



The Governor's Task Force on Children at Risk
September 12, 2025
Boise, ID/ Hybrid

Nadine McDonald, Juvenile Justice (Chairman)	(A)Jennifer Tachell– Educator (Vice-Chairman)
Andie Blackwood- DHW, Family & Children Services	(A)Susan Bradford, MD – Pediatrician
Lena Biondolillo- Children with Disabilities	OPEN- Child Advocate Attorney
Sheila Sturgeon Freitas, PhD– Mental Health	Hon. Steve Clark- Civil Magistrate Judge
(A)Curtis Carper- Law Enforcement	(A)Kyle Bringhurst- Prosecuting Attorney
Anthony Henry– Foster Youth	(A)Tahna Barton – CASA
(A)Jill Robertson – Homeless Youth Liaison	(A)Hon. Brent Ferguson- Crim. Magistrate Judge
Trevor Sparrow– Parent	Joshua Wickard- Public Defender
Susan Nalley– Victim Services Coordinator	(A)Teresa Vance- Administrator of the Courts
Mindy Peper – Task Force Support	Indicates Absent (A) Virtual (V)

Guests: Investigator Lane and Investigator Lindsay with Idaho Internet Crimes Against Children, CFRT- Lacey Williams, Idaho Children's Trust Fund- Roger Sherman

Welcome and Minutes

Chair Nadine McDonald called the meeting to order and welcomes everyone.

Motion to approve the minutes from the June 2025 meeting:

- Made by: Wickard
- Seconded by: Biondolillo
- Outcome: Approved unanimously

Budget Update

The group discussed the \$32,000 budget that must be spent by year-end. It is already committed to the following per previous votes:

- Printing manuals.
- Conference expenses.

Subcommittee Updates

Mindy provided updates on the following subcommittees:

- Conference- registration numbers are good
- Grants- so far 2 grants have been submitted; scoring committee meets Oct 8
- Legislative- begin meeting in Feb 2026
- MDT- working on training and protocol ideas
- CFRT- guest Lacey Williams updates CARTF

She encouraged attendees to volunteer to support subcommittee work.

Guest Presentation – Idaho ICAC Unit

Investigators Lane and Lindsay from the Internet Crimes Against Children (ITAC) Task Force presented on their work:

- Provided an overview of the types of cases investigated.
- Noted an increase in online exploitation and trafficking but lower numbers in CSAM
- Discussed the challenges of prosecuting international offenders.
- Discussed usage of the ESD K9's in Idaho

Guest Presentation- Lacey Williams, CFRT

Williams updates the task force on the following:

- Current work of CFR Team and update on annual report
- Her current work in meeting with members, training, national meeting
- Needs for increased funding and ideas
- Need for members to fill roles like IDOT, medicare, etc.
- Request for training manuals for team members

Guest Presentation- Roger Sherman, ICTF

Sherman updates CARTF on the recent work of the trust fund, including:

- Parent Summits/Parent Cafes- designed to offer a support system to parents, for parents
- Studying an initiative by other states regarding mandated reporting and difference between families and homes that are unsafe vs needs support
- New project with Building Hope Today regarding prevention of CSA in youth-serving organizations, Awareness to Action training in WI and MO.

2026 Planning

CARTF chose 2026 meeting dates (virtual, hybrid) and decided on venue for 2026 hybrid meetings. Peper will send calendar invites and update the website.

Motion to approve 2026 hybrid meetings to be held at current location, The SpringHill Suites Parkcenter in Boise:

- Made by: Nalley
- Seconded by: Sparrow
- Outcome: Approved unanimously

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 3:00 PM