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Vanderburgh County Commissioners Award Parenting Time Center With ARPA Funds

With the support of Vanderburgh County Council, the Vanderburgh County Commissioners were proud to award Parenting Time Center with \$50,000 in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds.

To respond to the public health emergency impact with respect to COVID-19 and its negative economic impacts, Vanderburgh County appropriated funds to non-profit organizations whose missions focus on arts, culture, and educational initiatives benefiting the County's residents. Evansville Regional Economic Partnership (E-REP) was selected by the County to administer the funds for community development, grant administration, financial management, and grant close-out services for the funds. Through its facilitation and scoring process, E-REP made the recommendation of Parenting Time Center to the Commissioners.

Parenting Time Center's mission is to empower parents and children to create positive relationships in a safe and nurturing environment. Opened in 2009, Parenting Time Center is the only professional supervised visit and exchange center in a nine-county area of Southwestern Indiana, as well as Southern Illinois and Western Kentucky. Children come to Parenting Time Center as victims of family conflict and are given the voice and knowledge of how to have a healthy relationship with their parents. Parenting Time Center's vision is to break the generational cycle of fragile families through services, partnerships, and collaboration.