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The Rural IMPACT Initiative: Two-Gen Strategies to Fight Rural Child Poverty



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WHRC Rural Impact Initiative

The White House Rural Council will explore new partnerships and innovative models of service delivery to increase access and take-up of key programs in underserved rural places.

Source: <https://www.whitehouse.gov/blog/2015/04/13/opportunity-all-white-house-rural-council-launches-rural-impact-effort-help-rural-oh>

Rural IMPACT Demonstration Partners

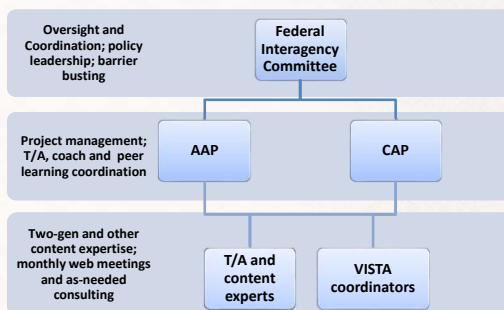
Rural IMPACT Demonstration

- **Rural Integration Models for Parents and Children to Thrive (IMPACT)**

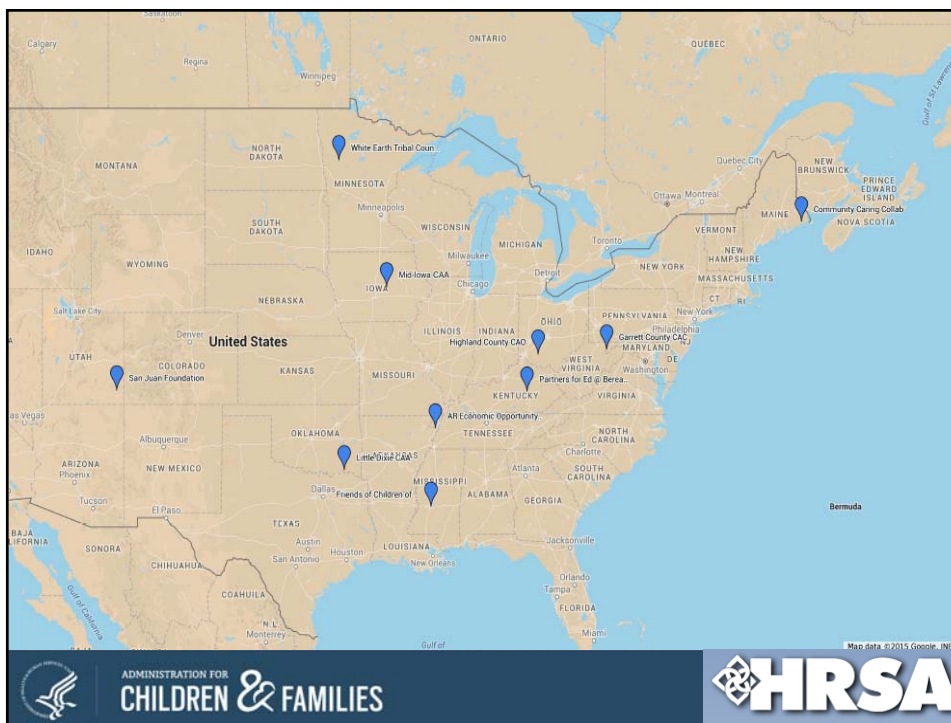
- help communities adopt a two-generation approach to programs, policies, and systems
- a comprehensive, whole-family framework for addressing child poverty.

10 rural & tribal communities are receiving:

- Technical assistance
- Support from Federal staff
- AmeriCorps VISTA members
- Peer learning
- Coaches
- NO federal funds are going directly to sites



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Rural IMPACT Sites

Location	Backbone Organization
Oakland, MD	Garrett County Community Action Committee & Allegany County Human Resources Development Commission, Inc.
Berea, KY	Partners for Education at Berea College (Knox County)
Marshalltown, IA	Mid-Iowa Community Action, Inc. (Marshall County)
Jackson, MS	Friends of Children of Mississippi, Inc. (Sharkey, Issaquena, Humphreys Counties)
Hillsboro, OH	Highland County Community Action Organization, Inc.
White Earth, MN	White Earth Reservation Tribal Council (Mahnomen, Clearwater, Becker Counties)
Machias, ME	Community Caring Collaborative (Washington County)
Blytheville, AR	Mississippi County , Arkansas Economic Opportunity Commission, Inc.
Blanding, UT	The San Juan Foundation (San Juan County)
Hugo, OK	Little Dixie Community Action Agency, Inc. (Choctaw, McCurtain, Pushmataha Counties)



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Implementation of the Federal Rural IMPACT Demonstration

Check out this report that summarizes findings from an ASPE study of the first year of the White House Rural Council/HHS Rural IMPACT demonstration, which aims to reduce poverty through coordinated services for both children and parents.



Introduction

Rural low-income households face especially high barriers to achieving economic self-sufficiency and financial security. About 16 percent of all rural households and 23 percent of rural children live in poverty, compared with 12.2 percent and 19.2 percent, respectively, in nonrural areas. Because of widespread rural poverty, coordinated services that address the needs of rural children and their families are essential to help them meet their needs and improve their lives. The Federal Rural IMPACT demonstration is a coordinated effort to address these needs through coordinated services for children and their families. This report summarizes findings from an ASPE study of the first year of the demonstration, which aims to reduce poverty through coordinated services for both children and parents.

About This Report

Introduction: In providing national, non-governmental approaches to poverty reduction, we have seen how many challenges that are the most difficult to address in our country are often found in rural areas. The Federal Rural IMPACT demonstration is a coordinated effort to address these needs through coordinated services for children and their families. This report summarizes findings from an ASPE study of the first year of the demonstration, which aims to reduce poverty through coordinated services for both children and parents.

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