

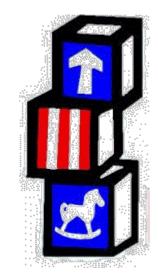


#### Community Action of Southern Kentucky

Building Stronger Families and Communities...

## Head Start and Early Head Start

Annual Report 2020 - 2021









We team with **community partners** to provide human services with **dignity** and **respect** empowering people in Southern Kentucky to achieve **stability** and **economic security.**"



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#### Dear Friends and Supporters,

It is our pleasure to share our Annual Report for the 2020/2021 Program Year.

Community Action of Southern Kentucky, Inc. is a private 501 (c) (3) corporation. Federal, state, and local government funding, private contributions and user fees enable the Agency to provide a comprehensive range of human services to residents in the ten county area of South central Kentucky known as the Barren River area. The focus of Agency operations is on building stronger families and communities, as well as helping individuals and families achieve self-sufficiency, especially those confronting poverty conditions.

A Board of Directors, including elected officials, and representatives of the community, as well as low-income citizens and advocates, governs Community Action. Edmonson County Community Representative Vickie Walker served as the Chairman of the Board. Dr. Donald C. Butler, Interim Executive Director recommends/implements policy as well as oversees personnel and programs. Carla Brown serves as the Director of Children's Services and Jacinta Tarrence served as the Policy Council Chair. Professional and dedicated support staff are assigned to the various programs in each county. During the 2020-2021 Program Year Carla Brown transitioned to the Executive Director role and Michelle Cutler was hired to fill the Children's Services Director position.

Community Action has managed and operated services in the region since 1965. The organization is viewed as a principle player in the delivery of education and human services in our ten county service area.

Community Action of Southern Kentucky, Inc. has served as a Head Start Grantee since the program's inception. The Board of Directors, Agency executive management and program staff, are committed to the aims and purposes of the Head Start Act and related program operating philosophy.

We hope you will be inspired by the successes we are able to share in this report.



Carla Brown

Executive Director



Michelle Cutler
Children's Services Director

#### **Program Description**

Community Action Head Start serves 531 children in the Head Start Program (3 – 5 years) and 56 children through our Early Head Start Program (Birth – 3 years). Services for these children was provided in 15 center-based locations in South Central Kentucky. Each center is staffed with a Center Manager, Teachers, Teacher Assistants, Family Service Workers and Special Service Instructors. The Management Team consists of the Head Start Director, Family Services Manager, Disabilities/Mental Health Manager, and Education Manager. Mentor-Coaches provide regional supports to teaching staff.



ENTER	ADDRESS
Allen County Head Start	25 J.L Turner & Son Place Scottsville, KY 42164
Barren-Cave City	200 E.P. Terry Estates, G-1 Cave City, KY 42127
Barren-Glasgow Learning & Children's Center	899 Shamrock Place Glasgow, KY 42141
Butler County Head Start	104 North Warren Ave. Morgantown, KY 42261
Butler-North Butler Head Start	5539 Brownsville Rd. Morgantown, KY 42261
Edmonson County Head Start	108 N. Main St. PO Box 342 Brownsville, KY 42210
Hart County Head Start	1779 S. Dixie Hwy Munfordville, KY 42765
Logan County Head Start	320 Peyton St. PO Box 306 Russellville, KY 42276
Metcalfe County Child Dev. Center	770 Industrial Dr. Suite 2 Edmonton, KY 42129
Monroe-Gamaliel Head Start	320 E. Main St. PO Box 200 Gamaliel, KY 42140
Montor-Tompkinsville Head Start	3888 Edmonton Rd. PO Box 171 Tompkinsville, KY 42167
Simpson County	211 Main Street Franklin, KY 42134
Warren County Head Start	200 E. 4th Street Bowling Green, KY 42101
Warren-Little Scholar's	701 Brownslock Rd. Bowling Green, KY 42101
Warren- Resource & Development Center	171 Center Street Bowling Green, KY 42101

#### Kentucky ALL STARS

Kentucky All STARS is Kentucky's expanded five-star quality rating and improvement system serving all early care and education programs – including childcare centers, Head Start and public preschool – that receive public funding. The unified system is based on Kentucky's Early Childhood Standards and research-based indicators of quality.



Kentucky All STARS recognizes programs that have made a commitment to continuous quality improvement and provides programs with additional support including training, technical assistance and coaching.

Listed below are the STAR Ratings for our Centers

5 STAR Centers	4 Star Centers	3 Start Centers
Butler County Head Start	Allen County Head Start	Little Scholars Head Start and Child Care
North Butler County Head Start	Glasgow Learning Center	
Cave City Head Start	Hart County Head Start	
Edmonson County Head Start	Metcalfe Child Development Center	
Gamaliel Head Start	Logan County Head Start	
Tompkinsville Head Start	Simpson County Head Start	
	Center Street (RDC) Head Start	
	Warren County Head Start	

#### Coronavirus – COVID-19 -- Reopening

Our response to the Corona Virus reopening was to keep the safety, security and educational stability of our families in the forefront of every program decision made thereafter. We utilized Non-Traditional Instruction for our families during June and July so that parents could provide their children with the same learning experiences at home as they had in our classrooms prior to the closure. All of our center reopened in August for in-person education experiences for the 2020-2021 school year.

#### **FEDERAL FUNDING**

The Program received Federal Funds in the amount of \$5,948,919. The non-federal share for the program year was \$1,530,325



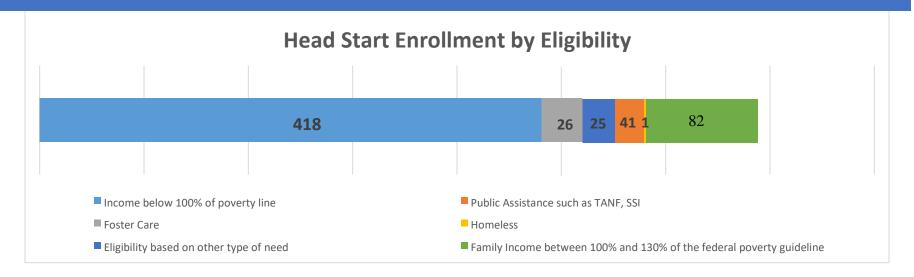
Budgetary expenditures and proposed budget for 2020 – 2021

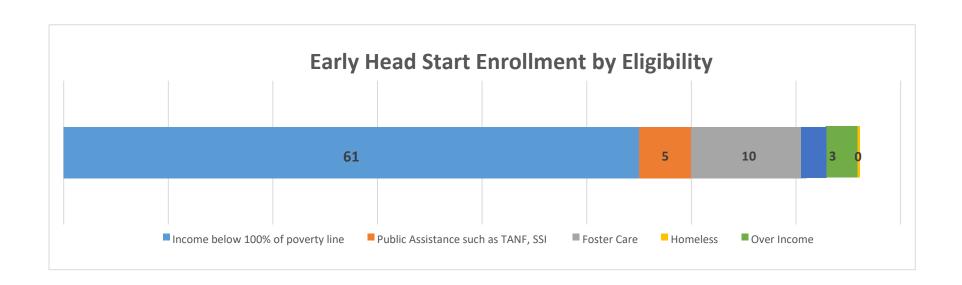
Budget Categories	Annual	COLA/Quality	CARES
	Funding	Funds	Funding
Personnel	\$2,844,517	\$33,481	
Fringe	\$1,651,925	\$13,414	
Travel	\$ 1,500	\$0	
Supplies	\$ 64,193	\$0	
Contractual	\$ 199,122	\$7,500	
Other /TTAS	\$ 405,737	\$8,455	\$879,015
Indirect	\$ 381,294	\$5,278	
Total	\$5,653,407	\$68,128	
Non-Federal Share			\$1,413,352

TOTAL ALLOCATIONS \$6,600,550

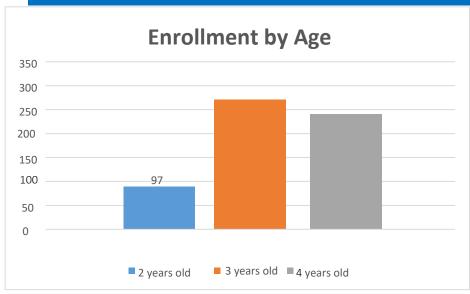
**Audit Results** The Agency's annual independent audit has been conducted, information is available upon request..

## CHILDREN AND FAMILIES SERVED

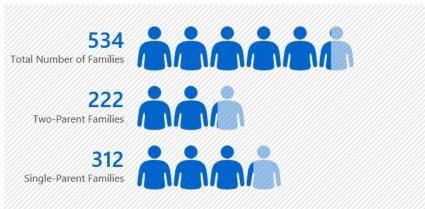


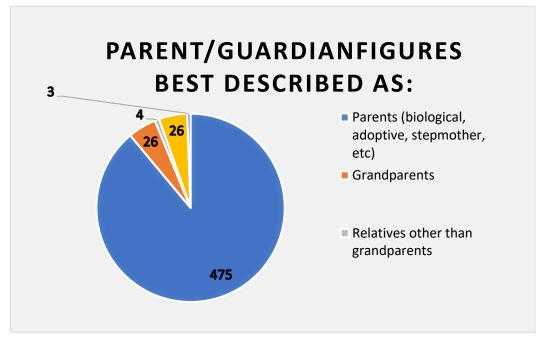


## HEAD START

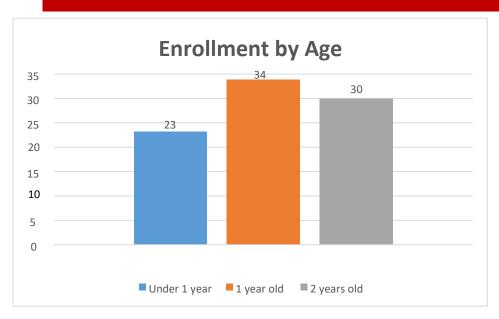


#### **Types of Families in Head Start**





## **EARLY HEAD START**

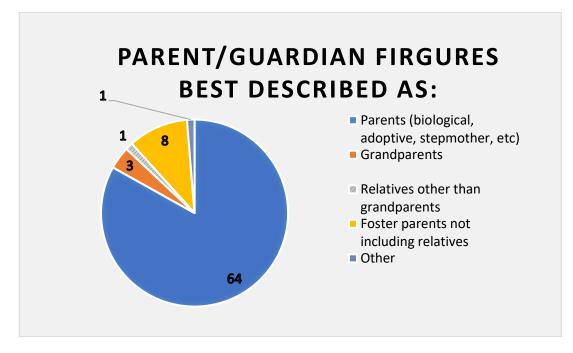


#### **EARLY HEAD START FAMILIES**









## **ENROLLMENT, NUTRITION AND HEALTH**

#### **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT**

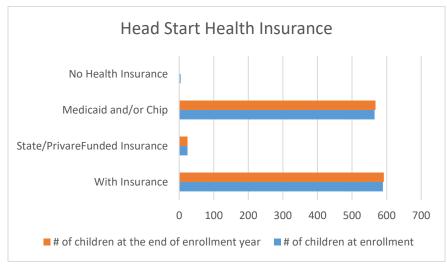
<u>June 2020 – July 2020</u> (Virtual) Head Start Year Round –97% Early Head Start –98%

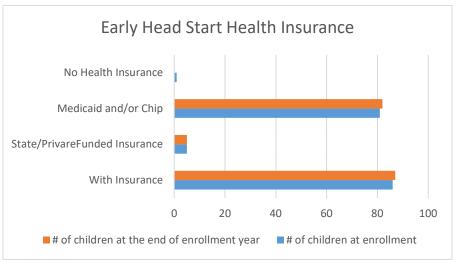
August 2020– May 2021 Head Start – 83% of funded enrollment) Early Head Start - 100% of funded enrollment)

## CHILD AND ADULT FOOD CARE PROGRAM (CACFP)

Community Action provides nutritious and healthy meals to ensure their continued success in physical and mental development.

Total Meals Served - 100,528





## HEALTH AND DISABILITY SERVICES

#### MEDICAL AND DENTAL INFORMATION

#### **CHRONIC HEALTH CONDITIONS**

Number of children who received medical treatment for the following

Head	l Star
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Asthma	3
Hearing Difficulties	1
Seizures	1
Vision Problems	24

#### **MEDICAL SERVICES**

Number of children who are up-to-date on EPSDT schedule for well child at the end of the program year

Head Start	423
Early Head Start	39

# DENTAL HOME Head Start Children with continuous, accessible dental care by dentist Children who received preventive care Children who received treatment Early Head Start Children with continuous, accessible dental care by dentist Children who are up-to-date according to EPDST 22

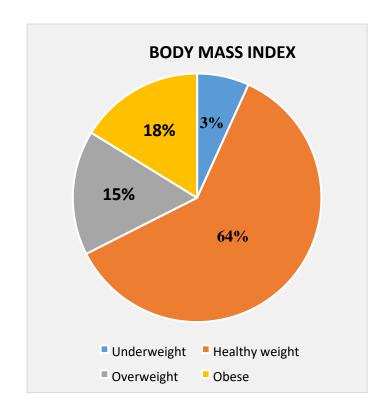
#### **DISABILITY SERVICES**

Number of Children with Individualized Education Program (IEP) 52

Diagnosed Primary disability

Speech and Language 39
Developmental Delay 13

Early Head Start Children with an Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP) 8

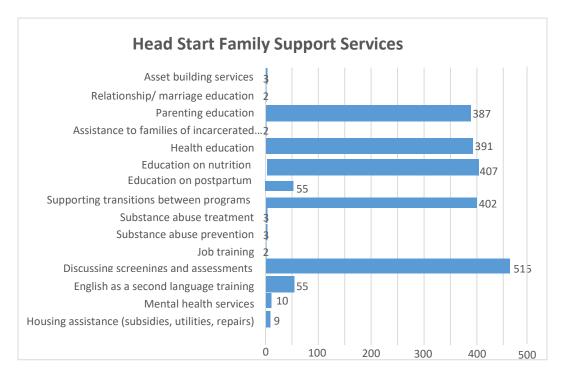


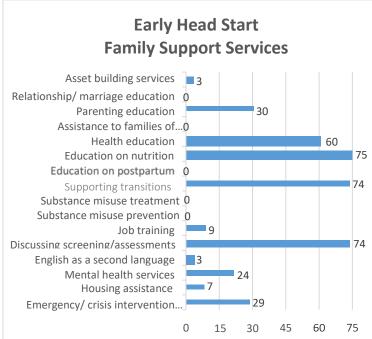
## FAMILY PARTNERSHIPS

#### PARENT ENGAGEMENT ACTIVITIES

Parents and family members work in partnership with staff to set goals for child and family development. Family engagement activities are designed to assist families in achieving their goals. Parents are encouraged to share their ideas and opinions, to visit the centers, and to participate in Parent Committees and other group activities. The program engages in a process of collaborative partnerships with the individual families to develop true support systems. The process includes identifying family goals, strengths, and services needed; establishing the roles that staff and families will play in addressing the goals; and building upon information obtained from the family and other community agencies. Family Service Workers assist parents in identifying and accessing services and resources that are matched to each family's needs.

Parent meetings are held at each site along with trainings on parenting, school readiness, nutrition, safety practices, preparing for jobs, and many other topics. Parents also have an important voice in program decision-making by serving on Policy Council. In addition to parent education, Community Action of Southern Kentucky offers employment opportunities for parents, including substitutes, kitchen staff, and other openings for which parents may be qualified.





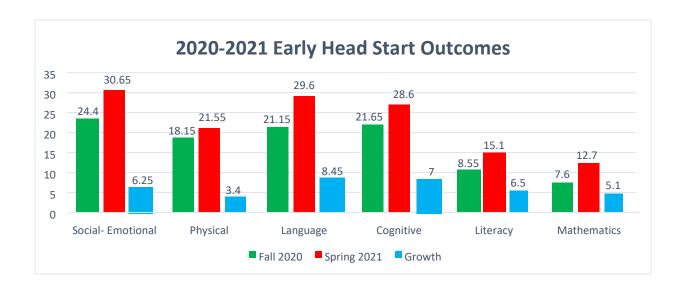
## CHILD DEVELOPMENT AND EDUCATION

#### SCHOOL READINESS

The educational component of the Head Start Program includes developmentally appropriate experiences in cognitive, communication, social, physical and emotional development, as well as creative expression. The program staff will assist children with developing their intrapersonal and interpersonal skills in maximizing self-management and independence, including appropriate learning activities and teaching techniques within each child's level of comprehension and maturation. The program is focused on improving the cognitive and early literacy skills of the children in the program through literacy rich activities. All experiences are planned to prepare children to be successful in school settings.

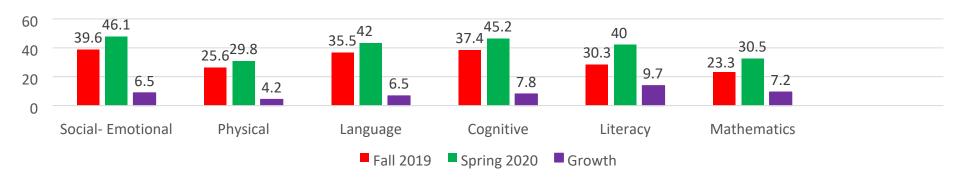
Our school readiness plan is aligned with the Kentucky Statewide definition of school readiness, the Head Start Early Learning Outcomes Framework and the Kentucky Early Childhood Standards.

We use **The Creative Curriculum for Preschoolers**, **Creative Curriculum for Infants**, **Toddlers**, **Two's**, and Second Step Anti Violence Curriculum to provide high quality instruction. **Teaching Strategies GOLD** is an on-going assessment used to measure developmental progress in the areas of Cognitive, Social Emotional, Physical, Language Development, Literacy and Math, Science and Social Studies. The data below shows individual student growth based on teacher observation.

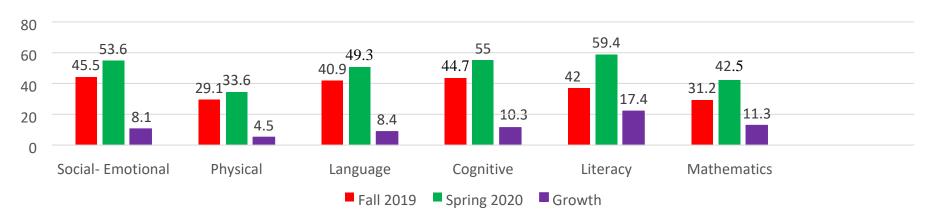


## CHILD DEVELOPMENT AND EDUCATION

## Teaching Strategies Gold Three Year-Old Child Outcomes 2020-2021



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## CHILD DEVELOPMENT AND EDUCATION

#### **KINDERGARTEN READINESS DATA 2020 – 2021**

The Chart Below shows the prior setting of children entering Kindergarten and the percentage that were **Ready** for Kindergarten according the Brigance Kindergarten Screen.

\*\*\* indicates not enough students entering the district



	District Total	State Funded Preschool	Head Start
Allen	59.9	64.4	75
Barren	56.8	58.9	53.8
Glasgow Independent	55.9	69.5	20
Caverna Independent	72.3	75	no data
Butler	62.5	48	no data
Edmonson	46.9	42.4	30.8
Hart	65.2	70.7	no data
Logan	47.4	46.6	no data
Russellville Independent	57	no data	no data
Metcalfe	47.6	***	62.3
Monroe	61	60	73.3
Simpson	35.3	23.1	13.6
Warren	49.2	33	40.9
<b>Bowling Green Independent</b>	45.5	33	40.9

#### **2020 CLASS DATA**

Classroom Assessment Scoring System (CLASS) is an assessment tool used to measure the quality of adult-child interactions in all classrooms.

No 2020 CLASS observations occurred due to COVID restrictions.

#### **Head Start Policy Council Members**

Wanetta Fields	Alicia Edwards	Emily Hudson	Ashley Lillard
Michael Gardner	Jesse Greathouse	Jessica Wilson	*Jenna Phelps
Heather Blake	Carla Wade	Caroline Gowley	Annette Duncan
Tabitha White	Nathan Ray	Jenny Wells	Harley Lyle
Julia Russell	Hunter Wolfe	Kendra Morgan	Brandy Bell
Ashley Maxwell	Sierra Harper	*Lana McChesney	*Beth Schaeffer
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Jiah PeacherEmalee Dickson-WintersTiffany BakerColleen QuigleyKristen Wilson\*Hope RiceCandace HuttonJuanita Johnson\*Savannah Mills

#### **Community Action of Southern Kentucky Board of Directors**

Beth Schaeffer (EC Rep)

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Phillip Trent	Cheryl Payne	Connie Gill	Barbara Fitzhugh

**Leadership Team** 

Amy Parker

Dr. Donald Butler, Interim Executive Director

Martin McNew, Family and Health Manager

Cari Puleo, Education Manager

Kacey Cole, Food Services

Emily Collins, Mentor-Coach

Angela Stewart, Administrative Assistant

<sup>\*</sup>denotes Community Representative