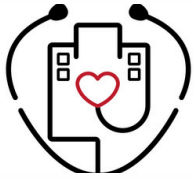


SUMMER 2024



Act4Kids Nevada

ACTION FOR CHILDREN'S HEALTH



CLICK TO READ ACT4KIDS NEVADA'S **SUMMER NEWSLETTER**

**THANK YOU FOR
INTERACTING WITH US!**



We at Act4Kids Nevada are a grassroots organization advocating for a freestanding children's hospital and statewide pediatric health system in Nevada.

We are so grateful for partners in this work, like you!

Read below to find out what we have been working on lately to increase awareness of the need for more comprehensive care and to advocate for policies that can help support that in our state!

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Latest projects, news and more. Keep Reading!

STORYTELLING

In April, we hosted two successful Storytelling Workshops for parents, caregivers, and medical professionals. We reviewed the makeup of a good story and helped participants learn how to craft their medical stories in a way that can be impactful. Thank you to all the participants who attended!

We have also started filming stories to share on social media. We know that our stories make an impact on decision-makers and community leaders. We want to show them how children are accessing healthcare in Nevada. Far too many children need to leave the state for healthcare, and many are currently having difficulties accessing care.

We are hopeful for change for more comprehensive care in Nevada! Thank you for entrusting us with your stories and we look forward to a bright future for our children's healthcare in Nevada.



Introducing Act4Kids Nevada

- We are a grassroots group of parents and professionals working to raise awareness and advocate for a statewide pediatric health system starting with a freestanding children's hospital
- We are similar to Nevada Early Childhood Family Leadership Council in that we want to empower every parent to have the courage to raise their voice for change



ADVOCACY PRESENTATION WITH CHILDREN'S CABINET

Thank you to Ashley Dines and the Children's Cabinet members for having us at your May meeting! We enjoyed presenting about how to be an advocate for the children in their lives.

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HHS MEETING

June 10th was a child-focused day at the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Health and Human Services. Board members Kinnsi, Rebeka, and Lisa were there to support, along with Rebeka's two sons (pictured below).

Act4Kids Nevada submitted a Community Support Campaign Letter detailing the need for a children's hospital and policies that can support it.

We are grateful and proud to have over 20 child-focused organizations sign on to the letter showing their support! See below for those that would like to join this continuing campaign!

We cannot do this work alone and are grateful for community partners.



SENATOR DOÑATE VISIT

In May, we had a productive visit with Senator Fabian Doñate, chair of the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Health and Human Services. He is aware of the need for a children's hospital and is eager to help develop policies in support.



HEALTHCARE ACCESS SURVEY

Have you shared your story with us? We have heard from dozens of families all over Nevada about how they are accessing healthcare for their kids. Click the link below to access our survey. We would love to hear from you!

[Healthcare Access Survey Link](#)

COMMUNITY SUPPORT CAMPAIGN

The first phase of our Community Support Campaign was presented to the Joint Interim Health & Human Services Committee of the Nevada Legislature on June 10, 2024 with over 20 youth-focused organizations signing on. But bringing comprehensive healthcare to Nevada's children is an ongoing effort and we are just getting started!

As additional opportunities to advocate arise this year and during the 2025 legislative session, Act4Kids is aiming for an even louder unified voice. Therefore we are continuing to accept support from pediatric healthcare providers, youth-serving organizations, Nevada businesses, and the general public.

Interested supporters should complete the form at <https://bit.ly/CommunitySupportLetter> or contact Act4Kids leadership at act4kidsnv@gmail.com. Thanks for using your voice to support comprehensive healthcare for Nevada's children!



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Medical and mental healthcare providers, youth-serving organizations, Nevada businesses, and the general public are invited to voice their support for comprehensive pediatric healthcare in the Silver State

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LOCAL HAPPENINGS



The 5th Annual Battle for Vegas charity softball tournament takes place on July 13th @ 8pm at the Las Vegas Ball Park. This year, the tournament is supporting Best Buddies, the world's largest organization dedicated to ending the social, physical and economic isolation of the 200 million people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD).



Help the Southern Nevada Health District by completing this 10-minute survey. Participants must be 18+ and residents of Clark County, Nevada.



Information shared in this survey will not be tied to any individual person, and your feedback will be used to improve policies and procedures moving forward.



Click the title of the workshop to register!

July 2024

FRI 19 July 19 @ 11:00 am - 1:00 pm
Building Data Capacity to Tell Your Story
 Zoom
 Data is an essential tool that can help shape your work in your community. Data can help you pin-point areas of focus to maximize your efforts with limited resources. In this workshop, we will cover the value of data collection, how to store and manage data, and identify data resources. Participants will learn how to integrate data and storytelling into their day-to-day work.
 Free

WED 24 July 24 @ 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Grant Writing 101 for Non-Profits
 Zoom
 This workshop will provide an overview of best practices for grant writing for non-profit organizations. Participants will learn about funding sources, grant proposals, program narratives, and tips and strategies for grant writing for non-profit and public institutions.
 Free

Join NMHEC for a series of free workshops on building capacity and storytelling.

2024 KIDS COUNT BREAKFAST



Children's Advocacy Alliance is hosting their first annual Kids Count Breakfast to discuss the results of the annual Kids Count Data Book results. Join them on July 18th in Reno, NV as they present information on positive changes in our state and areas for improvement.

RSVP: email at RSVP@TissotSolutions.com or text "BOOK" to (775) 546-0160

Heart and Sol Collective is hosting an exciting in-person event on July 13th at 10 am at Nevada Partners in Las Vegas. This workshop is all about learning how to "Express yourself!" and have open conversations about mental health with kids, hosted by Kaleigh Mancha, licensed therapist. It's never too early to start teaching them about this important topic. Come and discover effective strategies, tips, and resources to express your emotions and support the mental well-being of the young ones in your life.

