

# Great Plains Child Care Resource & Referral

## OUR MISSION:

To insure all southwest Oklahoma families have access to quality care and education for their children through community-based resource and referral services.

GPCCRR is a member of the Oklahoma Child Care Resource & Referral Association, a statewide network of eight regional child care resource and referral agencies.

Headquartered in Hobart, GPCCRR has provided services to families and providers since 1999. Outreach offices are located in Chickasha and Lawton. GPCCRR serves Beckham, Caddo, Comanche, Cotton, Custer, Grady, Greer, Harmon, Jackson, Jefferson, Kiowa, Roger Mills, Stephens, Tillman, and Washita counties.

GPCCRR is a program of Great Plains Youth and Family Services and is funded by the Oklahoma Department of Human Services Division of Child Care.



## Services for Parents:

- Free consultation with a qualified Referral Specialist to determine child care needs
- A list of child care programs specific to the needs of parents and/or children
- Advice on what to look for and questions to ask when choosing child care
- A list of quality child care indicators
- Financial assistance information
- Information on how to check child care provider compliance records
- A packet of valuable information to assist in the child care search
- Average child care rates in the local area
- Free on-line subscription to Parent Central Newsletter

## Services for Providers:

- Family referrals to DHS licensed providers
- Local training calendar
- Technical assistance and support
- Resource lending library
- Professional support network
- Quarterly newsletter
- Legislative advocacy

## Services for Employers & Community:

- On-site seminars and child care referrals for employees
- Information on community resources
- Cost-effective ways to address child care needs of employees
- Ideas for implementing family friendly practices and policies.
- Cost analysis for offering job-site child care



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## Annual Report

2013-2014



## Services to Families

During the 2013-2014 fiscal year, GPCCR&R conducted 128 parent referral calls. 45% of the parents who received referrals indicated that they would be using DHS child care subsidy to assist in paying for child care.

Great Plains Child Care Resource & Referral was once again, the top ranking region in the state in referral assessment call scores.

In the 2013-2014 fiscal year, Great Plains far exceeded the required 80% scoring average with a 93% average for the year.

**FY 2013-14**

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## Services to Providers

GPCCR&R provides services to almost 400 child care providers, head start agencies and preschools. GPCCRR staff conducted 180 technical assistance contacts to work with providers on topics including room arrangement, behavior & guidance, supervision and staff development.

Thirty-nine training opportunities were offered, provided or facilitated with 601 participants in attendance.

118 hours of Tier I & Tier II trainings were conducted throughout the 15 county service delivery area.

GPCCR&R prides itself on providing highly accurate information. Every provider in GPCCR&R 's database receives two complete information updates per year.



Providers can get the most accurate up-to-date child care related information from Great Plains Child Care Resource & Referral's Facebook Page by searching: "GPCCRR" and joining the nearly 500 professionals already following.

## Services to the Community

GPCCR&R participates in five community coalitions across its service delivery area to support early care and education and community issues.

GPCCR&R participated in a wide variety of community events in Southwest Oklahoma including:

- **SWOSU DAWG DAYS**
- **FIESTA IN FUQUA**
- **STEPHENS COUNTY COMMUNITY BABY SHOWER**
- **KIOWA COUNTY CHILDREN'S FUN FAIR**
- **JACKSON COUNTY FREE FAIR**
- **NEIGHBOR CARE COMMUNITY RESOURCE FAIR**
- **COPS AND KIDS PICNIC**
- **CADDO COUNTY HEALTHY BABY FAIR**
- **GRADY COUNTY FARM TO YOU**
- **NUMEROUS BACK TO SCHOOL EVENTS**

