

# Amplifying the voices of families and the community to improve Early Childhood

Birth to Five Illinois: Region 47

Lee, Ogle, and Whiteside Counties

## Connecting with the Community

- Action Councils
- Family Councils





### **Elevating Community Voice**

- Regional Early Childhood Needs Assessment
- Action Plan
- Early Childhood Mental and Behavioral Health Needs Assessment
- Community Events
- Feedback loop
  - Community stakeholders & elected officials







#### **ACTION PLAN**



# Regional Recommendations & Progress:

- Increase awareness of local Early Childhood resources.
  - O.W.L. Early Childhood Resource Hub
  - O.W.L. Early Childhood Facebook page
- Raise awareness of the Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP).
  - Region 47 Child Care Toolkit



O.W.L. Early Childhood

Resource Hub

Find the "Who's Whooo" for your Early Childhood resource needs in Ogle, Whiteside, and Lee Counties!





- Early Childhood Education
- Child Care
- Family Resources

Visit the site to learn more:

bit.ly/m/owlearlychildhood



CHILD CARE
TOOLKIT







SUPPORTING LOCAL EMPLOYERS AND WORKING PARENTS IN THEIR WORK LIFE BALANCE







In partnership with:















#### What's Next?

 Interest Forms for Our Action and Family Councils

• Focus on Early Childhood Mental and Behavioral Health

 Continued Community Collaboration



#### How to Connect with Our Team

Website: <a href="https://www.birthtofiveil.com/region47">www.birthtofiveil.com/region47</a>

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