

**HUALAPAI TRIBE REGIONAL PARTNERSHIP COUNCIL**

**Strategy #4**

**Arizona Parent Kit**

Provide additional support and education for parents of young children by expanding on the First Things First Statewide Parent Kit strategy by providing additional Arizona Parent Kits to be utilized as an educational tool and resource for parents of infants and toddlers.

The Parent Kit offers many benefits to children, families and programs. It provides information, education and support to families. By creating and including a local resource guide, families will have increased access to resources in the community. Families are encouraged to recognize the important role they play as their children’s first teachers. First Things First has received inquiries and interest from physicians serving women and children living on some of the tribal lands. The Regional Council also recognizes the benefits of the Kits and finds it important to have the opportunity to provide the Parent Kits to parents of young children who will not receive a Parent Kit from the hospital.

The Parent Kit can be used as an educational tool during home visitation, parenting classes, or other direct services, and the program will provide parents with an orientation to the Parent Kit. The program will plan, coordinate, and facilitate community-based presentations to introduce and train on the utility of the Parent Kits. The program administering the Parent Kit will be a support and source of information and referral for parents who have concerns about the development of their child. The program will be responsible for the storage and dissemination of the Parent Kits.

**Lead Goal:** (#11) Coordinate and integrate with existing education and information systems to expand families’ access to high quality, diverse and relevant information and resources to support their child’s optimal development.

**Goal:** (#12) Increase the availability, quality and diversity of relevant resources that support language and literacy development for young children and their families.

**Key Measures:**

- Percentage of families with children birth through age five who report they are competent and confident about their ability to support their child’s safety, health and well-being

**Target Population (Description of the population to reach):**

The target population is the entire region’s parents and grandparents caring for children ages birth to five, except for parents of newborns who receive a Parent Kit at the birthing hospital.

<b>Proposed Service Numbers</b>	<b>SFY2010</b> July 1, 2009 -	<b>SFY2011</b> July 1, 2010 –	<b>SFY2012</b> July 1, 2011 -
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	June 30, 2010	June 30, 2011	June 30, 2012
	60	0	0
<b>Performance Measures 2009-2011</b>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• % of families that reported satisfaction with the Parent Kit/ strategic target</li> <li>• % of families showing increase in parenting knowledge after using the Parent Kit/ strategic target</li> <li>• % of families with children birth through age five who report reading to their children daily in their primary language/ proposed service #</li> </ul>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How is this strategy building on the service network that currently exists:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- This strategy capitalizes on the First Things First Statewide Parent Kit strategy. The Parent Kit is a strategy benefiting children, families and programs by providing an educational tool that can educate and empower parents to play an important role as a nurturer and first teacher to their child.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What are the opportunities for collaboration and alignment:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- There are opportunities to make connections between existing service programs providing support for families.</li> <li>- Opportunities exist for Parent Kits to be utilized by multiple programs providing home visitation, parenting classes, parent support groups, health and nutrition education, and social service supports.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>			
<b>SFY2010 Expenditure Plan for Proposed Strategy (How much of the total allocation will go to this strategy)</b>			
Population-based Allocation for proposed strategy	\$2,000		
<b>Budget Justification:</b>			
60 Parent Kits at \$22 per kit plus shipping costs.....	\$1,680		
Necessary Office Supplies/Materials (surveys, tracking, and advertising).....	\$120		
Community Distribution/Training Events (\$100 x 2 events).....	\$200		
<b>TOTAL:</b> .....	<b>\$2,000</b>		