

# Maine's Child Safety and Family Well-Being Plan (2025-2030)

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## Together, we can keep children safe by keeping families strong.

- Every child, youth, and family in Maine deserves to live in a supportive community where they can get the help they need, when they need it.
- By supporting families earlier, we can create the conditions for strong families and limit the need for involvement by the child welfare agency.

**State and Community  
Responsibility**

**OCFS Child Welfare  
Division's  
Responsibility**

**wellbeing**

**risk**

**unsafe**

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*Annual reporting to monitor progress on implementation (first report anticipated early 2026).*

## **Goal A: Parents and caregivers provide safety, health, and nurturing care for their children.**

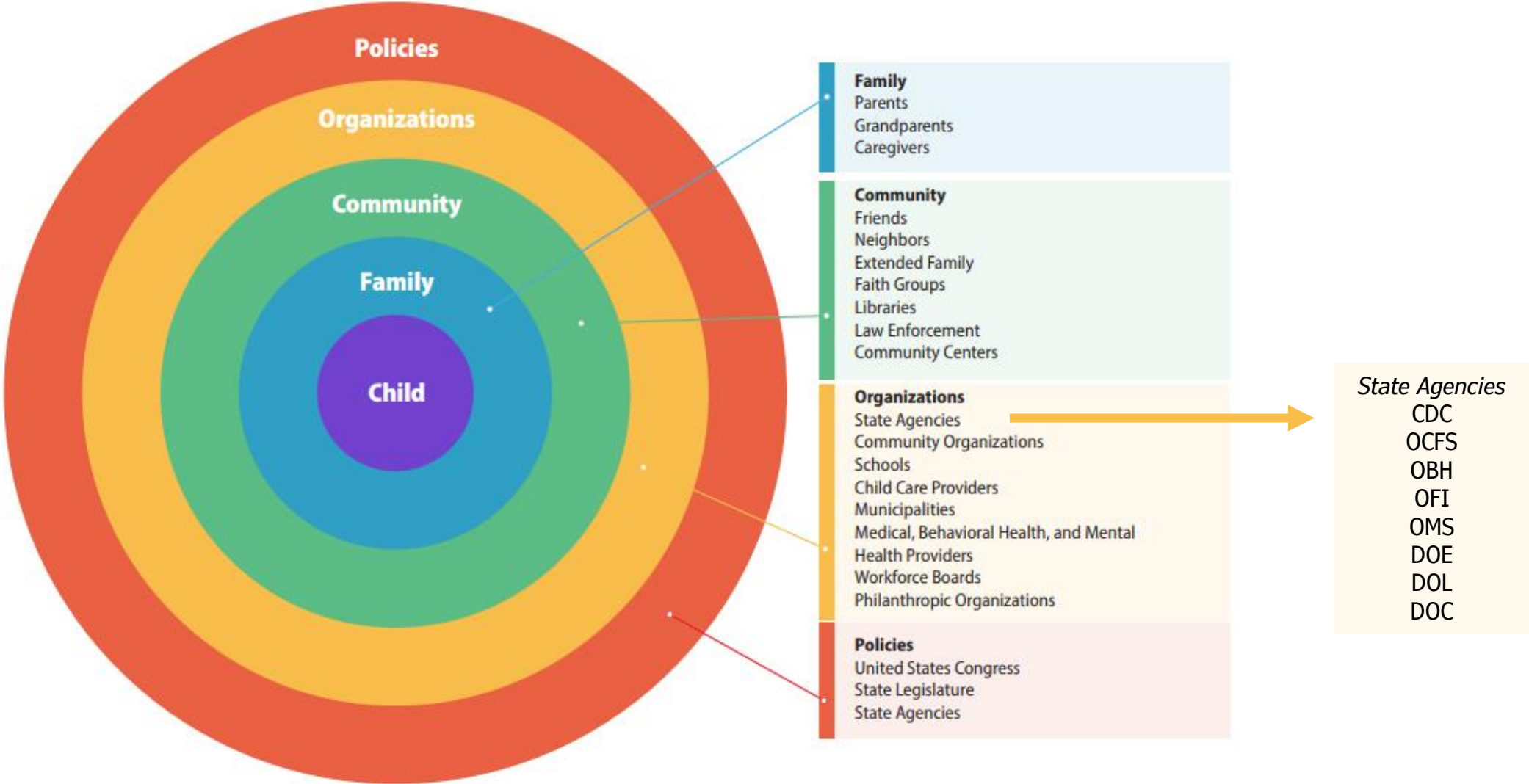
- Strategy 1: Provide economic and concrete supports for parents and caregivers.
- Strategy 2: Provide equitable and timely access to low-barrier supports and services for children, youth, and families.

## **Goal B: Families experience a supportive and coordinated child safety and family well-being system.**

- Strategy 3: Build partnerships with families.
- Strategy 4: Promote supportive communities.
- Strategy 5: Improve coordination of state and community partners.

Link to Full Plan: <https://www.maine.gov/dhhs/sites/maine.gov.dhhs/files/inline-files/CSFWB%202025-2030.pdf>.

# Everyone has a role to play in creating the conditions for strong families



# Discussion

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- How are you bringing the plan's focus on creating the conditions for strong families to your Department?
- Who are the champions in your Department that we should make sure to coordinate with on implementation and reporting?