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## Parsons Early Head Start Program 2020-2021 Annual Report

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# Parsons Early Head Start Enrollment

- Parsons Child and Family Center, a program of Northern Rivers Family of Services, provides Early Head Start (EHS) services to pregnant women and families with children under the age of 3 who live in Schenectady County and are at or below federal guidelines for poverty
- Funded enrollment of 94 children: 22 served with a home visiting model and 72 served with a center-based model in 9 classrooms located at 125 Bigelow Avenue, Schenectady, NY
- Total number served: 117 families, 139 children
- Average monthly enrollment (August 2020-August 2021): 88 children\*
- Children receiving Early Intervention Services: 20 children
- The average monthly wait list was 45 children over this 12-month period

\*Program enrollment was negatively impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. Fewer children were enrolled in classrooms due to the need for social distancing and to ensure the health and safety of children, families, staff, and the community.

# EHS Services

- Early childhood/child development education, screenings, referrals
- Assistance with early intervention services
- Family support and home visiting
- Health education, screening, referrals
- Dental education, screening, referrals
- Mental Health education, screening, referrals
- Connection to community resources
- Opportunities for program governance
- Group socialization opportunities for families
- Parent support groups

# Parent Involvement Activities

- Regular socialization groups
- Parent involvement opportunities
- Weekly Mother's support group
- Monthly Policy Council meetings
- Monthly Parent Committee meetings
- Community Day for children and parents
- Nutrition trainings
- Many more activities

# School Readiness: Preparation for Kindergarten

- School readiness focused on five domains: approaches to learning; social and emotional development; language and literacy; cognition; perceptual, motor, and physical development
- Child progress measured with the Creative Curriculum Gold Assessment and the Devereux Early Childhood Assessment
- Children assessed for developmental and social emotional progress 3 times per year. Progress monitored individually and programmatically.

# Progress Toward School Readiness Goals: Cognition

Essential Domains and Subgroups	Below Level	At Level	Above Level
Cognition and General Knowledge			
Children will recognize differences between familiar and unfamiliar people, objects, actions, or events	8%	79%	13%
Gold Objective 12b: Makes connections			

# Progress Toward School Readiness Goals: Language and Literacy

School Readiness Goals	Below Level	At Level	Above Level
<b>Approaches to Learning:</b>			
Children will show imagination in play and interactions with others.  Gold Objective 14b: Engages in sociodramatic play	8%	77%	15%

# Progress Towards School Readiness Goals: Social Emotional Development

Essential Domains and Subgroups	Below Level	At Level	Above Level
Social Emotional Development			
Children will imitate and engage in play with other children.	12%	75%	14%
Gold Objective 3a: Balances needs and rights of self and others			



# Progress Toward School Readiness Goals: Perceptual, Motor, and Physical Development

Essential Domains and Subgroups	Below Level	At Level	Above Level
<b>Physical Development and Health: Perceptual, Motor and Physical</b>			
<b>Children will adjust reach and grasp to use tools.</b>  <b>Gold Objective</b> <b>7b: Uses writing and drawing tools</b>	2%	59%	40%

# Progress Toward School Readiness Goals: Approaches to Learning

Essential Domains and Subgroups	Below Level	At Level	Above Level
Language and Literacy			
Children will use increasingly complex language in conversation with others.  Gold Objective 9b: Speaks clearly	5%	75%	20%

# Percentages of Enrolled Children Receiving Medical and Dental Exams

<b>Medical</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>
Completed All Screenings	100%	100%	100%	78%	79%
Diagnosed as Needing Treatment	10%	13.8%	17%	1%	10%

<b>Dental</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>
Dental Home	92.18 %	71%	99%	69%	90%
0-2 Up-to-Date on Dental EPSDT Schedule	92.18 %	71%	99%	18%	10%
Pregnant Women Completing Dental Exam	25%	50%	0%	0%	50%

# Revenue: Public and Private Funds to Support Early Head Start Program

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services	\$1,737,145
U.S. Department of Agriculture*	\$48,869
HHS Cares	\$10,871
PPP Revenue	\$40,555
Non-Federal Share (Cash)	
Schenectady County Day Care Subsidy	\$15,687
Client Fee Income	\$475
Private Donations	\$38,993
Total Revenue	\$1,892,595
Non-Federal Share In-Kind (Non Cash)	\$125,632
Total Revenue per Federal Standards	\$2,018,227

\*Passed through New York State Department of Health

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# Expenses: Budget-to-Actual Expenditures Comparison for FY May 2020-April 2021

<b>Expense</b>	<b>Budget \$</b>	<b>Actual \$</b>	<b>Variance \$</b>	<b>Proposed 2021-2022 \$</b>
Personnel	1,100,010	1,107,289	(7,280)	1,079,738
Fringe	259,013	275,976	(16,963)	264,537
Occupancy	102,048	123,410	(21,362)	131,585
Food	52,785	45,348	7,437	56,982
Transportation	6,196	555	5,642	6,700
Staff Development/Training	36,661	35,623	1,038	37,098
Insurance	17,311	17,570	(259)	18,246
Telephone/Postage/Photocopying	7,640	7,826	(187)	600
Supplies	24,957	50,960	(26,003)	39,050
Other	246,998	229,771	17,227	191,621
In-Kind (non-cash)	152,298	125,632	26,666	399,544
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,005,917</b>	<b>2,019,960</b>	<b>(14,043)</b>	<b>2,190,701</b>

# Federal Review and Audit

- Federal Review - Focus Area 1 Monitoring Review conducted in March of 2020
- Federal Review – focus Area 2 Monitoring Review conducted in June of 2021

The program was fully in compliance for both reviews.