**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.
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| **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
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| **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.
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| **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
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