

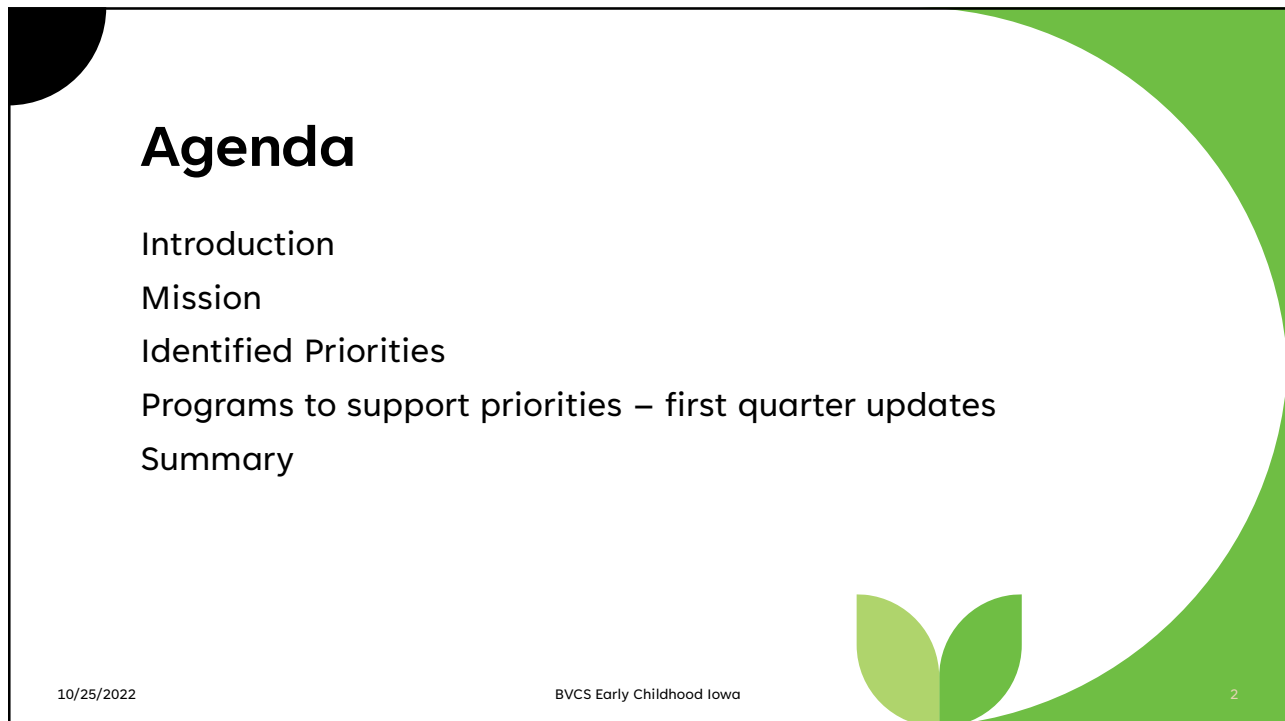
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Agenda

- Introduction
- Mission
- Identified Priorities
- Programs to support priorities – first quarter updates
- Summary

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BVCS Early Childhood Iowa Mission

To improve the quality of life for children and families by strongly supporting safe environments, lifelong learning, and facilitating a coordinated system for community services.

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Identified Priorities

- **Quality Child Care**
- **Mental Health for a Young Child's Development**
- **Accessible Health Services (Dental)**
- **Financial Support**
- **Building, Connecting, and Education about Community Services**

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Quality Child Care

- Child Care Nurse Consultant (CCNC)
- Business Investment Program (BIP)
- Provider Development to Early Care and Education Providers (PD)

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Success starts at an early age

Child Care Nurse Consultant (CCNC)

Webster County Health Dept.	Visits	Technical Assistance	Program Received Services	Special Health Needs
Q1	22	33	52	4
Crawford County Community Health	Visits	Technical Assistance	Program Received Services	Special Health Needs
Q1	16	12	8	10

Business Investment Program (BIP)

- BIP kick off meeting held August 23, 2022**
- Forms approved
 - Complete at least 1 item from Quality Improvement Checklist
 - Registered Homes \$ 750.00 Centers \$ 1,500.00

Provider Development

Child Care Resource & Referral (CCR&R)
 Training Specialist has had conversations with Stacy Lancaster to present at the BVCS Early Childhood Spring Conference.
 Secured location - Wall Lake Community Center

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Mental Health for a Young Child's Development

- Family STEPS
- Child Care Nurse Consultant
- Social Emotional Program for Early Care Educators
 - Planning meeting set for October 18, 2022

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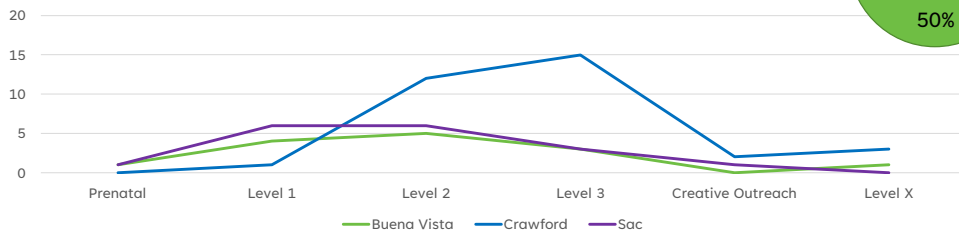
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Family - a circle of strength

Family STEPS: Levels of Visit Intensity



Prenatal Pregnancy status at enrollment 50%

Mom's Average Age 25.46	Children Served	Families Served	Age Eligible for Screenings	# of children screened
Buena Vista	25	12	23	0
Crawford	35	26	34	16
Sac	25	20	24	18

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Accessible Health Services

- Oral Health
 - *i-Smile* program expansion
- Family STEPS
 - Family Support Program (education & referrals)

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Better teeth, better health

Oral Health

Webster County Health Dept.	Children Served	Children Screened	Referred	Referred that went to a dentist
Q1	138	89	15	10
Crawford County Community Health	Children Served	Children Screened	Referred	< that went to a dentist
Q1	69	46	10	1

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Financial Support

- **Preschool Scholarship**
 - Quality Preschool Programs
- **Family STEPS**
 - Family Goals – Referrals
- **Oral Health**
 - Care Coordination

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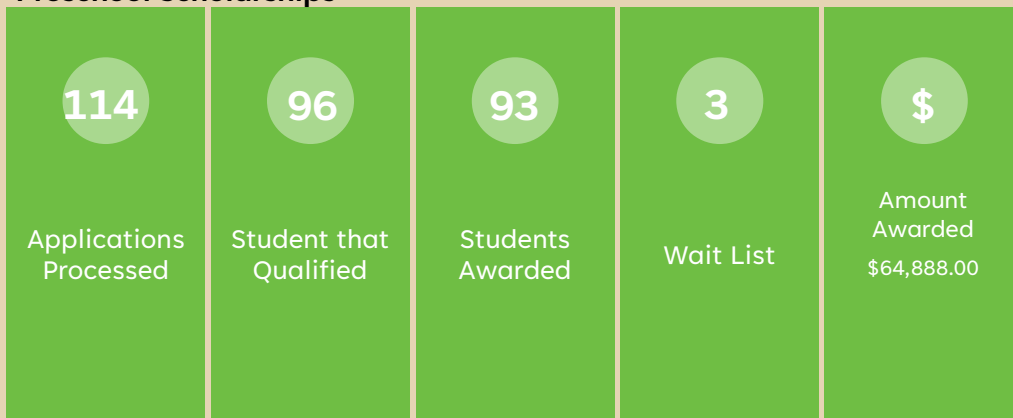
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Investments for the future

Preschool Scholarships



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Building, Connecting, and Education about Community Services

- BVCS Early Childhood Iowa 3-County Board
- Program Director
- Funded Programs
- Community Partners

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“

Alone we can do so little;
together we can do so much.

Helen Keller

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Meet our team – Board Members



Annette Koster
Program Director



Rhonda Ringgenberg
Buena Vista County
Supervisor



Jean Heiden
Crawford County Supervisor,
Board Chair



Ranell Drake
Sac County Supervisor

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3-County Board Members



Mollie Scott
Human Services, Sac & Crawford
Counties, Fiscal Officer



Mike Bunde
Early Childhood Member,
Crawford County, Vice Chair



Rev. David Viggers
Faith Based,
Sac County



Amanda Collins
Law Enforcement,
Buena Vista, Crawford, Sac Counties



Chris Cleveland
Education, Buena Vista County



Heather Aldag
Parent, Sac County



Melissa Drey
Mental Health, Sac County



Vacant
Business, Buena Vista County

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Early Childhood Initiative

- Healthy Children
- Secure and Nurturing Early Learning Environments
- Secure and Nurturing Families
- Safe & Supportive Communities
- Children Ready to Succeed in School



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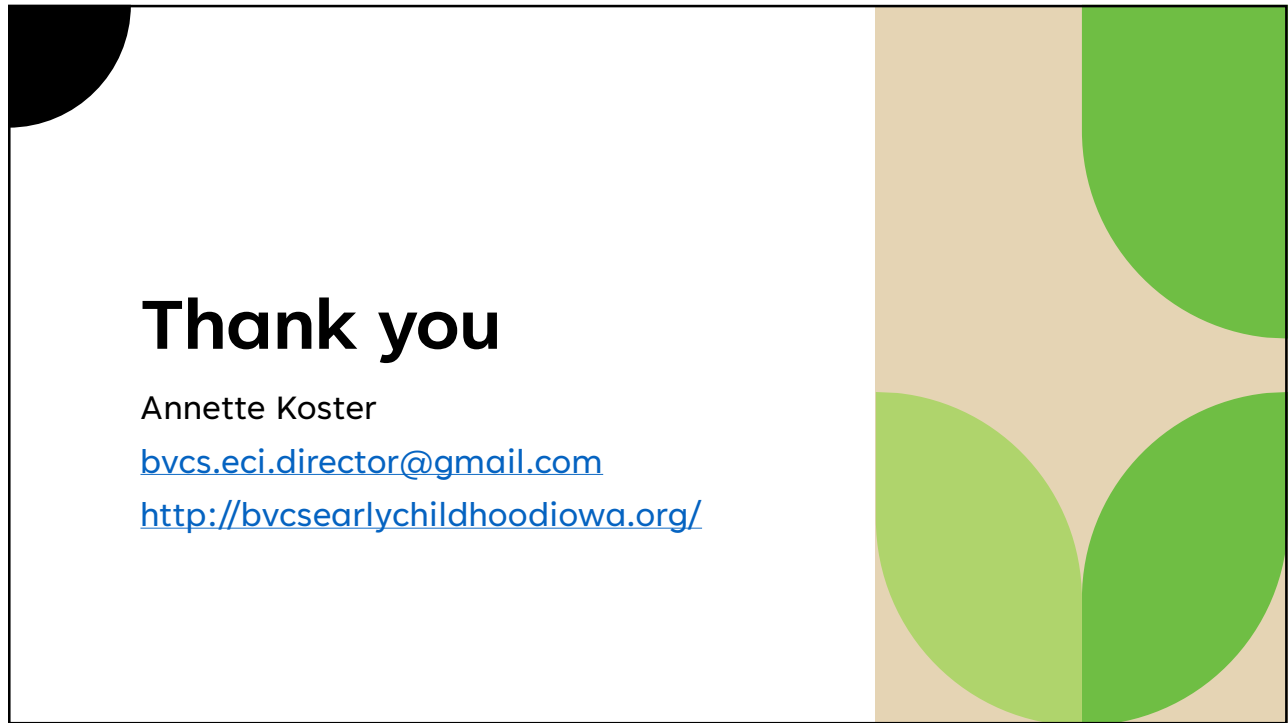
At BVCS Early Childhood Iowa, we believe there is a continued need to focus on each county's demographic makeup to ensure that programs and services are meeting the needs of the children and families. As our Program Director says, "One person can make a difference in a child's life, being able to provide support through the programs we fund, can make a positive change ."

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Timeline



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Nov 20XX March 20XX

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