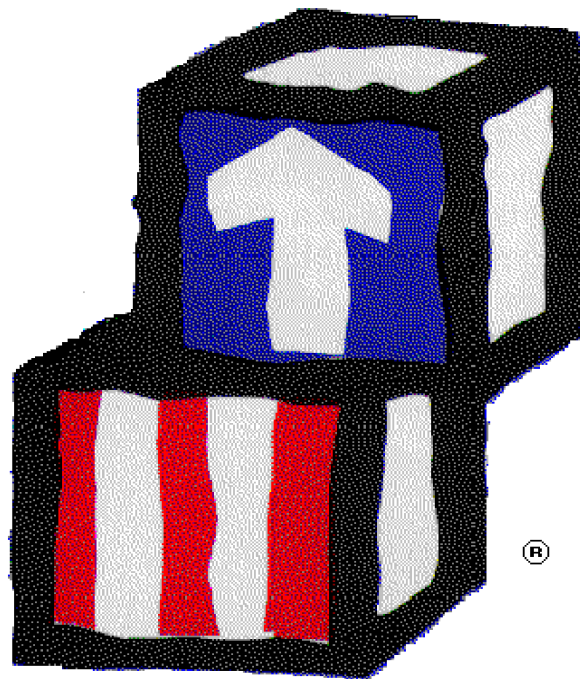




YMCA OF FREDERICK COUNTY

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Head Start Annual Report 2021-2022



The **Mission** of the YMCA of Frederick County Head Start program is to provide families of limited income with comprehensive services promoting school readiness and family engagement through a variety of partnerships to meet the needs of the Frederick Community.

Program Overview

The YMCA of Frederick County Head Start Program operated 10 full day classrooms in 6 centers during the 2021-2022 school year, serving 145 children. The program had 2 centers in the Housing Authority of the City of Frederick buildings (Bernard Brown and Lucas Village), 1 center in Frederick County-owned facility (Emmitsburg), 1 center in a City-owned facility (Staley), and 2 center in a privately owned Child Care Center (the Carl and Norma Miller Children’s Center at Frederick Community College and Beth Sholom Congregation).

The program was able to operate a summer enrichment program for 37 children (8 week session in 2 centers (Bernard Brown and Lucas Village) through supplemental grant funding received by the Maryland Department of Education.

Annual Financial Audit

Following the completion of the Fiscal Year 2021 Audit of the YMCA of Frederick County by RKL, LLP, the YMCA’s Board of Directors reviewed and approved the auditor’s Audit report of the Financial Statements along with reports on Internal Controls and Compliance. There were no findings.

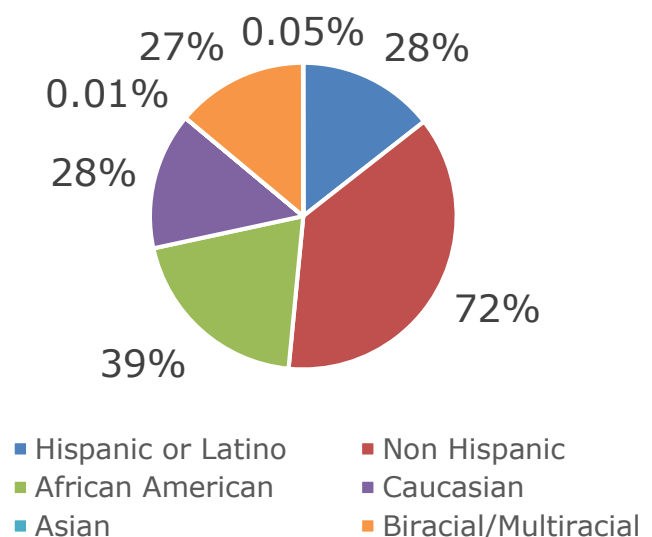
Revenues & Expenditures

May 1, 2020- April 30, 2021

Head Start Grant.....	\$3,174,860
MSDE.....	\$117,041
USDA/Child Care Food Program.....	\$127,728
Income/Bus Rental/Ins proceeds.....	\$22,284
In-kind	\$618,512
Total Revenues.....	\$4,060,426
Personnel/Fringe.....	\$2,449,842
Supplies.....	\$203,593
Contracted Services.....	\$293,280
Other Operating Costs/Service....	\$495,199
In-kind Services/Occupancy.....	\$618,512
Total Expenditures.....	\$4,060,426

Our Population

Diversity
Race & Ethnicity of Enrolled Children

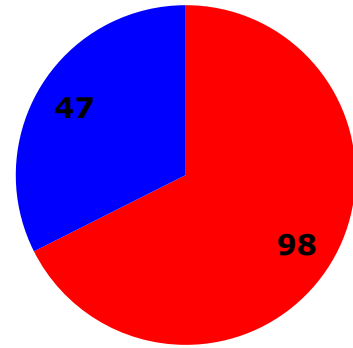


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Age of Enrolled Children

- 3 yr olds
- 4 yr olds



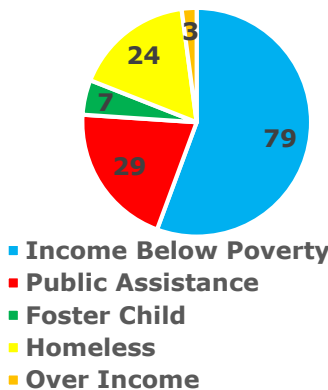
This was the second year of enrollment for 40% of the 4-year-olds

Parent & Community Involvement

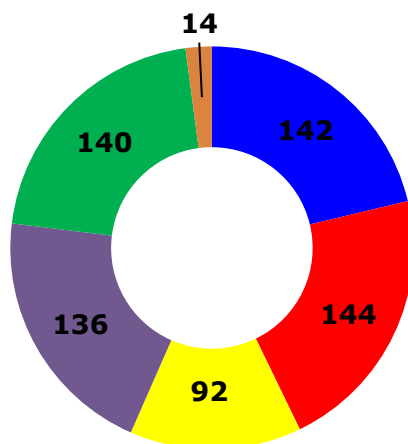
The YMCA of Frederick County Head Start encourages all enrolled families to be involved in all aspects of the program. Parents participate in monthly Parent Committee meetings, Policy Council, and various training opportunities throughout the year, including: Financial Wellness/Budgeting, Fire prevention, Grief and Loss Caregiver Support, Safe Toys for Young Children, Emergency Preparedness, Nutrition & Wellness, and Dental Health. The program also utilizes the Ready Rosie Parent Engagement Curriculum.

Due to Covid-19, parents and volunteers were unable to visit the classroom during this school year. Family Services staff assists families by assessing family needs and developing strategies, accessing resources, and problem solving.

Income Status - Enrolled Participants

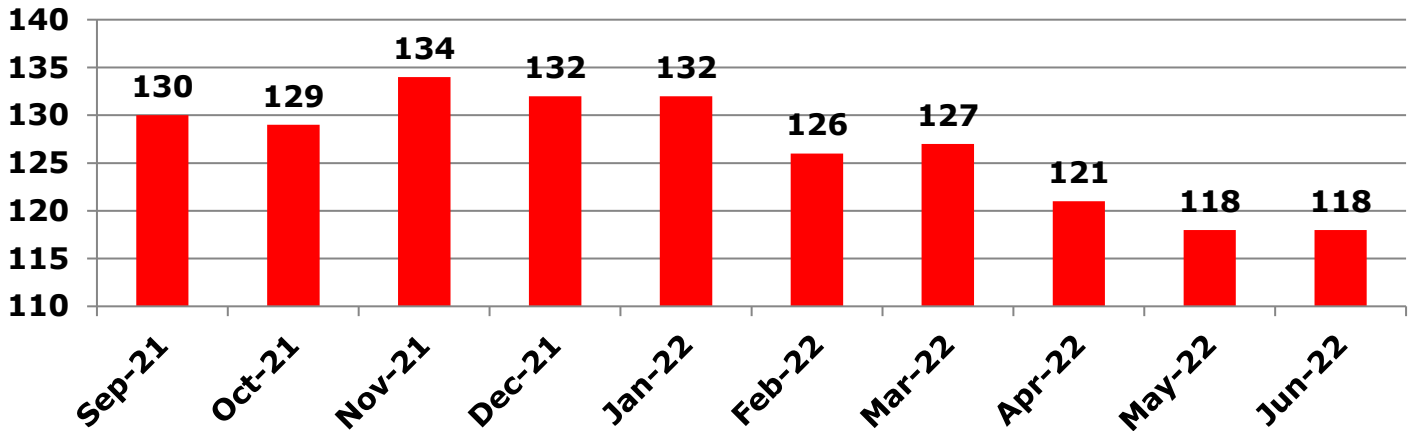


Child Health Services



- Children with Health Insurance
- Children up-to-date physicals
- Children with Healthy Weight/BMI
- Children with up-to-date immunizations
- Children who received oral health exam

Average Monthly Enrollment (funded enrollment = 242)



Preparing Children for Kindergarten

The YMCA of Frederick County Head Start program’s vision is to strengthen our diverse community by empowering families, staff, and partners to successfully advocate for children and families to reach their fullest potential for a better future. An essential component in assisting us in meeting this call to action is our efforts to prepare children for kindergarten.

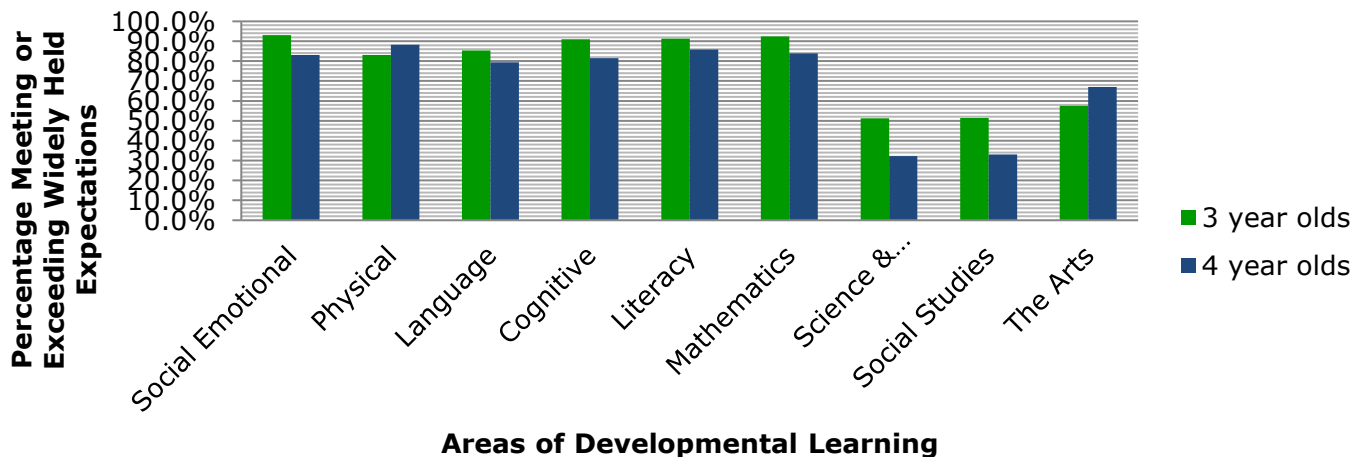
We utilize the Creative Curriculum for Pre-School, which encompasses all areas of child development and early learning, and is aligned with the Head Start Child Development and Early Learning Framework, the Maryland State Department of Education Early Learning Standards, and Frederick County Public Schools’ Pre-K Standards. We individualize instruction so that all children grow and develop while in our program.

Teachers receive regular feedback on their effectiveness using the Classroom Assessment Scoring System (CLASS) tool and the Teaching Strategies Fidelity tool. All classroom staff have a professional development plan that indicates performance goals and strategies to successfully attain them that is reviewed at monthly supervision meetings.

Teachers regularly observe our children to measure their development, and are assessed at three checkpoints throughout the school year using the Teaching Strategies GOLD, an observational assessment that clearly links to our curriculum and lesson planning.

Head Start teachers support families with their child’s transition to kindergarten through collaboratively developing a written transition plan that is reflective of their individual child’s strengths and needs.

Child Assessment Data



*Child Assessment data shown is at the completion of Spring Checkpoint, May 2022