## **April News from the National Center for Children in Poverty**

Welcome to NCCP's April listserv!

The whatsnew@nccp.org listserv provides subscribers with monthly updates on the research, activities, and overall work of the National Center for Children in Poverty.

#### Here's what's new at NCCP:

- 1. New policy brief series focuses on improving children's economic security by supporting parental employment
- 2. Check out NCCP's Early Childhood Poverty: A Statistical Profile UPDATED!
- 3. Check out NCCP's Child Poverty Fact Sheet UPDATED!
- 4. Understand the role of community development corporations in supporting young children
- 5. NCCP staffer testifies before New York City Council in child care issues
- 6. NCCP Hosts Book Discussion With Acclaimed Author David Cohen
- 7. New Chapter posted from Chasing the Red, White, and Blue

# Improving Children's Economic Security: Research Findings About Increasing Family Income Through Employment

This important policy brief series focuses on state policy options that have the potential to improve children's economic security by increasing family income. More specifically, the series examines policies that seek to increase family income by encouraging, supporting, and rewarding work. <u>Click here</u> to read the series introduction.



## **Early Childhood Poverty: A Statistical Profile**

Inadequate nutrition, environmental toxins, diminished interaction due to maternal depression, trauma and abuse, lower quality child care, and parental substance abuse. These are some of the risk factors associated with poverty in early childhood. <u>Click here</u> to learn why the first years of life are more important than had been thought for children's emotional and intellectual development, and why millions of children in the United States are at developmental risk.



# **Child Poverty Fact Sheet**

Did you know that America's children are almost twice as likely to live in poverty as Americans in any other age group (16 percent compared to 9-10 percent for working and retired adults)? Click here to learn more.



## The Role of Community Development Corporations in Promoting the Well-Being of Young Children

The National Center for Children in Poverty reviews what community-based organizations in low-income communities and neighborhoods are doing to promote the healthy development of low-income young children and families through child development and family support strategies. <u>Click here</u> to learn more.

# Chief Operating Officer of LIFT Campaign Testifies at New York City Council Hearing

Kimberly Barnes-O'Connor, chief operating officer of LIFT, testified before the New York City Council on March 6 in the City Council Chambers at City Hall in New York City. The hearing focused on child care for the working poor and for individuals transitioning off welfare in New York, and specifically on supplantation of federal child care funds. Click here to read her testimony.



#### **NCCP Hosts Book Discussion With Acclaimed Author David Cohen**

NCCP hosted an event entitled, "What Would Tocqueville Say Were He to Return to America Today?" on Columbia University's Morningside Heights campus on April 8. David Cohen, author of Chasing the Red, White, and Blue: A Journey in Tocqueville's Footsteps Through Contemporary America, led a provocative discussion on the modern-day "haves" and "have-nots" in the United States. To read some of *Chasing the Red, White, and Blue*, please click here.

## New Chapter Posted from Chasing the Red, White, and Blue

Read the author's observations of the "haves" and "have-nots" in America on his journey through the Rust Belt in Flint, Michigan. Don't forget to follow the *Chasing* links and read our Q&A with David.

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