

FY2024 Buncombe County Early Childhood Grant Report

Organization Name:	YWCA of Asheville and Western North Carolina	
Project Name:	Early Learning Program	
Reporting Quarter: (Check one)		Quarter 1 (July 1, 2023 - September 30, 2023)
	x	Quarter 2 (October 1, 2023 - December 31, 2023)
		Quarter 3 (January 1, 2024 - March 31, 2024)
		Quarter 4 (April 1, 2024 - June 30, 2024)

Narrative summary of grant related activities

Please provide a brief summary (no more than 1500 characters). You may attach supplemental documents if needed.

Quarter 1	Currently serving 80 students. 55% white, 30% black, 4% hispanic, 11% other. 53% private pay, 48% voucher. Increase in enrollment will be contingent on hiring additional teachers. We currently have a staff of 10 teachers, 1 AmeriCorps member and 2 Instructional Specialist serving in 7 classrooms. In Q1 teachers were provided trainings on Trauma-Informed Care, Anti-Bias Curriculum, and general classroom management. Ongoing partnerships and visits from BCPFC Higher Ed Support and Classroom Coaching, Read 2 Succeed and Verner. In partnership with Facilities Department HVAC systems supporting childcare were replaced. One week long Professional Development occurred in August. New school year started in August. NC Child Briefing w/ Children First and CIS hosted at the YWCA in partnership with YWCA ELP in September. Ongoing partnership with Aquatics Department in delivering weekly swim lessons to PreK students. Health Inspection passed in September with "Superior" rating. Toddler room was split into two halves due to high incidents of biting. Both classrooms have now seen a reduction in instances of biting. NC PreK class was moved into a new room due to learning environment being unsuitable. Room 9 had become cluttered and overstimulating to the senses. Class was moved into room 10 in order to start from a clean slate. Class saw an almost immediate reduction in negative behaviors.
Quarter 2	Currently serving 85 students; 60% White, 33% Black,, 2% Hispanic, 5% Other. Enrollment is ongoing to reach the capacity of 95 that staffing levels permit. We currently have a staff of 13 teachers, 1 AmeriCorps member, and 2 Instructional Specialists serving in 7 classrooms. In Q2, staff were provided training on quality classroom environments and developmentally appropriate child guidance. Staff continue to receive ongoing support from the BCPFC Higher Ed Support Coach. BCPFC classroom coaching is on hold due to staff turnover in their workforce development program but will resume in Q3. A program representative participated in the ECE advocacy event with Senator Hunt at BCPFC. We are receiving technical assistance from MAHEC child care health consultants to enhance health and safety practices throughout all classrooms. Monthly collaborative planning meetings are held with the FIRST of WNC therapists to support students with identified mental health or behavioral needs. Our mixed-age preK classroom was divided into a 3-year-old classroom and a 4-5-year-old classroom to better target instruction to the children's developmental needs and to increase the future potential to serve more children once additional staff is hired and onboarded. In Q2, two family involvement events were held with robust participation from parents and relatives.

Quarter 3	
Quarter 4	

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Progress toward annual goals

		Actual Results (Enter Data) Please only include new data for the specific quarter				
Measure	Annual Goal	Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4	Progress
# of children served	90	80	85			165
# of continuing education hours received by staff	20	6	3			9
% of children who remain in the Early Learning Program for 6 consecutive months measured by Early Childhood Development Measurement tools	100%	99%	90%			95%
% of children in the Early Learning Program for 6 consecutive months on track with developmental milestones	100%	99%	99%			99%

Comments:

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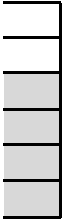
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Use of funds to date and any budget considerations

	Total Spending (Enter Data)
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Spending Category	Starting	Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4	Amount
Personnel	\$ 110,000	\$ 27,500	\$ 27,500			\$ 55,000
Travel/Training						\$
Technology						\$
Curriculum/Assessments						\$
Licensing/Dues						\$
Nutrition						\$
Transportation						\$
Supplies/Materials						\$
Building Maintenance/Repair						\$
Rent/Occupancy/Utilities						\$
Furniture						\$
Playground/Outdoor space						\$
Printing/Marketing/Website/Postage						\$
Admin Expenses (Legal, Accounting, Insurance,						\$
Indirect costs						\$
Total	\$ 110,000	\$ 27,500	\$ 27,500	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 55,000

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