

# NORTHERNRIVERS

NORTHEAST PARENT & CHILD SOCIETY  
PARSONS CHILD & FAMILY CENTER  
UNLIMITED POTENTIAL

*Life changing care since 1829*

## Parsons Early Head Start Program 2019-2020 Annual Report

Parsons Child and Family Center  
60 Academy Road  
Albany, New York 12208  
518-426-2600  
[www.northernrivers.org](http://www.northernrivers.org)

# 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 (9 classrooms) located at 125 Bigelow Avenue, Schenectady, NY
- Total number served: 130 families, 162 children
- Average monthly enrollment (August 2019-July 2020): 89 children\*
- Children receiving Early Intervention Services: 21 children
- The average monthly waitlist was 37 children over these 12 months

\*The program was approved for an enrollment reduction to reduce funded enrollment from 122 children to 94 children in 2019. This resulted in a decrease in the number of children served with the home-based model and added an infant classroom to the Center-based Model.

# 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
- Father involvement activities
- Weekly mother's support group
- Monthly Policy Council meetings
- Monthly Parent Committee meetings
- Community Day for parents
- Nutrition training
- Health Services Advisory Committee
- 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 three(3) times per year. Progress monitored individually and programmatically.
- (School readiness data taken from winter 2019 TSG checkpoints due to the effects of COVID-19 on the spring 2020 checkpoints, as services were remote from March to July 2020)

# Progress Toward School Readiness Goals: Cognition

Essential Domains and Subgroups	Below Level	At Level	Above Level
<b>Cognition and General Knowledge</b>			
<b>Gold Objective 11c: Solves problems</b>	13%	85%	2%
<b>Gold Objective 20: Use number concepts &amp; relationships</b>			
<b>Connects numerals with their quantities</b>	13%	87%	0%
<b>Counts</b>	10%	90%	0%
<b>Quantifies</b>	23%	77%	0%

# Progress Toward School Readiness Goals: Language and Literacy

Essential Domains and Subgroups	Below Level	At Level	Above Level
<b>Language and Literacy</b>			
<b>Gold Objective 9: Use language to express thought &amp; needs</b>	17%	79%	4%
<b>Uses an expanding expressive vocabulary</b>	16%	78%	6%
<b>Speaks clearly</b>			
<b>Gold Objective 10: Uses appropriate conversational and other communication skills</b>	20%	80%	0%
<b>Engages in conversation</b>	17%	83%	0%
<b>Uses social rules of language</b>	6%	92%	2%
<b>Gold Objective 16a: Identifies and name letters</b>			

# Progress Toward School Readiness Goals: Social-Emotional Development

Essential Domains and Subgroups	Below Level	At Level	Above Level
<b>Social Emotional Development</b>			
<b>Gold Objective 1: Ability to regulate emotions &amp; behavior</b>			
Manages feelings	2%	98%	0%
Follow limits & expectations	6%	90%	4%
Takes care of own needs appropriately	8%	90%	2%
<b>Gold Objective 2: Ability to establish &amp; sustain positive relationships</b>			
Forms relationships with adults	8%	88%	4%



# 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>Gold Objective 7: Demonstrates fine motor strength &amp; coordination</b>	0%	80%	20%
<b>Uses fingers &amp; hands</b>	6%	87%	8%
<b>Gold Objective 6: Demonstrates gross motor manipulative skills</b>			

# Progress Toward School Readiness Goals: Approaches to Learning

Essential Domains and Subgroups	Below Level	At Level	Above Level
<b>Approaches to Learning</b>			
<b>Gold Objective 11: Demonstrate positive approaches to learning</b>			
<b>Persists</b>	4%	96%	0%
<b>Shows flexibility and inventiveness in thinking</b>	4%	91%	4%

# Percentages of Enrolled Children Receiving Medical and Dental Exams

Medical	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Completed All Screenings	100%	100%	78%	79%	77%
Diagnosed as Needing Treatment	13.8%	17%	1%	10%	33%

Dental	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Dental Home	71%	99%	69%	90%	100%
0-2 Up-to-Date on Dental EPSDT Schedule	71%	99%	18% (N=17 9)	10% (N=18 3)	25%
Pregnant Women Completing Dental Exam	50%	0%	0% (N=6)	50% (N=8)	50% (N=8)

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

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services	\$1,650,899
U.S. Department of Agriculture*	\$59,742
Miscellaneous Income	\$0
Non-Federal Share (Cash)	
Schenectady County Day Care Subsidy	\$28,028
Client Fee Income	\$11,852
Private Donations	\$35,000
Total Revenue	\$1,785,521
Non-Federal Share In-Kind (Non-Cash)	\$159,452
Total Revenue per Federal Standards	\$1,944,973

\*Passed through New York State Department of Health

# Expenses: Budget-to-Actual Expenditures Comparison for FY 2019/2020- FY2020/2021

Expense	Budget \$	Actual \$	Variance \$	Proposed 2020-2021
Personnel	1,072,988.00	1,108,699.00	(35,711.00)	1,164,113.00
Fringe	269,199.00	243,829.00	25,370.00	287,655.00
Occupancy	83,547.00	151,898.00	(68,351.00)	97,700.00
Food	57,519.00	58,470.00	(951.00)	51,535.00
Transportation	4,012.00	4,948.00	(936.00)	3,700.00
Staff Development/Training	39,674.00	31,846.00	7,828.00	37,098
Insurance	15,112.00	15,796.00	(684.00)	15,500.00
Telephone/Postage/Photocopying	8,102.00	7,421.00	681.00	n/a
Supplies	28,472.00	39,209.00	(10,737.00)	7,800.00
Other	225,760.00	231,422.00	(5,662.00)	183,814.00
In-Kind (non-cash)	354,713.00	146,263.00	208,450.00	266,244.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,159,098.00</b>	<b>2,039,801.00</b>	<b>119,297.00</b>	<b>2,115,159.00</b>

# Federal Review and Audit

- Most recent Federal Review - Focus Area 1 in 2020
- Next Federal Review – focus Area 2 in 2021