

Low Income Preschool Support

Program Description:

The purpose of Low-Income Preschool Support (LIPS) is to provide financial support for families/guardians of children in quality three- and four-year-old preschool programs, so they can attend a preschool program and reduce the financial stress to families.

Contract & Memorandum of Understandings

BVCS Early Childhood Iowa - MOU 's with: Alta CSD Little Cyclones; Immanuel Lutheran; Saint Mary's Preschool; Saint Rose of Lima; Sioux Central Rebel Preschool; Unity Ridge Preschool

Mid Year Report

July 1 - December 31

Inputs/Outputs	
ECI Local Area Investment	\$4,980.00
Total Investment	\$4,980.00
Number of Children Served	40
Number of Families Served	36
Number of Programs Served	6
Quality/Efficiency	
Cost per Child-ECI Investment	\$ 124.50
% of children screened with ASQ-3	80%
% of children referred based on ASQ-3	0%
% of children screened with ASQ-SE	73%
% of children referred based on ASQ-SE	0%
Outcomes	
% of children demonstrating age appropriate skills as	100%
% of children demonstrating age appropriate skills as	100%
% of temporary scholarships (3 months or less) who	0

Low Income Preschool Support Coordination

Program Description: Prepare and distribute applications, communicate with preschools, process, award scholarships and data collection.

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BVCS ECI Other Investments

Inputs/Outputs

\$5,153.88 0

Number of Applications

Processed 83

Number of Scholarships

Awarded 59

Number of Programs with a
Scholarship Awarded

6

Quality/Efficiency

Cost per Application

Processed-ECI Investment \$ 66.00

Cost per Scholarship-ECI

Investment \$ 92.00

Outcomes

% of scholarships awarded 71%

CCA Approved, Over
Income, Transferred,

Following Tool O unable to allocate to families between 201%-300%. 11 families fell into this FPL. Total amount if would have been able to fund \$10,537.50 based on a sliding fee, at 75% of tuition/maximum set by board.

Funding six entities/programs (preschools). This includes 9 separate classrooms, 2 preschool have 2 sections, 11 different teachers. Scholarships were released late this FY due to the change in Tool O, applying the CCA requirement was a learning curve for parents, preschools, coordinator, delayed the process.

L.I.P.S. Coordination is a portion on the BVCS Early Childhood Program Director position, this was calculated at 13% based on time.

Oral Health

Program Description: Provide oral health screening, fluoride varnish, oral hygiene instruction, and care coordination for children ages 0-5 years, so they can be free from oral disease which can enhance their ability to succeed in school.

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	BVCS ECI	Other Investments	
Inputs/Outputs		DWP Kids (CHIP)	Total
	\$12,454.60	\$ 4,553.75	\$17,008.35
Total # children	567		
Total # screened (unduplicated)	408		

Quality/Efficiency

Age of Children screened	Children screened by payment source	
Children 0-1 year screened	19	Medicaid/CHIP (HAWKI) 243
Children 1 to 2 years screened	68	Medicare 0
Children 2 to 3 years screened	51	Tricare 0
Children 3 to 4 years screened	121	Private/Other 0
Children 4 to 5 years screened	138	None 0
Children 5 to 6 years screened	11	ECI 165
	408	408

Quality/Efficiency:

% of children screened 72%

% of children that were high risk 9.8%

Outcomes

# screened with Decay	40
% screened with Decay	9.8%
# screened with Demineralization	2
% screened with Demineralization	0.5%
# of high risk children that received	39
% of high risk children that received dental care coordination	97.5%

Q 1: Our focus during the summer months is to go to the WIC clinics since the schools aren't in session during those months. We are doing care coordination for children from previous months as well as the current months depending on which clients we were able to connect with in the previous months. The next quarter we will be going into school and daycare settings with school being back in session and will continue to focus on all of our required care coordination for high-risk, no dental home, and no dental visit within the past 12 months.

Q2: We were able to go into multiple settings this quarter to provide dental education, screenings, and fluoride. We have been able to do care coordination in a timely manner and per our protocol we will continue to reach out to the families that we have not been able to get ahold of yet. Out of the total # of children screened, there were 147 of them that have no dental home or haven't been to the dentist in 12+ months and we are doing care coordination for these clients as well to help get them an established dental home.

Striving to serve 950 children. Striving to screen 665 children. Half way through the year serving over half of the children striving to provide services too.

Family STEPS

Program Description: The purpose of Family STEPS is to provide parent education and support for families to strengthen protective factors and reduce incidence of child abuse.

Mid Year Report
Crawford County Community Health
Sac County Health Services

July 1 - December 31	BVCS ECI	Other Investments	
Inputs/Outputs			Total
	\$130,523.43	\$ -	\$130,523.43
# children served	35		
# families served	40		
Quality/Efficiency	Data not available at this time. Pilot program DAISEY 2.0		
Outcomes	Data not available at this time. Pilot program DAISEY 2.1		

FSS completed a 24-month developmental screening with one of the kiddos at a home visit and there was some concerns with his fine motor development. FSS discussed this with Mom and talked to her about sending a referral to AEA for further evaluation as he was boarder line scoring in the "black zone". Mom had some hesitencies and confessed she may not have been giving her son enough opportunities based on the questions from the ASQ and asked for a few weeks to work with him on fine motor activities before she makes a decision. When FSS came back for the next visit Mom had shared four fine motor activities the family bought and put together and have been working on every day with their son along with what they just have been incorporating in his day to day life by encouraging him to use silverware to feed himself and helping brush his teeth twice a day and dressing himself. Now just 4 weeks later FSS can see the improvement and increased strength in his fingers as he completes the same fine motor activities from the ASQ screening.

As of December 2025 FSS in Buena Vista County ended employment. Crawford County Community Health has been advertising for this position and currently have two applicants. Interviews are currently scheduled for both applicants. The Program Director will be provided updates as we transition through the hiring process. The Sac County Family Support Specialist, is contracting the families that remained on the program after the workers departure. New referrals are being filtered through the Program Supervisor, and assigned or referred onto other programs for services.

Provider Development Mini-Grants

Program Description: The intent of this min-grant is to extend professional development that is beyond a programs reach/budget. The funds are designed to supplement, enhance programs, and allow staff to attend training in which funding is not available by any other source.

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Applicants: Unity Ridge Preschool & Early Childhood Center; Upper Des Moines Opportunity, Inc.; Sac County Health Services

Inputs/Outputs

ECI Local Area Investment \$ -

Total Investment \$ -

of professional development participants 4

of professional development activities funded 5

Quality/Efficiency

Cost per Activity \$

% of PD activities-Early Learning 60%

% of PD activities-Family Support 0%

% of PD activities-Special Needs 0%

% of PD activities-Health, Mental Health, and Nutrition 40%

Outcomes

reported they were satisfied with the training To be held

% of participants who reported the can apply this learning in the future To be submitted when Professional Development completed.