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Program	Contact	Activities
DELAWARE		
New Directions Early Head Start University of Delaware	Keith Boger boger@udel.edu 302.831.3492	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Male involvement meetings were held once a month at two partnering centers where guest speakers shared information on selected topics. A male involvement committee was established and meets regularly to plan and evaluate progress. The goal is to increase the number of fathers involved in parent/teacher conferences and home visits • Monday Night Football on the last Monday of the month held in partnership with the YMCA • University of Delaware Men’s basketball and football game attendance • Chess club held weekly in conjunction with the youth mentoring project • Leadership training attended by eight men sponsored by NDEHS • “Pops” week planned • Family and Staff Picnic • Blue Rocks game attendance planned
Wilmington Head Start	Les Roberts Family Fatherhood Advocate 302.764.0400 x12 robertsjr@wilmheadstart.org	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre-service workshop for staff on fatherhood involvement by Les Roberts. • Audit of centers and classrooms and getting them father friendly • Male Involvement Recruitment Dinner • Male Involvement Planning Committee Meeting • Daddy & Me Workshop at parent conference created and presented by Les Roberts • Evening of male bonding attending the NBA 76ers game • Male Involvement in the classroom; breakfast and activities.
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA		
United Planning Organization Head Start	Jesus Lopez JLopez@upo.org (202) 238-4687	Father’s Day splashing cookout featuring a one-day computer sale

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MARYLAND		
Baltimore City Head Start Program, Grantee	Darryl W. Stutely, Fatherhood and Male Involvement Specialist dwstutely@baltimorecityheads.org 443.984.2354	The Baltimore City Head Start Male and Fatherhood Initiative takes the lead in helping fathers and programs become more effective in achieving positive outcomes for enrolled children. The grantee’s Male and Fatherhood Specialist provides technical assistance and training to 7 programs to help deliver services to help families in parenting, and to help fathers to be more effective in their children’s lives. The following are some of the tasks that the Fatherhood and Male Involvement Specialist performs that are designed to meet those goals: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Host monthly male and fatherhood initiative trainings at the Central Office and providing one-on-one T/TA during site visits to help programs design well-defined services that are linked to measurable outcomes. Some of them are (1) assisting programs to understand, “why should you want to get men involved?”, (2) assessing male involvement in the program, (3) creating a “father-friendly” program, (4) recruiting men to the program, and (5) sustaining male involvement in the program. • Serves as co-chairperson on the Region III Head Start/Fatherhood Advisory Committee which provides access to the latest national best practices of fatherhood activities, which are then communicated to 17 programs.
Ashland Head Start Program at Gardenville	Anthony Truitt anthonytruitt@hotmail.com 410.366.8277	December – “Kick-off” Male Involvement Meeting January – Male Involvement meeting May – participated in the 7 th Annual HS Men’s Basketball Tournament & Family Fun Day
Baltimore City Child Care Resource Program	Michelle Freeman mfreeman@bccrc.org 410.685.5150 x249	July – August – classroom volunteers September – parent orientations October – classroom volunteers November – classroom volunteers and committee meetings December – “Winterfest” with males in classroom; “Daddy’s Day” at Head Start January – classroom volunteers May – participated in the 7 th Annual HS Men’s Basketball Tournament & Family Fun Day
Dayspring Head Start Program	Ebony Alderman 410.366.0599	November – Hosted first “Men’s Group Meeting” December – “Winterfest” with males in classroom January – “Fathers in the Classroom” Day May – participated in 7 th HS Men’s Basketball Tournament & Family Fun Day

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Emily Price Jones Head Start Program	<p>Tanika Bryant truemecansee@hotmail.com 410.362.74.77</p>	<p>January - Hosted first “Men’s Group Meeting” May - participated in the 7th Annual HS Men’s Basketball Tournament & Family Fun Day</p>
Garrett County Community Action Committee	<p>Walter Wachter wwachter@garrettcac.org 301.334.9431</p>	<p>August Phase-in Fatherhood Initiative Survey. 63 fathers returned the survey and received a parent handbook; “Fatherhood and Your Child’s Education”.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Set up a library for families with books, tapes, CD’s, and videos covering topics parents can check out. <p>October through December</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nature Activity with Cookout. 14 fathers and 24 children turned out for the activity. • Every Thursday at the Garrett College these topics were discussed: Loving Discipline, Helping Your Child Get Ready to Read, Helping Your Child Prepare for School, Raising Children of Character, At Home Activities to Help Your Preschooler Learn, Your Child’s Social and Emotional Development, How to Be a Better Father, and Helping Your Child Learn Through Play. Parent Handbooks were given out at each meeting. Pizza and snacks were served, and there was a drawing for a \$10.00 Wal Mart gift card at each meeting. Dad that attended 7 of the 8 meeting were eligible for a \$100.00 drawing, and all the Dads that participated were taken out to dinner after the completion of the program. Child care was provided for the DADS that attended. Seven Dads participated in the program. • October Pumpkin Project. The children took a pumpkin home, which the fathers helped to design and carve a Jack-O-Lantern with their child and they brought it back to school to share with the class. 24 fathers participated. <p>January</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 27th “Dinner Out with the Dads” was for Dads who attended the October – December DAD’S Program. Four fathers attended. <p>February</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 21 Computer Program Project. Tuesdays & Thursdays in the evening from 6-7 Dads can work on making a DVD from family pictures they have taken. Also they can check out information on the “ALLPRODAD” web sight, and the “FATHERHOOD” web sight, and gather other information. There will be other times when parents can access the computer during the day when staff can assist.

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		<p>March</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Game night every Friday. One week just DADS, one week DADS and children. <p>April</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1st Family Fun Fest. Partnership with other agencies in the county. <p>May</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • End of school year picnic for the families
Herring Run Head Start Program	<p>Berneva McClarin Bblessed412@jhm.edu 410.485.1010, x1025</p>	<p>August – parent orientation and classroom volunteer program September – “Back to School” and “Parent Night” October – classroom volunteer program November – “Kick-Off” male involvement meeting and classroom volunteer meeting December – classroom volunteer program January – classroom volunteer program May - participated in the 7th Annual HS Men’s Basketball Tournament & Family Fun Day</p>
Martin Luther King, Jr., Early Head Start Program	<p>Maureen Hussey, Director mhussey1@jhme.edu 410. 955.5451</p>	<p>August 2005 - “Fathers, Friends, and Other Men’s Training” October 2005 - Harvest Fest – “Dads and Children Harvest Photo Shot” November 2005</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conducted Program Father-Friendliness Program Assessment • Program Management Team reviewed and analyzed the collected data from the Father Friendliness Program Assessment and Part II of the “Fathers, Friends and Other Men Training” and concluded to enhance and/or continue “what works” and implement new program strategies designed my fathers to increased father/children learning interaction activities <p>December 2005 - Numerous Program and Classroom Xmas Holiday Activities June 2005</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “Donuts with Dads” • “Dads in the Spotlight Talent Showcase” • Conducted “Father’s Day Breakfast” at three sites
Metro Delta Head Start Program	<p>Cory Praileau umesdjmomo@aol.com 410.225.7685</p>	<p>September – Parent Class Committee, “Back to School” night, and “My Male Hero Breakfast” October – “What’s up Wednesday”, Positive Parenting Workshop and Parent Class committee November – Parent Class Committee and “What’s up Wednesday</p>

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		December - Parent Class Committee and “What’s Up Wednesday” May - Participated in the 7th Annual HS Men’s Basketball Tournament & Family Fun Day
Morgan State Head Start Program	William George willgeo53@hotmail.com 410.464.3265 Angelo Knox knox@mail2world.com 410.464.3261	November - Father/Male Involvement Kickoff Meeting, Father Involvement Sponsored “Thanksgiving Basket Raffle”, Men-Tutoring Program” December - Father/Male Involvement Planning Meeting, Father Involvement Sponsored “Christmas Basket Raffle”, “Fathers Go to the Ravens Football Game”, “Men-Tutoring Program” January - Father/Male Involvement Planning Meeting, “Men-Tutoring Program” February - Father/Male Involvement Rap Session, “Men-Tutoring Program” March - Father/Male Involvement Rap Session and Planning Meeting, Male Involvement “Basketball Night” April - Father/Male Involvement Rap Session May - Participated in the 7th Annual HS Men’s Basketball Tournament & Family Fun Day
St. Bernadine’s Head Start Program	Vernon Shelton vshel5@hotmail.com 410.233.4511	October - Father’s Luncheon-Harvest Fest February - “Father’s on the Move”-Shake & Bake Class Trip March “Father’s on the Move”-Ringling, Barnum, & Bailey’s Circus Class Trip
St Francis Head Start Program	Antawn Lewis alewis@sfxheadstart.org 410.234.9003	September - Fathers/Male Involvement Kick-off Planning Meeting October - Fathers/Male Involvement Meeting December - First Annual St. Francis Flag Football Game January - Life & Parenting Skills Training Workshop February - Black History Month-Parent Fashion Show March - “Fathers Take Kids to the Ringling’s, Barnum, & Bailey’s Circus Day” May - Participated in the 7th Annual HS Men’s Basketball Tournament & Family Fun Day
St. Jerome’s Head Start Program	Sharon Booth sbooth@catholiccharities-md.org 410.837.6870 Janell Walker, jwalk@aol.com 410.837.6870	February - “Super Bowl Party Night”, Fathers/Male Involvement Meeting & Workshop-Topic: Credit Repair April - Hosted 4- Program Cluster Fatherhood/Male Involvement Conference May - Participated in the 7th Annual HS Men’s Basketball Tournament & Family Fun Day
St. Veronica’s Head Start Program	Robin Steel-Grant bevljones@yahoo.com	August - Fatherhood Orientation September - Fatherhood Orientation

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	410.354.0220	<p>October - Male Involvement Workshop, Policy Committee, “Family Night” November - Classroom Committee Meeting at Curtis Bay, Classroom Committee Meeting at Community Center, “Make & Take” December - “Father & Child Program Holiday Shopping Spree”, “Make & Take” February - “Father’s on the Move”-Father/Child visit Disney on Ice Field Trip, “Daddy & Me” Picture Day, “What Head Start Means to Me Essay Contest”, “Valentine’s Day with Daddy in the Classroom”, Participating in Various Program Black History Month Activities March - My Daddy + Me Essay & Pictures Awards Day, “Fathers Take Kids to the Ringling’s, Barnum, & Bailey’s Circus Day” & to “Explore World” May - Participated in the 7th Annual HS Men’s Basketball Tournament & Family Fun Day</p>
St. Vincent DePaul Head Start Program	<p>Tracey Smith tsmith@vincentheadstart.org 410.542.4242</p>	<p>January - “Martin Luther King Trivia”, “Monthly Male Involvement Day” May - Participated in the 7th Annual HS Men’s Basketball Tournament & Family Fun Day</p>
South East Community Organization Head Start Program	<p>Ellis Harcum erhatcum@hotmail.com 410.276.5724, x215</p>	<p>September - “Kick-off” Monthly Fatherhood and Male Involvement Meeting, Parent Orientation October - Monthly Fatherhood and Male Involvement Meeting, Parent Policy Committee Meeting November - Monthly Fatherhood and Male Involvement Meeting, Curriculum Night, Parent Policy Committee Meeting *December 2005 and January 2006: All Monthly Fatherhood and Male Involvement Meetings canceled due to inclement weather. January - A+ Asthma Expo Breath Mobile, Parent Policy Committee Meeting, Parent Partnership Meeting – Held at 3 sites, 12 classrooms April - “Fathers/Males Help Repair SECO Day” May - Participated in the 7th Annual HS Men’s Basketball Tournament & Family Fun Day</p>
Umoja Head Start Program	<p>Brain Ames bames@umojahsa.org 443.524.3346</p>	<p>November - Monthly Conference Call, ACF RIII/HS Fatherhood and Discussion December - Daddy’s Day, “It’s a Man’s Thing Rap Session” January - Monthly Conference Call, ACF RIII/HS Fatherhood and Discussion, “Daddy Participation Day” May - Participated in the 7th Annual HS Men’s Basketball Tournament & Family Fun Day</p>
Union Baptist/Harvey Johnson Head Start Program	<p>Terrance Hinton emerge1977@yahoo.com 410.523.8793, x40</p>	<p>October - “John Madden Play Station Football Tournament” February - “Father & Child @ Chucky Cheese Night” May - Participated in the 7th Annual HS Men’s Basketball Tournament & Family</p>

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		Fun Day
Yubi Head Start Program	Julene Jarnot jmlyubi@yahoo.com 410.644.0307	January - Policy Committee Meeting, “Your Financial Future” Workshop, “Bedtime Stories” Pajama Day Book Event at St. Bartholomew’s, Class Committee Meeting, Home Buying Workshop, Introduction to Yoga, “Managing Asthma” Workshop, Fatherhood and Male Involvement Committee Meeting February - “Daddy Drop Off Day” & Male Involvement “Pancake Breakfast”, “Fathers Celebrate Black History Day” March - “Daddy Drop-Off Day”, Father’s “Spring Into Healthy Living” Health Fair April - Daddy Drop-Off Day” May - Participated in the 7th Annual HS Men’s Basketball Tournament & Family Fun Day
PENNSYLVANIA		
Allegheny County Head Start	Walter Mueller, 2nd 412.678.8421 walter.mueller@aiu3.net	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing monthly meetings • Event #1 – 12/1/05, Child Development, Child Support • Event #2 – 1/27/06, Literacy, Recruitment and Retention • Event # 3 – 5/06, Fathers to go to Head Start National Conference
Capital Area Head Start	April Downing adowning@kss.org Dan Harfield धारfield@kss.org 717.541.7135	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing monthly meetings • Event #1 – 12/1/05, Child Development, Child Support • Event #2 – 1/27/06, Literacy, Recruitment and Retention • Event # 3 – 5/06, Fathers to go to Head Start National Conference
Carbon County Head Start	Viki DeMarco Family Service Coordinator vldcchs@ptd.net 570.645.7578	Connect with H.I.M. (Head Start Involves Men) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mission statement • Data collection at enrollment • “Kick Off” family event at the beginning of school year • Each month, new activity and educational focus • Monthly meeting with interactive and participative activities • Home visitors provide parenting/child development sessions with incarcerated men with preschool children
Cen-Clear Child Services	Beth Carter	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two staff attended the Dallas, TX Fatherhood Initiative training in summer

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	<p>Parent Involvement Coordinator bcarter@cenclear.org 814.342.5678, x243</p>	<p>2004</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Schedule male involvement (prefers this title so that grandfathers, boyfriends, male friends of the family, etc. are invited to attend) meeting once per month at each center where men plan and discuss projects and activities (“Race Car” day, pumpkin carving demonstration, Super Bowl Party) • Partner with Lowe’s Hardware that allows men to go to the store once per month and learn a skill
<p>Community Action Partnership of Cambria County’s Head Start Program</p>	<p>Jeannette Bracken jbracken@capcc.us 814.536.9031</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Purchased a training curriculum for home visitors/teachers through the one-time Fatherhood funding • Use curriculum, Building Blocks for Father Involvement and fatherhood consultants from “Family Centers” to train staff on the importance of fatherhood and provide fatherhood workshops on a quarterly basis. Topics include: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. why fathers are important 2. how to assess whether your agency is father-friendly 3. barriers to involving fathers 4. motivating staff to begin involving fathers in their children’s lives 5. learning how to communicate with fathers 6. acknowledging the mother as gatekeeper and her role in involving the father 7. national fatherhood experts’ tips on engaging fathers 8. case examples of principles in practice 9. family portrait of an involved father • Encourage fathers to participate in workshops, be involved in home visits, visit the classroom and attend parent/child activities
<p>DCIU Head Start</p>	<p>Robert Adams radams@dciu.org 610.938.9000, x2204</p> <p>Barry Colgan bcolgan@dciu.org 610.938.9000, x2022</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contracts through the local family center to run program • Holds monthly meetings with father/father figures and their children that include a variety of activities • Have met at Lowe’s for a building workshop, at a local park for outdoor play activities and at a Head Start center
<p>Health Federation of Philadelphia Early Head Start Program</p>	<p>Judy Snow jsnow@healthfederation.org 215.223.5200, x120</p>	<p>Bridge Builders Advisory Committee (Made up of male staff, parents, community representatives, and grantee) and M.A.L.E. (Men Available to Lead and Encourage-Made up of male parents of enrolled children)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mission is:

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		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. commitment to the role and responsibility as fathers and male role models 2. mentor, guide and encourage males who impact the lives of children 3. practice and develop positive family values 4. build solid and nurturing environments for children
Lawrence County Social Services, Inc. Head Start	Bobbi Philson Education Coordinator bphilson@lawcss.org 724.658.7671, x107	The program has had fathers participate in the following activities throughout the school year: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create and read books • Make book marks • Art projects • Cooking and nutritional activities • Seed planting • Make and exchange gifts
Montgomery County Head Start	Rev. Thomas C. Griffin 610.239.6662	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Male Involvement Breakfast • Super Bowl Pizza Party • “Building Blocks” presented to sites • “10 Ways to be a Better Father” presented to sites • Scrapbook of programs and activities for the year • Ice cream social (14 men attended) • The month of May was designated for Male Involvement. Each classroom received \$35 for the Parent Activity Fund to complete an activity(ies). •
Northumberland Head Start	Denise Guinn-Bailey Dguinn-bailey@csiu.org 570.523.1155, x2243	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vision is to “create and keep a partnership and collaboration with all early Head Start fathers and father figures • Goals include: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. support fathers as educators, nurturers, and advocates for their children 2. provide every father with opportunities for a meaningful experience while interacting with their child 3. ensure that parents are involved in making policy and programmatic decisions for the Early Head Start program
Philadelphia Parent Child Center	Sandra Crippen scrippen@ppccinc.org 215.229.1800, x103	Males meet monthly and have planned/implemented: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Black History Month activity – “Blacks in Wax”, Baltimore, MD • “Men in Health” workshop featuring a guest speaker

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kofi Ashante, Male Activist featured a workshop series on several topics such as resume writing, preparing for interviews, talking honestly with your partner, etc. • Honored Darryl Dory, children’s author with a luncheon and picture-taking session • June cookout featuring males doing the cooking <p>The program has noted an increased number of male volunteers in the classroom and in attendance on field trips</p>
<p>School District of Philadelphia Pre-kindergarten Head Start Program</p>	<p>Denota E. Watson Parent Involvement Coordinator dwatson@phila.k12.pa.us 215.400.6212</p>	<p>F.A.M.I.L.Y (Fathers Advocating Male Involvement in the Lives of Youth) Fathers have served as elected officers at the center and Policy Council levels. A core group meets monthly to assist with planning and coordinating various workshops and activities throughout the fiscal year. All interested fathers and male volunteers are invited to the meeting and various topics are discussed/facilitated based on the expressed interest of fathers.</p> <p>June – guest on Clear Channel Radio Talk Show Pre-Father’s Day series July – male involvement cultural trip to Baltimore Inner Harbor (lunch at Phillips), African American Museum, and Aquarium September – professional development for staff on fatherhood/.male involvement October – June – participated in the Region III Fatherhood monthly conference call mini seminars November – fathers elected as parent committee officers and policy council representatives; “Men are Cooking” AKA Scholarship food tasting table December – group facilitated a fatherhood/male involvement workshop at the PA Head Start fall conference; facilitated a session of the Region III monthly conference call workshop series; RIF Holiday Book Distribution events featuring fathers February – assisted with RIF – “Give a Book of Love” distribution March – workshop on “Techniques for Effective Reading to Children” March – June – “Dr. Seuss Read Across Head Start with Fathers” reading to over 1,500 children in classrooms throughout the program; facilitated mini discussion groups with fathers/males at centers; assisted with distribution of books donated by Comcast Cable April – workshop for fathers on diversity; father/family evening at the 76’ers basketball game; served as escorts with children to live theater play May – workshop on “understanding Challenging Behaviors of Children”; delegate to the NHSA Annual Training Conference in Detroit, MI; hosted “Pamper</p>

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		<p>Yourself’ luncheon for mothers/female volunteers June - assisted with Fun Day activities at the centers; guest of honor at a Pre-Father’s Day luncheon; coordinated a Family Outing/Picnic to Clementon Amusement Park. F.A.M.I.L.Y. featured on TV Fox 29 “Father’s Day Men Making a Difference” July – assisted with planning of a cultural field trip outside the city for top volunteers</p>
Shippensburg Head Start Program	<p>Jeff Hafer Assistant Director jajafe@ship.edu 717.477.1626, x3554</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff complete the ‘Male Friendliness and Environmental Audit’ and “Staff Survey on Father Involvement” • Each center plans two activities throughout the year for father figures • Annual “Fatherhood Conference” provides a full day of food, workshops and guest speakers for significant males in the program • On-going staff development is conducted to ensure continued effective involvement of fathers
SLHDA Head Start Program	<p>Ann Lydon Eligibility Coordinator alydon@headstartlhda.org 570.963.6633</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Male involvement interest survey • Male involvement literacy project – magazine library • Dad’s Day • Male involvement newsletter which includes a monthly calendar of events/activities, literacy articles, popular children’s books, favorite recipes, committee meeting dates, community events, sports trivia, and Dad’s Day center dates • Staff/parent training • “Share Your Trade/Hobby Day” • Annual Spring Kite Fly
Snyder, Mifflin, Union Child Development	<p>Carol Budd Family and Community Partnership Coordinator 570.966.0379, x129</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Received a grant three years ago to conduct an initiative in conjunction with Marywood University which was intended to increase fathers’ knowledge of family literacy, as well as understand their role in promoting literacy. Entrance and exit studies showed that fathers who participated committed to be active advocated in their children’s educational experiences. • Received a grant to sponsor a “Guy’s Night Out” in each of the center locations, facilitated by a trainer. Goal was to have dialogue with fathers about how they view their role and what they feel are their strengths and challenges in participating actively in their child’s pre-school experience
Snyder, Mifflin, Union Child Development	Carol Budd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participated in a cluster training in Spring, 2005

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	Family and Community Partnership Coordinator 570.966.0379, x129	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Held “Dad’s Day” in each county with speaker and activities, emphasizing literacy
VIRGINIA		
Arlington Community Action Program	Serge King Fatherhood Coordinator sking@mail.arlingtoncap.org 703.241.2040, x30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Began in 1999 with a grant from the Virginia Department of Health, Virginia Fatherhood Campaign. Goal was to assist programs fathers in becoming more involved in the growth and development of children Has monthly meetings, community events, and designated activities that bring the fathers and their families/children together
CDI Head Start (Community Development Institute)	Monica Johnson Family and Health Services Manager MJohnson@dcpsnet.org 804.469.4495	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mental health support group meeting Breakfast just for fathers Fathers assisted at registration/intake Will read to children in April
Chesterfield County Public Schools Head Start	Lisa V. White Family and Community Partnership Manager Lisa_White@ccpsnet.net Lisa4kids@comcast.net 804.743.3697	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Committed to supporting healthy male involvement with young children through encouraging, equipping, establishing, and educating parent/child relationships Committee comprised of FCP Manager, Family Service Provider, and two males from Policy Council A male is elected from each HS classroom to participate on the committee Survey conducted at beginning of program year to assess interest Minimum of four activities planned throughout the school year The anticipated outcome is to increase involvement in the lives of HS children through planned activities and to provide educational opportunities and community resources for involved fathers
Child Development Resource, Inc (CDR) Early Head Start M.A.C.	Dee Moore Family and Community Partnership Coordinator deem@cdr.org www.cdr.org 757.566.2847	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Collaborates with York County Head Start; their fatherhood program meets monthly with the M.A.C. (see York County Head Start below) Mission is to “strengthen and improve the quality of relationships between fathers or male role models and their children, while providing a safe environment where children can develop to their potential”. Vision is to “create an environment where fathers and male role models utilize diverse experiences, talents, and mentoring skills to motivate children to succeed and become valuable citizens in the community in which they live”.
Community Development Institute Head Start	Jewel Jones jjones@headstartagency.org	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Start an initiative in 2005 Sponsored two seminars for fathers and male guardians, facilitated by a Male

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	804.226.9870	<p>Responsibility Specialist</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborating with five elementary schools and two day care centers to co-sponsor three events that target fathers: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Donuts for Dad – fathers, grandfathers and male guardian invited to school to eat donuts and participate in planned activities 2. The Reading Room – parents and guardians read to the children 3. Pizza for Parents – parents and guardians eat lunch with the children
Culpeper Human Services Head Start	<p>Simon C. Fiscus Male Involvement Coordinator/Family Service Worker sfiscus@cvahs.com 540.829.2330, x227</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Generally have 30 out of 136 Head Start families participate every month <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Presentation of pictures, stories and different field games 2. Monthly newsletter 3. Monthly fatherhood class 4. Monthly lunch with students 5. Post topics on bulletin board 6. End of year party
Eastern Shore Area Aging Head Start	<p>Ramona Fisher Education and Male Involvement Coordinator ramonafisher_60@hotmail.com 757.787.8774, x13</p>	<p>Male Involvement Advisory Committee involved in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • volunteering in the classroom and on field trips • planning activities and organized sports • Father Involvement Luncheon
Hanover County Public Schools Head Start	<p>Peggy Harrelson, PhD Asst. Director of Early Childhood Education pharrelson@hcps4.hanover.k12.va.us 804.365.4506</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monthly in-classroom Dad’s Event that includes special invitations, food, field trips, reading, and other classroom activities • Four-week Father-read series led by male community volunteers, with each family receiving a copy of a book for their home library
Eastern Shore Area Aging Head Start	<p>Ramona Fisher Education & Male Involvement Coordinator Ramonafisher_60@hotmail.com 757.787.8774, ext 13</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developed a Male Involvement Advisory Committee with 15 fathers/father figures that were active • Volunteer on field trips and in the classrooms, planning activities for them to do with children • Plans for organized sports for the summer and fall • Father Involvement Luncheon in April with over 30 fathers in attendance
Orange County Head Start	<p>Rebecca Phillips rebflips@hotmail.com 540.672.7500</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have had a fatherhood program since 1998 • Hold monthly meetings facilitated by a past parent. Participation is about 12 males

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People Incorporated of SW VA Head Start/Early Head Start	<p>Patrick Liendo Male/Parent Involvement Specialist pliendo@peopleinc.net 276.619.2259</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Goal of the programs is to “create continual and reproducible activities that will instill in the fathers a sense of involvement with their children that will benefit their children and ultimately our society, one child at a time”. • Designed a survey/brochure about volunteerism, males as positive role models and space for contact information (to be used as a “daddybase”) • Ordered posters, brochures, and 24/7 Dad curriculum to be used for training of staff and fathers/males • Conducting research in long-term reading exercises designed specifically for dads and their children
Prince William Head Start	<p>Pat Robbins robbinpa@pwcs.edu 703.791.8708</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fathers and/or male figures are encouraged to participate in the program at intake • Men are included in all activities • “Dad’s Day” held each month in the classroom • Bowling and woodworking events • Increased participation at the “Back to School Night”, “I am Moving, I am Learning”, and end of year picnic • Sponsored a men’s breakfast and dinner with educational activities with the children • More men are involved in Policy Council, classroom volunteering and attendance
Scott County Public School Head Start	<p>Kelly Bledsoe Family and Community Services Coordinator Kell_b_89@hotmail.com 276.386.6051</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monthly “Family Night Out” events planned around the interest and culture of families • C.H.A.T.T.E.R. (Center to Home Activities that Teach Emergent Reading) suggests ways for fathers to get involved with school activities • “Dad N Me Days” – grant allowed HS to purchase 178 Big Wheels to be assembled by Dads and their children • Plans are being made for more hands-on activities for HS children and Dads
Skyline CAP, Inc.	<p>Ashley Adams Head Start Director aadams@skylinecap.org 540.948.3916, x170</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conducting three to four activities (to be determined) to promote male involvement at either the Parent Center Committee meeting or in the classrooms
The Stop Organization Head Start Program	<p>Sharon Merritt Fatherhood Coordinator</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fatherhood Game Night • “Doughnuts for Daddy”, where males are invited to read a story in the Head

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	757.858.1383	<p>Start classrooms. The Dads will receive a doughnut for participating</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fatherhood basketball team to start in March • Some programs have a Fatherhood/Family Night • Highlight fathers in the quarterly newsletter
Western Tidewater Early Head Start The Children’s Center	<p>Donna Blythe Family Service Coordinator/Transportation Coordinator dblythe@thechildrenscenter.cc 757.516.2722</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fathers are invited daily to volunteer in the classrooms • Planned Parenthood Series – open discussions on relationships, reproductive health, sexually transmitted infections and self-esteem • Handy Dandy Dads – involve Dads in center projects • Monthly Parent Meetings – discuss a variety of topics, such as budgeting, fire safety, and proper use of car seats • Annual Father’s Day Picnic • “Donuts for Dad
Williamsburg James City County Head Start and Community Action Agency	<p>Nicholas Corsi, Jr. Fatherhood Specialist ccfatherhood@tni.net 757.229.6417</p>	<p>All Star DAD – “Where DAD is a child’s hero”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vision is to improve the well-being of children by increasing the proportion of children growing up with involved, responsible, and committed Dads. • Mission is to: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. educate fathers and the community 2. equip fathers and families 3. engage fathers in the lives of their children • Goal is to empower father/males to be All Star Dads to their children through support groups, mentoring, workshops, training opportunities, activities for male bonding, and fun, cultural/discovery trips • In the process of developing a “Dads Handbook”
York County Head Start	<p>Kevin Cusce’ Manager, Male Involvement Program cusek@yourkcounty.gov 757.890.4151</p> <p>Robert Triggs Male Involvement Staff Facilitator triggs@yorkcounty.gov 757.890.3888</p>	<p>M.A.C. (Men Advocating for Children)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Operates under approved Policy Council by-laws • Facilitated by staff; governed by elected officers • Has motto, membership pledge, and an emblem to signify group identity, purpose, and commitment • Has a 15% membership; average participation is 3% • Meets monthly for a business meeting over a meal • Has special meetings in which they meet for an activity with the children and/or family • Every meeting includes a minimum of 15 minutes of an education component, decided on by the participants at the previous meeting • Has no external source of funding or internal budget

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborates with CDR (see CDR above) • Preparing to collaborate with a youth group home consortium as mentors • Negotiating for funding with a private, non-profit consortium to coach commercial, faith-based, and daycare centers on the importance of fatherhood programs
WEST VIRGINIA		
Appalachian Council Head Start	<p>Janice Jackson Parent Involvement Specialist jjackson@appcouncil.com 304.344.8098, x218</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Distributed survey to each family to identify male interests • Have Male Involvement Days throughout the school year • Encourages males to volunteer in classrooms, attend Parent Committee and Policy Council workshops, meetings, and training • Staff and parents attended training on Building Blocks for Father Involvement • Encourage males to participate in home activities with their child • Promote literacy activities • Assists fathers in becoming involved in the growth of their children • Added more books in the library area on male involvement • Organized a Fatherhood Initiative Committee with parents, staff, and community representatives • Purchased videos and male involvement posters for the classrooms • Trained staff on the importance of fatherhood using the following topics: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Why fathers and male involvement is important in the classroom 2. The importance of good communication with male involvement 3. Taking pictures of male involvement in the classroom and displaying them
Braxton County Head Start	<p>Morna Greene mlgreene@access.k12.wv.us</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training for new staff who work with Fatherhood activities • Mini grants offered to each teacher for implementation of fatherhood activities
CASE Head Start	<p>Ramon Flores Family and Community partnership Coordinator rflores@caswv.org 304.487.5770</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have two socials per year, one in the fall and one in the spring <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 35% of all guests were adult males at fall social 32% of all guests were adult males at spring social • Have “Dad’s Night”, “Mom’s Night”, and “Mom and Dad’s Night” • A number of social days, such as Christmas Lunch, Men’s Breakfast and Men’s Lunch, Easter Luncheon • Movie with Dads on March 30, 2006

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Celebrated “Week of the Young Child” with art exhibits featuring fathers • In May 2006, will implement “Men’s Hour”, were males spend an hour in the classroom • Staff trained on the 24/7 Dad Curricula in partnership with Weisiger Consultants
Central WV Community Action Head Start (CWVCAA)	<p>Angela McElwain Family Partnership & ERSEA Specialist</p> <p>Tanna Escolopio Community Partnership Specialist CWVHDSTART@yahoo.com 304.623.1665</p>	<p>Families at CWVCAA Head Start take FLIGHT (Families Learning, Involving, Growing, and Helping Together). Program does not single out men in particular, but uses a family-based approach to planning activities. Male gender specific highlights include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual staff training on a topic related to fatherhood; all staff attended training in Fall 2005 on “Gender Bias” and “Building Blocks for Father Involvement” • Conducted nationwide course entitled, “Credit Where Credit Is Due” • “Fishing With Dads” –Friday evening family event • Monthly newsletters sent out with a special section dedicated to Fatherhood • A Men’s Health Seminar is planned. Information about free prostate screening has been sent out • Surveys are sent out annually to obtain interests/concerns of males being served in the program
Community Development Institute serving Northwest West Virginia	<p>Harold Jumper Family Community Partnership Coordinator haroldjcdi@zzzip.net 304.485.7404</p>	<p>September – Family Reading Night October – Gun Safety video/discussion December/January – Health Fair January – Super Bowl Party February – Nutrition Carnival March/April – Fishing video/trip May – Game Night Parent satisfaction surveys were sent to families for completion</p>
Council of the Southern Mountains Head Start aka CDI serving McDowell County Head Start	<p>Ida Wilson Family Support Manager 304.448.2118 x244</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Events and activities throughout the program year • Encourage male participation and volunteer opportunities • Parent committees organize an appreciation event at each center to recognize the men (and other parents) who have helped throughout the year <p>Fall Men bring in small collectible items and set them up for display Spring Men bring in motor vehicles to display 2006-2007 Special “Dad and Me” day each month</p>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • October – “read, Play, and Eat with Me” day • November – Men’s dinner • December – promotion on volunteering • January – “Get Fit With Me” program • February – Cultural experience day • March – construction project • April – nature experience
EACHS Head Start	<p>Cheryl D. Waybright eachs@beaconnet.net 304.257.4853</p>	<p>To enhance father/male involvement throughout the EACHS Inc. Head Start Program, the Father involvement initiative coordinator will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Convey to families during initial contact that fathers/males are welcome • Distribute information to staff and policy/governing groups about fatherhood involvement initiative • Develop and process male interest survey • Provide staff with handouts pertaining to activities for children ages three through five • Revise composition of newsletter to include male involvement • Have classrooms include visuals and library material portraying male figures • Appropriate funds for male involvement activities • Train staff through West Virginia Head Start Association • Involve community resources in the initiative • Evaluate initiative and incorporate findings in the parent questionnaire, PIR, and self-assessment
Fayette County Child Development, Inc.	<p>Keith Young Executive Director kyoungfccd@yahoo.com 304.465.5613</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Purchased fatherhood curricula from Center for Successful Fathering • Require teachers to create “father-friendly” lesson plan topics that encourage fathers to read to children and show/tell their work/hobbies to the class • Will conduct 10 training sessions per year with each fathers at each site in conjunction with a father/child activity day and provided lunch • Purchased fatherhood involvement posters and placed them in centers and parent rooms • Have included fatherhood involvement discussions at parent meetings • Recruited fathers to serve on Policy Council • Will conduct end-of-year celebration for Dads at each site
Greenbrier County Head Start/Pre K	<p>Becky Kirk kirk_rebecca@hotmail.com</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monthly meetings involving men • Meet and Greet

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	304.645.3505	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fall Luncheon • “Books for Breakfast” – children prepare pancake-shaped invitations to send home to male figures. After pancake breakfast, men read books to children • Annual Kite Fly in the Spring • Basketball, T-Ball, fishing, and field trips in the Spring
Kanawha County Schools Head Start/WVPre-K	<p>Karen Williams kpwillia@access.k12.wv.us 304-348-1390</p> <p>Charisse Morris cmorris@kcs.kana.k12.wv.us</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fatherhood Initiative – training for Teachers/Staff/Parents with guest speakers –Horace Phelps, Derrick Gibson and Head Start Fathers; PowerPoint on Male Involvement by Head Start Teachers; Teacher input on Suggestion Activities on Male Involvement. • Fatherhood Summit- Dinner for all Head Start Fathers- guest speaker –Horace Phelps • “Building Blocks for Male Involvement” Videos • Father/Male Involvement Survey • Appalachian Power Baseball Tickets – Free Father’s Night out • “Grandfather’s Day” – invite grandfathers to lunch and to read • Build a Craft day – ex: “Build a Birdhouse” Day or “Make a Project” Day • “Go to the Park” Day – field trip and cook out • Community Workers day – Invite police officers, firefighters, EMT’s, dentists, Doctors, Veterinarians etc. • “Buster the Bus” – invite bus drivers in for bus safety using Buster, the mini bus • “Career Day” – invite fathers/males in to share career • “Bring Your Father to School” Day instead of “Bring Your Child to Work” day • Invite fathers/males in to assist in Festival days – Fall, Winter and Spring • “Donuts with Dad” day –invite dads/males in to read and have donuts • “Fishing with Fathers” Day – Camping unit, cook out • “Fly a Kite” Day • Parent Workshops with Guidance Counselor or School Psychologist • Fatherhood Involvement Newsletter • Science Experiments – invite fathers/males in to assist child with science experiment or share a science experiment. • Invite Fathers/males in to assist with technology – computers • Invite Fathers/males in to help repair classroom equipment and assist with the Classroom Safety Checklist. • “Reading Backpack” Program – Rotary Club purchased backpacks with book

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		<p>and activity to be sent home for male involvement.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RIF – Reading Is Fundamental – Invite fathers/males in to help child pick a book to keep, read the story and eat lunch. Each child gets 3 free books a year. • Drummer DJ from 102 comes into classrooms to teach children about drums, musical instruments, beats, rhythms etc. • “Read Across America” Week – invite different male in to read each day – We invited Governor Manchin, Mayor Jones, City Councilman, Media persons etc. • Invite Stepfathers in to read or eat lunch • Invite Fathers/males/Grandfathers in to share a family tradition • Parent meetings – Invite fathers in to assist with making a scrapbook for their child – make one page each month at the parent meeting to bind at the end of the school year to make a memory album. • Policy Council Representative <p>Incorporate male/fathers books into the classroom</p>
Mingo Community Action Partnership, Inc	<p>Karen L, Browning kbrowning@mingocap.org 304.235.1701, x234</p>	<p>H.I.M. (Head Start Involving Males) Committee The goals of the committee are to (1) increase positive father-child relationships, (2) enhance father’s relationship with the child’s mother, (3) change attitudes about dads in the community, (4) increase men’s positive sense of self, (5) increase male participation in Head Start, (6) enhance bonding between children and fathers, (7) provide positive opportunities for males to interact with their children, (8) offer healthy recreation experiences, (9) build stronger male/staff relations, and (10) enhance the skills of male Head Start participants.</p> <p>Activities include(d):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Doughnuts with Dads/significant males • Breakfast with Dads/significant males • Sundaes with Dads/significant males • “Read to Me” day
Mineral County Pre K/Head Start	<p>Patty Sites Family Services Coordinator pksites@access.k12.wv.us 304.788.4216</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All parents (including males and significant male others) are invited and encouraged to participate in the application, screening, and enrollment process • All parents are invited to an orientation at the beginning of the program year as well as an end-of-year picnic. A special effort is made to recognize the attendance of fathers at these events, as well as home visits, parent-teacher conferences, Center Committee and Policy Council meetings • “Dad’s Corner” featured in the monthly newsletter

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “Dad’s Night” (funded by the Fatherhood Initiative grant) was held last winter with another planned for early 2006. Activities included bowling and woodworking • “Fatherhood Resource Center” is being created (funded by the Fatherhood Initiative grant); this ‘traveling’ library will include children’s books featuring father-child relationships and serves as an information center for parents regarding Fatherhood and the important roles males play in the lives of their children • In February 2005, a drawing was held (funded by the Fatherhood Initiative grant) to send a father to the “Celebrating Connections Conference” in Charleston, WV
Monongalia County Head Start	<p>Helen Davies hdavies@access.k12.wv.us 304.291.9330, x121</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do not have a fatherhood program at this time; uses a family-based activities approach • Held a “Reading Rally” to remind parents to encourage their children to read that included a MC, marching band, guest readers from the university’s men’s and women’s basketball teams, and physical activities led by WVU’s Choosey Kids Club
Monroe County Head Start	<p>Elizabeth Robertson erobert@access.k12.wv.us 304.753.4821</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hold “Male Madness” at least two times per year <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Each child leaves with a good book which is developmentally appropriate 2. Food is served 3. Two men from the county are speakers and cover topics of interest to men 4. Workshop on the important roles fathers/males play in a child’s life 5. Planned activity with children and males 6. Keepsakes and handouts distributed
Mountain Heart Community Services, Inc.	<p>Medena Lester 304.682.8271</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bi-Monthly Activities: During fall in-service, four monthly activities will be selected to be carried out in October, December, February, and April. Each center will be responsible for setting the day of the activity during the month, however, each center will be doing the same activity. By selecting activities early, we will be able to highlight the activities in the bimonthly newsletters. • Fatherhood Newsletter: A bi-monthly fatherhood newsletter will be sent to all fathers in the Head Start program. The newsletters will come out in September, November, January, and March. We will be highlighting father volunteers in the newsletters along with activities that have happened and that are planned.

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		<p>Articles highlighting the importance of male involvement will also be in every article.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advertisement: The program will highlight fathers in the fatherhood newsletter that describes that father’s perspective on the importance of father involvement and how it has affected the child. The father highlights will be submitted to the local newspapers to market the importance of fathers in the lives of children. • Parent Banquet: All parents will be invited to attend the annual parent banquet. Greater emphasis will be placed on fathers attending the banquet. The parent banquet will include a planned activity in appreciation of the fathers. Fathers will be recognized for their hard work and importance in their child’s lives. • Recruiting Fathers: Head Start staff, especially teachers, will recognize and “grab” the fathers most likely to become involved, and then utilize these fathers to recruit other fathers into the classroom or other program activities. Fathers can plan or co-plan activities with teaching staff that will get the other fathers involved. The fathers can send invitations to other fathers. • Teachers and management staff will specifically recruit fathers to become members of the parent meeting committees, policy council, and other related activities within the program.
Nicholas Community Action Partnership	<p>Robin Hinkle 304.872.1162, x118</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hold special events throughout the year tailored to father involvement (fishing, father/child activities) • Provide training to staff to increase awareness about “pitfalls” that staff get into when addressing parents
North Central West Virginia Community Action Association/Head Start Early Head Start Programs	<p>Tammy Bolyard EHS Program Specialist tbolyard@ncwvcaa.org 304.363.2171, x121</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implemented almost four years ago • Staff development conducted by Kyle Pruett, MD, who is a renowned author on fatherhood • Utilized a local professor from West Virginia University to help staff understand the connection between child development and father/male involvement • Provide a minimum of one training per year on fatherhood and send appropriate staff to father involvement conferences • Allocated money from parent involvement budget to support fatherhood/male involvement • Annually, every county develops a county-wide plan that includes a minimum of three activities designed to provide a variety of culturally relevant activities for fathers/males to interact with their children • Sponsored theme-based family activities and distributed relevant information

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		<p>from the Building Blocks of Fatherhood</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do annual father surveys • Give special consideration to the interests of fathers when setting up parent corners • Incorporate several key concepts from the Building Blocks including serving food, scheduling meeting convenient to fathers, take home items, etc.
Northern Panhandle Head Start	<p>David Deagel Father Involvement Advocate ddeagel@npheadstart.org 304.233.3290, x41</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Program has a full-time father involvement position • Advocate works with local agencies to bring services to fathers in need • Hold monthly support group meeting which are supplemented with an activity that focuses on families • Fathers are surveyed to assess and implement the needs for parent training, job training, and literacy assistance • Offer parenting classes, CPR/first aid training, drug awareness/substance abuse prevention classes, domestic violence prevention classes, CDL classes, and men’s health awareness class • Train staff continually to work effectively with fathers, non-custodial fathers, and other significant men in children’s lives. • Have external speakers/trainers • Sponsored a male-only luncheon to promote literacy and family fitness through the “I’m Moving, I’m Learning” initiative
P.R.I.D.E. in Logan County, Inc. Head Start Program	<p>Darlene Crawford dcdc92@yahoo.com</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conducted fatherhood training using Building Blocks 1-5 • Established a fatherhood task force • Established list of ideas for father/child interaction • Held a father/child breakfast and/or lunch at various centers • Are planning to: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Have Dads and children plant flowers 2. Have Dads talk about their careers 3. Have Dads and children go to the park to fish.
RCCAA Head Start	<p>Larry English 304.250.0330</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rooms and centers are made friendly by bulletin boards, welcome signs and activities that fathers are invited to participate in • The contact person: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Attends all parent meetings and encourages males to participate in all parent activities in Head Start 2. Collaborates with private and civic organizations to give motivational talks and workshops 3. Attended the National fatherhood Conference in Dallas, TX

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		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. Did workshop at Fatherhood Conference in Hershey, PA 5. Works in conjunction with Mountain State University athletic department to have college night with basketball team 6. Invited Woodrow Wilson High School athletes to participate in an end of year celebration for children
RESA VII Head Start	<p>Diane Ansari dansari@access.k12.wv.us</p>	<p>M.A.N. (Men Are Necessary)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Holds an annual “Men Are Necessary Day” • Each county has met with parents to plan activities, some of which are designed specifically for fathers • Field trips • “Evening Out” event which focuses on the importance of caring for oneself in order to care for one’s children • Featured speaker D.J. Andrews • Ride with children and Dads during holidays to see decorated homes. Some homeowners prepare gift bags for each child • Fishing trips in the spring
Southwestern C.A.C Child & Family Development Program	<p>Little Simpson lsimpson@cloh.com 304.697.4600, x109</p>	<p>M.A.L.E.S. (Men Actively Learning, Education and Supporting)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A survey was distributed to each family to identify the male role model of each child to see what interests were • Designated days for Breakfast and Lunch with males only • Males are encouraged to volunteer in the classroom and with other program activities • Encourage at-home reading and activity time with males and children
Upshur Human Resources, Inc.	<p>Sandi Pennington 304.472.2012</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conducted a survey to identify male interest • Conducted Fatherhood Initiative Training at West Virginia Wesleyan College for staff and parents • Encourages males to volunteer and attend parent meetings • Promoted literacy activities • Included articles in the monthly newsletter specifically for fathers • Purchased videos for the parent resource rooms • Placed male involvement posters in classrooms and parent resource rooms • Promoted father/child activities throughout the year • End of year trip • Strawberry Festival activities