**Connecting Fathers Workgroup**

July 7th 10am-11am

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Attendees: Anne Stone, Nelson Rascon, Kyle Paskewitz, Louis Mendoza, Jeremiah Donier; Micah Jackson; Amanda Krotke-Crandall; Linden Obel

**Meeting Goals:**

1. Welcome and Introductions 2)Federal Grant Update 3) Literature Review

| **Topic** | **Notes** | **Support Documents** |
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| **Welcome and Introductions**   * Who’s here * Review Notes for June |  |  |
| **Federal Grant Opportunity**   * We’ve Submitted (see WA Dynamics Dads for full application narrative) * What work can we do in the interim   [Fatherhood - Family-focused, Interconnected, Resilient, and Essential (Fatherhood FIRE)](https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=324635&utm_medium=email&_hsmi=88845413&_hsenc=p2ANqtz--spWTRBvm0A98Ip8wgpl5Xg84acgDUiet4anUcmpeancgqJF4MbpwXIPpcxBXT03HISssTSQdhrQWMkx7cfPEBD7RZyA&utm_content=88845413&utm_source=hs_email) | * The notice for the grant will be made at the end of September with a six month planning period. * Information on what is needed to contract with the state would be beneficial for organizations. * Jeremiah would like to see a quarterly newsletter with highlights for dads. * Need to make it clear in the RFP that organizations can do service delivery virtually. |  |
| **Literature Review Feedback**   * Building the case for Fatherhood in key issues * What tells the story of fathers in Washington to you? | Four possible topics   1. How does having an engaged father impact child/family poverty 2. Systemic barriers around co/shared parenting 3. Social emotional Early Childhood Development impact of fathers 4. Socialization of young boys becoming men and social stigmas |  |
| **Adjourn**   * Next meetings: * Tue. Aug. 4th, 10-11 * Tue. Sep. 1st, 10-11 * Tue. Oct. 6th, 10-11 * Fatherhood Council Meetings ~~July 10~~ (canceled) Aug. 14th, 10:30-12:00 | * We will start thinking about tips for dads. Micah will start off the conversation at our next workgroup meeting. |  |