

THE JUDY CENTER OF WASHINGTON COUNTY

And the Partnerships that Build Us!

The Mortar?

Relationships

Families

Children

Partners

Community

“Last year, I asked for help. You sent me so much information about different places to help. You talked to me and reminded me and I did it. I called all those places. I am graduating in May and I am getting my certificate in Event Planning next month.”

Partners

- ❖ ECAC
- ❖ Head Start
- ❖ The Family Center/WCDSS
- ❖ Healthy Families/
WC Health Dept.
- ❖ WC Free Library
- ❖ APPLES for Children
- ❖ WC Birth through Five
- ❖ HCC- Adult Education and
Child Care
- ❖ YMCA- after school care
- ❖ Hagerstown Housing
Authority
- ❖ The Mental Health Center
- ❖ WCPS
- ❖ Title I

Friends

- University of Maryland System- Hagerstown
- Frostburg University
- Faith Community
- Ready At Five
- Community Action Council

Where is the Washington County Judy Center?

- Ruth Ann Monroe Primary School
- Washington County poverty rate
48% (approximately)
- Rate of poverty in Ruth Ann Monroe Primary School area
(as determined by FARM)
70% (approximately)
- As a partnership the Judy Center served 447 children and their families 2016-17

Support Pre-K and Kindergarten Classrooms

Teachers

WCPS

- Activity bins to promote interactive play, developing social skills
- Field trips and authentic experiences- including Multigenerational experiences
- Second Step Curriculum
- Lending Libraries



Support Childcare Community

APPLES

ECAC
including
individual
members

Childcare
Providers

MSDE

YMCA

- Monthly PD for Childcare Providers within the Judy Center catchment area
- State-wide Early Childhood Conference
- Second Step Curriculum- continuum with the school
- Accreditation support- After school care
- Lending Libraries and Building Provider Libraries

Playgroup

Birth through
Five

HUB at USMH

WCPS

- Planned and differentiated in accordance to IFSP goals and individual needs



- *“He still uses his bunny and block and says in the box, on the box, but it’s not a box. It’s a rocket...”*

Literacy Opportunities in the Community

Local Library

Birth through
Five

Family Center

- ❑ Early Learning Center in local Library
- ❑ Field trip to the library and library cards
- ❑ Family activities held at the Library



Summer Learning

USMH

Frostburg
University

Family Center

Birth through
Five

WCPS

- PALS
- Little PALS
- Summer Kindergarten Camp
- Home-visits

Collaborative Initiatives with ECAC

ECAC
and the
multiple
individual
partners

Faith
Community

Ready At Five

- ❑ Book Warehouse
- ❑ Little Free Libraries
- ❑ Learning Parties
- ❑ PEEP Science
- ❑ Parent Cafes
- ❑ On Track



- ❑ *Logan (5 years old) about PEEP- "This is the funnest party ever."*
- ❑ *"I love Learning Parties and I will miss them. The activities and information that I get, I can do at my house when I can grab the time."*

Good Roots Furniture Resource

Faith
Community

USMH

WC
Community
Foundation

No child should sleep on the floor

Kitchen tables are important- they nourish
the body and mind

“To me the most crucial responsibility of any community is the protection, education and mentoring of its children. As adults, guardians, and parents, we must offer as many opportunities as possible to ensure the success and development of our **children**. If we can do this, we will all have met our most fundamental obligation to ourselves, our families and our communities.” Judy Hoyer