Building Strong Brains Tennessee
Becoming a Trauma-Responsive State

Addressing & Reframing Trauma: State Approaches to Fostering Well-Being of Children and Families

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Building Strong Brains TN Mission

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works to change the culture of Tennessee
so the state’s overarching philosophy, policies, programs and practices for children, youth and young adults
utilize the latest brain science to
prevent and mitigate the impact of adverse childhood experiences.
Adverse Childhood Experiences: Prevention, Mitigation, and Recovery
Anticipated Multi-Sector, Muti-Level, Public and Private Impacts

Diagram showing the interconnections between Community, Business and Corporations, Philanthropy, Faith Based Communities, Higher Education and Academia, Education and Early Care, Child Welfare, Mental Health & Substance Abuse Services, Juvenile and Adult Justice, Health Care Services and Financing, Human Services, Media, Professional Practice, Programs and Services, Policies and Funding, Philosophy and Approach.
BSB TN’s Foundations

- Three Branches Institute

- Knowledge Mobilization: Integration of Two Sciences
  Brain Science and Communication Science
  - 3 Scientific Symposia—The Science of Biology/Physical Science of Programmatic Innovations
  - 4 FrameLabs—A deep dive into the application of communication science to brain science: Values and Metaphors

- T4T—The Role of Life Experiences in Shaping Brain Development

- BSB TN—Strategies 4 Educators and Six Pillars of a Trauma-Informed School

- Community Innovations—The significance of resources
BSB TN Today

- Outcomes
- Indicators of Success
- Greatest Opportunities
BSB TN Going Forward
How Will We Get There?
Conclusion

With this effort, there is Confidence in our Collective Ability to Change the Culture from What is wrong with this child? to What happened to this child?
Thank you!!

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