



Coshocton County Head Start, Inc.



2022-2023 ANNUAL REPORT

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We put an ad in our local paper that “Coshocton County Head Start’s Annual Report” is now available for public review at:

- Hilltop Site 3201 CR. 16 Coshocton Ohio 43812 Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Our Website at <https://www.coshoctoncountyheadstart.org/>

# About

## Mission

“Coshocton County Head Start Inc. is a comprehensive family and child development program committed to providing quality services that support and nurture the families we serve. Our work connects through our community as we prepare our children for a successful future, in doing so we benefit not only our families, but our broader community as well”

## Goals

- Provide a learning environment that fosters positive social, emotional, cognitive, physical, and language development.
- Embedding Health, Mental Health and Safety in our Program’s Culture
- CCHS will enhance the role of parents as primary teachers by strengthening the ability of parents to promote positive developmental outcomes while cultivating positive parent child relationships and fostering parental confidence as lifelong educators.
- CCHS will Implement a Trauma-Informed Approach to services

## Program

- Coshocton County Head Start, Inc. operates grant funded programing that serves Pregnant families, Infant/Toddlers and preschool children that are primarily low-income.
- We reserve at least 10% of our enrollment for children with disabilities.
- Children attend 7.25-hour classes 4 days a week.
- We were not able to supply transportation due to the bus driver shortage across Ohio.
- Our Early Head Start Program is made up of both center-based and home-based options. All four of our infant/toddler classrooms are at the Hilltop site. Center slots are for children 9 months -36 months.
- Our home base component consists of weekly home visits and bi-weekly socializations with pregnant families to children age 3.

## **Coshocton County Head Start, Inc. Proposed Service Area**

The county is made up of 22 townships with Coshocton County Head Start serving fifteen of these townships located in the eastern and central portion of the county. Kno-Ho-Co CAC serves the western portion of the county. Our Early Head Start program includes all 22 townships. The five villages found in Coshocton County include: Conesville, Nellie, Plainfield, Warsaw, and West Lafayette.

### **What is Head Start?**

Head Start promotes the school readiness of young children birth to five, by providing a comprehensive approach that focuses on four major components:

**Education:** Providing learning experiences to help children grow intellectually, socially, and emotionally.

**Health:** Providing health services and supports such as immunizations, dental, medical, and mental health, and nutritional services, developmental screenings and early identification of health problems.

**Parent Engagement:** Involving parents in the planning and implementation of activities through policy councils and committees that make administrative decisions. Parents also participate in classes and workshops on child development; and volunteer in the program.

**Social Services:** Provide supports to families to address job training, housing and other needs expressed by families.



### **Monthly enrollment by Program**

<b>Month/Year</b>	<b>Preschool</b>	<b>Infant/Toddler</b>
November 2022	115	44
December 2022	114	42
January 2023	119	43
February 2023	117	40
March 2023	113	42
April 2023	112	41
May 2023	112	46
June 2023	110	41
July 2023	Closed	40
August 2023	Closed	44

### **Program Monitoring**

The Office of Head Start conducted a Focus Area Two monitoring review during the week of November 13 - 17, 2023. The results of the monitoring review showed no Areas of Concern, Areas of Noncompliance or Deficiencies.

## **Our Financials**

Coshocton County Head Start and our local community benefit from federal funding to support Head Start preschool services to 146 children and families, Early Head Start services for 56 pregnant moms, infants, toddlers and their families, and Early Childhood Education for 38 children and families. Funding is based on the 202 available slots; the actual number of children and pregnant moms served in 2022-23 was 203.

### **Annual Audit:**

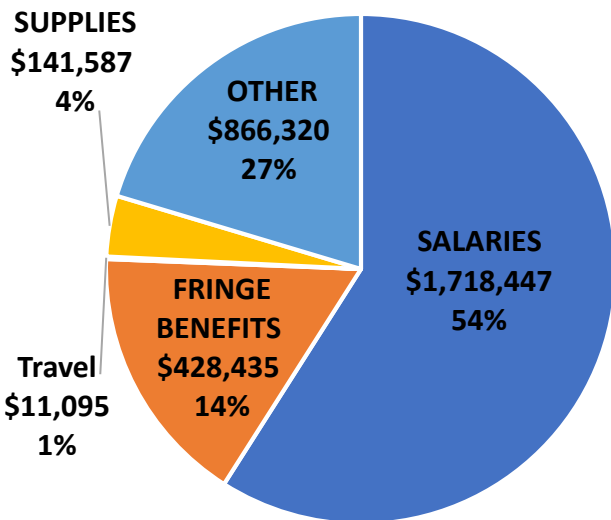
Coshocton County Head Start, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) Non-Profit organization. SNODGRASS Certified Public Accountants conducted the 2023 audit which is a requirement of The Federal Regulations Uniform Guidance Part 200.501. SNODGRASS audits all financial statements which comprise the statement of financial position as of October 31, 2023 and related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flow for the fiscal year end, and the related notes to the financial statements. Coshocton County Head Start's financial statements presented fairly with no audit findings for fiscal year 2023.

**2022-2023 Funding by Revenue Source: \$ 4,052,326**

Federal Head Start	\$1,950,687	Capital Campaign Donations	\$15,000
Federal Early Head Start	\$1,112,176	USDA	\$106,651
American Rescue Plan Funding	\$60,084	Ohio Appalachian Development	\$10,558
Early Childhood Education (State Funding)	\$157,415	Non-Federal Match (In-kind)	\$639,755

**2022-2023 EXPENSES: \$3,165,884**

**2023-24 FEDERAL BUDGET: \$2,748,903**



	HEAD START	EARLY HEAD START	EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION	TOTAL
SALARIES	\$1,061,679	\$740,932	\$108,750	\$1,911,361
FRINGES	\$272,290	\$174,335	\$28,475	\$475,100
TRAVEL	\$4,597	\$4,982	\$0	\$9,579
SUPPLIES	\$58,037	\$48,797	\$16,149	\$122,983
OTHER	\$434,110	\$165,795	\$8,126	\$608,031
ESTIMATED FUNDING	\$1,830,713	\$1,134,841	\$161,500	\$3,127,054
IN-KIND	\$457,678	\$283,710	-----	\$741,388
TOTAL	\$2,288,391	\$1,418,551	\$161,500	\$3,868,442

*\*Other expenses include: volunteer costs, parent services, publications/advertising/printing, staff costs (including advertising and pre-employment screenings), training and staff development (including college coursework), insurances (bonding, directors' and officers' liability, and general liability), and interest expense.*

*\*Non-Federal Match (IN-KIND) is a requirement that we must match 25% of our annual grant revenue with volunteers, donated services, and/or space cost valuation.*

## School Readiness



Head Start views school readiness as children possessing the skills, knowledge, and attitudes necessary for success in school and for later learning and life. Physical, cognitive, social, and emotional development are all essential ingredients of school readiness.

### Coshocton County Head Start School Readiness Plan includes:

School Readiness Team	School Readiness Goals	Staff Development
Family Engagement	Evaluating Child Outcomes	Supporting Transitions
High Quality Teaching and Learning		Relationships with Community Partners

## Curriculum

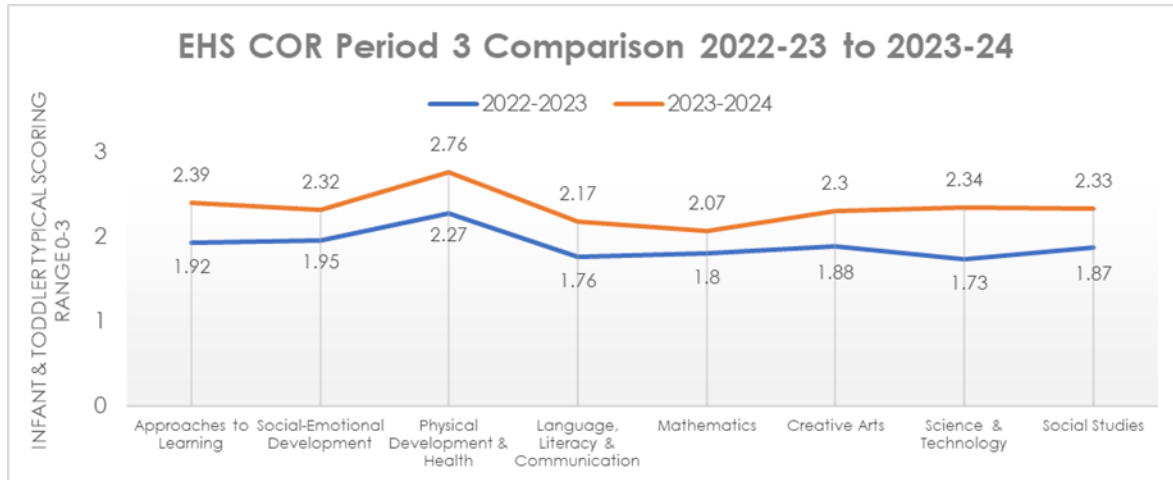
**Infant-Toddler High Scope Curriculum:** Teachers focus on developing supportive, trusting relationships with the children in their care. We create rich environments that encourage very young children to explore and discover the world around them, helping them to engage in experiences designed to support their optimal development in all domains.

**High Scope Preschool Curriculum:** Play-based, child-centered, and grounded in research, the High Scope Curriculum features active learning at its core. In a High Scope classroom, children are guided to explore, interact, and exercise their creative imagination through purposeful play. Well-prepared teachers support and extend each child's learning based on their developmental levels, so children enter school ready and eager to learn.

**Early Head Start Home Based Curriculum:** Partners for a Healthy Baby researched based curriculum addresses a wide range of topics including: improved prenatal health; healthy birth outcomes; bonding and attachment; positive parenting; enhanced child health and development; infant mental health; economic self-sufficiency; and family stability.

## **Child Outcomes:**

**Infant/Toddler:** The 2023/2024 child assessment outcomes showed improvement in all developmental areas.



**Preschool:** The 2023/2024 child assessment outcomes showed progression in all areas. In continuation from the previous year, Physical Development and Health remained one of our highest scores. Within this category Personal Care and Healthy Behavior, Gross motor and Fine motor skills remain at high scoring levels. At the end of the school year an average score of 5.31 was achieved with a gain of 1.72. 56% of our preschool students scored within the top two levels in this category. 93% of the students were meeting or above the National average.

**CLASS-** The Head Start classroom teachers continue to produce high level scores from the CLASS observations in the domains of Emotional Support (6.97) and Classroom Organization (6.82). We remain above the National average and had increased scores from the previous year in both of these domains.

Our Federal CLASS review was completed this Spring by video and our program scores were high in both Emotional Support and Classroom Organization and in the mid-range for Instructional Support. All areas were above both the Quality Threshold and the Competitive Threshold.





As their child's first and most influential teacher, parents have an important role in Head Start. Parents are always welcome in the classroom by helping with or leading activities, attending learning trips, planning classroom activities with the teaching staff, and introducing or sharing their culture with the children. There are a number of ways that parents can help teaching staff by sharing opinions, ideas and thoughts, working on activities at home, communicating with the staff, helping other parents feel welcome, and reinforcing learning at home.

**In addition, Coshocton County Head Start offers parents the opportunity to participate in the following activities:**

Family Literacy Activities

Volunteering

Input into Program Planning

Recruitment

Family Partnership Agreements

Parent Committee Meetings

Training

Resource and Referral Information

Parent/Teacher Conferences / Home Visits

Input into the Curriculum

**Parent Curriculum**



## 2022 – 2023 Impacts

