

MIBFN FACT SHEET



ABOUT MIBFN

MIBFN collaborates with organizations and individuals to bring about actionable, system-level changes that are centered on the diverse experiences of Michigan families with young children.

Our mission is to advocate, educate, and community-build alongside families and organizations for the advancement of an equitable, just, and breastfeeding-supportive culture.

"I DONATE BECAUSE IT IS SOMETHING I CAN DO. THE MIBFN IS DOING SUCH IMPORTANT WORK! I WANT TO SUPPORT THE CRITICAL MISSION: COMMITMENT TO EQUITY AND JUSTICE, ADVOCACY EFFORTS, AND ULTIMATELY DISMANTLING OF SYSTEMS THAT CONTINUE TO BE BARRIERS FOR SUCCESSFUL BREASTFEEDING (ESPECIALLY MARGINALIZED COMMUNITIES) IN OUR SOCIETY.

THROUGHOUT MY RECENT PERSONAL BREASTFEEDING EXPERIENCE (17 MONTHS AND COUNTING!), I KNEW HOW PRIVILEGED I WAS TO HAVE A SOLID KNOWLEDGE BASE, FINANCIAL MEANS, GOOD HEALTH INSURANCE, ACCESS TO MULTIPLE HIGHLY SKILLED LACTATION PROFESSIONALS, SUPPORT FROM FAMILY AND FRIENDS, PAID LEAVE FOR 12 WEEKS, A SUPPORTIVE BOSS AND WORKING ENVIRONMENT, AND THE LIST COULD GO ON. EVERY PERSON WHO WANTS TO BE SUCCESSFUL WITH BREASTFEEDING SHOULD HAVE AT LEAST WHAT I HAD! I KNOW DONATING TO MIBFN IS SOMETHING THAT IS GETTING US CLOSER TO MAKING THAT A REALITY."

Lauren Cody, RD, IBCLC, Local Breastfeeding Supporter in Macomb County

2024 GOALS

- Facilitating networking opportunities for breastfeeding supporters to create family-centered systems within institutions in which they serve
- Strengthening our partnerships with geographic coalitions to serve in solidarity with identity-based organizations in their own communities
- Increasing State of Michigan investment in human milk feeding included in FY25 state budget
- Revamping and increasing promotion of Workplace and Outpatient Awards

RECENT SUCCESSES



Served alongside local lactation supporters to provide direct consultation to Michigan Department of Corrections to support with implementation of Mama's Mobile Milk, a human milk transport service at Huron Valley Women's Prison.



Testified at the state Capitol for the expansion of the 2014 Breastfeeding Anti-Discrimination Act to include public milk expression through Michigan SB 351.

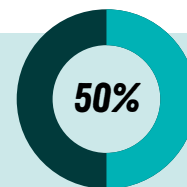


Launched a new learning platform for the Great Lakes Breastfeeding Webinars to increase accessibility for learners while continuing to offer 7 types of free continuing education.



Took action on the priority areas of child care, workplace, and child custody to educate and support human-milk feeding across diverse sectors of influence.

MORE THAN 50 PERCENT OF OUR ANNUAL BUDGET IS RETURNED TO DIRECTLY INVEST IN 17+ BLACK AND INDIGENOUS-LED BREASTFEEDING SUPPORTER ORGANIZATIONS TO SERVE FAMILIES FROM WITHIN THEIR OWN COMMUNITIES.



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