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Commissioners of Leelanau county,

I would like to express to you how important supporting early childhood education and programs are for this community. Not only is it beneficial for the children but also for the parents who may or may not be struggling with new responsibilities. As the saying goes it takes a village, and I truly believe that. I happen to be one of the moms who participates in the weekly playgroups. As a new mom I didn't know how to connect with other moms or how to socialize my kids with others; seeing the ads for the weekly playgroups gave me direction. Now we go almost every week and not only does my son have other kids his age (2yr) to play with; but I have the support of other moms. I have gained friendship and support from the directors of the programs as well. Additionally, I thought the Miriam Pico concert was such a special event! With time this program will continue to grow; and so I ask that you support this program and the young children and families that it affects.

Thank you,

Shannon Korson