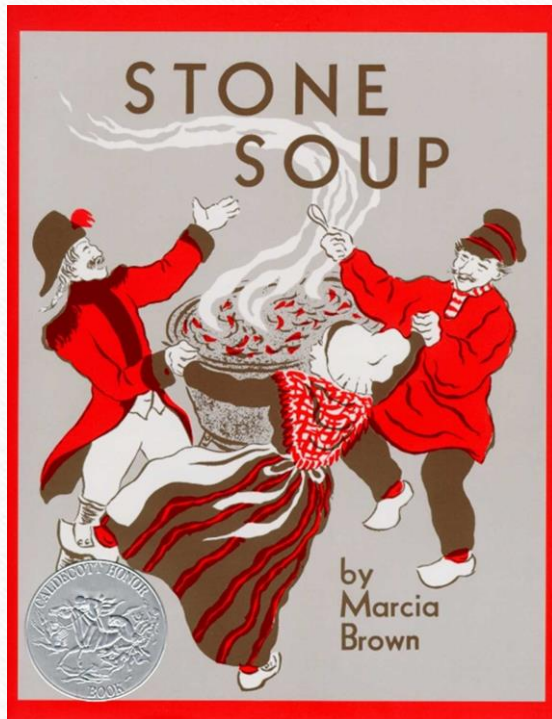


To Be Successful We All Must Work Together!



- Stone Soup is a folk story in which hungry strangers convince the people of a town to each share a small amount of their food in order to make a meal that everyone enjoys.
- The villagers each gave an ingredient they had and added it to the soup.
- By working together they made the best soup ever!
- In order to emerge from this pandemic stronger and with better systems for families and children than we had before, we all need to work together and we can do this by adding our talents, ideas and funding to the soup.

Next Steps and Considerations

- Pull together people at the county/municipality level and share information regarding needs.
 - County Commissioners
 - Mayors
 - County Colleges and 4 Year Colleges/Universities
 - Chamber of Commerce
 - Legislators/Elected Officials
 - Public Schools including Vo-Tech
 - Service Providers – Family Success Centers, Home Visiting Programs, Child Care Centers and Homes, Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies
 - Workforce Initiatives
 - Foundations
 - Parents

Next Steps and Considerations

- Share Data to Demonstrate Need
- Review ACNJ's List of Recommendations regarding ways local ARPA dollars can be used to support Early Care and Education initiatives
- Check out resources in toolkit
- Reach out to ACNJ