

Brightpoint advances the well-being of children by investing in families to disrupt the systemic and multi-generational cycle of racial, social and economic inequality. High-quality early childhood care and education can spark the strengths in families and the potential in their children to set the course for a future filled with opportunities.

### Number of Children and Families Served



The information below represents Early Head Start and Head Start services provided between July 1, 2022 and June 30, 2023, in our early childhood centers and in families' homes. In Chicago, our programs serve the Greater Englewood, Hermosa, Humboldt Park, New City, Logan Square and West Town communities. We serve the Chicago suburbs of Arlington Heights, Barrington, Bartlett, Des Plaines, Elk Grove, Forest Park, Hanover Park, Hoffman Estates, Mount Prospect, Oak Park, Palatine, Schaumburg, River Forest, Rolling Meadows, Streamwood and Wheeling. We serve children and families in the following counties: Boone, DeKalb, Grundy, Kane, Kendall, McLean, Tazewell and Woodford.

### Strengthening Parents

I am gaining new knowledge and skills about parenting.	<b>4.47</b>
When I started with the program the staff tried to learn about my family's interests and concerns.	<b>4.77</b>
I am learning how to speak up for my child's educational needs.	<b>4.58</b>
I set goals for myself and my family.	<b>4.51</b>
I understand the effects of emotional and mental well-being on me and my family.	<b>4.66</b>

Responses are from a parent satisfaction survey. Ratings are on a five-point scale

### Preparing Children for School

	<b>Early Head Start Center-based &amp; Home-based</b>	<b>Head Start Center-based</b>
Language	<b>80%</b>	<b>85%</b>
Cognitive	<b>94%</b>	<b>88%</b>
Development	<b>95%</b>	<b>92%</b>
Physical	<b>95%</b>	<b>92%</b>
Development	<b>92%</b>	<b>85%</b>
Social Emotional	<b>92%</b>	<b>85%</b>
Development	<b>88%</b>	<b>80%</b>
Literacy	<b>88%</b>	<b>80%</b>
Math	<b>85%</b>	<b>75%</b>
Approaches to Learning	<b>85%</b>	

Percentage of children meeting benchmarks for each domain

### Engaging Parents

Brightpoint has a "Parent Café" or "Parent Room" at each site where parents meet, network, and utilize computers for creating resumes, and searching for employment, and housing. Each month we offer a variety of opportunities for family involvement and participation, including Earth Day Events, Muffins with Moms, and Donuts with Dads.

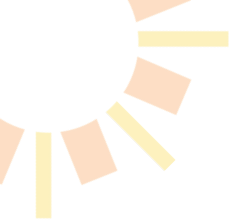
We offer monthly parent workshops with topics such as Kindergarten Readiness. We use the Conscious Discipline Parent Education Curriculum, a social emotional curriculum guiding parents in regulating their own emotions to support their children's ability to regulate their emotions. Our Nurse Consultant facilitates workshops around communicable diseases and the importance of health, and our Mental Health Consultants host sessions on Routines and Redirection, Self-Care, Stress Management, and Healthy Transitions.

We also include parents in our School Readiness Committee and Health Service Advisory Committee meetings held three times per year.

**Focus on  
Father  
Engagement**

**116**

Fathers Participated in Program Activities



# FY2023 Annual Report

## Early Head Start (EHS)/Head Start (HS)

### Demographics

#### Age

**19%** Children under 1 year old  
**19%** Children 1–2 years old  
**23%** Children 2–3 years old  
**19%** Children 3–4 years old  
**18%** Children 4–5 years old  
**4%** Pregnant parent

#### Ethnicity

**2%** Asian  
**32%** African American  
**40%** White/Latino  
**19%** White/Not Latino  
**6%** Biracial  
**1%** Other

#### Primary Language

**65%** English  
**30%** Spanish  
**1%** Middle Eastern/South Asian  
**1%** East Asian  
**1%** African  
**2%** Unspecified

**Dual Language  
Learners  
31%**

### Early Head Start and Head Start

#### Supporting Children's and Families' Health and Well-being

**98%**  
of children had  
health  
insurance

**96%**  
of pregnant  
parents had  
health insurance

**96%**  
of participants  
had access to a  
medical home

**76%**  
of participants  
had access to  
a dental home

**89%**  
of children were  
up to date on  
immunizations

**39%**  
Enrolled in WIC

**52%**  
Enrolled in SNAP

**28%**  
Homeless  
families that  
acquired housing

**97%**  
Families that  
received at least one  
service or referral

**20%**  
of children had an Individualized  
Education Program (IEP) or  
Individualized Family Service Plan  
(IFSP)

**67%**  
of children had the  
IEP/IFSP prior to  
enrollment

**33%**  
of children obtained  
the IEP/IFSP  
during enrollment

### Financial Information

Revenue for our Early Head Start and Head Start programs was **\$10,883,269** of which **\$3,203,173** was from non-federal public support, with **\$7,680,096** from federal Early Head Start and Head Start funding. The budgetary expenditures of these programs included staff compensation and benefits, professional fees, supplies, occupancy and other expenditures in support of the provision of client services.

The financial results of the agency's Early Head Start and Head Start programs are included in the agency's audited financial statements for the year ending June 30, 2023. For more information, please see the complete audited financial statements at [brightpoint.org](http://brightpoint.org).