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STRENGTHENING INDIANA FAMILIES

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Strengthening Indiana Families (SIF) is a five-year project primarily funded by the federal Children's Bureau, Administration for Children and Families, through its Community Collaborations initiative. The project is overseen by Indiana University School of Social Work researchers and staff. Working together, the SIF steering committee coordinates the development, implementation, and evaluation of four Family Resource Centers (FRCs). Intended as a proof-of-concept for primary prevention of child maltreatment, the FRCs and associated services provide a comprehensive set of supports for Indiana families designed to improve parent and child well-being in stigma-free environments.

At a Glance

- Network Structure: Public Funder-Coordinated
- Types of Members:
 - Community-Based FRCs: 4

Network Functions

- Connecting Members Through Regular Meetings
- Training/Technical Assistance
- Marketing/Public Awareness Activities/
Public Awareness Activities

YEAR
FOUNDED

2020

NETWORK
MEMBERS

4

INDIVIDUALS
SERVED

2,452

Member Service Areas

- Parenting Support
- Access to Resources
- Family Development Services
- Child Development Activities
- Parent Leadership Development
- Family Economic Success Activities
- Health/Wellness Activities
- Intentional Multiple Family Member Engagement



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Highlights

- The 4 SIF Family Resource Centers were opened in 2021, despite the pandemic.
- Participation in the FRCs continues to grow every month.
- All 4 FRCs have successful co-located services.

