



The Foundation for Enhancing Communities (TFEC) is the community foundation serving Cumberland, Dauphin, Franklin, Lebanon, Perry, and York (Dillsburg) Counties. Our mission is to inspire giving by partnering with donors to achieve their charitable goals and strengthening our local communities by investing in them now and for future generations. One way in which TFEC invests in the future of our area communities is through the TFEC Early Education Initiative.

The mission of the TFEC Early Education Initiative is to cultivate, convene and strengthen community opportunities for growth, safety, and wellness for all children, now and for future generations.

The TFEC Early Education Initiative is guided by the expertise of the TFEC Early Education Advisory Committee. The membership of this group consists of early childhood stakeholders who represent the assets and needs of children and early childhood professionals within our area communities. As guided by the TFEC Early Education Advisory Committee, from 2018-2020 the TFEC Early Education Initiative will address three areas of need within our regional communities:

SCHOOL READINESS

Empower caregivers, connect educators, and deepen resources that help children enter school ready to learn.

TRAUMA INFORMED COMMUNITY

Foster trauma informed education, practices, and resiliency resources that impact a child's ability to grow up happy, healthy, and safe.

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

Fuel cross-sector collaboratives that recognize early learning as crucial to the development of a future ready workforce.

THE TFEC EARLY EDUCATION INITIATIVE BELIEVES

- Children are at the center of the communities we serve.
- Investing in resources that support children, strengthens our area communities for everyone.
- Working together to build empowered, resilient, and collaborative communities in which children can live, learn, and grow is essential to the success and health of our region.

TFEC EARLY EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

- Capital Area Head Start
- Capital Area Intermediate Unit
- Child Care Consultants, Inc.
- Cumberland/Perry MH/IDD Program
- Dauphin County Library
- Department of Education
- Early Education Center of Perry County
- First Start Partnerships for Children and Families
- GreenWorks Development
- Hamilton Health Center
- HACC Lancaster Campus
- Immaculata University
- Office of Child Development and Early Learning
- Partnership for Career Development

- Perry County Literacy Council
- SCPa Works
- Shippensburg Head Start
- Susquehanna Township School District
- United Way of Carlisle and Cumberland County
- United Way of the Capital Region
- Waynesboro Day Care Center

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