

TIU#11

Juniata County Head Start/Early Head Start

Annual Public Report 2018

Head Start is a federal program that promotes the school readiness of children ages birth to 5 from low-income families by enhancing their cognitive, social and emotional development. Head Start programs provide a learning environment that supports children's growth in:

- Language and literacy
- Cognition and general knowledge
- Physical development and health
- Social and emotional development
- Approaches to learning

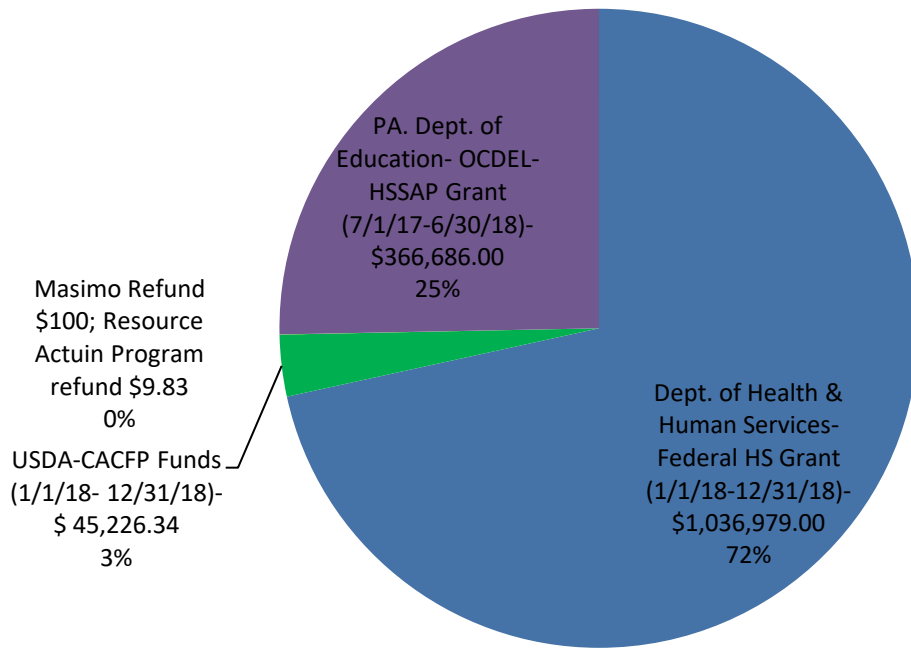
Head Start programs provide comprehensive services to enrolled children and their families, which include health, nutrition, social services and any other services that may be determined to be necessary by family needs assessments, in addition to education and cognitive development services. Head Start services are designed to be responsive to each child and family's ethnic, cultural and linguistic heritage.

Head Start emphasizes the role of parents as their child's first and most important teacher. Head Start programs build relationships with families that support:

- Family well-being and positive parent-child relationships
- Families as learners and lifelong educators
- Family engagement in transitions
- Family connections to peers and community
- Families as advocates and leaders

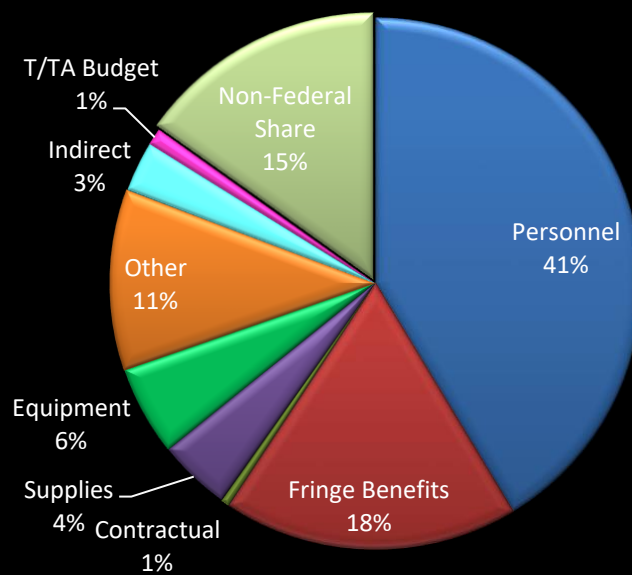
Juniata County Head Start provides comprehensive, preschool services to families residing in Juniata County, PA. The Head Start program operates five centers located in Mifflintown, McAlisterville, Richfield, and Nook. Children attend the part-day, part-year centers, which operate for 4 hours per day for 4 days a week or the full-day, full-year centers, which operate 6 hours or more for 4-5 days a week. Additionally, 19 families are provided with services through our home-based program option where trained home visitors conduct weekly home visits and bi-weekly socializations.

Income for Head Start 2018



Budgeted Categories for Head Start 2018

Inclusive of both Federal and State budgeted monies



Head Start Program Information from 2017-2018 year:

<i>Total funded enrollment-</i>	<i>102</i>		
<i>Total number of children/families served-</i>	<i>110</i>		
<i>The average monthly enrollment-</i>	<i>97%-from September-June</i>		
<i>Percent of income eligible children served-</i>	<i>56%</i>		
<i>Receipt of public assistance (TANF, SSI) -</i>	<i>2%</i>		
<i>Foster Children-</i>	<i>4%</i>	<i>Homeless-</i>	<i>8%</i>
<i>Over-income-</i>	<i>7%</i>	<i>Income between 100-130% of poverty-</i>	<i>23%</i>

Percent of children who are up-to-date on a schedule of age appropriate preventive and primary health care - 75%

Percent of children who are up-to-date on preventive oral care - 93%

Number of children who transitioned into Juniata County School District- 59

Number of Districts/#of Elementary Schools- 1 District/ 8 Elementary Schools

Results of most recent Federal review: In October of 2018, Juniata County Head Start/Early Head Start was found to be in compliance with all Federal regulations.

Results of most recent financial audit: The most recent financial audit for the TIU#11-Juniata County Head Start/Early Head Start contained no findings or non-compliances.

Information about Parent Involvement Activities: These are a listing of the Parent Engagement Activities sponsored for the 2017-2018 program year.

Parent chose to have Parent Meetings on Thursdays, Explorer and McAlisterville Centers had some meetings in the classroom before or after class.

September 10-11	Parent Orientation
September 21	Parent Meeting/Training, Volunteering/PC Nominations and election
September 23	Thompstontown Parade
October 5	Parent Meeting/Trainings, Introducing STEP (Parent Curriculum)
October 17	Nutrition Workshops begin (through Nov. 14)
October 19	Policy Council

October 21	Port Royal Parade
October 26	Ed Advisory
October	Mom's Day (Date depends on center)
November 7	Parent Meeting Training: Child Abuse
November 14	Dad's Day
November 15	FCN Fall Fest with Thanksgiving Meal
November	AM Nutrition Training Continues
November 21	Policy Council
November 19	Health Advisory
December 7	Parent Meeting Training: STEM (Eric and Friends)
December 21	Policy Council
January 4	Parent Meeting/Training: Milton Hershey School (Cindy Spinner)
January 9	Kindergarten Transition Training (Canceled, weather)
January 11	Parent EVENT Tax Clinic, Mid Penn Legal (Canceled, No RSVP's)
January 14	Family and Community Partnership Advisory Meeting
January 16	STEP Parent Curriculum begins (6 weeks, AM and PM)
January 24-25	Grandparents Day
February 1	Parent Meeting Training: Encouraging Positive Mental Outlook (Kristen Miller/Rob)
February 8	FCN PBIS Dance (Promoting gross motor and socialization)
February 14	Parent Meeting (Explorer Classroom)
February 14	Mom's Day
February 20	Mobile Dentist
February 28	Policy Council
February 28	McAlisterville Parent Meeting (at center)
March 1	Parent Meeting Training Addressing Tax Issues (Rebecca, Mid Penn Legal)
March 21	Policy Council
March 22	Dad's Day
March 24	Clothing Exchange
March 28	Home Based Dad's Evening EVENT
April 3	Ed Advisory Meeting
April 4	McAlisterville Parent Meeting (at center)
April 5	Parent Meeting Training: Living on a Budget, (Barb Seaman) and Health Tips (Emalee Kellison)
April 17	Kindergarten Transition
April 17	Parent EVENT: FLIP IT
April 18	Policy Council
April 23	Health Advisory

April 24	Grandparent's Day
April 25	Math/Science Home Activities turned in
May 3	Parent Meeting End of Year Dinner
May 8	Family Curriculum Night (Messy Night)
May	Explorer and McAlisterville centers- End of Year Picnic
May	Screening Day for returning children.
June 1	Open House
July	EHS Parent Meeting
July 25	Policy Council
August 8	EHS Orientation/Parent Meeting
August 29	Policy Council

In addition to these activities parents are encouraged to engage in classroom activities at home activities and to join their children on field trips. We publish a monthly newsletter with parent/child activities, and contests that provide incentives for reading the newsletter and calling in to answer a question about what they learned. The newsletter also encourages parents to participate in community events that will help their families to better themselves, and reinforces concepts learned at trainings. We also include a Parent Child Agreement that provides incentives to parents who work with their children on specific activities and turn in documentation of their participation.

Head Start efforts to prepare children for kindergarten for 2017-2018:

Juniata County Head Start uses a variety of ways to reach parents to inform and discuss their child and family's transition from Head Start to Kindergarten. Here are some of the activities, events, and information provided to families:

- Transition to Kindergarten folders-prepared by the Education Managers of the Head Start program.
- Transition to Kindergarten trainings held at parent meetings.
- Participation in respective IEP meetings for children transitioning to Kindergarten in the fall.
- Kindergarten Skills List, with written release of information from parents, permitting teaching staff to provide information to the local school district principals with the intent of that information being shared with each child's respective Kindergarten teacher.
- Meeting and Muffin Basket event for each school within our district that would be receiving Head Start children in the fall. This serves as a time to meet with each principal and to exchange information about each child entering kindergarten.

- Successfully signed MOU regarding Transition with Juniata County School District Principals.
- Participation in the Local Interagency Coordinating Council (LICC)'s Memo of Understanding with a Transition to Kindergarten section which details the coordination with multiple agencies in planning and providing for a smoother transition for children entering kindergarten.
- Kindergarten Workshops for parents to gain access to Kindergarten registration packets required by the local district. Assistance is provided to families by HS staff as indicated by their need.
- Head Start teachers and managers assist the local school district with their Family Fun Night for incoming kindergarten students called "Going Bananas".
- Head Start staff assist with kindergarten screenings at all elementary school buildings.

Early Head Start-

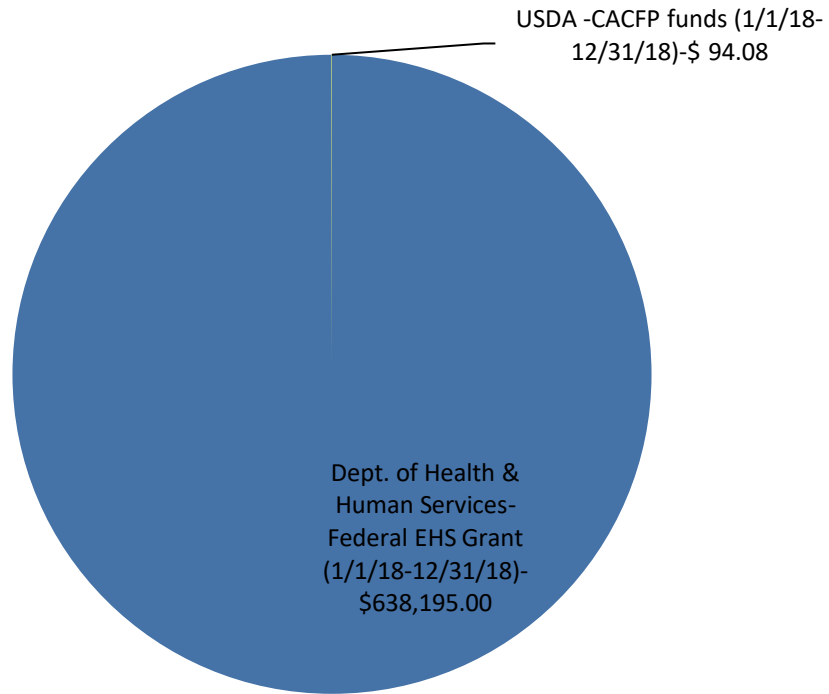
The reauthorization of the Head Start Act in 1994 made it possible to establish Early Head Start as a program to serve infants and toddlers under the age of 3, and pregnant women.

Early Head Start provides early, continuous, intensive, and comprehensive child development and family support services to low-income infants and toddlers and their families, and pregnant women and their families.

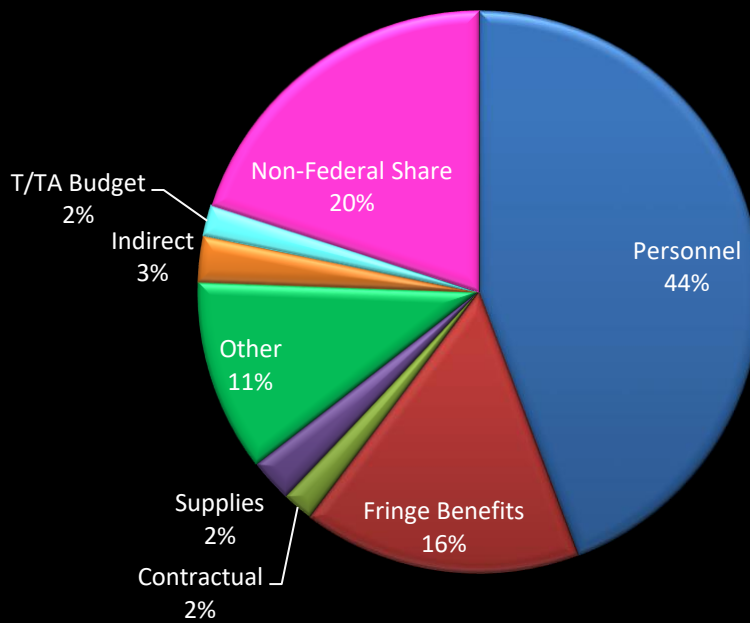
The Goals of Early Head Start

- To provide safe and developmentally enriching caregiving which promotes the physical, cognitive, social and emotional development of infants and toddlers, and prepares them for future growth and development;
- To support parents, both mothers and fathers, in their role as primary caregivers and teachers of their children, and families in meeting personal goals and achieving self-sufficiency across a wide variety of domains;
- To mobilize communities to provide the resources and environment necessary to ensure a comprehensive, integrated array of services and support for families;
- To ensure the provision of high quality responsive services to family through the development of trained, and caring staff.

Income for Early Head Start 2018



Budgeted Categories for Early Head Start 2018



Early Head Start Program Information from 2017-2018 year:

Total funded enrollment- 60

Total number of children/families served- 104

The average monthly enrollment- 100%-from August-July

Percent of income eligible children served- 52%

Receipt of public assistance (TANF, SSI) - 5%

Foster Children- 3% *Homeless-* 11%

Over-income- 8% *Income between 100-130% of poverty-* 22%

Percent of children who are up-to-date on a schedule of age appropriate preventive and primary health care- 63%

Percent of children who are up-to-date on preventive oral care- 76%