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Building Partnerships that Help Kids Thrive
WCA convenes organizations and individuals to develop effective, collaborative approaches to meet children's critical needs.

Young children

- We utilized 1,110 service providers, policy makers, and the public to support federal and state investment in Home Visiting—successfully persuading funding in the 2012 budget.
- As a partner with United Way of Westchester/Putnam’s Thrive by 5 Initiative, we created a bilingual DVD featuring Five Learning Tips that encourage parents to work together with their young children. The DVD is deployed at the waiting areas of the Department of Health White Plains offices during June and July 2011 and will be expanded to other sites across the County to engage parents of young children.

For older youth

- We created and led an inter-agency group of service providers focused on helping young people ages 16 to 24 maintain connection with school, employment and community.
- We produced Second Chances, a video that tells the story of disconnected and reconnected youth in their own voices.
- We have introduced and championed the Mayor’s Action Challenge in Westchester, a national program that encourages local governments to meet youth needs.

Engaging Allies to Solve Problems

WCA consistently invited diverse partners to work creatively and to help improve the lives of Westchester’s children, families and youth.

- We invited 30 educators, civic leaders and advocates, along with Congresswoman Nita Lowey (D-NY 18), and guest speakers, to share their ideas about the impact the federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) and other federal policies have on young children, families and communities. The resulting recommendations were shared with New York’s Congressional delegation and federal policy makers.

Celebrating Victories for Children

- More than 200 members of the WCA family joined Bill Bentley, President and CEO of Voices for America’s Children for our annual Spring Federal Advocacy Dinner where we announced receipt of a stunning $1.5 million anonymous gift to kick off our Centennial Campaign. The Campaign will utilize WCA’s 100-year anniversary in 2012 and support the organization’s work to secure bright futures for all Westchester children and youth.
- Inspired by the announcement of this gift, Mrs. Kathryn Wasserman Davis, a former WCA President and longtime dedicated supporter, addressed the audience in order to announce her own gift of $100,000.

Janet Gutterman, WCA President

A Message

from the President of Westchester Children’s Association

Dear Friends of Westchester Children’s Association,

It has been my honor and pleasure to serve as Westchester Children’s Association’s Board President for the last two years. As our local and global communities continue to struggle with problems in the economy and differences of opinion on social issues, it has been gratifying to focus on the many critical issues facing young children, youth and their families along with others with whom we are particularly concerned for the children of our community.

As the leading voice for the children of Westchester, Westchester Children’s Association continues to ensure that children’s needs are kept in the forefront of the public agenda. Since 1914, we have remained committed to our mission – ensuring that every child is healthy, safe and prepared for life’s challenges. WCA identifies the needs of children, makes those needs known, and works to shape policies and programs that will meet those needs. None of this can happen without the efforts of our energetic and committed staff and board, our Advisory Council, and our many generous donors. Your support enables us to be children’s champions. We thank you sincerely for helping Westchester Children’s Association to remain effective as you continue to advocate for children and prepare for life’s challenges.

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WCA’s Roundtable Discussion on Federal supports for early childhood education.

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