

BARC ACTION GROUP MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT

Action Group Name: Childcare

Month/Reporting Period: Jan-25

Please provide an update of your committee's goals, activities and accomplishments for the month. Report due last day of each month.

2025 CHILDCARE ACTION GROUP GOALS

Goal	Activities	Resources Used (Outputs)	Partners/Agencies	Outcomes
Increase access to high quality childcare to all Bedford families	Support early care and education programs: explore AmeriCorps program; Share information about available childcare subsidy to families. Monitor/possibly renew county childcare grant	Grant Proposal by Bright Beginnings / United Way Bedford EDA childcare grant	United Way of Central VA; Bright Beginnings; Bedford Area Family YMCA; Bedford County EDA	
Get more books into the hands of young children in Bedford	Fundraise for the Dolly Parton Imagination Library program through Ruby Tuesday.	Action Group: distribute information; encourage participation.	CC Action Group; Ruby Tuesday Restaurant	Goal: increase participation to reach 15% of eligible children by December 2025.
Support children and families through outreach events quarterly.	Plan a Week of the Young Child event; Promote celebrating Dr. Seuss' birthday Participate in Read for the Record Day	Printed Materials Volunteering as a reader Plan event activities or partner with an existing event such as Thrive Outside	Action Group Thrive Outside	Share information at events; promote Ruby Tuesday fundraising

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