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Dear Advocate,

Happy Autumn! Here is the latest news and items of interest from The Children's Agenda.

Children's Interfaith Weekend 2017



The Children's Agenda's annual [Children's Interfaith Step Up for Kids Weekend](#) is Friday, October 20th - Sunday, October 22nd. The Children's Interfaith Weekend is an opportunity to pray, learn about, and act on the troubles facing children in our community, planned by a local group of interfaith leaders and staffed by The Children's Agenda. It is adapted from the annual Children's Sabbath, celebrated throughout the U.S. and sponsored by the [Children's Defense Fund](#). Each year, The Children's Agenda's Interfaith Collaborative focuses on an issue affecting children in our community and this year's focus will be on child abuse and neglect. To register your congregation and to learn other ways to get involved, check out [The Children's Agenda's Interfaith Collaborative](#).

Upcoming Events

[RBJ Power Breakfast: 5th Annual ROC the Future State of Our Children Address & Report Card Release](#)
Tuesday, October 17

[Attendance Blitz](#)
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[Children's Interfaith Weekend](#)
Friday, October 20 - Sunday, October 22

[United Way's AALDP Commencement Ceremony](#)
Wednesday, October 25

[GS4A's Evening with Nikole Hannah-Jones](#)
Thursday, October 26

In the News

[Discussing ROC the Future's 'State of Our Children' Reports](#)
WXXI News

[Step Up for Kids](#)
Minority Reporter

[Watchdog: Crisis in Special Ed Services for Preschoolers Leaves Families Scrambling](#)
Democrat & Chronicle

[The Complicated Path to Teacher Diversity](#)
City Newspaper

[4 Areas Where Lovely Warren Took Action on Education](#)
Democrat & Chronicle

ROC the Future Gears Up for RBJ Power Breakfast: State of Our Children Address & Report Card Release



On Monday, September 25th, [ROC the Future](#) Director Jackie Campbell, [CGR](#) Principal Erika Rosenberg, and [ESL Charitable Foundation](#) Executive Director & ROC the Future Board Chair Ajamu Kitwana, joined [WXXI](#)'s Megan Mack to discuss the [5th Annual State of Our Children Address & Report Card Release](#). ROC the Future is an alliance of Rochester-area institutions and community partners that promotes alignment of community resources to improve the academic achievement of Rochester's children. This annual address is an intergovernmental, public/private partnership on the State of Our Children, addressing challenges and opportunities in ROC the Future's data-based report card and action plan for moving key indicators of children's success, cradle-to-career. The new Report Card, which will be released at an RBJ Power Breakfast shows progress in areas such as chronic absenteeism, as well as a continued need for improvement in other areas. To learn more, [tune-in to the podcast](#). Register for the event [here](#).

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United Way's AALDP 25th Commencement Ceremony



On Friday, September 23rd, the [United Way's African American Leadership Program \(AALDP\)](#) wrapped up its 25th cohort, which included our own ROC the Future Communications Specialist Jessica Lewis. Established in 1992, AALDP is a unique development program that identifies, trains and promotes the placement of African Americans in policy-making positions at community organizations in the Greater Rochester area. The program consists of 9 full-day training sessions focused on community awareness, leadership and networking in the African American community, followed by a commencement ceremony. This year's ceremony will be held on Wednesday, October 25th at the Double Tree Rochester. Congratulations, Jessica, we're proud and honored to have you on our team!

Read more about AALDP and its upcoming commencement ceremony [here](#).

Partnership for America's Children National Meeting



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Earlier this month, CEO Larry Marx, Policy & Advocacy Director Brigit Hurley, and Early Childhood Policy Director Pete Nabozny attended [Partnership for America's Children's](#) national meeting in Bethesda, MD. Partnership for America's Children is a network of state and local child advocacy organizations working to improve policies affecting children at the local, state, and national level. Larry is Co-Chair of Partnership for America's Children's Board of Directors. Advocates from 41 states across the nation gathered to share knowledge, best practices and strategies to advance children's issues. The Children's Agenda's membership with the Partnership connects us with national experts on children's issues as well as a wonderful network of child advocates. [Learn more](#)

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