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Dear Advocate,

Happy Holidays! Here is the latest news and items of interest from The Children's Agenda.

TCA Interfaith Collaborative Advocacy Leads to Positive Change for Children



Faith advocates once again successfully joined forces to stand up for kids in Monroe County! Over 1,200 letters were signed during the Children's Interfaith Weekend, asking County Executive Cheryl Dinolfo and County legislators to increase funding for evidence-based programs that prevent child abuse and neglect. Shortly after a Nov. 13 press conference announcing the letter collection, the County reported that the 2018 County proposed budget would include a \$1.7 million boost in funding for these critical programs.

Upcoming Events

[To Educate or Eliminate: Black Midwives and the Infant Mortality Problem - A Talk by Wangui Muigai](#)
Friday, December 1

[FAFSA Fest](#)
Saturday, December 2

[Regents and the Research Free Open Forum](#)
Tuesday, December 5

[Hard Facts Community Workshop](#)
Thursday, January 11 &
Friday, January 12

In the News

[ROC the Day Raises More than \\$768,000 for Local Not-for-Profit Organizations](#)
WXXI News

[Essay: Address Root Cause of Increased Abuse, Neglect](#)
Democrat & Chronicle

[RCSD Superintendent's Path Could Be the Way Out](#)
Democrat & Chronicle

[Dinolfo's Budget Will Add Funding for Visitation Programs](#)
City Newspaper

[Community Leaders Highlight Need for Funding to Prevent Child Abuse](#)
News 8 WROC

[Dinolfo to Provide More Child Abuse Prevention Funds](#)
Democrat & Chronicle

TCA Releases Brief on What Works Best to Prevent Child Maltreatment



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Also at the November 13 press conference, TCA's partners in the medical community presented our policy brief, [Evidence-Based Strategies to Prevent Child Abuse and Neglect](#). The brief was endorsed by 21 organizations, including 11 medical practices, the [American Academy of Pediatrics \(AAP\)](#), [Monroe County Medical Society](#), and the [Wilson Foundation](#).

The Children's Agenda's RCSD Budget Survey



The Children's Agenda is analyzing the [Rochester City School District](#) Budget to support better outcomes for students. Creating lasting change requires community awareness and buy-in. We need to understand what issues are important to you. Please take this short survey on the RCSD Budget to let us know. [Take the survey now.](#)

Join Our Team



Interested in joining a team of professionals committed to improving the health, education and success of our community's children? [ROC the Future](#) is seeking a Family & Community Engagement Specialist. ROC the Future is a collaborative, community-wide initiative dedicated to ensuring that all children receive the opportunities and support they need—from birth to career—to succeed in school and throughout life. The

launch of the Parent Engagement Collaborative Action Network (PECAN) last year, helped to expand its efforts into the parent & family engagement arena to accelerate improvement. The Campaign for Grade Level Reading has identified parent engagement as the “secret sauce” to improve outcomes for children, by supporting parents in their child’s development. This position will expand upon the work of PECAN, to further develop actions, coordinate strategies, and identify best practices to engage parents and families, throughout the cradle-to-career continuum... [learn more](#)

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