2GEN approachesto supporting students









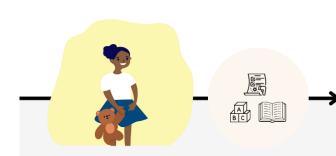
History of Two Generational Approaches

- 2Gen as a term coined in the 1980s by the Foundation for Child Development
- 2012: publication of "Two Generations, One Future" report by Ascend at the Aspen Institute
 - Ascend has continued to develop a network of partners and fellows to pursue policy and program changes that support whole families
- Different programs use similar terms to refer to the same idea: that families are fundamental to human development
 - Some entities use terms like whole family, multigenerational, intergenerational
 - All of these terms reflect and embrace the diverse shapes, sizes, and structures of families to ensure all family members can reach their full potential

Two Generational Continuum

TWO-GENERATION (#2GEN) APPROACHES CENTER WHOLE FAMILIES





CHILD-FOCUSED

CHILD-FOCUSED WITH PARENT & CAREGIVER ELEMENTS

This could include early childhood development with parenting skills; family literacy with health screenings; and/or other child-focused services that also identify ways to support the adults in their lives.



WHOLE FAMILY

Two-generation (2Gen) approaches build family well-being by intentionally and simultaneously working with children and the adults in their lives together.



ELEMENTS



This could include workforce programs offering child care referrals; food and nutrition supports for student parents: and/or other adult-focused services that also identify ways to support their role as parents or caregivers.



Two Generational Approaches to Family Support

- Approach families as they define/view themselves as whole units rather than constituent parts
 - Don't focus solely on the child or the adult; recognize the interconnectedness and interdependency
- Treat families as experts and as people with something to contribute to program design/implementation
- Identify family goals and ensure programs align and integrate with those goals to maximize long-term impact

Principles of 2Gen Design

- Measure and account for outcomes for both adult and child
 - Outcomes are at the heart of 2Gen approaches; need data to show outcomes and to refine programs
- Listen to the voices and recommendations of families
 - Co-design policies/programs
 - Policy/program provides scaffolding; families drive success
- Ensure racial, gender, and economic equity
 - Policy/programs need to account for systemic discrimination and reflect the demographic realities of families
- Foster evidence and innovation together
- Align & link systems and funding streams
 - Blend and braid where you can
 - Reduce administrative burdens and cliffs

The Six Components of 2Gen Approaches



UWCI Snapshot: Our Core Issues



to provide essential services to our neighbors in need



to increase literacy outcomes and learning success for young children



to increase earnings and build employment pathways



to increase housing security and reduce homelessness

UWCI Snapshot: Our How

- Grounded in equity
- Data driven and informed
- 2Gen approach is the foundation
- Value proposition top of mind; all strategies grounded in our toolkit
- What does it mean to UWCI to be a partner in this work?
 - Funder, Convenor, Connector, Builder, Advocate, Research, Program Delivery



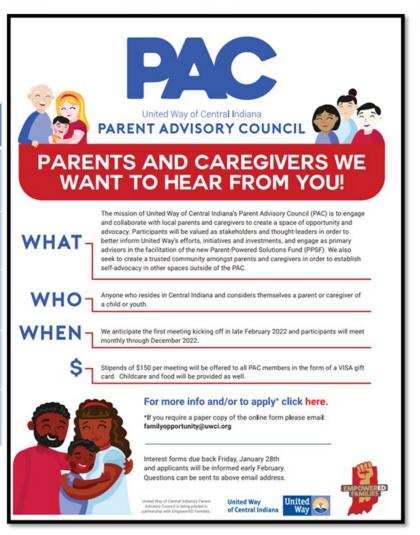
UWCI's 2Gen Journey



- Refining Scaling Sustaining (cycle)
- Building a network of partners, intermediaries and funders through peer learnings, formal convenings, informal gatherings, etc.
- Elevating emerging practices, partnerships across the sector, and identifying research-based best practices
- Leveraging Ascend at the Aspen Institute's 2Gen approach, research, and network

UWCI: Advancing Equity Creation of a parent advisory council and fund

2Gen Principles (Ascend)	UWCI's Approach
1. Measure and account for outcomes for both children and their parents	Robust data collection and reporting model, in partnership with Indiana's MPH
2. Engage and listen to the voices of families	Investing into organizations that engage families and leverage their voices to inform and shape programs
3. Ensure equity and address disparities facing families	Investing in organizations led by and serving primarily BIPOC residents
4. Foster innovation and evidence together	Intentional and innovative investments that optimize 2Gen models and programs
5. Align and link systems & funding streams	Partnerships and collaborations are incentivized across UWCI's 2Gen network



UWCI: Measuring Progress

- Pairing of community need with impact data
- **Equity-focused strategies and** measurement
- Transparency in outcomes (and opportunity)
- Communicating back to our partners
- Partnering with state agencies
- Leveraging tools to support data collection, measurement and communicating the impact

Interactive Data Dashboards

Click each icon below to view the corresponding interactive dashboard.











People **Impacted** ALICE & Poverty **Economic** Mobility

Educational Success

Equity in Action









Sector

Support



Transportati

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Healthy Food

Access

Physical, Mental & Behavioral Health

Safe and Affordable Housing

Access &

Retention

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