Research tells us that family dinners help to build strong families. Why? Because the act of sitting down together provides opportunities for talking and listening, for sharing information, and for building a sense of togetherness. It helps the family go forward with purpose. An important role of the Idaho Children's Trust Fund is setting the table for the prevention community to sit down together to talk and listen, to share best practices and resources, to build the bonds among community-based organizations and parents and to improve the quality of services and support for Idaho families. And to move forward with purpose. We do that through the annual Strengthening Families Training Institute, through planning and implementing Child Abuse Prevention Month statewide, through the Strengthening Families Roundtable and among the grantees with whom we work. This strengthened community is then more ready to build the kind of future all kids deserve. We create the table that provides a place for all Idaho families to grow.

Setting the table of prevention

It’s not about “those” children; it’s about all of our children.

Mary Marshall
Board Chair

Turning our proclivity, as Frankl describes it, into an endeavor offers prevention governments the potential to break the cycle of abuse and neglect in the long-run. It is the outcome of our actions that make the difference and it is the impact of our actions that improves the life chances of the children who are born into a world of abuse and neglect. It is the act of sitting down with the families of the children who are born into a world of abuse and neglect that makes a difference. It is the act of sitting down with the families of the children who are born into a world of abuse and neglect that makes a difference.

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For what then matters is to bear witness to the uniquely human potential of the human being and the power of the human spirit to transform a personal tragedy into a triumph, to turn one’s predicament into a human achievement.” – Viktor E. Frankl

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Trust Fund financials by the numbers

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*Detail available on request.

Message from Board Chair

Thank you to all who made donations to the Idaho Children’s Trust Fund in 2011!
Increasing awareness to prevent shaken baby syndrome in Idaho

The Strengthening Families Roundtable:

The Strengthening Families Roundtable is a collaborative effort begun in 2008, with the purpose of creating a shared vision for children and families in Idaho. The roundtable is a multi-sectoral effort that brings together community leaders, child advocates, stakeholders, and organizations to work towards the common goal of prevention of child abuse and neglect. The roundtable is guided by a common philosophy that prevention is better than intervention, and that all children deserve a happy, healthy childhood.

The roundtable has developed a framework for prevention based on five key protective factors: non-abusive parenting, safe environment, economic security, positive attachment, and positive social environment. These protective factors are the building blocks for healthy childhood development and well-being.

ICARE, a key partner in the roundtable, is a multi-sectoral initiative that has been working to prevent child abuse and neglect in Idaho for over 30 years. ICARE has been recognized for their work in prevention, and has been awarded the Ed Van Dusen Legacy Award for Exemplary Practice in Child Abuse Prevention.

ITCF funding builds protective factors for strong families:

The Idaho Children's Trust Fund (ITCF) has been a key partner in the Strengthening Families Roundtable, providing funding to support the work of the roundtable.

The ITCF has awarded grants to a variety of organizations and programs, including the roundtable, the Idaho Children's Trust Fund, and other child abuse prevention programs. These grants have supported the development and implementation of programs to build protective factors, and to prevent child abuse and neglect.

The ITCF has also been recognized for their work in prevention, and has been awarded the Ed Van Dusen Legacy Award for Exemplary Practice in Child Abuse Prevention.

Coeur d'Alene group earns its name...and Legacy Award:

The Ed Van Dusen Legacy Award for Exemplary Practice in Child Abuse Prevention is awarded each year by the Idaho Children's Trust Fund board. The ICARE program of St. Vincent DePaul is a mutli-pronged effort to prevent child abuse and neglect behaviors, and ultimately diminish local risk of abusing their children, find resources, supports, and well-being of families. They are attributes that serve all children, regardless of their community or background.

The ICARE program provides a range of services to families, including case management, family counseling, and support groups. The program also provides training and education to community members to help them recognize the signs of abuse and neglect, and to prevent it from occurring.

The ICARE program has received the Ed Van Dusen Legacy Award for Exemplary Practice in Child Abuse Prevention, recognizing their work in preventing child abuse and neglect in Idaho.

DePaul is a mutli-pronged effort to prevent child abuse and neglect behaviors, and ultimately diminish local risk of abusing their children, find resources, supports, and well-being of families. The Ed Van Dusen Legacy Award for Exemplary Practice in Child Abuse Prevention is awarded each year by the Idaho Children's Trust Fund board.