

FY2021 Buncombe County Early Childhood Grant Report

Organization Name:	Swannanoa Valley Child Care Council	
Project Name:	Opening the New Center for 170 Children	
Reporting Quarter: (Check one)		Quarter 1 (July 1, 2020 - September 30, 2020)
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Narrative summary of grant related activities

Overall project updates:	Donald S. Collins Early Learning Center opened August 28, 2020. The classrooms are filling up and we look forward to opening a second Two Year Old classroom in January 2021. We are hiring new high quality teachers and making connections in the community to help families. Staff are creating welcoming environments for children so they feel safe and gain a sense consistency in the classroom.
COVID-19 impacts:	Prior to the Covid-19 pandemic, enrollment was 68. Enrollment dropped to 12 for 2 months. Enrollment is now up to 72. Extra safety measures are taken daily to ensure the health and safety of all children and staff. Families stay informed of the new changes through daily messaging from the Kaymbu messaging system. Parents and teachers correspond daily. More Personal protective equipment has been orderd to ensure safety for children and staff. Due to many families struggling financially we have helped families with basic needs such as diapers, wipes and bottles.
Activities related to increasing equity, diversity and inclusion:	All reading materials, learning activities, and art supplies include diversity. Examples of this are paper, paint, markers and playdough in a variety of skin colors so that children can identify themselves with their materials. Posters are posted up in each class that show families from diverse backgrounds, a variety of family structures and different abilities. Teachers will participate in diversity and inclusion workshops. Teachers also recieve numerous resources and one on one meetings to educate them how to increase equity in their classrooms.
Activities related to increasing operational excellence:	Teachers are required to continue education to provide high quality education. Staff are participating in regular staff workshops and trainings to provide the highest level of professsionalism and necessary classroom management skills. The Center will begin conscious disipline training as well as other high quality childcare and education opportunities. We work closely with other organizations such as Buncombe County Partnership to ensure our facility continues to exhibit all the characteristics you would want in a high quality childcare center.

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Progress toward annual goals

Measure	Annual Goal	Actual Results (Enter Data)				Progress
		Please only include new data for the specific quarter				
		Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4	
# of slots maintained, by student age	70	59	72			131
- Student age less than 1 yr	10	5	7			7
- Student age greater than 1 & less than 2	18	14	18			18
- Student age greater than 2 & less than 3	9	9	14			14
- Student age greater than 3 & less than 4	10	6	12			12
- Student age greater than 4 yrs	20	25	21			25
# of total additional slots created, by student age	100	100				100
- Student age less than 1 yr	10	10	10			10
- Student age greater than 1 & less than 2	22	22	22			22
- Student age greater than 2 & less than 3	10	10	10			10
- Student age greater than 3 & less than 4	10	10	10			10
- Student age greater than 4 yrs	48	48	10			48
# of Child Care Subsidy slots	33	33	37			37
# of unique students served	170	59	72			72

Results

Enrollment percentage	80%	34%	34%			68%
# of children on wait list, by student age						0
- Student age less than 1 yr		0	0			0
- Student age greater than 1 & less than 2		0	0			0
- Student age greater than 2 & less than 3		0	0			0
- Student age greater than 3 & less than 4		0	0			0
- Student age greater than 4 yrs		0	0			0
Student attendance rate	98%		97%			97%
Student achievement on school readiness assessment (meet or exceed standards)	89%		92%			92%
Teacher retention	90%		90%			90%
Teacher attendance	75%		95%			95%

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Student demographics (if applicable)

	Actual Results (Enter Data)				
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	Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4	Student Count
Race/Ethnic Categories					
American Indian or Alaska Native	2	2			4
Asian	1	1			2
Black or African American	7	2			9
Hispanic or Latino	1	2			3
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0	0			0
White	48	7			55
Multi-race		2			2
Total	59	16	0	0	75

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Use of funds to date and any budget considerations

Spending Category	Starting	Total Spending (Enter Data)				Amount
		Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4	
Personnel		\$ 24,418	\$ 38,039	\$ -		\$ (62,457)
Travel/Training						\$ -
Technology	\$ 7,000	\$ 9,241				\$ (2,241)
Curriculum/Assessments						\$ -
Licensing/Dues	\$ 1,596					\$ 1,596
Nutrition	\$ 5,000	\$ 6,235				\$ (1,235)
Transportation						\$ -
Supplies/Materials	\$ 200,000	\$ 139,934	\$ 2,046			\$ 58,020
Building Maintenance/Repair	\$ 61,000	\$ 4,000				\$ 57,000
Rent/Occupancy/Utilities		\$ 5,300				\$ (5,300)
Furniture	\$ 6,500	\$ 1,669				\$ 4,831
Playground/Outdoor space	\$ 45,000	\$ 85,676	\$ 10,978			\$ (51,654)
Printing/Marketing/Website/Postage	\$ 2,500	\$ 705				\$ 1,795
Admin Expenses (Legal, Accounting, Insurance, etc.)	\$ 1,624	\$ 1,625				\$ (1)
Other (insurance & bonds)	\$ 1,725	\$ 2,079				\$ (354)
Total	\$ 331,945	\$ 280,882	\$ 51,063	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 0

Comments:

We have moved into our new space and furnished it for 170 clients and we are operational with our preschool and school age children numbering about 60. Considering Covid, we think this is good growth. Continuing growth is likely as we become known, but we do not know how hard it will be to find the needed teachers. The playground has been equipped and fenced and sod has been planted but it requires 2- weeks to grow in before the children can use it. Meantime, we are making use of our decks for outdoor play. We are extremely grateful for these funds to help us get started. Almost all the cost of equipping and supplying the new center has been spent in this first quarter. We expect minimal maintenance and repair cost for the building, but will begin to have lawn and landscape maintenance.