



KIDS Coalition  
Minutes  
10-14-20  
Virtual

Meeting started at 12:00  
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**Attendance:** Veronica McVay, Amy Nolan, Myra Willms, Lisa Carstens, Dawn Walton, Kelly Phelps, Becki Aghasee, Sydney Michelle Greenough, Sheena Sullivan, and Debra Schrader. Introductions were made.

### Covid-19 Resources

There is a [Covid-19 Residential Utilities Disruption](#) resource available to assist with up to \$2,000 in utilities due to Covid-19.

### Misc Announcements

- Sheena Sullivan with the Short Years Partnership will be having a [drive through baby shower](#) 11-7-20 from 9:00-10:00 in Norwalk. They will also have a [Hoot Hoot Horay event](#) October 27, 2020 from 10:00-10:30.
- October 22, 2020 is [Domestic Violence Awareness](#) day. There is also a [coloring contest](#).
- United Way has a 21 day equity challenge for anyone to participate in.
- ACES 360 have a new report and it is by region not by County. Veronica has requested 100 booklets.
- Amy Nolan with CRISP provided an update that 165 backpacks were provided to children this school year, which is an increase from the previous year.

### 1st Five

- Veronica McVay provided an update and overview on referrals for 1<sup>st</sup> Five.

### Prevent Child Abuse Madison County

- There will be sexual abuse prevention trainings this month.

### 4 R Kids

- The board is looking for board members for Adair County, preferably males.
- Child Care Resource and Referral provided a presentation on [Madison County child care data](#).
- The statewide voluntary preschool report was reviewed.
- Birth and death data was reviewed. In 2005 there were 205 [births](#) and in 2018 there were 172 compared to [deaths](#) of 137 and 166 for the same time period.
- The [State of Babies report](#) of Iowa was reviewed, 26.6% of mothers reported less than optimal mental health compared to the national average of 19.8%.

Meeting adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

### Next Meeting

The next meeting is December 9, 2020 at 12:00 and will be held virtual.

Respectfully submitted by Debra Schrader