trauma/ACE training
 - Brain Development
- Special Education/IEP processes that proactively assess and consider the impacts of trauma on students
- Discipline processes and procedures that are trauma-informed
- Better nutrition options for children
- Inclusion of cognitive therapy and parental support within the education system.
- Include more “Life Centers” in schools
- Better use of art and music as tools for healing and self-expression
- More collaboration with schools and teachers to identify and advocate for children dealing with ACEs.
- Better initial assessment of student needs with targeted assistance/education to develop coping skills.
- Focus on developing a collaborative relationship with foster parents.

Healthcare

- Improve coverage of mental health services
- Better training for healthcare workers
 - Impact of ACEs on long-term physical health
 - Impact of ACEs on mental health
 - Impact of ACEs on child development
- Advocate for legislation to ensure children’s healthcare needs are covered

Community

- Don't forget to address the trauma of children whose parents are deported
- Expose more parents to Trauma training
- CASA for parents
- Child sexual abuse awareness that includes training on what to look for and how to report (Safeguarding God's Children)
- Increase safety nets for nutrition, afterschool care, and relationship building (mentoring).
- Increase the number of men involved in mentoring and tutoring programs.
- More foster parents
- More workshops

Justice

- Train judges to be trauma aware
- Cultivate more youth ambassadors/survivors of trauma
- Trauma training for citizen review panels
- Trauma groups for detained youth
- Pre-arrest alternatives
- Law enforcement training to assess trauma in child and teen perpetrators