

Nebraska Children’s Commission and Nebraska Agencies Priorities Matrix

This matrix compiles the priorities of the Nebraska Children’s Commission related to child welfare and juvenile justice identified in the October 2017 Commission Survey and the priorities of the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services, the Administrative Office of Probation, and Lead Agency Nebraska Families Collaborative.

Nebraska Children’s Commission – Child Welfare	Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services	Nebraska Families Collaborative – Lead Agency ESA	Nebraska Children’s Commission – Juvenile Justice	Nebraska Administrative Office of Probation
Placement Stability and Length of Stay	Keeping Families Together: Stabilize and strengthen families to prevent intergenerational poverty and achieve self-sufficiency.	Strengthen capacity to assure more effectively the health and well-being of children and families.	Juvenile justice out-of-home continuum of care	Reducing number of youth in out-of-home placements and length of stay, including detention.
Availability of and Funding for Needed Services	Prevent and Reduce the Number of Children in Out-of-Home Placements	Meet or exceed targets for Round 3 CFSR <i>systemic</i> measures.	Mental health and suicide	Youth and Family Engagement, including promoting ICWA goals and reducing DMC
Licensing, Training, and Retention for Foster Parents and Relative/Kinship Homes	Expansion of Alternative Response	NFC will improve the recruitment, development, and retention of all of its workforce.	Funding for juvenile justice programs and services	Responding differently to status youth
Prevention and Alternative Response	Nebraska Caregiver Responsibility Tool: Develop and implement a web-based application.	Develop and implement an integrated technology system to employees (includes piloting Mindshare Technologies).	Racial Disproportionality	Immediate services to divert youth from further juvenile justice involvement
Workforce Issues		Increase Public Awareness of NFC’s commitment and capacity to strengthen families and children.	Youth with complex needs including developmental disabilities and competency issues.	