Southern Oregon Head Start, Early Head Start and Preschool Promise (SOHS) represents both Jackson and Josephine Counties and our programs currently serve 1,112 children and their families.

Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) has deeply impacted our Head Start, Early Head Start, Preschool Promise programs, enrolled children and families, and our community. In March of 2020 we were forced to close our centers due to COVID-19. SOHS then had the opportunity to partner with local agencies to help provide immediate resources and referrals to our children and families. In order to continue services SOHS implemented a virtual service platform that included services such as story time, mail home activity kits and parenting support to families thru the remainder of the program year.

Our goal has always been to bring as many children back to school as soon and as safely as possible. SOHS was able to offer a few different program options for the 2020-21 program year. We provided virtual only, hybrid as well as on-site services. Our goal is to provide choices for our families, while being responsive to the public health conditions. The on-site and virtual options are designed to account for the potential changing COVID-19 contagion level in our community allowing for more days of in-person services when there are minimal and controlled levels of COVID-19. Our staff believe that every child should grow up knowing that they are beautiful, they are smart, they are loved, and they are respected. Teaching staff, family service staff, food service, and the management and administration staff that support them are focused on partnering with families to assist their child to grow-up knowing that they are important and that they can be successful.

SOHS strives to provide leadership to strengthen and inspire stakeholders through advocacy, support, collaboration and communication to benefit SOHS youngest children and families.

**SOHS PROGRAMS**

- Head Start
- Early Head Start
- Preschool Promise
- Listo
- The Family Connection

**A Letter From Our Executive Director, Katherine Clayton**

“We are committed to the success of the families we serve”
HEAD START
Pregnancy Through Preschool

Total Number of children and pregnant women served in 2019-2020: 1,358

- 48% lived with a single parent
- 21% were homeless
- 13% had disabilities
- 6% were in foster care

- Percentage of Eligible HS Children Served 75%
- Percentage of Eligible EHS Children Served 24%
- Average monthly enrollment 100%
School-Readiness

FALL WINTER

Approaches to Learning

- Below
- Meeting widely held expectations
- Mastery of school-readiness benchmark

Social Emotional

Language & Literacy

Cognition

Perceptual, Motor & Physical

Meeting widely held expectations

Below

Mastery of school-readiness benchmark
Early HEAD START School-Readiness

**Approaches to Learning**
- **FALL**
  - Below: 5%
  - Meeting widely held expectations: 62%
  - Mastery of school-readiness benchmark: 33%
- **WINTER**
  - Below: 2%
  - Meeting widely held expectations: 31%
  - Mastery of school-readiness benchmark: 67%

**Social Emotional**
- **FALL**
  - Below: 7%
  - Meeting widely held expectations: 71%
  - Mastery of school-readiness benchmark: 22%
- **WINTER**
  - Below: 2%
  - Meeting widely held expectations: 44%
  - Mastery of school-readiness benchmark: 54%

**Language & Literacy**
- **FALL**
  - Below: 22%
  - Meeting widely held expectations: 42%
  - Mastery of school-readiness benchmark: 44%
- **WINTER**
  - Below: 0%
  - Meeting widely held expectations: 14%
  - Mastery of school-readiness benchmark: 44%

**Cognition**
- **FALL**
  - Below: 26%
  - Meeting widely held expectations: 33%
  - Mastery of school-readiness benchmark: 41%
- **WINTER**
  - Below: 10%
  - Meeting widely held expectations: 25%
  - Mastery of school-readiness benchmark: 65%

**Perceptual, Motor & Physical**
- **FALL**
  - Below: 3%
  - Meeting widely held expectations: 21%
  - Mastery of school-readiness benchmark: 0%
- **WINTER**
  - Below: 0%
  - Meeting widely held expectations: 52%
  - Mastery of school-readiness benchmark: 48%
• 94% of children were up-to-date on immunizations

• 56% of children were up-to-date on Preventative Health Care

• 8% of children were referred for mental health services
FAMILY ENGAGEMENT ACTIVITIES

Health Smarts is a health literacy training we provide to Early Head Start and Head Start parents. This year 15 trainings were held including 119 families. Here the parents learned about the mental health topics of managing stress, and, how to recognize and support children with trauma.

After COVID-19 hit we partnered with The Family Nurturing Center and other local community agencies to deliver diapers, wipes, food boxes, formula, household supplies, food boxes and activity kits for children to our families. By the end of May 2020, 618 Early Head Start and Head Start families had received one or more of these deliveries.
FATHER ENGAGEMENT

Supporting Fathers & Father Figures We were successful in engaging fathers and father figures in the program:

- 754 participated in parent/teacher conferences, home visits and classroom volunteering
- 442 participated in goal-setting to improve their family’s well being.
- 203 attended parenting education workshops
- 17 served on Policy Council, our parent governing body
FINANCIAL DATA

Expenditures (FY 2019)
$19,158,465

- $162,312 Child & Family Services
- $403,251 Supplies
- $1,468,085 Occupancy
- $687,483 Food Service
- $684,111 Other
- $546,995 Furniture & Equipment
- $56,532 Transportation
- $15,143,697 Personnel & Fringe Benefits

Revenue Sources (FY 2019)
$20,311,826

- $847,830 Local Contributions & Volunteer Time
- $11,106,402 Federal
- $7,940,173 State of Oregon
- $417,421 Foundations

APPROVED BUDGET
FY 2020

PERSONNEL & FRINGE BENEFITS $14,958,355
FURNITURE & EQUIPMENT $1,498,820
SUPPLIES $790,803
OCCUPANCY $1,367,894
TRANSPORTATION $85,475
FOOD SERVICE $332,046
CHILD & FAMILY SERVICES $116,082
OTHER $397,397
TOTAL EXPENDITURES $19,546,872

The Audited Financial Statements in their entirety are available on our website: www.socfc.org
BUILDING BRIGHTER FUTURES

The most recent Community Assessment may be found on our website: www.socfc.org