

# OUTBURST IV

Music Through the Decades



**Presented by Participants of Circle of Friends**

**Sponsored by the Arc of Butler County**

**December 4, 2010 @ 7pm**

**El Dorado Middle School**

**Tickets \$7.00**

**or \$25.00 for a family of 4 or more**

**Tickets available at the door or call 316-680-4240**

# Volunteer to help low-to-moderate-income residents in Butler County file their tax returns

› Many need help getting the tax credits they are eligible to receive

**A few hours of your time could mean hundreds of dollars to a working family**

- Short-term, effective volunteer opportunity
- January to April
- Free tax training provided
- No experience necessary
- On-site tax professional supervising at IRS-approved sites
- Flexible hours include daytime, evening and weekends
- Volunteer positions include: tax preparers, greeters, financial coaches, instructors and translators

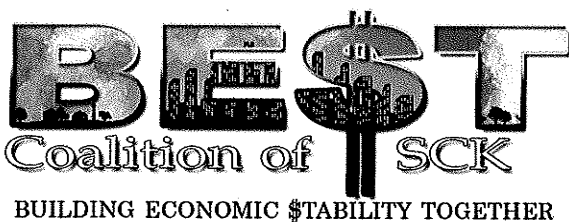
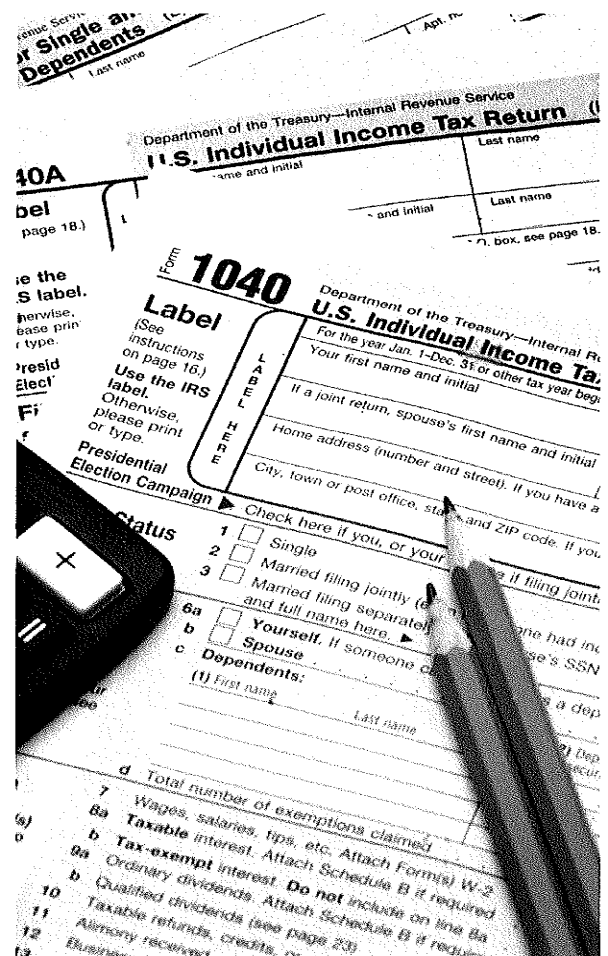
**Sign up or get more information**

**PHONE:**

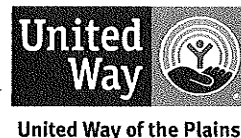
**2-1-1** (United Way's 24-hour information line)

**ONLINE:**

[www.unitedwayplains.org/taxvolunteer](http://www.unitedwayplains.org/taxvolunteer)



**BE\$T Coalition founders include:**



# World AIDS Day 2010

**Wednesday, December 1, 2010**



**Butler Community College**

**Welcome Center – Clifford Stone Room**

**901 S. Haverhill Road, El Dorado**



**“HIV, Women & Seniors – Risk or No Risk???”**

**Registration – 8:00 – 8:30 a.m.**

**8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. –**

***Kathryn Thiessen, ARNP, Butler Alumna***

***KU School of Medicine HIV/AIDS Care Program***

**Presentation will cover overall statistics, epidemiology and treatment for HIV/AIDS in all people, with attention on specific situations/problems that women and/or seniors may face.**

**10:15 a.m. – 12:00 noon –**

***Distinguished Panel & Kathryn Thiessen, ARNP***

***KU School of Medicine HIV/AIDS Care Program***

**Panel will consist of women and seniors who are living with HIV/AIDS. They will share their stories and problems they encounter as women and/or seniors living with HIV/AIDS.**

**Please Pre-Register by calling the Health Department at  
316-321-3400 or 1-800-940-6083 by November 23, 2010**

***(3 Nursing CE Units Available at NO COST)***

**Sponsored by the Walnut Valley AIDS Coalition**

**In cooperation with Butler Community College and Susan B. Allen Memorial Hospital.**

**For more information contact the Butler County Health Department at 321-3400 or 1-800-940-6083.**



## KACCRRRA announces name change...

September, 2010

KACCRRRA announces that after 20 years we are retiring our name and will now be known as Child Care Aware® of Kansas. This is a trend you will begin to see across the nation as child care resource and referral (CCR&R) agencies embrace the new branding efforts set forth by the national organization. This unveiling marks a significant milestone for our organization. "Our agency believes in leading the field" said Leadell Ediger, Executive Director. By becoming the first state to attain NACCRRRA Quality Assurance, we established ourselves as a leading CCR&R state network. (NACCRRRA Quality Assurance is a voluntary, national certification program for the field of CCR&Rs. It is a rigorous and comprehensive process that enables CCR&Rs to become validated in all service areas and serve as models of excellence in the field). Again, we lead by being the first to officially announce our name change. To illustrate the name change, a revised logo will now be used.

Our new name accurately reflects our agency's leadership position in the child care industry and further aligns our commitments and expertise in providing outstanding services to parents, providers, businesses and communities.



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### Change is good!

Child Care Aware® of Kansas has a new website address, [www.ks.childcareaware.org](http://www.ks.childcareaware.org). All business activity will now be conducted using our new name.

Our seven regional member agencies include:

- Child Care Aware® of Southwest Kansas: (Garden City)
- Child Start, Inc.: (Wichita)
- Cloud County Community College Early Childhood Resource and Referral: (Concordia/Salina)
- ERC Resource and Referral: (Topeka)
- Child Care Aware® of Northwest Kansas: (Hays)
- The Family Conservancy: (Kansas City)
- Child Care Aware® of Southeast Kansas: (Pittsburg)

## Grant Writing

Greater Butler County Campus Community Partnership  
 Continuous Improvement Opportunity  
 December 13, 2010 11 am - 1:30 pm

11:00 - 11:15 am - Gather Lunch and Settle In

11:15 am - What do you hope to get out of today's session?

11:30 am - Grant Writing Presentation

- The Project
- Research
- Writing the Grant

12:15 pm- The Funder's Perspective

12:45 pm - Outcomes and Outputs

1:00 pm- Question and Answer

1:20 pm- Resources for Additional Training

**Presenters:**

Angie Baur, President/CEO  
 Community Foundation of Greater Butler County

Pat Hanrahan, President  
 United Way of the Plains

Regina Peasley, Director of Resource Development  
 Butler Community College

- Registration fee: \$12.00 for each participant (includes lunch and materials)
- Registration fee: \$10.00 for each participant of partner organizations (with signed MOU before event or at the door)
- Questions? Contact: 316-323-6877 | [servicelearning@butlercc.edu](mailto:servicelearning@butlercc.edu)
- Make checks payable to: Service-Learning @ Butler  
 Butler Community College  
 901 S. Haverhill Rd.  
 El Dorado, KS 67042

Registration				
Organization		Phone		
Mailing Address		Email		
City, Zip		Signed MOU?	No	Yes
Participant names		Fee	\$12	\$10
		x no. attending		
		Total due		
		Special diet needs:		

# Task Force Planning Session

## October 20, 2010

### Through Smart Start Program

The group gathered at Butler Community College Welcome Center on October 20, 2010. There were approximately 25 people in attendance from different agencies across the regional area of Butler County.

The beginning of this workshop was a mechanism to build trust and communication between the participants and facilitator. The Ground Rules for a Climate of Trust was used as well as David Kolb's Learning, Thinking Working Styles. It is important to understand where all people are coming from – to start where they are...This tool allows us to understand how we all process or take in information.

The group was asked to gather around the "TimeLine" and were asked questions that took the group through the years of early childhood development – when did they become involved in this endeavor and what was happening in our communities or the nation that had an effect on this issue.

The group went through the process of looking at the Strengths and Issues of their task force and what were the gaps they could see.

#### Strengths

*Strong Support – Many partners  
Comfortable with each other  
There is a desire to collaborate  
Willingness to advocate  
Ability to do a lot with a little money  
Quality services  
Leadership to get the job done  
Variety of knowledge & experience  
Shared goals with quality of service  
Years of data that has been collected  
Inform while reaching families*

#### Issues

*Inadequate funding sources  
0-3 Home visitation program  
Get other communities involved  
"Missing" partnerships  
Need a stronger connection with Medical Professionals  
not utilizing technology to the fullest  
Lack of Time  
FUNDING – competition for dollars  
Collision of different goals  
Reaching all families  
Look beyond the current grant year  
Reduce the stigma for asking for help*

Once the timeline was complete and the group talked about the **Strengths and Issues**, the group then had to come up with 4-5 goals they were committed to working on in the next year. These will be obtainable and will have the feeling of accomplishment.

#### **Goals & Action Plan**

##### **1. Community Partner/Collaborations**

- a. Fill the gaps in community development to move forward
- b. Get different people involved
- c. Re-engage, energize and educate partners
- d. Create some type of "tag line" – a short statement that everyone can know

##### **2. Look at the level and quality of service**

- a. Constantly work on QUALITY! Being focused on “early” services for children
- b. Have appropriate data to back up what is being delivered or vocalized
- c. Educate everyone what “quality” means in the form of “service”

**3. Leadership/Knowledge/Advocacy**

- a. Respond to issues with the businesses, elected officials and families
- b. **ONE VOICE/ONE MESSAGE**

**4. Reaching and Serving all Families and other agencies**

- a. Reach children at an earlier age
- b. Utilizing technology – don’t forget flyers/posters, etc.
- c. Come up with ways to give information while reducing the stigma for asking
- d. Agencies relay information on events they know about & the Task Force should be there

**5. LOOKING LONG TERM...**

- a. Always look for a new funding stream
- b. Continued advocacy
- c. Using the resources that are available and on hand to meet the vision/mission of the Task Force
- d. Continue to look for ways to make all of the items stated better and more productive.

These 5 goals are what was chosen by the group. In order to see that your group obtains these goals, consider tackling or discussing one goal at each meeting. Asking what have YOU done to achieve this goal? The hardest part about a collaborative group is creating an understanding that everyone must play a part to make these goals come to fruition.

This summary and report was presented by:

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