



Successful Children, Thriving Community.

Role: SC2C Parent Advisory Position

Purpose: Outreach & Engagement

Location: Stamford

Travel Required: Meetings will be held in person in Stamford (typically 1150 Summer Street)

Compensation: \$50.00 vanilla gift card stipend per meeting attended

Position Type: Stipend position June through May 2023 (approx. 2 hours a month)

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Submission Deadline: May 21st, 2023

Application: <https://forms.gle/oEYpxKxvh48kw3sw5>

SC2C is seeking parents and caregivers to serve on our Parent Advisory. The Parent Advisory will work with our Community Engagement Manager and Parent Ambassadors to build parent membership and share resources relevant to SC2C. The Parent Advisory will serve as a “go-to” for families in the community that they serve by conducting outreach activities to identify caregivers of children, prenatal-age 18, and connect them to the SC2C and community resources.

SC2C Parent Advisory will utilize our backbone organization’s (United Way of Western CT) [Community Messenger model](#) to help support and alleviate the gap between family services and parents’/families knowledge of these services. The Advisory will impart feedback and help to inform all our community events and activities and our Community Engagement Framework. Ultimately participants will lead an overall leadership project within Stamford. Advisory members will also have access to trainings and learning opportunities through affiliation with SC2C.

[Stamford Cradle to Career \(SC2C\)](#) is a community-wide collective impact initiative modeled after [StriveTogether](#), a national movement comprised of 70 communities across the country. StriveTogether is a movement with a clear purpose: helping every child succeed in school and life from cradle to career, regardless of race, zip code or circumstance. StriveTogether provides resources, best practices and processes to give every child every chance for success.

SC2C began in 2014 and our vision is that all Stamford youth succeed in education, career and life. Our mission is to collectively align community resources to ensure equity and excellence in education for every child, from cradle to career. Over 60 Stamford organizations are engaged with SC2C, including the Stamford Public Schools, youth-serving nonprofits, healthcare providers, civic and governmental organizations and local businesses and corporations. The goals of SC2C are bold and can be achieved only through the collective force of all stakeholders in Stamford working together:

- All Stamford infants will be born healthy
- All Stamford children will be ready for Kindergarten
- All Stamford children will be reading proficiently by the end of 3rd Grade
- All Stamford youth will succeed academically, graduate from high school and attain postsecondary degrees and/or obtain employment



SC2C is dedicated to eliminating racial inequality in education and creating opportunities for children and youth to succeed.

[United Way of Western Connecticut \(UWWC\)](#) serves as the backbone organization for SC2C, providing fiduciary and back-office support. UWWC is a growing organization focused on community change, partnerships, and improving lives in the areas of Education, Financial Stability and Health with offices in Stamford, Danbury and New Milford.

SC2C is an equal opportunity employer and is committed to partnering with the larger Stamford community to achieve racial equity and excellence, [click here](#) to read our racial equity statement. Individuals of diverse racial, ethnic, gender and cultural backgrounds along with bilingual candidates are strongly encouraged to apply. Translations services will be provided for non-English speakers to participate. We have the capacity to serve 10 parents/caregivers per fiscal year.

All participants who apply and are not chosen will be added to a waitlist if we need additional community support.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Participate in relevant training opportunities and meetings
- Identify and conduct outreach in their community to caregivers of children as well as the broader community
- Attend and support and/or volunteer at Stamford Cradle to Career and other community events
- Receive individual SC2C support for their family and household as applicable
- Connect disconnected families to early learning opportunities, programs, and resources
- Incorporate parent voice and feedback into decision-making
- Other tasks as assigned

REQUIREMENTS

- Must be a caregiver of children 0-18 (mother, father, grandparent, foster parent, etc.)
- Must live in, work in, and/or have strong knowledge of Stamford
- Ability to work collaboratively with diverse populations; establish and maintain positive working relationships
- Must attend at least 9 out of the 12 meetings yearly (one meeting per month) with participation during key critical times of year. Meetings are structured to accommodate families.

COMPENSATION

Parents will be compensated via a stipend each month with a \$50.00 vanilla gift card for each monthly meeting attended with the capacity to receive up to \$600.00 per year based on attendance and participation.