**Connecting Fathers Workgroup Notes**

May 5th, 10am-11am

**Meeting Goals:**

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Federal Grant Opportunities
3. Vroom Grant

Attendees: Louis Mendoza, Tina Burnquist, Ellen Nolan, Anne Stone, Nelson Rascon, Nicholas Kosovac, Micha Jackson, Kyle Paskewitz, Dante Pollard, John Cottrell, Jeremiah Donier Guest: Greg Marris

| **Topic** | **Notes** |
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| **Welcome and Introductions**   * Who’s here * Review Notes for March | * We are excited to have so many join us virtually today * Greg Marris joins us from the Colville tribes. Does home visiting with mothers and wants to get more connected to Fatherhood programs. |
| **Federal Grant Opportunity**   * [Charting a Course for Economic Mobility and Responsible Parenting](https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-grants.html?keywords=HHS-2020-ACF-OCSE-FC-1832.) Potential Grant Partners * Fathering in 15(TM) [Overview video](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a3U7fUhekSs&feature=youtu.be) * [Fatherhood Family-focused, Interconnected, Resilient, and Essential Grants](https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-grants.html?keywords=fatherhood) (Fatherhood FIRE) | * Looking at partnering with Washington Communities for Children. * The National Fatherhood Initiative put out Fathering in 15 a flexible selection of online modules. * Exploring how to connect with high school GRADS programs * Louis suggested the need for a clear mission statement to help evaluate if grants are working towards a common goal. * We want to think about a way for organizations to continue their learning and education * John is watching for FIRE closely. It will work with Fathers 18 years or older and with children under the age of 25 |
| **Vroom Grant**   * How are we moving forward at this time? | * John is using the app around his home and finding lots of good suggestions that are applicable to older children. |
| **Adjourn**   * Next meetings: * Tue. June 2nd, 10-11 * Tue. July 7th, 10-11 * Tue. Aug. 4th, 10-11 * Fatherhood Council Meetings May 8th 10:30-12:00 |  |