

Give **FASD** a Seat at the Table

Affiliate Monthly Meeting
April, 2026



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Affiliate Network



**2026 FASD
Awareness Month**



Welcome



Affiliate Network

For attendance, please put your full name and Affiliate name in the chat.



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Updates from FASD United

We need to hear from you!

ANNOUNCEMENT!

The 2025-2026 National Education Survey is LIVE!

WHO?

The survey is for self-advocates, parents and caregivers, and educators/professionals. *But this year, we are EXTRA focused on educators of all kinds.*

Even if you have taken the survey before, please take it again

FASD AND SPECIAL EDUCATION SURVEY RESULTS



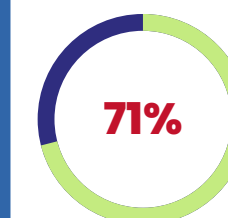
Fetal alcohol spectrum disorders occur in school aged children at a rate of

1 in 20

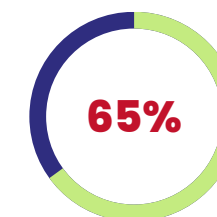
That's a child in every classroom.

<https://www.cdc.gov/fasd/data/index.html>

STATISTICS



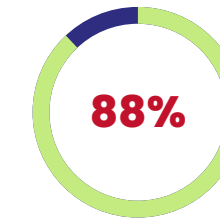
of self-advocates say not having appropriate FASD education accommodations is a **significant challenge**



of caregivers began noticing **educational challenges** in preschool



of self-advocates said the lack of recognition and understanding of FASD in schools is **discriminatory** for students with FASD



of professionals say students with FASD have a **more difficult time** obtaining educational accommodations compared to others with disabilities

May PA, Chambers CD, Kalberg WO, et al. Prevalence of Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders in 4 US Communities. JAMA. 2018;319(5):474-482. doi:10.1001/jama.2017.21836

bit.ly/FASDEdSurvey2025





What Happens Now?

NEXT POLICY FORUM:

**APRIL 29,
2026**

**JOIN THE FASD UNITED
POLICY FORUM**



BIT.LY/POLICYFORUM26

09.27-30.2026



Save the Date

Sunday 9.27

- FASD Poster Exposition (Evening)

Monday 9.28

- The FASD Symposium Part 1
- The Red Shoes Gala (Evening)

Tuesday 9.29

- Hill Day
- NPN Grantees Meeting

Wednesday 9.30:

- USUHS CHSR Workshop
- Emerging Research
- The FASD Symposium Part 2



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Affiliate Network Updates

EMERITI CIRCLE

- To acknowledge and honor community leaders
- Preserve institutional memory
- Maintain connectivity & relationships
- Leverage retired Affiliate Community leaders' valuable wisdom, perspectives, and ideas
- To provide a role for Affiliate Community leaders who retire to offer inroads to stay involved in FASD efforts.



Eileen Bisgard, JD



Jdg Michael Jeffery



**Jdg Susan Shepard
Carlson**



Sarah Messelt



Enid Watson



**Ann S. Yabusaki,
PhD, LMFT**



**Dr. Leigh Tenkku
Lepper**



**Marilyn Pierce-
Bulger**



Peggy Way

Send Nominations to:
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wisdahl@fasdunited.org
by April 30th.

ANEC Quarterly Check In



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PRIORITIES

PRIORITY #1: CONFERENCE TOOLKIT

WHO: ANEC will be leading the work as an “easy win” and immediate new resource that can be given to Affiliates.

HOW: Work will be done during ANEC meetings to accomplish this goal. The Governance Committee should support by carving out time in agendas to do this work. The Program Committee should identify a month when it would be best to share the Conference Toolkit with Affiliate Members.

PRIORITY #2: TASK FORCE WORK GROUPS

WHO: Some interest has been expressed in this idea by individuals. Feelers will be sent out to determine if there is someone who can lead this work group.

HOW: Task Force & Coalitions Work Group will work like a normal Work Group, but more focused on the individual tasks of each member rather than their collective output on a deliverable.

PRIORITY #3: MICRO-LEARNING MODULES

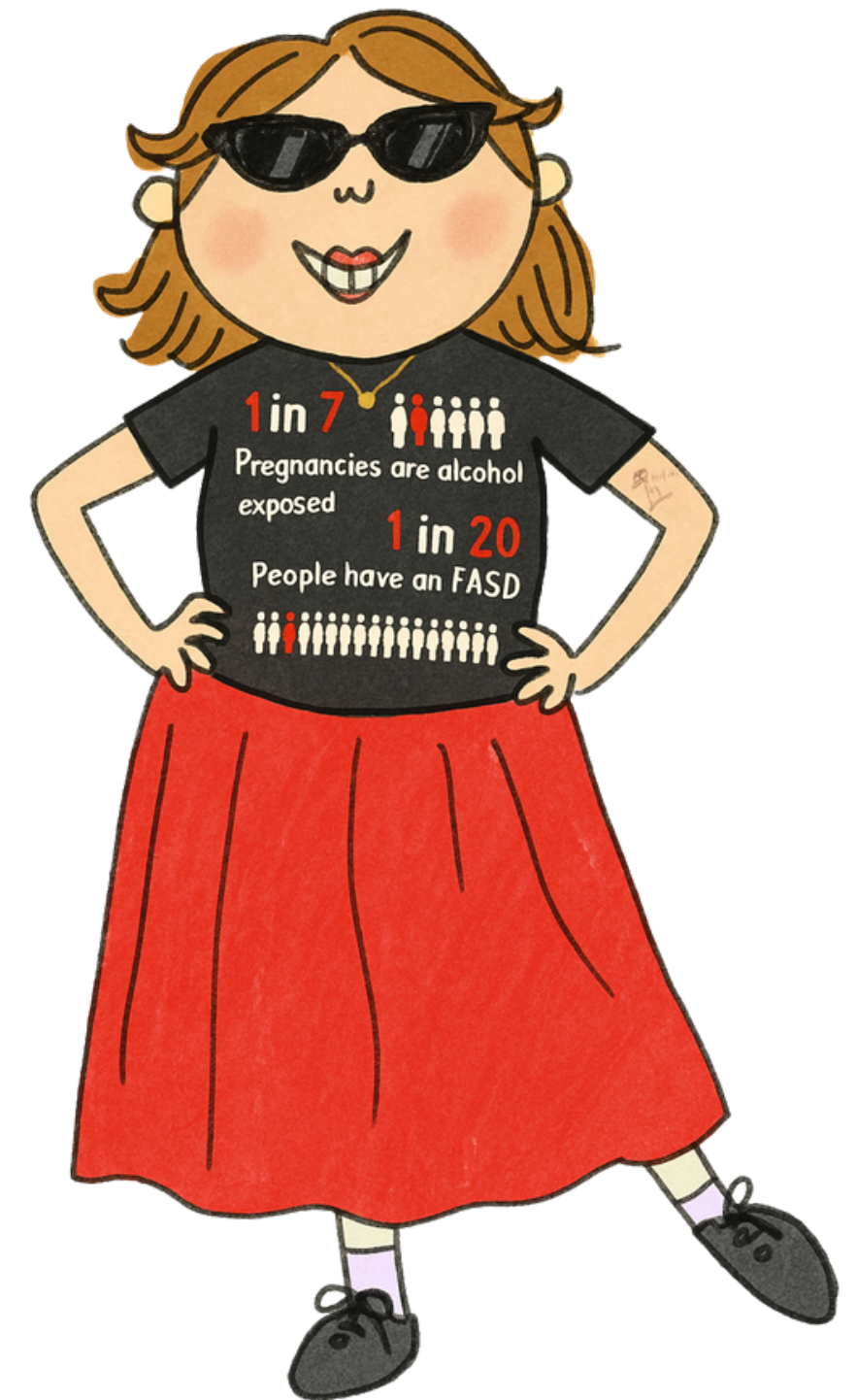
WHO: Barb Clark has expressed interest in leading this as a new Work Group. Feelers will be sent out for co-leadership and members.

HOW: Micro-Learning Modules will be tasked with creating 5-15 minute presentations on topics hyper-specific to various professions. This work can start by relying on data collected during the Professional Education session of the 2025 FASD Symposium.

Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4
Created a list of potential materials for consideration			
- Identified a leader (Reuben Kitrell) - Created an outline for the first 6 meetings			
- Chair identified (Barb Clark) - Scaffolding and content from FASD United is ready			

Awareness Month 2026

This Year's Theme Is:
FASD is an AND Conversation.



Awareness Month 2026

These materials are
available on the
Affiliate Website
Right Now!

You can find these
materials under
Affiliate Member Lobby



General Resources
from FASD United

The screenshot shows the FASD United Affiliate Network website. The header includes the FASD United logo and navigation links: HOME, FASD UNITED, JOIN, AFFILIATE MEMBER LOBBY, AFFILIATE UPDATES, AFFILIATE CALENDAR, and YOUR PROFILE. The main heading is "General FASD United Downloadable Resources". Below this, three resource cards are displayed, each featuring the FASD logo and the tagline "FASD IS AN AND CONVERSATION".

Affiliate Network Social Media: September 2026	2026 Toolkit	Self Advocates Social Media: September 2026
Awareness Month Media Template Here	Awareness Month Toolkit Here	Self Advocates Media Template Here
Template for Awareness Month Media to be easily used and shared. Don't forget the hashtag #FASD2026 when posting!	General Awareness Toolkit Information. Explanation of this year's theme Easy Access to FASD Facts	Ready to use Media for all Affiliates and Self-Advocates!

Awareness Month Materials

How will the toolkit be used?

Let's walk through it!

Resources Included:

- **Explanation of this year's theme**
- **Easy Access to FASD Facts**
- **Easy Access to Language Guides**
- **Social Media - Affiliate, Self-Advocate, Zoom Backgrounds, & General**
- **Impact Week Schedule**
- **Press Release**
- **State Proclamations**

2026 Toolkit



FASD IS AN AND CONVERSATION

Social Media Examples

We have provided over 30+ Social Media tiles to support affiliates during Awareness Month.

These are shared template style via Canva. This means you can edit them to be your own media - Logos, Colors, Etc.



The Foster Care system needs to be trauma-informed & FASD-informed.



FASD-informed foster care is the future. Both professionals & families involved in the child welfare system should have appropriate training on FASD so that they can better understand the effects of prenatal alcohol exposure, seek diagnosis as needed, & know how to connect with FASD-informed services and supports.

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Example of Media Tile (Image)



Example of Media Caption



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Two Ways To Use:
Media Caption can
be used to
accompany your
first image, or you
can copy and paste
the writing and use
it as your
description/caption
for your post.



Social Media Templates - Example From Last Year

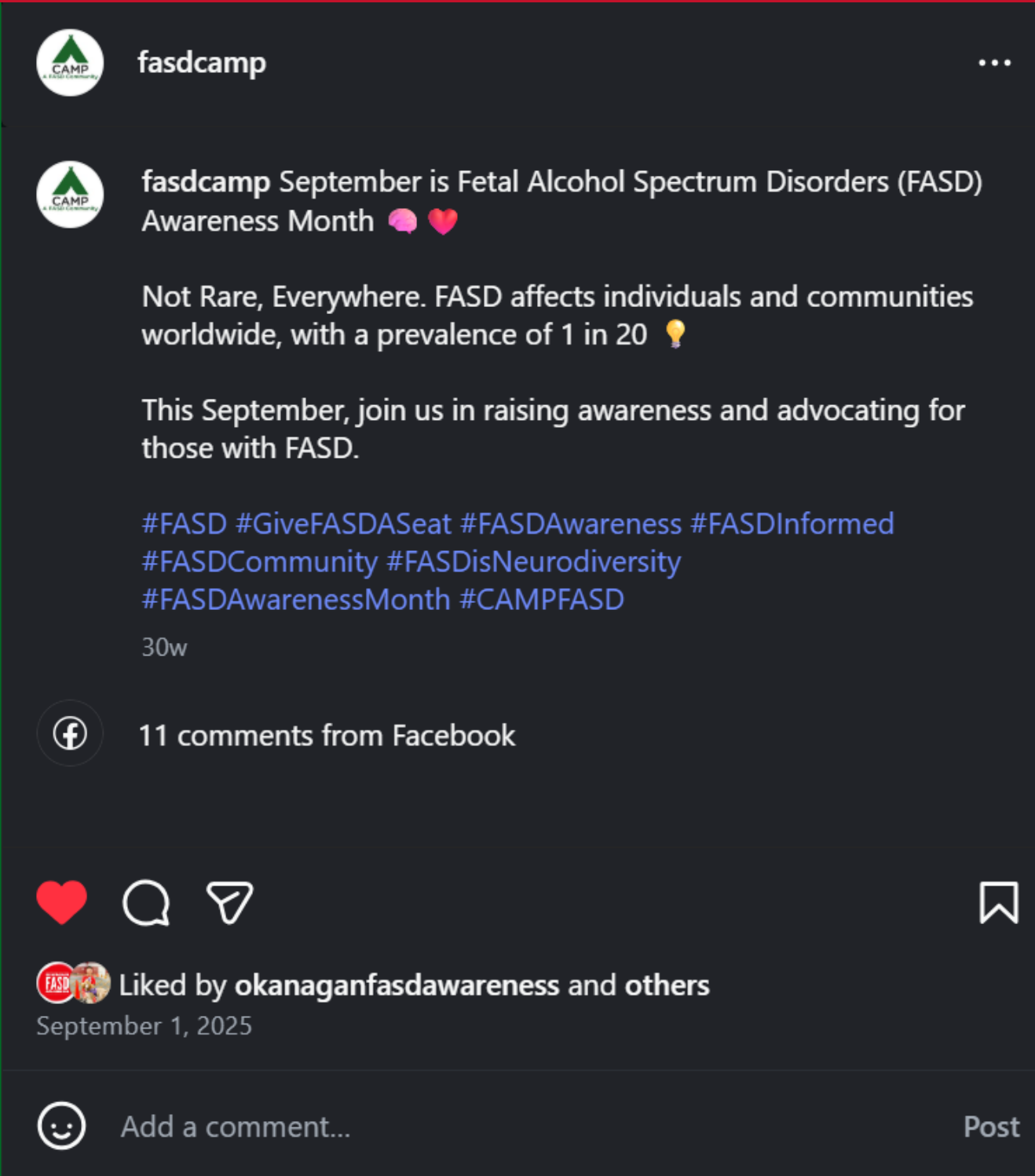
Excellent Example from CAMP



Template Given



CAMP's Version



Shout Out for Using our Hashtags!

Social Media Examples - Templates

- **Affiliate Media Template Link Here:**
<https://canva.link/8u3r1cwjh9yabgc>
- **Self Advocate Template Link Here:**
<https://canva.link/q80cj9scgict7h5>
- **Awareness Month Toolkit Link:**
<https://canva.link/rr6peeai9swm9lc>
- **Awareness Month Zoom Backgrounds:**
<https://canva.link/snnyeqjbg4oinyf>

Template Given: Video to guide how to use

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Template Given: Video to be used here

Questions For Affiliates:

Welcome to Impact Week!
Where is your seat at the table from?

*Place a pin from wherever you roam,
to show us that place is your home.*



- **What would be most helpful?**
- **What keeps you from using materials/resources?**
- **Can we make anything easier or support you better?**



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CloseOut

More Questions?