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1) 2008 Kids Count Annual Data Book
The Annie E. Casey foundation recently released its 19th annual KIDS COUNT data book. This report ranks Hawaii 13th among all states, a slight drop from last year’s ranking of 11th in the nation. Overall, Hawai'i ranks in the top 10 nationally on five measures of child well-being. Hawaii has improved on six of the 10 measures, and experienced setbacks on four, since 2000. The 2008 KIDS COUNT Essay discusses youth who are involved in state juvenile justice systems and highlights new approaches to detention reform.

Some highlights for Hawaii include:

- The most notable improvement was a 40 percent decrease from 2000 to 2006 for the percentage of teens not in school and not working. In 2000, 10 percent of Hawaii's teens ages 16-19 were not in school and not working, compared to only 6% in 2006.
- Two other notable improvements include a 20% decrease in infant mortality and a 22% decrease in teen births (ages 15 to 19) from 2000 to 2005.
- Hawai'i’s infant mortality rates significantly decreased from 8.1 deaths per 1,000 live births in 2000 to 6.5 deaths in 2005.
- Hawai'i’s teen birth rate significantly decreased from 46 births per 1,000 females in 2000 to 36 births in 2005.

The full report can be accessed online at:
http://www.kidscount.org/datacenter/databook.jsp

2) June 28th is the Balancing Work and Family Fatherhood Conference
The Hawai'i State Commission on Fatherhood, Hawai'i Coalition for Dads, and the Children’s Rights Council of Hawai'i are co-sponsoring the Balancing Work & Family Fatherhood Conference.

CONFERENCE DETAILS:
Saturday, June 28, 2008; 7:45 am – 3:00 pm
The Pacific Club (Queen Emma & Vineyard—Honolulu) - $25.00
WORKSHOPS

*Work-Family Balance for Dads*
How can employees stay both engaged in the workplace and at home? National Fatherhood Initiative presents a new model that helps dads balance work and family thus becoming better employees.

*Positive Discipline Local Style*
Being a parent is a tremendous challenge for both fathers and mothers. Fathers are often expected to be the parent who disciplines the children. With this expectation comes our responsibility as parents—as fathers—to learn how to guide our keiki with positive discipline.

*Shared Parenting (Joint Custody)*
The best parent is both parents. Shared parenting helps provide emotional stability for children by promoting the involvement of both parents.

*The Father-Friendly Company*
Many companies are losing their top male talent because they have not made their work-family programs work for both men and women. This workshop allows participants to look at their work-family programs in a new and fresh way.

PLUS...Father Resource Marketplace (Information tables)
Funded in part by HMSA Foundation and Hawai'i Children's Trust Fund

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

7:45 a.m. Registration & Continental Breakfast  
8:15 a.m. Aloha  
8:30 a.m. *Work-Family Balance for Dads*  
Scot Cunningham - National Fatherhood Initiative  
9:45 a.m. Morning Break - Father Resource Marketplace (Info tables)  
10:00 a.m. *Positive Discipline Local Style*  
Japanese Style (Dan Yahata, Moderator), Hawaiian Style (Tom Naki), Filipino Style (Alan Sunio), Samoan Style (Brian Teo), Portuguese Style (Allan Silva), and Military Style (Chet Adessa)  
11:15 a.m. Deli Lunch Buffet  
11:30 a.m. Lunch Sessions  
1—Strengthening Keiki of Incarcerated Parents (SKIP)  
2—Incarcerated Hawai'i Fathers in Arizona – Read To Me International  
12:30 p.m. *Shared Parenting (Joint Custody)*  
John Bauserman, President, Children's Rights Council  
1:45 p.m. Afternoon Break - Father Resource Marketplace (Info tables)  
2:00 p.m. *The Father-Friendly Company*  
Scot Cunningham - National Fatherhood Initiative  
3:00 p.m. Aloha
CONFERENCE REGISTRATION
Registration includes conference materials, continental breakfast and lunch.
Payment by check and purchase order to: State of Hawaii Department of Human Services.
Please return registration and payment so it is received by June 23, 2008 to: Hawai‘i State Commission on Fatherhood; c/o Hawai‘i Dept. of Human Services; 1390 Miller Street, Room 209; Honolulu, HI 96813; Phone: (808) 586-4999 Fax: (808) 586-4890; E-mail: henryoliva@hawaii.gov.

Purchase orders should accompany the registration form. If not available at time of remittance, please provide a purchase order number, authorized signature, and billing address. Registration confirmations will be sent via e-mail or fax after your registration and payment is received. Transfers of registration or cancellations for refund must be received in writing by Monday, June 23.

FREE PARKING in Queen Emma & Vineyard lot or on nearby streets
Participant Registration - ONE FORM PER PERSON - Please Type or Print Clearly
Name ____________________________________________
Title________________________________
Organization __________________________________________________
Address_______________________________________________________________
City/State/Zip___________________________________________________________
Work Phone_________________ Fax____________Email______________________

Space is limited—>Please Register Early...Conference Fee: $25.00
☐ Check Enclosed.
Please make check & P.O payable to: State of Hawaii Dept. of Human Services ☐
Purchase order/State Voucher #____________________________________________
☐ Vegetarian lunch? / Special dietary needs / other?___________________________
☐ Special accommodation request _______________________________________

3) Hawaii Kids Count E-Bulletin Subscription Information
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