



RCCAA HEAD START/ EARLY HEAD START

2015 ANNUAL REPORT

Helping People. Help Themselves.



RCCAA HEAD START & EARLY HEAD START HISTORY:

In 1964, the Federal Government asked a panel of child development experts to draw up a program to help communities meet the needs of disadvantaged preschool children. The panel report became the blueprint for Project Head Start. Project Head Start, was launched as an eight-week summer program by the Office of Economic Opportunity in 1965. It was designed to help break the cycle of poverty by providing preschool children of low-income families with a comprehensive program to meet their emotional, social, health, nutritional, and psychological needs. Recruiting children age three to school entry age, Head Start was enthusiastically received by education, child development specialists, community leaders, and parents across the Nation. Head Start serves children and their families each year in urban and rural areas in all 50 States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and U.S. Territories, including many American Indians and migrant children.

In 1969, Head Start was transferred from the Office of Economic Opportunity to the Office of Child Development in the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare, and has now become the Office of Head Start, within the Administration on Children and Families in the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Head Start grants are awarded by the Regional Offices of Head Start and the Office of Head Start's American Indian- Alaska Native and Migrant and Seasonal Program Branches directly to local public agencies, private organizations, and Indian Tribes and school systems for the purpose of operating Head Start programs at the community level.

Although Head Start is thought to be one program by much of the public, Head Start actually consists of two programs: Head Start and Early Head Start. Head Start is a comprehensive early childhood development program primarily serving low-income preschool-age children and their families while Early Head Start was established during the 1994 Reauthorization of Head Start. Early Head Start is a comprehensive early childhood program serving primarily low-income children prenatal to age 3, pregnant women, and their families.

In 1996, the Department of Health & Human Services (DHHS) launched a large-scale evaluation of Early Head Start (EHS) by randomly assigning qualifying families at 17 sites nationally to participate and looking at their social, psychological, developmental and academic outcomes compared to a matched control group. Families in the control group were able to receive any services available to them. The evaluation followed families over five time points, according to the child's age: 14 months, 24 months, 36 months, pre-kindergarten and 5th grade.

Findings from the DHHS evaluation demonstrate significant, positive impacts on children's social-emotional development (e.g. reduced aggression), as well as in children's abilities to engage in learning activities. These results are seen as early as at the 24-month time point, but continue through the pre-kindergarten time point. Additionally, recent findings from the 5th grade time point reveal that children enrolled in EHS develop more complex reasoning skills and exhibit fewer behavior problems.

Raleigh County Community Action Association, Inc.

Head Start/Early Head Start Audited Statement of Financial Position

December 31, 2015

ASSETS

Current Assets

Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$ 352,303
Cash Held for Accrued Leave	52,403
Receivables:	
Accounts	151,423
Grants	736,504
Deposit	1,800
Garage Inventory	14,768
Worker's Compensation Deposit/Overpayment	488
Prepaid Expenses	35,076
TOTAL OF CURRENT ASSETS	<u>1,344,765</u>

Property & Equipment

Land	103,000
Property & Equipment, Net	<u>1,481,448</u>
Total Property & Equipment	<u>1,584,448</u>

TOTAL ASSETS **\$2,929,213**

LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS

Current Liabilities

Accounts Payable	\$ 227,913
Rental Deposits	800
Accrued Payroll	47,214
Accrued Payroll Taxes & Withholdings	86,177
Accrued Annual Leave & Retirement	237,077
Notes Payable – Current Portion	--
Deferred Revenue	<u>103,284</u>
Total Current Liabilities	<u>702,465</u>

Long – Term Liabilities:

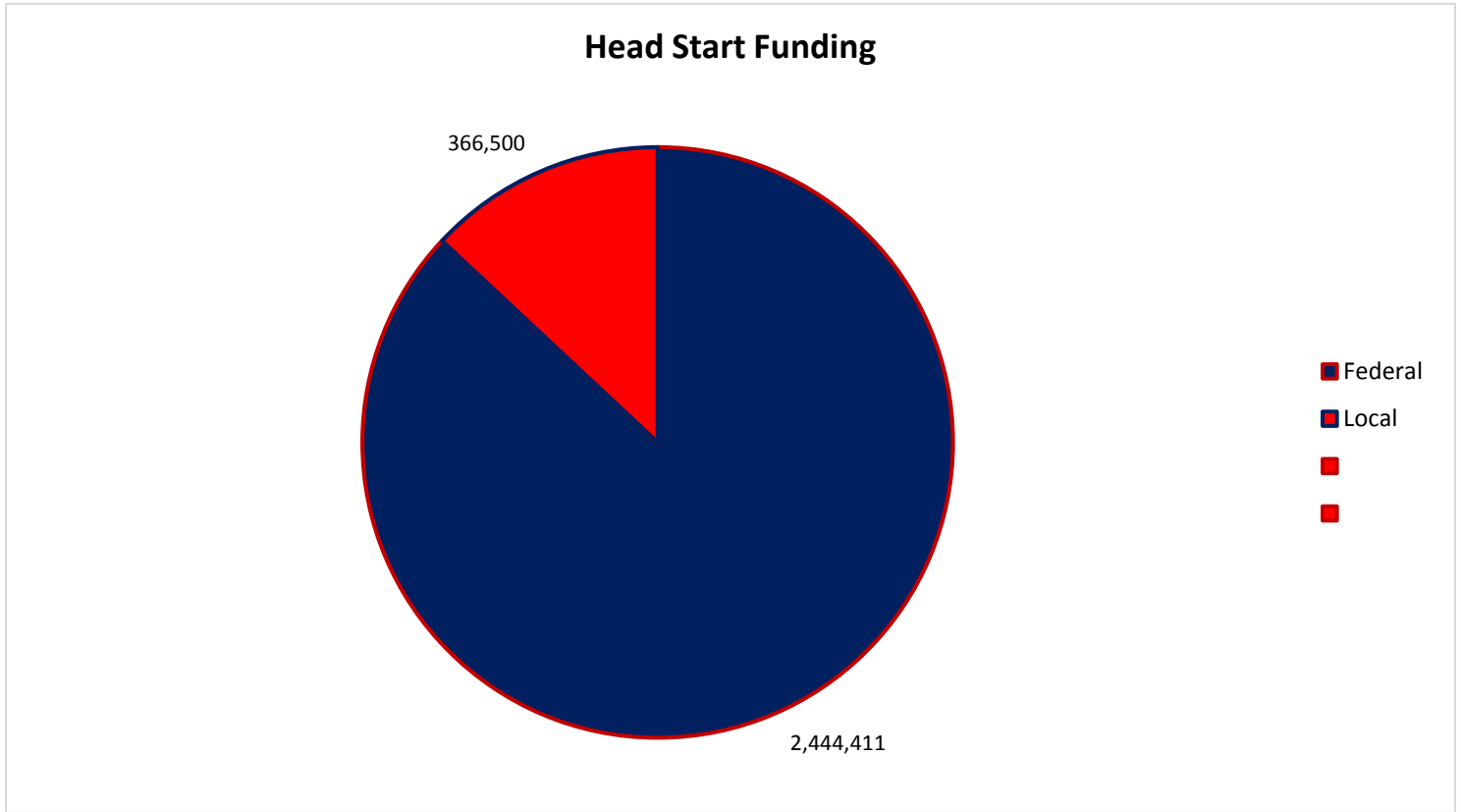
Notes Payable	--
Total Long – Term Liabilities	--
<u>TOTAL LIABILITIES</u>	<u>702,465</u>

Net Assets

Unrestricted Net Assets	964,927
Restricted Assets	<u>1,261,821</u>
<u>Total Net Assets</u>	<u>\$2,226,748</u>

TOTAL LIABILITLIES & NET ASSETS **\$2,929,213**

2015 RCCAA Head Start Funding



FUNDS BREAK OUT by SOURCE

LOCAL	\$ 366,500
FEDERAL	\$2,444,411
TOTAL	\$2,810,911

DIRECTLY FEDERALLY FUNDED PROGRAMS

LOCAL FUNDS

Head Start

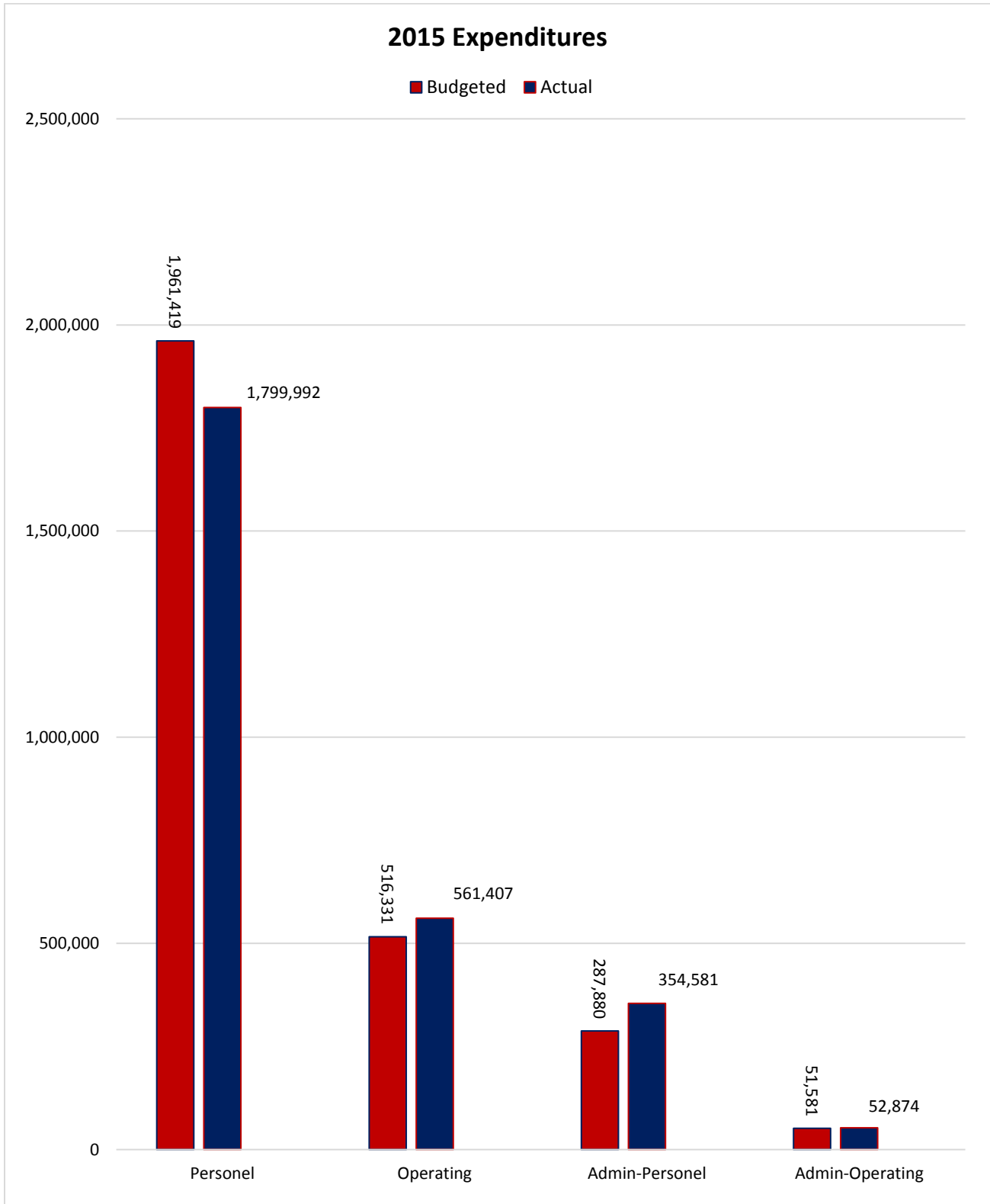
Board of Education

USDA

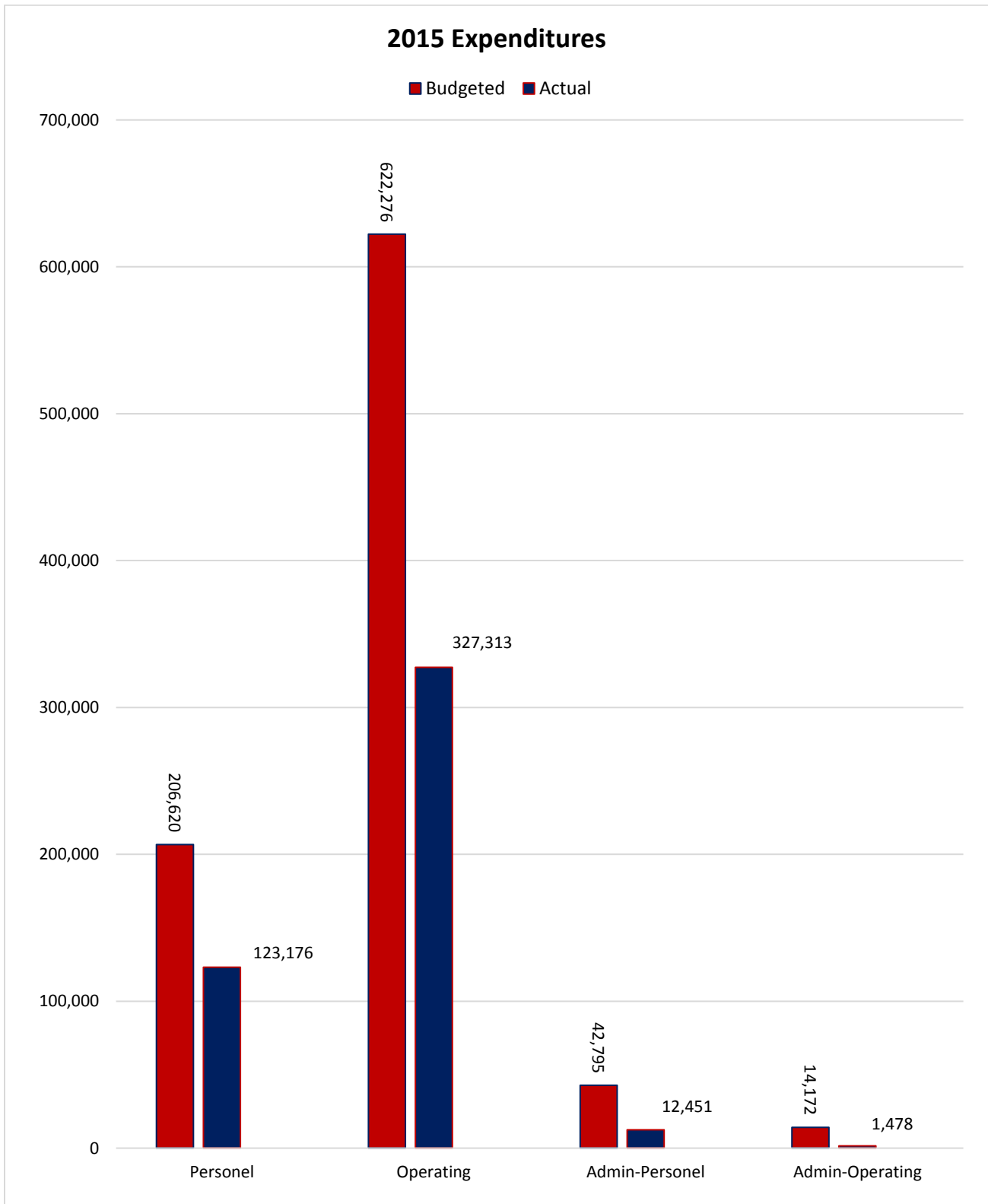
Miscellaneous

RCCAA Head Start

2015 Budgetary Expenditures



RCCAA Early Head Start 2015 Budgetary Expenditures



RCCAA Head Start/Early Head Start Management Team



Emily Elkins

Head Start/Early Head Start Director

Sherre Key

Head Start/Early Head Start Nutrition Coordinator

Brittany Doss

Head Start/Early Head Start Family Service Coordinator

Eddie Stockton

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Brenda Rhodes

Head Start Education Coordinator

Ronda Meadows

Early Head Start Childhood Specialist

Ruth Laws

Head Start Health Coordinator

Anita Hatfield

Early Head Start Health Specialist

Larry English

Head Start Disabilities Specialist

Rene Davidson

*Head Start/Early Head Start
Administrative Assistant*

Connie Chester

Head Start Central Center Manager

Avis Robertson-Salaam

Head Start Sophia Center Manager

RCCAA Head Start/Early Head Start Centers



Head Start/Early Head Start Stand Alone Sites

Central Head Start Pre-K/Early Head Start

*114 Lebanon Lane
Beckley, WV 25801
304-255-9330*

Fairdale Head Start Pre-K

*263 Butternut Lane
Glen Daniel, WV 25844
304-934-6752*

Sophia Head Start Pre-K/Early Head Start

*200 School Street
Sophia, WV 25921
304-683-5252*

Board of Education Collaborative Site

Beckley Pre-K
304-256-4620

Cranberry Pre-K
304-256-4588

Hollywood Pre-K
304-256-4579

Shady Spring Pre-K
304-256-4633

Bradley Pre-K
304-256-4605

Crescent Pre-K
304-256-4567

Lester Pre-K
304-934-5885

Sophia Soak Creek Pre-K
304-683-4541

Clear Fork Pre-K
304-854-1089

Daniels Pre-K
304-256-4622

Mabscott Pre-K
304-256-4583

Stanaford Pre-K
304-256-4626

Coal City Pre-K
304-683-5300

Faridale Pre-K
304-934-7217

Marshfork Pre-K
304-854-1951

Stratton Pre-K
304-256-4604

Crab Orchard Pre-K
304-256-4577

Ghent Pre-K
304-787-3475

Maxwell Hill Pre-K
304-256-4599

Early Head Start Partners

Busy Bees Daycare
304-255-2900

Rising Stars Daycare
681-238-5806

2015 RCCAA Head Start Facts

Head Start Enrollment Statistics

- 465 Children were served.
- 465 Families were served.
- 95% of the children that received services from RCCAA Head Start were foster children, TANF/SSI recipients, or below the 100% federal poverty guidelines.
- 0% of children that received services from RCCAA were between 100% and 130% of the federally poverty guidelines.
- 12.8% of children served had disabilities.
- 85.7% is the average monthly attendance.
- 100% is the average enrollment for our Head Start program.

Medical & Dental Exam Statistics

RCCAA is dedicated to ensuring that all Head Start children have a medical and dental home. Families that enter the program without a medical or dental home are referred to local physicians and dentists. Those families without Medicaid or dental insurance are assisted with enrollment in Medicaid or CHIPS.

- 465 of the children enrolled in the Head Start program had medical exams in 2015.
- 397 of the children enrolled in the Head Start program had dental exams in 2015.

Parent Involvement Activities

RCCAA believes that parents are the most important teachers in their children's lives. Parental involvement is a cornerstone of the Head Start program. Head Start parents are encouraged to participate in the program by volunteering in classrooms, going on field trips, contributing to lesson plans, attending parent groups meetings, and serving on the Policy Council. Other areas of involvement include: attending ASQ screenings, serving on the Multi-Advisory and Safety Committees, and participation in special events such as Him & Me activities and the Small Fry Showdown. RCCAA Head Start also offers numerous training opportunities to parents including behavior management, nutrition workshops, First Aid/CPR classes, and etc.

School Readiness

RCCAA Head Start's main purpose is to promote the school readiness of low-income children by enhancing their cognitive, social and emotional development in a learning environment that supports children's growth in language, literacy, mathematics, science, social and emotional functioning, creative arts, and physical skills. RCCAA Head Start works not only with the child, but with the family needs. We also utilize the Creative Curriculum in all classrooms. RCCAA Head Start works collaboratively with the Board of Education in transitioning children from Head Start to Kindergarten. In 2015, 100% of the 4-year olds enrolled in RCCAA's Head Start program continued onto Kindergarten.

Audits & Reviews

RCCAA Head was selected to be monitored using the HISKI review instrument. The review disclosed no areas of non-compliance. RCCAA is required to have an annual agency-wide financial audit performed by a Certified Public Accountant. The CPA issued an unqualified opinion with RCCAA receiving a clean financial audit with no findings for the fiscal year 2015.

2015 RCCAA Early Head Start Facts

Early Head Start Enrollment Statistics

- 94 Children were served.
- 94 Families were served.
- 94% of the children that received services from RCCAA Head Start were foster children, TANF/SSI recipients, or below the 100% federal poverty guidelines.
- 0% of children that received services from RCCAA were between 100% and 130% of the federally poverty guidelines.
- 8.6% of children served had disabilities.
- 85% is the average monthly attendance.
- 40% is the average enrollment for our Early Head Start program.

Medical & Dental Exam Statistics

RCCAA is dedicated to ensuring that all Early Head Start children have a medical and dental home. Families that enter the program without a medical or dental home are referred to local physicians and dentists. Those families without Medicaid or dental insurance are assisted with enrollment in Medicaid or CHIPS.

- 88 of the children enrolled in the Early Head Start program had medical exams in 2015.
- 64 of the children enrolled in the Early Head Start program had dental exams in 2015.

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School Readiness

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Audits & Reviews

RCCAA Early Head Start will be monitored by the Office of Head Start (OHS) beginning in 2017. The past baseline review disclosed no areas of non-compliance. RCCAA is required to have an annual agency-wide financial audit performed by a Certified Public Accountant. The CPA issued an unqualified opinion with RCCAA receiving a clean financial audit with no findings for the fiscal year 2015.

2015 RCCAA Head Start/Early Head Start "Our Head Start Kids"

ALL OF OUR KIDS AGREE, "HEAD START ROCKS!" 😊



"Our Early Head Start Infants/Toddlers"

WE LOVE OUR INFANTS AND TODDLERS!



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