# **Edmonds Community College Head Start & Early Head Start**

# Annual Report 2016-2017



Empowering Families Since 1965

# Letter from the Executive Director

Community Neighbors-

The 2016-2017 school year ended with the long-time executive director, Dana Connelly, retiring. While this was a sad event for all, it brings with it change and new beginnings. We thank Dana for all of her years of service to this program.

Edmonds Community College Head Start & Early Head Start received a five-year

grant in 2015-2016 school year. The program had their last federal audit in 2014 which resulted in a couple of deficiencies in Governance, Fiscal Procedures & Health & Safety. The staff has worked very hard to turn the program around and make positive changes.

I have worked at non-profit organizations for over 20 years, ten of those at three different Head Start programs. I am very humbled by this program's excellence, knowing that it is due to the strong community bonds and support in this county. I am having a great time getting to know the staff and families that make up this program. Thank you for having me as your director!

Warmest Regards,

Ginger Williams

**Ginger Williams** 

**Executive Director** 

# Mission Statement

To inspire learning and contribute to the health and well-being of enrolled low–income children ages 0-5 and their parents by providing exemplary services and exceptional educational programming. We believe success comes through partnerships with parents and community.

# **Our Program Services...**

# **Head Start**

Child development and family support services available for children ages 3 to 5 who are low-income and reside in Snohomish County. Services include comprehensive preschool, home visits, parent and child activities, health screenings, meals, opportunities to volunteer, and parent involvement activities. Part day preschool classes 4 days a week to help support school readiness.



# **Early Head Start—Home Base**



Our Early Head Start program serves families with children birth to three years in a Home Base model. Home Base involves weekly home visits that offer child development activities to help enhance school readiness goals at an early age.

The home base program also offers monthly socialization events for each family. Group socializations are a time that parents and their children can come together and focus on interacting with each other while participating in age appropriate activities.

## **Parent Involvement**

We need parents and family members to become involved in the program to ensure strong parent leadership in guiding the direction of the program. We encourage parents to visit their child's classroom, become a program volunteer, attend parent meetings, and work with your child at home. We believe that parents are their child's first teacher.



# Consolidated Statement of Activity Year Ending 2017 Public Support & Revenue

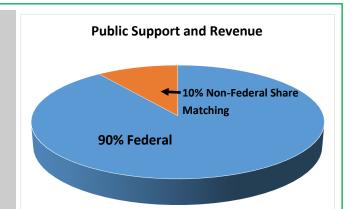
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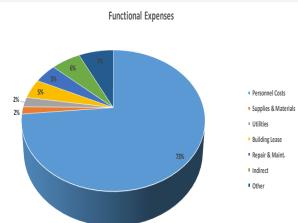
USDA (Food Program).....\$117,079

<u>In-Kind Services</u>.....\$1,022,912

Total Public Support and Revenue \$6,842,842







<b>Functional Expenses</b>				
Year Ending 2017				
Personnel Costs	\$3	,983,118		
Supplies & Materials	\$	90,290		
Utilities	\$	97,776		
Building Lease	\$	246,562		
Repair & Maint.	\$	268,817		
Local & Training Travel	\$	26,495		
Indirect	\$	330,283		
Other	\$	395,191		
In-Kind Services	<u>\$ 1</u>	,022,912		
Total	\$6	,461,353		

# **Families We Serve**

Edmonds Community College Head Start & Early Head Start served more than 450 families in the 2016/2017 school year. Each child comes to us with a family; therefore, we work with families to help children become more successful in school. We know that if a child is hungry, cold, or feeling sick, they will not be at their full learning potential. We make sure each family has their basic needs met so that they are more successful at focusing on meeting their child's educational needs.





Parent Education, Classroom Volunteer Opportunities & Parent Leadership Opportunities

# Public Assiatnce Foster Child Homeless Over Income

# We Supported Families with Community Resources in 2016-2017!!

Emergency/Crisis Intervention	232
Housing Assistance	131
Mental Health Services	49
ESL Training	134
Adult ED	180
Substance Abuse	8
Child Support Assistance	6
Health Education	227
Parent Education	279
Finance Education	61

Total: Over 1,300 Community Resource Referrals!

# **School Readiness!**

Edmonds Community College Head Start & Early Head Start strives to achieve high standards in our services to children and families. Therefore we have set school readiness goals so that children leave our program with skills and competence in the following areas:

- -Positive Approaches to Learning
- -Social Emotional Development
- -Language/Literacy Development

- Improved Cognition
- Physical/Motor Development

Our program tracks children's growth and development in these areas with a data base tracking system that aligns with Washington State public school system. We work closely with public schools for a smooth kindergarten transition which helps to ensure that children are ready for Kindergarten!

# **Quality Programming**

- 100% Preschool Teacher have an Associates or Bachelor's Degree in Early Childhood
- 95% Teachers in Home Base have a BA Degree in Social Work
- 95% of all teaching/home visiting staff have more than 5 years' experience with our program.



# **Program Overview**

- 9 Classroom Sites
- ♦ 132 Families Enrolled in EHS-Home Base Services
- 283 children enrolled in Part Day Head Start preschool classrooms
- ♦ 415 children enrolled program wide
- 90% of staff work directly with children & families

# Spring 2016-2017 Child Outcomes

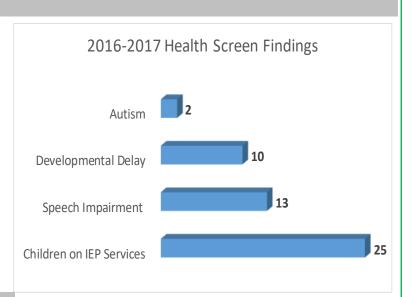
Percent of children meeting or above state early learning standards (241 children transitioning to kindergarten).

Social/Emotional	87%
Physical	82%
Language	77%
Cognitive	76%
Literacy	73%

# **Healthy, Growing Children**

Edmonds Community College Head Start & Early Head Start knows that healthy children are happy, learning children. Some requirements of our program are to complete developmental assessments, track well-child exams and health screens for every child. These assessments have helped many children receive much needed services and resources that might have otherwise gone unnoticed. We know that the earlier a child receives services, the more successful they will be in school.





# 2016-2017 Medical/Dental Care

- 95% Children served received medical care while in program.
- 98% Children served received dental care while in program.

# **Program Health Requirements**

- Eye exams
- Developmental Age
   Screen
- Hearing Screen
- Social/Emotional Screen
- Well Child Exams by Physician
- Dental Exams

# **Edmonds Community College - Head Start & Early Head Start**

Offering free preschool programming and family services to low-income families who qualify!

- Preschool classes 4 days a week for 3-5 year olds.
- Home Base services for children birth to three years.
- Hearing/vision screens.
- Child development assessments.
- Parent engagement activities.





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