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Dear Story County Legislators:

The providers in Story County want to thank you for being advocates for children and families. We know you are aware of the needs and challenges this community faces. We also want you to know where the dollars that you allocate to us are used. To accomplish that we have put together this book of stories. The stories are a compilation of family testimonials highlighting the programs in Story County that impact children, families and providers. The stories are divided into six categories:

- Before and After School Programs/Early Care
- Child Abuse Prevention
- Community Collaborations
- Early Education
- Home Visitation/Parent Education
- Policy and Practice Change

We hope that you enjoy The Story County Storybook and it is a valuable piece of information.

Sincerely,

Belinda Meis – Community Partnership for Protecting Children
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Jennifer Wilson – Story County Childhood Collaboration