

HEAD START CHILD & FAMILY DEVELOPMENT CENTERS, INC.
ANNUAL REPORT 2013-2014

Head Start Child & Family Development Centers, Inc., a private non-profit 501(c) (3) Corporation provides Head Start Services for 396 children and families in La Crosse, Vernon, Monroe, and Crawford Counties in Western Wisconsin. Services are provided through funding from the Federal Department of Health & Human Services Administration for Children & Families and the State of Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction Head Start Supplemental Grant. As a Head Start Grantee, the primary mission is to provide comprehensive early childhood services for children and their families. All children are provided a safe, nurturing environment in which they are given the opportunity to learn and experience success with additional services provided to children with special needs. All children are provided with medical and dental examinations and nutritious meals. Parents are partners with HSCFDC, Inc. in the education of their children, participating in home visits, parent-teacher conferences, at home activities, training, and enjoying a wide variety of opportunities to make decisions about program operations and services.

2013-14 FUNDING FACTS

Total Agency Public and Private Funds (external Grants and Contract awards)

Federal (regular)	\$2,550,995
State of Wisconsin	\$231,000
Local In-kind Matching Funds	\$637,749
USDA Funds	\$192,091
Gunderson/Lutheran Grant	800
Optimist Club donation	500
TOTAL of ALL SOURCES	\$3,613,135

FEDERAL PROGRAM REVIEW

Based on information from the most recent Federal follow-up review it was established that the program is in full compliance with all applicable Head Start Performance Standards, laws, regulations and policy requirements and has been designated to received a five year grant award (2014-2019).

AUDIT

HSCFDC, Inc.'s auditing firm, Hawkins, Ash, Baptie & Co., a CPA firm, had no audit findings in the last year. HSCFDC, Inc. is audited on an annual basis. A copy of the most recent financial audit is available upon request.

SCHOOL READINESS

HSCFDC, Inc.'s overall goal is to prepare children and their families for success in school and life. To ensure children have experiences that help them transition successfully to school, HSCFDC, Inc. uses the Creative Curriculum for Preschool Development and its developmental assessment to determine the status and measure the progress of preschool children. Ongoing assessment of children tracks their progress in eight domains: Approaches to Learning; Mathematics; Creative Arts; Physical Health & Development; Language Development; Science, Literacy, and Social & Emotional Development. Computer assisted analysis provides reports on the progress of children in each classroom and assists teachers in planning and individualized instruction. Portfolios maintained on each child include examples of their work, notes about their development, and indicators or progress toward the completion of individual objectives.

Special transition activities are conducted each year with children about to enter Kindergarten and their families. Transition collaborative agreements are in place with all 0-3 programs in the four county areas. Parents are provided contact information and receive information about kindergarten registration, skills that children need to transition successfully and materials needed by each child to start school. In Head Start, children talk about going to Kindergarten and learn basic skills to help them succeed in their new school environment.

One of the hallmarks of getting children ready for school is getting the family involved in their child's education. A variety of parent involvement activities are planned throughout the school year:

Policy Council Decision Makers
Center/Classroom Newsletter
Family Literacy Nights
Fatherhood Nights

Parent Trainings
Monthly Center Parent Meetings
Parent Curriculum Activities
Parent Volunteer Recognition

CUSTOMER IMPACT 2013-2014

Funded Enrollment	396
Total number of children & their families served in Head Start including drops & replacements	441
Total number of Special Needs Children	59
Total number of Children on a Waiting List	123
Average Monthly Enrollment	92%
Total number of Head Start children with Health Insurance	417
Total number of Head Start children enrolled in Medicaid/CHIP	369
Number of children up-to-date on a schedule of age appropriateness preventative/primary healthcare	419
Number of Head Start children with completed professional dental exams	408
Of children examined, number needing dental treatment	94
Number of Head Start children who received treatment	88
Number of children with up- to- date immunizations	399
Number of parent/community volunteers	557
Number of Former Head Start Parents employed in Head Start	23
Number of Teachers with ECE degree	20