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Sustainability Planning for Infant-Toddler Court Teams: Collaboration & Key Champions

Sustainability Webinar Series

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Introduction to Sustainability Webinar Series



- This webinar is the second in a series that will focus on collaboration and key champions as strategies to sustain Infant-Toddler Court Teams in states and local communities.
- The first [webinar](#) focused on an introduction to Sustainability Planning with partners in Washington State.
- Future webinars will touch on other aspects of sustainability planning, financing, policy, and building internal capacity.

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What Is Sustainability?



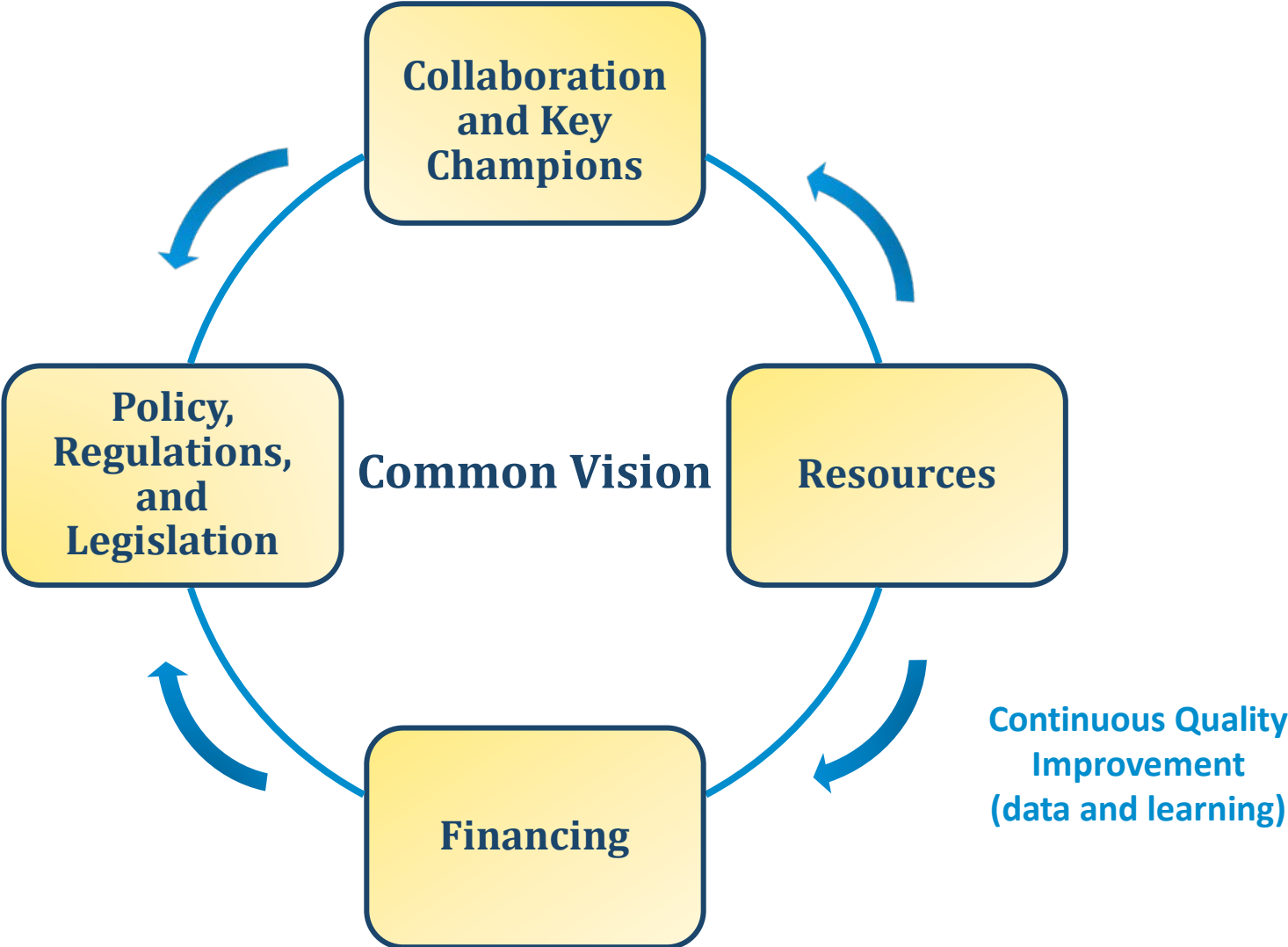
“Sustainability is not just about funding. It’s about creating and building momentum to maintain communitywide change by organizing and maximizing community assets and resources. It means institutionalizing policies and practices within communities and organizations...**involving a multiplicity of stakeholders who can develop long term buy-in and support throughout the community for your coalition’s efforts.**

These elements are crucial to ensuring lasting change and making a difference in people’s lives.”

Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), A Sustainable Planning Guide for Healthy Communities



Key Elements of Sustainability for Infant-Toddler Court Teams



This sustainability framework developed collaboratively with our partner the Center for the Study of Social Policy

Partnering for Sustainability in Pueblo, Colorado



Safe Babies Court in Pueblo, Colorado





Collaboration & Sustainability



Why should I include collaboration as central to sustainability planning?

Partnering can:

- Expand the reach of the program
- Access new and different resources for children and families
- Garner support of those with power/influence
- Attract investments into the program
- Elevate the visibility of your program



Examples of SBCT Partnerships



- Foundations
- State and local child welfare agency
- Other state/local agencies (mental health, early childhood, Substance Use)
- Judges, Attorneys, Guardian Ad Litem
- Part C Early Intervention Services
- Home Visiting
- Universities
- Early Head Start/Head Start
- State Level / Local Councils / Commissions on Early Childhood
- CASA
- State Homelessness Commission
- Systems of Care Grantees
- Project LAUNCH Grantees
- Substance Use Providers
- Mental Health Providers Healthy Start
- Early Childhood Education/Child Care (including state level oversight body)
- Local Government
- Faith Communities
- State Associations for Infant Mental Health
- Libraries
- Homeless Shelters
- Domestic Violence Programs
- Hospitals

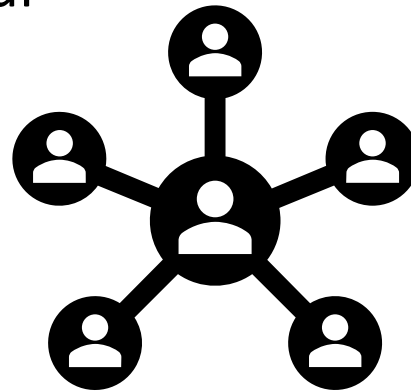


Partnering with a Sustainability Mindset



What does it mean to partner with a sustainability mindset?

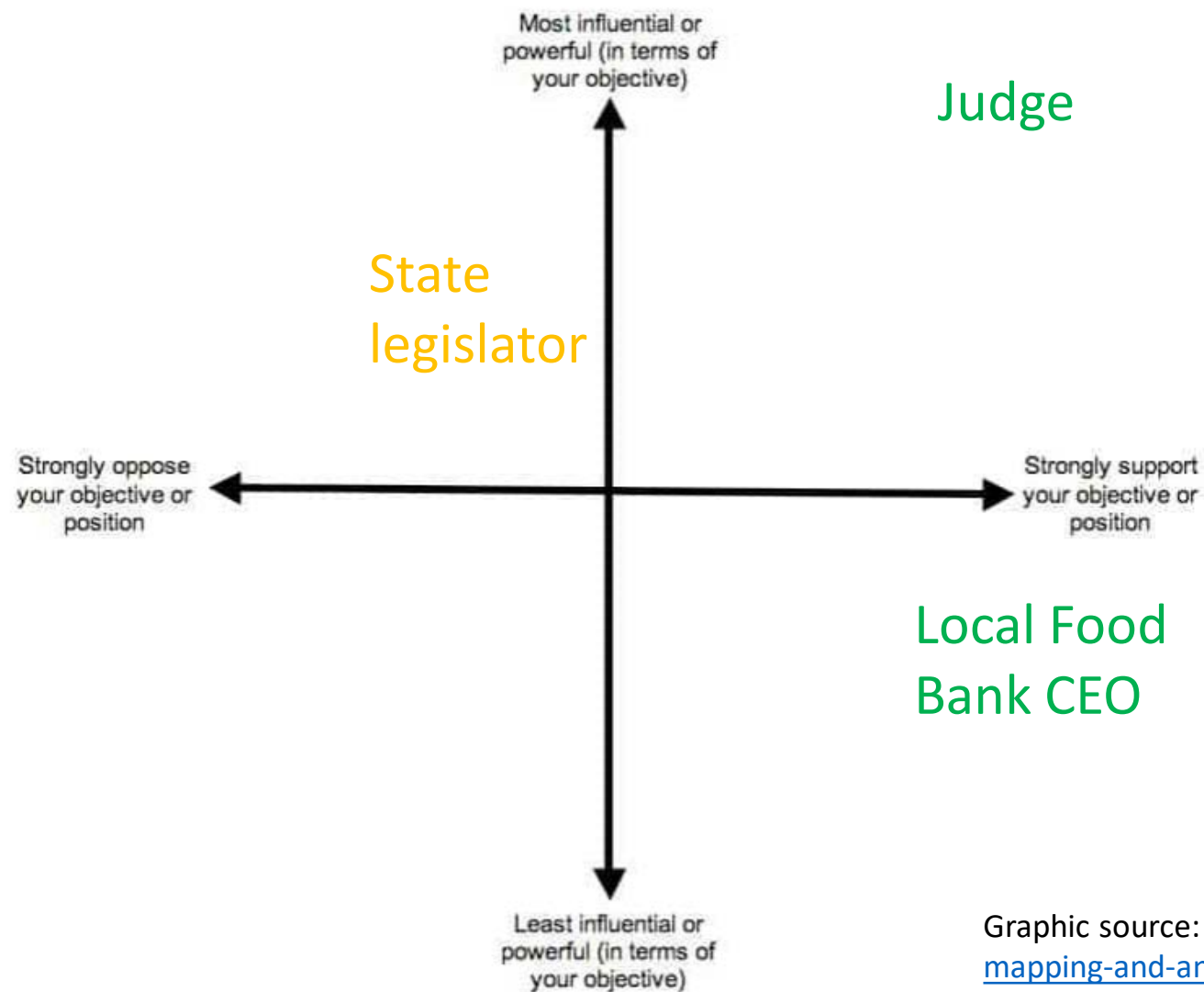
The partnership is **dynamic** and will grow and change with your program



Partnership growth depends on **investing time** into networking and promoting the work in different ways with various audiences

Think creatively beyond the original partnerships for the project

Assessing Your Partnerships/Collaboration



Graphic source: <https://commonslibrary.org/guide-power-mapping-and-analysis/>



What is a Key Champion?



Chat: How would you describe a key champion in your own words?





Key Champions



Who could be a key champion?

Examples of key champions cited by other SBCT sites:

- Local Philanthropic Leaders
- Judges
- Lawyers
- Child Welfare / Early Childhood Leadership
- Legislators/Legislative Aides
- Members of the business community
- State or local advocacy organizations

How can key champions be of benefit to your work?

Finding individuals who can speak about your work can:

- leverage their power/influence to bring resources, change policy
- attract investments into the program/directly invest themselves
- elevate the visibility of your program with new/different groups who may have power/influence
- message the value of your program to get buy-in among influential groups/individuals

Infant-Toddler Court Team State Scan Tool



State Scan of Initiatives Aligned
with Infant-Toddler Court Teams



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Infant-Toddler Court Team State Scan Tool



PREVENTION

KEY CONSIDERATIONS AROUND PREVENTION:

What is the vision of the state around prevention of entry into child welfare (primary, secondary, and tertiary) for infants, toddlers, and families? How does the ITCP align with the vision and how can the ITCP support this? [Click or tap below to enter text:](#)

Who are the major organizations that operate in this area that you would want to connect with? [Click or tap below to enter text:](#)

Who are the key champions in the prevention area (including advocacy groups, legislators, foundations, business leaders)? [Click or tap below to enter text:](#)

What opportunities exist to build partnerships with other organizations doing this work, or key champions, that could help strengthen the ITCP and families either at the state or local level? [Click or tap below to enter text:](#)



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Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention (CBCAP) Grant

SUMMARY: Under CAPTA legislation, CBCAP funds are used to support community-based efforts to develop, operate, expand, enhance, and coordinate initiatives, programs, and activities to prevent child abuse and neglect and to support the coordination of resources and activities to better strengthen and support families to reduce the likelihood of child abuse and neglect.

ALIGNMENT WITH INFANT-TODDLER COURT TEAMS: CBCAP's focus on improving family access to formal and informal resources and opportunities in communities, and in providing referrals to early health and developmental services is also well aligned with the role of the community coordinator. Activities including parent education and mutual support; respite care; and outreach and follow-up, including home visiting. Optional services include adoption services; child care; programs supporting job readiness, education and self-sufficiency; and referrals to community and domestic violence services. CBCAP lead agencies are authorized to foster the development of a continuum of comprehensive child and family support and preventive services, including developing partnerships with other community-based organizations that provide services such as Early Head Start, home visiting, mental health, and substance use treatment. Supplemental funds can be used to enhance community-based and prevention-focused programs and activities designed to strengthen and support families to prevent child abuse and neglect in a manner consistent with any of the program purposes of CBCAP.

STATE-SPECIFIC INFORMATION: *Click or tap below to enter text:*

OPPORTUNITIES FOR INFANT-TODDLER COURT TEAMS TO MAKE CONNECTIONS:
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Summary of the program

Areas of alignment with
Infant-Toddler Court Teams

Fillable section on information
specific to your state

Collaborative brainstorming on
opportunities for your Court Team
to make connections



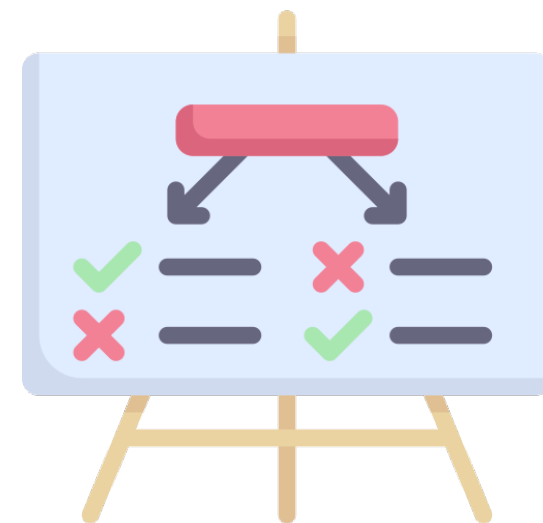
Resources



[ZTT Case Study highlighting Pueblo County Safe Babies Court](#)

[Supporting Sustainability For Infant-Toddler Court Teams: A Federal Funding Guide](#)

[State Scan of Initiatives Aligned With Infant-Toddler Court Teams](#)



Questions?

