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**TO: MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATURE
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**FROM: FRANK WHITE, JR.
JACKSON COUNTY EXECUTIVE**


DATE: SEPTEMBER 29, 2025

RE: APPOINTMENT TO THE CHILDREN'S SERVICES FUND

I hereby appoint the following member to the Children's Services Fund:

Onetta Templeton is appointed as a District 4 member to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Meg McCall, with a new term set to expire September 29, 2028. Ms. Templeton resume is attached.

9/29/2025
Date


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Abbreviated CURRICULUM VITAE

ONETA J. TEMPLETON, ACSW, LCSW, LSCSW

Professional Experience

- 1991 to 2023 Manager, Community Programs
Department of Social Work Children's Mercy Hospital
Program Manager TIES (Team for Infants Exposed to Substance
use) Program, intensive home-based partnership with families of
young children affected by maternal substance use
Program Administrator Healthy Families Children's Mercy, HFA accredited
child abuse and neglect prevention program providing home-
based family support to families of pregnant and parenting women
Liaison to Community Programs Consortium and Advisory Council
Provide administrative, clinical and reflective supervision to the programs
Oversee evaluation, budgets and contracts, statistical and program reporting,
and grant application proposals
Previously supervised medical social workers in Emergency and
Adolescent medicine and hospital child protection program
- 1983 – 1990 Social Services Director, The Salvation Army of Kansas City
Supervised operation of 14 services including child care, family camping,
employment assistance, substance use detox, disaster response, and child and
adult shelter programs
Recruited, trained, and supervised program managers
Managed programs with budget totaling \$2.8 million and over 70 employees
Previously Family Services Coordinator managing emergency assistance
operations and providing office and home-based counseling to
families and individuals

Education

- University of Missouri-Columbia Masters of Social Work
Bachelors of Social Work

- Licenses: Licensed Specialist Clinical Social Worker, Kansas, 2013 #4230
Licensed Clinical Social Worker, Missouri, 1992 #3143
Academy of Certified Social Workers, National Association of Social Workers

Select Publications and Presentations

- Siedlik, E., Chiang, D., Gardner, S., Templeton, O., *The Impact of Relationship on Goal Attainment in a Home-Based Family Support Program*. Health & Social Care in the Community, 2023, 5552208. <https://doi.org/10.1155/2023/5552208>.
- Chiang, D., Templeton, O., Siedlik, E. A new, validated assessment tool demonstrates positive outcomes in home visiting model for families affected by maternal substance use poster National Research Center for Early Childhood (NRCEC) December 2020.

- O'Malley, D., Chiang, D.F., Siedlik, E.A., Ragon, K., Dutcher, M., & Templeton, O. *A Promising Approach in Home Visiting to Support Families Affected by Maternal Substance Use*. Maternal Child Health Journal (2020). <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10995-020-03015-0>
- Rose, S., Templeton, O. (2018, February) *Income Improvement Strategies through Comprehensive Early Home Visiting Practices* poster at National Summit on Quality in Home Visiting Programs, Washington, DC.
- Mayse, S., Templeton, O., (2017, June) *Reflective Supervision: What Is It? Why Do It?* Healthy Start Regional Meeting, Kansas City, MO
- Jenson, R., & Templeton, O., (2016, November) *Examining Encounters to Strengthen Home Visitation Effectiveness: A Longitudinal Study of TIES Program Outcomes*. The Collaborative Science of Home Visiting Home Visiting Applied Research Collaborative (HARC) annual meeting, Washington, DC.
- Kates, E., Mayse, S., Templeton, O. (2013, November) *Home Visiting with Multiply Challenged Families: Lessons from MIECHV*. 37th Annual Kansas Governor's Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect, Topeka, KS
- Rohs, J., Snider, K., Templeton, O., (2015, May) *Systematic Encounter Documentation: Using Implementation Fidelity for Program Enhancement* poster at The Collaborative Science of Home Visiting Meeting, Washington, DC.
- Reich, W. A., Fuger, K. L., Hsi, A., & Templeton, O. (2012, April). *Assessing child developmental services predicts in-home placement of substance- and HIV-affected children*. 18th National Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect, Washington, DC.
- Abruzzino, E., Adnopoz, J., Bouchard, B., Currier-Ezepchick, J., McMann, O. Templeton, & Pack, J. (2003). Development of successful treatment interventions. In National Abandoned Infants Assistance Resource Center (Ed.) *AIA best practices: Lessons learned from a decade of service to children and families affected by HIV and substance abuse* (25-46). Berkeley, CA: Author.
- Pietrzak, J., McMann, O. Templeton, Currier-Ezepchick, J. (2002, March) *Abandoned Infants Assistance: Investing in and Assisting Vulnerable Children and Families*. Children 2002: Making Children a National Priority CWLA National Conference, Washington, DC.
- McMann, O. Templeton, (1999, June). *Supporting families with multiple challenges: Discovering effective strategies*. SAMSHA Second National Conference on Women, Los Angeles, CA.

Board Memberships and Related Organizations

Community Advisor, MIECHV COVID Health Equity Project 2021-23

Served as a community advisor and member of workgroup for a project conducted by Child Trends and funded by the Health Resources and Services Administration exploring the role of MIECHV programs in advancing health equity during crises (e.g. COVID-19 pandemic).

Maternal Infant Early Childhood Home Visiting (MIECHV) Program site administrator for TIES Program of Kansas Department of Health and Environment 2010-2023

Amethyst Place supported housing program for recovering women and their children

Board Member 2000-2010, 2013-2015, 2019-2022

Board Chair 2001-2003, Board Secretary 2004-2005

Program Council Member 2010-2023

Board Chair 2010-2012, 2014, 2019, 2021-23

Kansas City Task Force on Families Affected by Substance Abuse Member 1991-2016

Chair, 2010-2016

Mother and Child Health Coalition of Greater Kansas City (later Nurture KC) Board Member 1998 – 2000