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Pittsburgh Child Welfare Advocate Named to Pa Family Support Alliance Board

Kim Cauley Eckel Joins statewide board to #ProtectPAKids from abuse

HARRISBURG, Pa. – [Pa Family Support Alliance](#) (PFSA), the state leader in child abuse prevention, today announced the appointment of Kim Cauley Eckel to its [Governing Board of Directors](#).

“Kim recognizes the impact of a strong platform of family policies, providing concrete support and positive social connections to vulnerable families in preventing child neglect,” said Angela Liddle, PFSA President and CEO. “She truly understands the thin line between parental neglect of children and societal neglect of families and does her part to address the supports many families need. We could not be more thrilled and honored to have her join the work of PFSA.”

Eckel is the CEO for [Footbridge for Families](#), the Pittsburgh-based secure platform that she founded in 2019 to direct community donations to families facing short-term financial crises. She previously was manager of strategic initiatives at Allegheny County’s Office of Children, Youth and Families; Pennsylvania’s young child wellness coordinator for Project LAUNCH; and formerly a senior advisor in the Office of Data Analysis, Research and Evaluation at Allegheny County’s Department of Human Services.

Eckel earned her undergraduate degree from Yale University before getting her graduate degree from the University of Oxford, and is currently pursuing her PhD in political science from Boston College. She and her husband live in Pittsburgh, where they raise their three children.

“It’s an honor to join the PFSA board and to be part of an amazing organization that fights for Pennsylvanian children and families,” Eckel said. “I look forward to helping to make an impact across the commonwealth.”

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About Pennsylvania Family Support Alliance

[Pa Family Support Alliance](#) prevents child abuse and protects children from harm by helping parents learn positive parenting techniques, educating professionals and volunteers who work with children to recognize and report child abuse, and helping community members learn how they can play a positive role in keeping children safe. To learn more about our programs, schedule a training, or donate, please visit pafsa.org, or call 800-448-4906.