On September 22, 2007, the citizens of Putnam County were provided with four hours of family fun and education through the “Community in Action Kids Forum” at the Palatka Mall.

Episcopal Children’s Services was among many organizations present. Vicki Hancock a Family Support Specialist, and Sherry Tindall a Literacy Coach from Putnam, greeted more than 40 families. They gave each family a packet of information that contained materials ranging from child care resources, to child development, to local library information. Children visiting the table were given the opportunity to play the “Frogs on Logs” rhyming game. Each family visiting the Episcopal Children’s table was given a child’s book (while they lasted). Thirty-five were books were distributed.

One particularly rewarding moment of the day occurred when a quiet little boy approached the table and asked to play the rhyming game. As he played he became more and more excited with each frog bean bag he tossed. When, at the end of the game, he observed Vicki pass another child a book, he asked if he, too, could have a book. He was given the book and the little boy ran across the mall hugging the book. The whole day was captured in that little boy’s joy at learning rhyming words and carrying his very own book home with him.