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## **STATEWIDE PRO-FAMILY GROUP RELEASES NEW PUBLICATION**

***Wisconsin's Cultural Indicators, 2019 Edition* shows well-being of state closely tied to well-being of marriage and family**

**Madison, WI**—Today Wisconsin Family Council (WFC) announced the release of *Wisconsin's Cultural Indicators, 2019 Edition*. The *Wisconsin's Cultural Indicators, 2019 Edition* is a premier publication unique to Wisconsin Family Council in the state. It provides an overview of important indicators that impact Wisconsin and the state's best resource: traditional families.

“We are pleased to provide this important resource to lawmakers, educators, pastors and ministry leaders, community leaders and concerned citizens in Wisconsin,” said Julaine Appling, president of Wisconsin Family Council. “*Wisconsin's Cultural Indicators* shows long-term trends affecting the social and economic health of Wisconsin's families and children. When our families are strong, our state is strong. And the converse is certainly true, as well.”

The seventy-five-page publication includes data and trends for indicators such as “Family Structure and Income,” “Childbearing and Poverty,” “Births to Teenagers Age 15-19,” “Expenditures for Public Education (K-12),” “Underage Drinking Among High School Students,” and “Juvenile Arrests, as well as an extensive look at “Family and the Economy.” Wisconsin-specific data is taken from state agencies; national data is largely from the ten-year census and the periodic intervening census updates. The publication is fully cited.

Copies of *Wisconsin's Cultural Indicators, 2019 Edition* have been distributed to the governor, lieutenant governor, attorney general, Wisconsin's congressional delegation, all state legislators, secretaries of various state agencies, members of the judicial branch, mayors of the 49 largest cities, superintendents of all public school districts, all public libraries and to over 300 pastors.

“Over and over again, the data and trends clearly indicate that married, husband-wife families, on average, are in everyone's best interest. They bolster the state's economy and provide the best place for children to grow up to become healthy, well-adjusted, contributing workers and citizens.” said Appling. “This publication is designed to help decision makers and leaders craft policy and programs that strengthen marriage and families and in doing so strengthen our communities and state.”

*Wisconsin's Cultural Indicators, 2019 Edition* is available [online](#).

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Wisconsin Family Council is a statewide organization engaged in strengthening, preserving and promoting marriage, family, life and religious liberty in Wisconsin.