Annual Report

The Children's Community Head Start Birth to Five Program



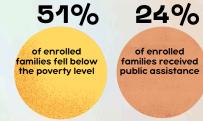
The Children's Community Head Start Birth to Five Program is a program of the Community Program Centers of Long Island, Inc. CPC is a 501(c)3, not-for-profit organization. The Birth to Five program operates a home-based program, as well as two centers in Suffolk County, that are licensed by New York State Office of Children and Family Services. Our program operates under the guidance of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, the Board of Directors and Policy Council.

Enrollment

Enrollment in the Birth to Five program is based on highest need. The program has an established Selection Criteria that is used to determine eligibility. Families who are Homeless, on Public Assistance, and Foster Children are categorically eligible. All other families must meet federal income guidelines. During the 2023-2024, the program was under-enrolled driving the decision to apply for an enrollment reduction in 2024.

2023-2024

Eligibility Data







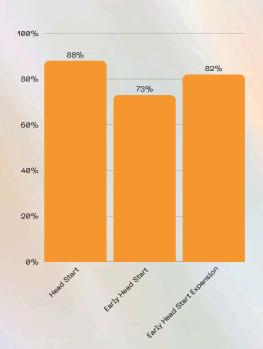
8% of enrolled families were homeless

3% of enrolled families were Over Income

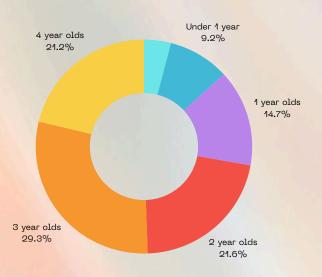
of enrolled children were in Foster Care

1%

Average Monthly Enrollment

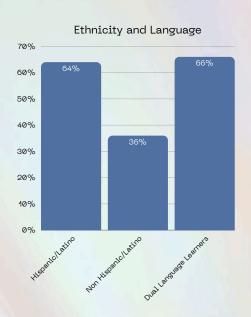


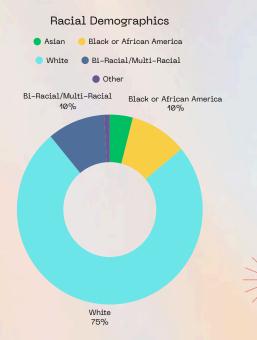
Cumulative Enrollment



Diversity

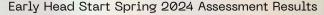
All families' cultural backgrounds are respected and celebrated in the Birth to Five program. Children are provided opportunities to acquire the English language while preserving their home language. Bilingual classroom staff support the children in the classroom and bilingual Family Advocates and Home Visitors support the family as a whole.

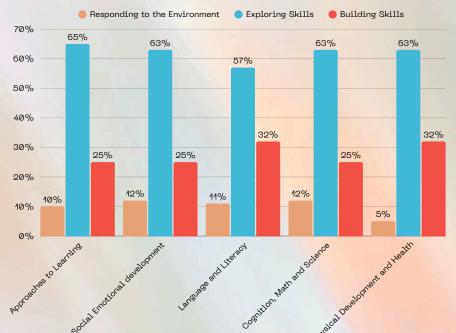




We are Committed to School Readiness

Children are screened upon enrollment and assessed 3x per year using the Desired Results Developmental Profile (DRDP). This assessment tool measures a child's progress in all developmental areas, and is inclusive of children with special needs and dual language learners. Teachers use the results to plan for classes, small groups, and individual children. Children who are showing a lack of progress may be in need of evaluation, and possibly special education support services.

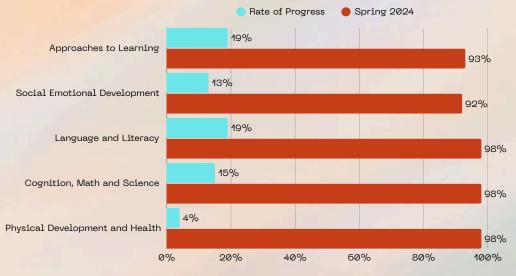




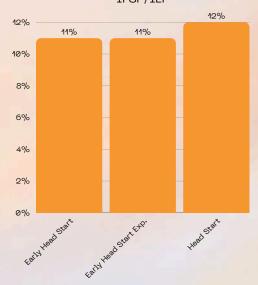


Head Start Spring 2024 Assessment Results





Percentage of children with an IFSP/IEP



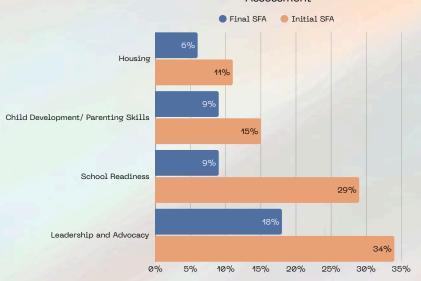
Children with Special Needs

During this year, there were multiple children that were approved for services under IDEA, that did not receive their approved level of service due to a lack of providers in Suffolk County, or the lack of available preschool special education programs. Two children received services through their medical insurance instead of accessing services through Early Intervention or their local school district.

Scaled Family Assessment

Family Advocates and Home Visitors also conduct Scaled Family Assessments in order to determine each family's strengths and areas of need. The program uses the results of these assessments to plan training and workshops throughout the year. Family assessments are conducted again at the end of the program year to determine progress made. The most growth was seen in School Readiness and Leadership and Advocacy.

Percentage of Families with Significant Needs, based on Scaled Family Assessment



The 2023 Community
Assessment survey indicates
that 66% of respondents
identified Mental Health
Services as a critical need in
the community that is not
being met.



Mental Health and Substance Abuse

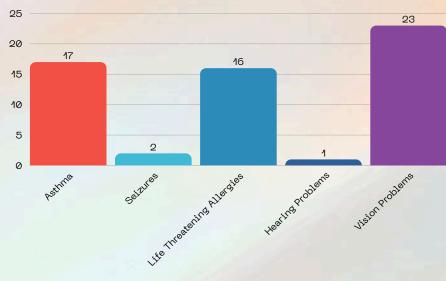
This was one area of the Scaled Family Assessment that showed an increase in the number of families that were experiencing a significant need. A Mental Health Consultant is contracted to provide children and families support in this area. During the year, 18 children were being supported by the MH Consultant and two families that experienced a loss due to an overdose also consulted with the MH Consultant.

Child Health and Wellness

Upon entry, the program determines if each family has a medical home, dental home, a source of medical insurance, and is up to date on EPSDT immunizations and medical and dental care. Throughout the program year, families are assisted in gaining insurance, establishing a medical home, and creating positive health habits for their children.



Children with Chronic Health Conditions



Medical Care

99%

98%

87%

96%

42%

9%

of enrolled children and pregnant women had medical insurance at the end of the year of enrolled children and pregnant women had a ongoing source of healthcare by the end of the year

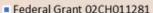
of enrolled children that are up to date in preventative medical care

of enrolled children were up to date on immunizations of enrolled children were diagnosed with a chronic health condition of enrolled children received treatment for thier chronic health condition

Financial Reports

The Birth to Five program had a total budget of \$4,798,314. The program is primarily funded by grants from the United States Department of Health and Human Services. Additional funding comes from CACFP, the NYS Workforce Retention Grant, and local UPK programs. The NYS Workforce Retention Grant included bonus payments to all staff that were employed during the year and maintained regular hours of 20 hours or more per week.





- Federal Grant 02HP000510
- NYS Stabilization / Workforce Grant
- Children and Adult Care Food Program
- Universal Pre-Kindergarten Contracts

TOTAL B-5 EXPENSES



Annual Expenses

During 2023–2024, the program was underspent by \$483,597. Most of this was due to vacancies in the personnel line. There were 7 vacancies that were consistent throughout the full program year. The inability to fill these positions led to underenrollment and 2024 Change of Scope application to reduce enrollment. These funds will be moved to the fringe line to reduce the employee contribution for medical benefits.

2023-2024 Expense Report Grants: #02CH011281 & #02HP000510

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