



# Together, Better

A partnership of Nebraska Department of Education and Nebraska Children and Families Foundation

## Shared Priorities, Goals, and Guiding Principles:

- Nebraska Will Have the Most Robust Community Well-Being Model in the US
- Connected Systems of Supports for Children and Families
- Children and Families Can Thrive with Support
- Intentional Family Engagement Promotes Sustainability
- Robust Community Well Being Will Impact Economic Growth
- Partnership Will Yield Greater Impact and Extend the Reach of Services
- Success and Well-Being for Children, Families, and Community

### In order to...

- Address learning and opportunity disparities
- Deepen investments in primary prevention
- Enhance efficiency for basic needs supports
- Ensure all can live "The Good Life"
- Rebuild connectedness and trust in institutions
- Reduce impact of poverty on life outcomes for youth
- Support pandemic recovery

### Key Strategies:

- Afterschool and Summer School
- Community Schools
- Early Learning
- Family Engagement
- Provide High-Quality Learning
- Rural Community Focus
- Whole Child Approach

### Existing WorkStreams to Leverage and Expand:

- Beyond School Bells
- 21st Century Learning Centers
- Communities 4 Kids
- Community Response
- Connected Youth Initiative
- Rooted in Relationships
- Postsecondary Readiness
- Sixpence
- Statewide Family Engagement Center

### Desired Results:

#### For Our Youth

- Academic Growth and Learning
- Connected to Advocates & Navigators
- Developed 21st Century Skills
- Enhanced Equitable Access to Needed Services
- Expanded Opportunities and Experiences
- Post-secondary Readiness
- Successful School Transitions

#### For Our State

- Inspire Future Partnerships with State Agencies
- Integrated Resources to Further Reach
- Maximized Services Without Duplication
- Productive School - Community Partnerships
- Robust Learning and Continuous Improvement
- Rural Vitality and Sustainability
- Supported Schools
- Thriving Families and Communities

