



Family Resource Center
SHEBOYGAN COUNTY

2024

Annual Report



Who We Are

Family Resource Center

Our Mission

Providing families and individuals of Sheboygan County with educational programming and resources to support a connected and thriving community.

Our Vision

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Our Programming

The Family Resource Center was established in 1997 as a nonprofit organization and is dedicated to supporting young children, their families, and adults through its strengths-based, preventive programs.

Our Parents as Teachers program is a strengths- and evidence-based early childhood home visiting program provided by certified parent educators dedicated to supporting families through increasing parent-child interaction, understanding of child development, and connection to community resources.

We have two literacy-based programs that aim to teach English language to Sheboygan County adults, ultimately breaking cycles of illiteracy.



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Program Spotlight

Parents as Teachers

Our Parents as Teachers program is an evidence-based, comprehensive parent education model dedicated to supporting families and helping children to be healthy, safe, and ready to learn.



The Family Resource Center is a Blue Ribbon affiliate of the Parents as Teachers National Center.



632 Home Visits
serving 95 families

Our trained Parent Educators spent over **700 hours** visiting with families across Sheboygan County in 2024, strengthening families by:

- Promoting positive mental health and emotional well-being for both children and caregivers.
- Enhancing parenting confidence and skills, boosting early childhood development and school readiness.
- Strengthening protective factors to reduce the risk of child abuse and neglect.
- Increasing connections to community resources and support systems.



24 Family Events
bringing together 359
family members

These events strengthen families and build community by:

- Fostering a sense of belonging and connection among families.
- Reducing isolation through shared experiences and peer support.
- Increasing awareness of local resources, services, and programs.





**42 Playgroups serving
645 families**

Our play groups promote school readiness and social connection by:

- Encouraging early literacy, motor, and social-emotional skill development through play-based learning.
- Supporting peer-to-peer connection and reducing isolation among parents and caregivers.
- Strengthening the parent-child bond through shared activities and responsive parenting techniques.



**161 Children received
developmental screenings**

Early development screenings help build a more resilient, informed and connected community by:

- Identifying developmental delays, concerns, and support needed early.
- Connecting children to early intervention services and community resources.
- Empowering families to better understand and support their child's growth and milestones.



**4 Parent Workshops
supporting 35 attendees**

Workshops boosted parenting confidence and knowledge by offering practical tools and strategies parents can use to strengthen their families while creating a supportive space to share experiences.



Program Spotlight

Literacy Council

The Literacy Council helps adults strengthen their reading, writing, and English-speaking skills to achieve goals related to employment, education, family life, and community involvement. Our trained volunteer tutors provide free one-on-one tutoring for motivated adult learners across Sheboygan County.



107

Students Served



76

Volunteer Tutors



4,358

Volunteer Hours



\$138,846

Community Value

Goals Achieved by Students in 2024:

- Strengthened English skills (verbal, reading, and writing)
- Became employed
- Received a promotion at work
- Passed the written driver's license test
- Became a U.S. Citizen
- Obtained driver's license

Other Literacy Council offerings in 2024:

- English language classes for recently resettled refugees
- U.S Citizenship classes
- Conversation Circles

A Literacy Council tutor has been working with a married couple from Ukraine for just over a year, and has helped them get their driver's licenses, apply for and obtain jobs, and enroll in over-the-road truck driving classes (their long-term goal is to drive truck together). Their English skills are blossoming, and they continue to meet consistently with their tutor to continue reaching their goals in their new country.



Program Spotlight

Workplace Literacy

The Family Resource Center's Workplace Literacy program partners with local employers to provide tailored on-site English language instruction to employees. Classes focus on practical communication skills to help employees be successful at work.



2024 Partners



Summit Farms



100+

Students Served



520

Instructional Hours

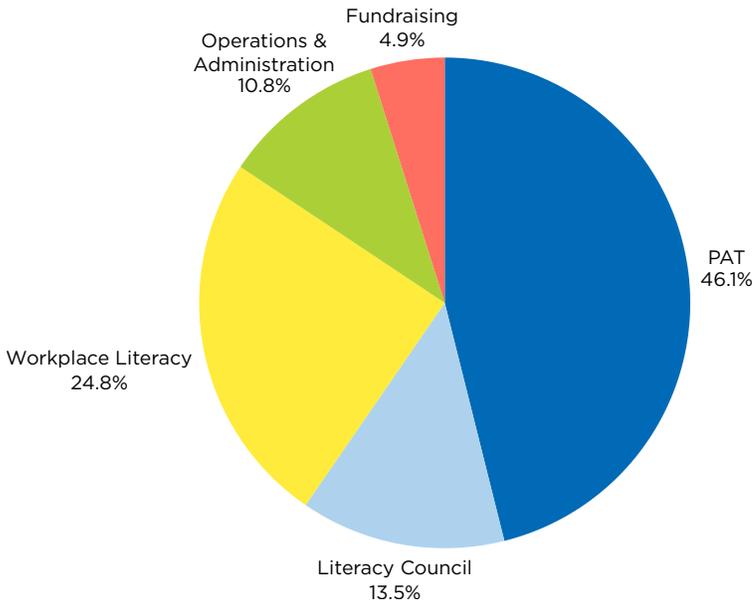


Keep doing your magic because it is having an impact internally and I can only believe it is helping our employees outside of Bemis as well.

Scott Kohlhagen
Human Resources at Bemis
Manufacturing Company

2023-2024

Financials



Total Expenses:
\$898,865

- Parents As Teachers Program:** \$414,369
- Literacy Council:** \$121,308
- Workplace Literacy:** \$222,619
- Operations & Administration:** \$96,781
- Fundraising:** \$43,888

Total Revenue:
\$808,723

- Contributions:** \$249,921
- United Way Support:** \$160,000
- Federal & State Assistance:** \$205,693
- Program Service Revenue:** \$157,007
- Special Events:** \$14,298
- Other:** \$21,804

