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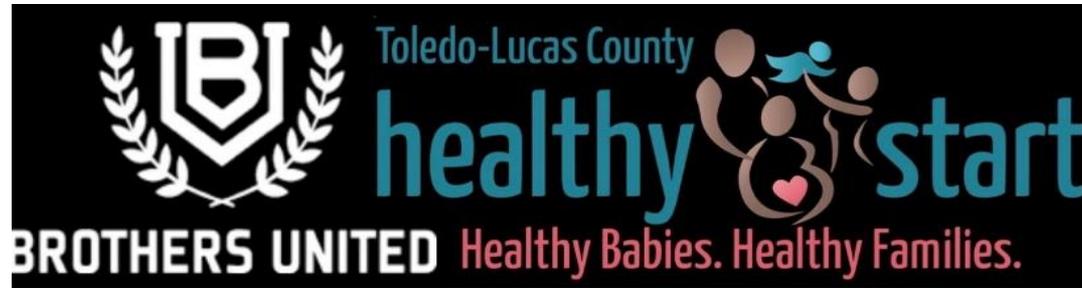


Woman To Woman: Working with FATHERS and MOTHERS
What the WWIF is going on?

Fall 2023 Healthy Start FATHERhood Summit
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Who am I and Why am I here?!!!!



BROTHERS UNITED



Let's do a quick Exercise

- Think of the word MOTHER- you have 1 min to write what comes to mind
- Think of the word FATHER –you have 1 min to write what comes to mind





A Father Is

- ✓ A son's first hero
- ✓ A daughter's first love
- ✓ An **undervalued** part of

FATHER AND MOTHER LOVE YOU



The **Strengths** of **Father Presence**

Children with involved fathers
have a **strong foundation**
for child well-being.

They are at **lower risk**
for a host of **poor**
childhood outcomes.



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- ✓ **Infant Mortality**
- ✓ **Low Birth Weight**
- ✓ **Emotional and Behavioral Problems**
- ✓ **Neglect and Abuse**
- ✓ **Injury**
- ✓ **Obesity**
- ✓ **Poor School Performance**
- ✓ **Teen Pregnancy**
- ✓ **Incarceration as Juveniles**
- ✓ **Alcohol and Substance Abuse**
- ✓ **Criminal Activity**
- ✓ **Suicide**

Source: National Fatherhood Initiative
Father Facts: Eighth Edition. Germantown
National Fatherhood Initiative®.



What baggage do you bring?



- Female social workers and Female Practitioners may unconsciously bring “baggage” from poor relationships they have with men and fathers in their own lives into their work with the men and fathers served by their organizations.

What specific barriers do you have connecting Fathers to services?



Fatherhood: Where are WOMEN going?





QUESTIONS??????



Hit Me UP!!!!

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