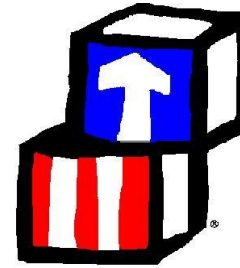


PARENT CHILD DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION



Middle Peninsula Head Start

**Annual Report
2007 - 2008**



...strengthening families to strengthen communities

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Parent Child Development Corporation

The Parent Child Development Corporation (PCDC) was established in 1971 by a group of community volunteers who were committed to improving the quality of life for area families. These dedicated volunteers were concerned about the high degree of inter-generational illiteracy and social isolation of many children and families in the Middle Peninsula region. To break the cycle of poverty, the founders of PCDC provided a cadre of educational and self-help programs to strengthen the family as a whole.

The founders of PCDC were guided by the belief that it takes the entire community working together to ensure that all children and families have the opportunity for a healthy and prosperous life. The founding vision continues today at PCDC. Our mission is to empower families to improve the quality of their lives through educational and self help programs, family support services, and advocacy activities in partnership with the community.

PCDC is a not-for-profit, 501c3 organization. PCDC is funded by public and private grants, services fees, cash and in-kind contributions, fundraising projects, and the generosity of community organizations and private citizens.

PCDC is a grantee of the federal Head Start program and operates the Middle Peninsula Head Start program. In addition PCDC operates the Smart Start and Safe Place programs in West Point, Virginia.

Financial Reports

Middle Peninsula Head Start Fiscal Year Ending August 31, 2008	
Expense Category	Expended
Personnel	\$ 576,245
Fringe	\$ 145,882
Travel	\$ 8,765
Equipment	\$ -
Supplies	\$ 85,683
Contractual	\$ -
Facilities/Construction	\$ -
Other	\$ 251,886
Local Cash Match (In-Kind)	\$ 202,273
	<u>\$ 1,270,734</u>

An independent audit was conducted by the auditing firm of Robinson, Farmer, and Cox Associates fiscal year ending August 31, 2008. In their statement dated January 21, 2009, the auditing firm found that: "The Parent Child Development Corporation complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that are applicable to each of its major federal programs for the year ended August 31, 2009."

Head Start Funding February 01, 2007 - January 31, 2008		
Funding Source	Funds Received	Funds Expended
Federal Head Start	\$ 1,031,593	\$ 1,031,593
U.S. Department of Agriculture	\$ 61,879	\$ 61,879
	<u>\$ 1,093,472</u>	<u>\$ 1,093,472</u>

Head Start is supported by the local community....

Community Involvement

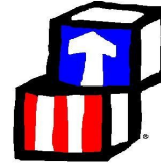
The Middle Peninsula Head Start Program receives support from many elements in the communities we serve. These include the local school divisions, health departments, social service departments, extension offices, law enforcement agencies, fire departments, mental health providers, dental care providers, local libraries, and community volunteers. These community partners provide transportation, space, enrichment services, educational activities for parents and children, health/dental/mental health services, and child care assistance. During the 2007—2008 budget year, this support totaled over \$200,000.

Head Start is monitored

Federal Monitoring

In order to insure compliance with federal regulations, all local Head Start programs participate in a triennial on-site review. Non-compliance issues identified during this review must be corrected within a specified time frame, and a follow-up visit is conducted to verify that the corrective action plan has been implemented.

The Middle Peninsula Head Start Program was reviewed in March, 2008. Two areas of non-compliance were identified: exits in two classrooms were not clearly marked as exits; and all required information was not collected and analyzed in the grantee's Community Assessment. During the follow-up visit, it was determined that the areas of non-compliance had been corrected, and the program was in full compliance.



Middle Peninsula Head Start Program

Head Start is the nation's premier provider of developmental and educational services to pregnant moms, babies, toddlers, preschoolers and their families, who live in poverty and struggle to meet the basic needs of life.

Head Start is vital because no other provider of early childhood services seeks out the neediest families and children in America with the depth, breadth, and scope of services and level of passionate commitment equal to Head Start. We are committed to the success of these families. In this role, we are a valuable partner to those in our communities serving other young children.

As a grantee of the federal Head Start Program, PCDC manages the operations of the Middle Peninsula Head Start program. The Middle Peninsula Head Start program provides services to children and their families in the Gloucester, Mathews, and Middlesex counties of Virginia.

In 2007 - 2008 PCDC was funded to serve 116 children through a grant from the Department of Health and Human Services Administration for children and families. In June 2008 PCDC was awarded a grant to expand its Head Start services to include 100 additional children from the rural areas of King William, King and Queen, Charles City, and New Kent counties.

Head Start promotes diversity.....

Student Demographics

Total enrollment: 125

Age

Three Year Olds	18
Four Year Olds	103
Five Year Olds	4

Type of Eligibility

Foster Children	3
Homeless	5

Race

White	71
African American	36
Bi-Racial/Multi-Racial	17
Asian	1

Ethnicity

Hispanic/Latino Origin	7
Non-Hispanic/Non-Latino	118

Primary Language

English	121
Spanish	4



Family Services

Middle Peninsula Head Start provided services to 119 families throughout the year. Some of the services we provided are

Service Provided	Number of Families Receiving Service
Emergency Crisis Intervention	52
Housing Assistance	95
Transportation Assistance	12
Mental Health Services	78
English as a Second Language (ESL) Training	4
Adult Education	10
Job Training	94
Substance Abuse Prevention/Treatment	10
Child Abuse/Neglect Services	112
Domestic Violence Services	10
Child Support Assistance	5
Health Education	112
Assistance to Families w/Incarcerated Members	2
Parenting Education	112
Marriage Education	0

Parent Involvement

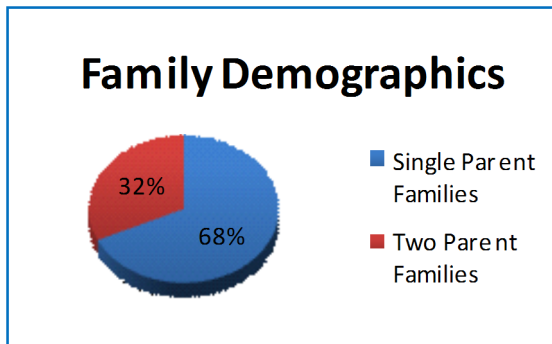
Bridges Head Start believes that a successful program is built, in part, by the dedicated parents that help in the classroom and throughout the agency. During this year, parents volunteered over 6,664 hours. In addition, male caregivers volunteered over 780 hours.



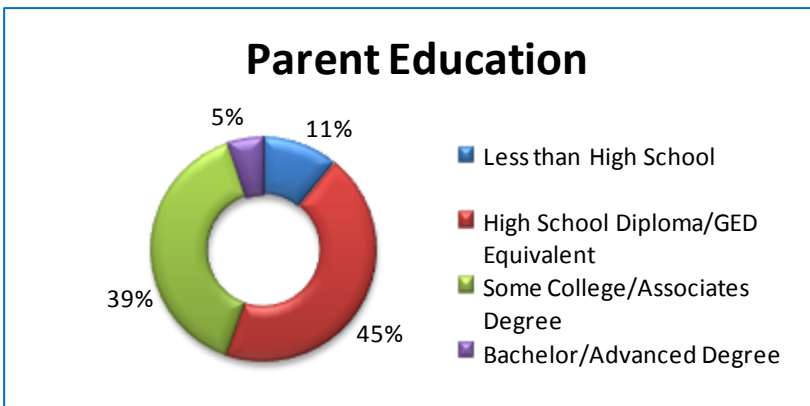
Head Start works with families...

Parents are their child's first and most influential teachers. Head Start's success is based upon the creation of compassionate partnerships between Head Start staff and parents on behalf of their children. We work with families to remove barriers to their success and to deepen their ability to support their children.

Total Families Served
119
Single Parent Families
81
Two Parent Families
38

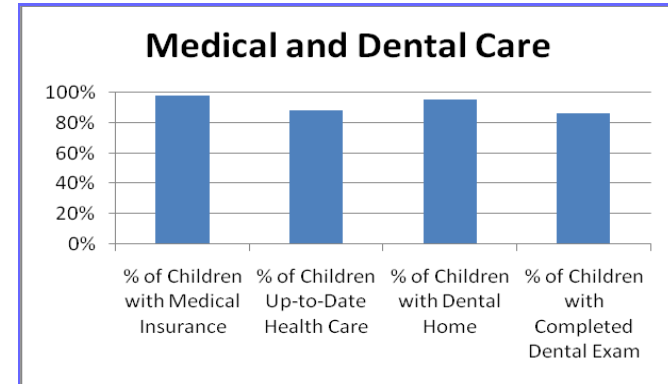


Early childhood experiences determine how well a child performs in school and beyond. All young children deserve a quality early educational experience and Head Start recognizes and embraces our role as the major and most successful provider of early educational services to the neediest of those children. We commit to continuing to ensure that Head Start contributes to making the American dream possible.



Head Start promotes healthy children.....

Head Start emphasizes preventive care and early detection of health problems. Every child receives a complete physical examination including vision and hearing tests, immunizations, a dental exam and identification of disabling conditions. Follow-up services are provided.



Disability Services

During the 2007-2008 school year, a total of eighteen children were identified as having a disability. Thirteen had a speech or language impairment; one had a health impairment; one had a visual impairment; and three had developmental delays.

Dental Treatment

Access to Continuous Dental Care	119
Completed Dental Exams	107
Received Preventive Dental Care	107
Needed Dental Treatment	39
Received Dental Treatment	29



Head Start measures progress.....

COR Skills Assessment

Middle Peninsula Head Start uses the High/Scope COR (Child Observation Record) as its primary assessment tool. The Preschool COR is an observational assessment tool for children aged 2½ to 6 years. It is designed to measure children's progress in all early childhood programs (included but not limited to those using the High/Scope educational approach). The COR looks at 32 dimensions of learning in six broad categories critical for school success: Initiative, Social Relations, Creative Representation, Movement and Music, Language and Literacy, and Mathematics and Science.



Head Start teachers compile anecdotal notes and then input them into the COR system where the observations are leveled and scored. This process is completed three times per year to track individual and program growth.

Percentage changes in the COR categories during the year are shown below. All category results indicate a significant gain during the program period.

Initiative	↑34.5%
Social Relations	↑38.7%
Creative Representation	↑40.9%
Music/Movement	↑38.5%
Language/Literacy	↑42.8%
Math/Science	↑49.4%

Pre-K Pals Assessments

Children in the Head Start program are also assessed twice a year using the Phonological Awareness Literacy Screening (PALS) for Pre-K students. This tool assesses the emergent literacy skills in young children. The information below indicates the percentage of children in the program who met the predetermined benchmarks in each area in the fall and in the spring.

Area	Fall 2007	Spring 2008
Name Writing	52%	95%
Uppercase Letter Recognition	28%	84%
Lowercase Letter Recognition	21%	72%
Letter Sounds	10%	61%
Beginning Sound Awareness	41%	85%
Print/Word Awareness	40%	85%
Rhyme Awareness	48%	83%
Nursery Rhyme Awareness	42%	82%

