





# Child Crisis Arizona Early Head Start

**PHOENIX • MESA** 

ANNUAL REPORT **2022** 



Child Crisis Arizona
Safe kids. Strong families.









# Child Crisis Arizona's **Early Head Start program**

Child Crisis Arizona's Early Head Start programs served 392 infants, toddlers and pregnant women in 2022 through prenatal, home-based and center-based services. Children receive a myriad of opportunities to develop the physical, social and emotional skills they will need to succeed in school. The program also has Family Support Specialists who work with families identifying stengths and needs, providing assistance and education.

# budget expenditures audit results

The majority of budgeted expenditures for the Early Head Start program are primarily for salaries and benefits of program staff. Personnel expenses were budgeted at \$1,548,641 and fringe benefits were budgeted at \$437,950. These items combined equal 83% of the budget. Other budgeted line items include supplies, contractual expenses, travel, and other expenses.



CALENDAR YEAR 2022



\$2,407,450 \$60,000 \$40,000 FEDERAL FUNDS | EHS GRANT CACFP

DONATED SUPPLIES & SERVICES
CONTRIBUTIONS & GRANTS

\$2,407,450 \$32,261

\$28,671

\$113,073

The Early Head Start program was part of the Child Crisis Arizona single audit for federal funds for the year ended December 31, 2022. The audit was conducted by the independent accounting firm of Baker Tilly, US LLP. No material weaknesses or significant deficiencies were identified in the auditors' report on internal control over major programs. The auditors' report issued on compliance for major programs was unqualified. No audit findings or questioned costs were reported.



Budgeted expenditures for the Early Head Start program are primarily for salaries and benefits of program staff. Personnel expenses were budgeted at \$1,343,165 and fringe benefits were budgeted at \$399,650. These items combined equal 93% of the budget. Other budgeted line items include travel and other expenses.



CALENDAR YEAR 2022



\$1,872,028 \$40,000 \$40,000 \$0 FEDERAL FUNDS | EHS GRANT
CACFP
DONATED SUPPLIES & SERVICES
CONTRIBUTIONS & GRANTS

\$1,936,321 \$930 \$25,758 \$101,202

# enrollment healthcare

**PHOENIX** 

In 2022 we served a total of 201 children and pregnant women from 165 families and had an average monthly enrollment of 87% of our funded slots. We served 6% of the eligible zero to three population in our service area which includes zip codes 85006, 85008, 85009, 85016, 85018, 85034 and 85041.



11%

CHILDREN RECEIVED A MEDICAL EXAM DURING THE YEAR

CHILDREN RECEIVED A DENTAL EXAM DURING THE YEAR

## **MESA**

In 2022 we served a total of 191 children and pregnant women from 150 families and had an average monthly enrollment of 98% of our funded slots. We served 2% of the eligible zero to three population in Mesa.



CHILDREN RECEIVED A MEDICAL EXAM DURING THE YEAR

CHILDREN RECEIVED
A DENTAL EXAM
DURING THE YEAR

# family engagement

In 2022, the following areas of family engagement in the Early Head Start programs saw growth:

### **PHOENIX**

2,453

referrals were provided to Phoenix Families.

1,436

of those were documented as "received" indicating the family followed up on the referral and received the requested service.

Highest areas of referrals included: Community Family Events, Early Childhood Education Services, Financial Assistance, Medical, Nutrition Education, Parenting Education, Adult Education and Food Banks.

### **MESA**

1,764

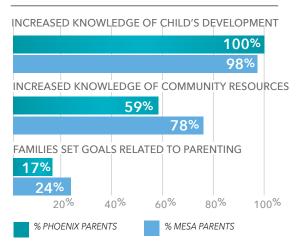
referrals were provided to Mesa Families.

**781** 

of those were documented as "received" indicating the family followed up on the referral and received the requested service.

Highest areas of referrals included: Adult Education, Financial Assistance, Community Family Events, Medical and Food Banks.

#### Parents as their Child's First Teacher



## Family Engagement Activities and Workshops offered in 2022 included:

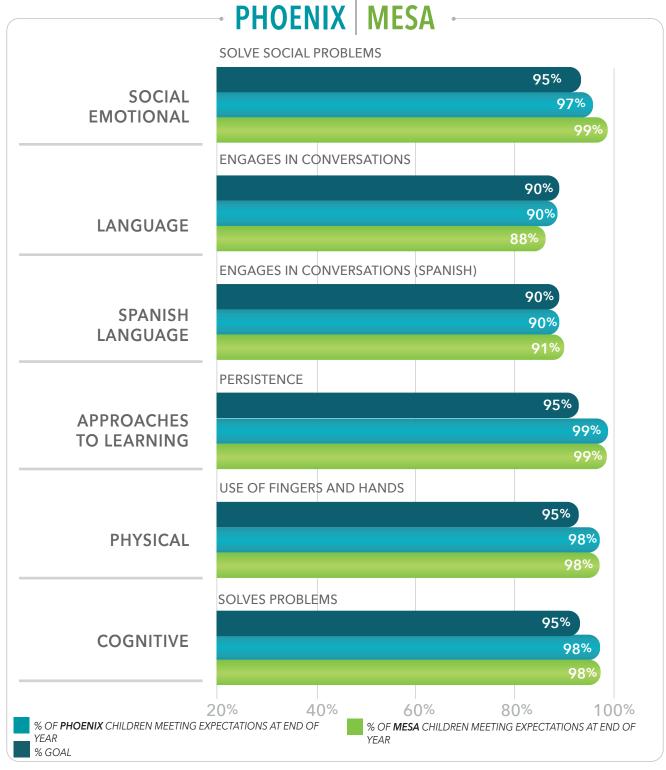
- Nutrition
- Child Assesment
- Navigating the AZ Health System
- Home and Water Safety
- Oral Health
- Mental Health
- Tenants Rights
- Navigating the AZ Early Intervention

#### System

- Domestic Violence
- First Aid
- Substance Abuse Prevention

## school readiness

Mesa children had steady growth in meeting developmental expectations in all areas in 2022. Five out six goals were met by the last checkpoint period. Fewer Mesa children met developmental expectations for expanding expressive vocabulary, but had larger increases in all other areas of development. Phoenix children met 100% of goals by the last checkpoint period of 2022, and showed strong growth in Social Emotional and Spanish language development. Staff from both sites participated in a multitude of individualized and data driven trainings and coaching opportunities to support all areas of development. Large group and small group trainings focused on the use of Conscious Discipline, strategies to support development for boys, incorporating language into routines, and engaging adult/child interactions. Through these trainings, staff developed skills and practices that directly influenced the school readiness developmental areas.



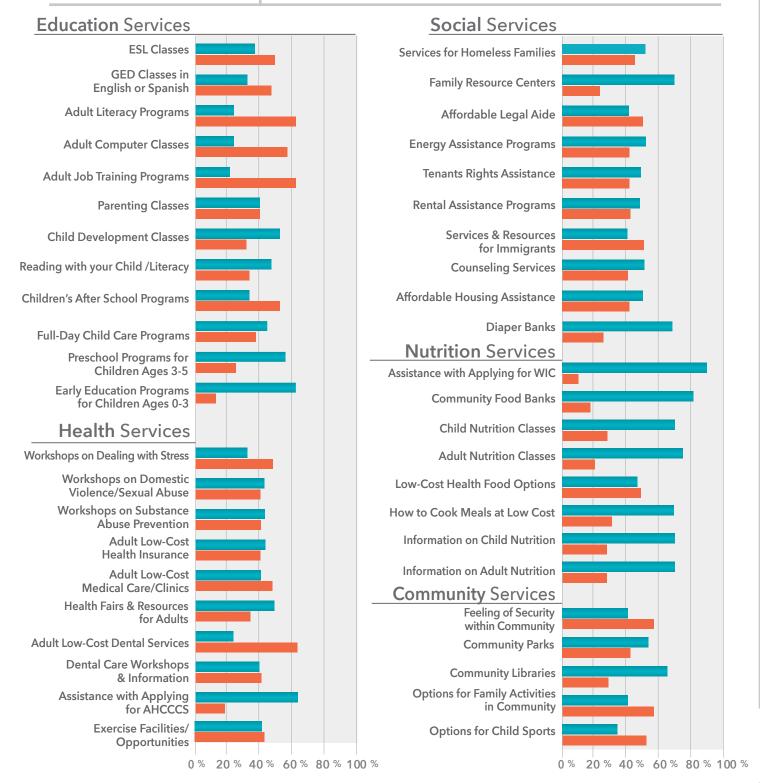
# 2022 Community Needs Assessment

Child Crisis Arizona surveyed parents in Mesa and Phoenix to ask about strengths and needs in their community. Strengths are topics parents felt they had the resources to address while needs are areas they felt they could use more assistance in. The following is a summary of their responses:

STRENGTHS | NEEDS

**59**%

of families reported that their knowledge of community resources has increased since enrolling in our program.

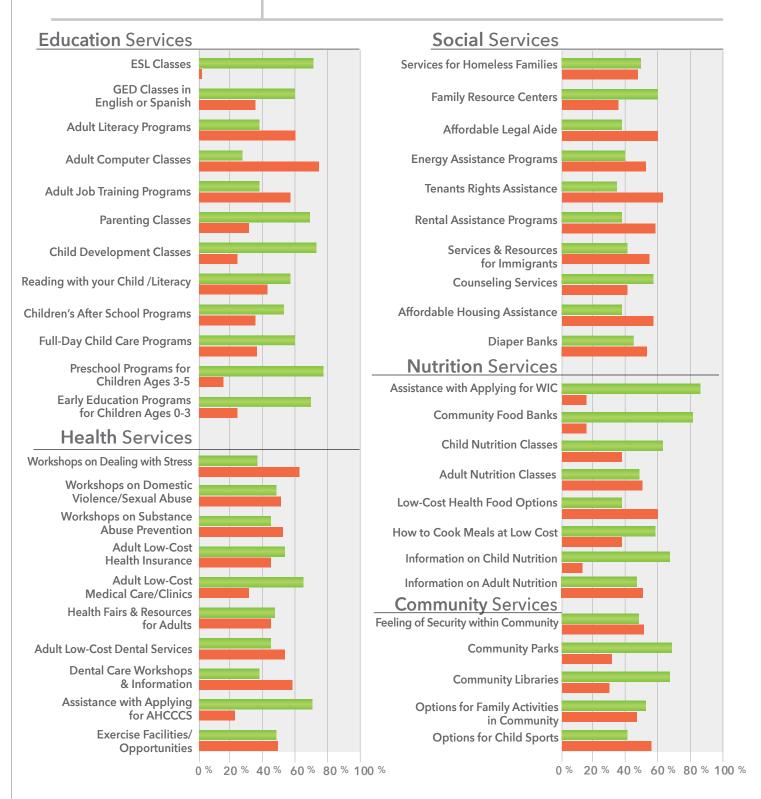




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Other Community Needs include: Free wipes for babies, assistance for single parents, free day care programs, police interaction with special needs community, affordable housing, road maintenance.

# "I believe that investing in our children's development from the earliest age is the

## single most important contribution we can make..."

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