## The Children's Center































## 2016-2017 ANNUAL DEDORT

## In Memoriam

The Children's Center family mourns the passing of Bob Petty. Bob was the president of our Board of Directors and was a board member for a number of years, also serving as treasurer.

Bob had a soft spot in his heart for the Children's Center and many times shared his testimony about our programs. He first came to us 28 years ago as a parent of a child in our programs. He never left us from that time. He was an advocate, a believer, and a leader.

Bob served the community of Franklin as a volunteer. He was a Book Buddy for Franklin Public Schools, a board mem-

ber for the Franklin City Educational Foundation, and a board member for the Franklin-Southampton Area United Way. He also served as a board member for the Franklin Housing and Redevelopment Authority and the Village at Woods Edge.

Robert Tucker Petty died on August 26, 2017 after a long and quiet battle with cancer.



**Bob Petty** 

## We nurture and educate children and their families

The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others.

- Mahatma Gandhi

The annual report gives a chance to look back and see how the agency served the community. It also gives the opportunity to look forward toward improvement and opportunities of service. We nurture and educate children and their families. Nurture is to care for and encourage the growth of children and families. Educate is to give instruction or training to children and their families. Nurture comes first. Children and families can't learn if they do not feel safe and cherished. And being cherished is united with education. This is a powerful combination of service! Come join the Children's Center in mission. There is a place for you to make a difference!

Thank you!



Rosalind Cutchins
Executive Director





## Layla gets into a rhythm with El and childcare services

Michelle Raffone-Lopez and her husband Rick have loads of activity in their household. The Franklin couple has three rescue dogs and four children, including twins, and a special little girl named Layla, who charmed the staff at the Texie Camp Marks Children's Center.

Layla, who was diagnosed with Williams Syndrome when the family lived in Connecticut, received Early Intervention and childcare services through the Children's Center.

According to the Willams Syndrome Association, WS is a genetic condition that is present at birth and can affect anyone. It is characterized by medical problems, including cardiovascular disease, developmental delays, and learning challenges. These often occur side by side with striking verbal abilities, highly social personalities and an affinity for music.

WS affects 1 in 10,000 people world-wide – an estimated 20,000 to 30,000 people in the United States. It is known to occur equally in both males and females and in every culture.

Layla began in the Early Intervention program at 12 months. The family had a Service Coordinator that helped to arrange her speech, occupational, and physical therapies. From 18 months to age three,

she also received two days a week in a childcare classroom.

"Physical therapy helped a lot. It has helped her go up and down the stairs independently," Michelle said.

Layla is in a second grade classroom at Riverdale Elementary School.

As is the case with many with Williams Syndrome, she loves music. The household has various musical instruments, which all the children play. Layla enjoys playing the drums. "She can listen to a song once and she will know it right after the

will know it right after that," Michelle said. "She learns better with music."

A component of Early Intervention is to coach parents as they are the best teachers of their children. Michelle said everyone involved helped her have more confidence as a parent of a child with special needs.

"This was important, especially since



Michelle Raffone-Lopez with her children (I-r) Lola, Camilla, Layla, and R.J. Layla, who was diagnosed with Williams Syndrome, received services from the Children's Center's Early Intervention program and community childcare program.

she was my first child. You get frustrated because you hear what she is supposed to be doing. But you have these wonderful people that are there saying, 'it's okay. She will do it in her time, just give her a chance.' And she did every time."

## Carol proves that Head Start works

Carol Dodson is soft spoken, but don't let that fool you. The Head Start graduate is a powerful advocate for families, something she learned at a young age.

Carol, a family advocate for the Head Start and Early Head Start programs at the Children's Center, was raised in a poor county in Kentucky and attended Head Start, which was a summer program back then.

"My parents were considered poor, but as children, we didn't know we were poor because so many other people had it worse," she said.

Looking back, Carol sees the benefits of Head Start for her.

"My mother taught us to read before we went to school. It was interesting. Even though I had been schooled well by my mother, I had never been away from my parents at six years old. I thought it was odd not being able to be with my mother. I would have been very distracted if I had just been dropped off in first grade (Carol's school did not have kindergarten)," she said.

The Head Start experience taught Carol to be an advocate at a young age.



"It was my first time understanding just how rough some kids had it and how delayed some of them actually were. I felt compassion for them," she said. "In first grade, there were a few



Dodson

kids not from our Head Start group and I remember them having a terrible time trying to adjust.

"I was the little advocate in the room. Anyone who had a problem, I felt the need to take care of them," she added. "There was a girl who was in the Head Start class who came in with no shoes on. I felt so bad for her. I asked the teacher if I could bring her a pair of my shoes."

Carol drives an hour each way from Newport News to work in the Head Start and Early Head Start programs at the Children's Center. Her compassion as a youngster has carried over to a 30-year run as volunteer advocate and now her role as a paid family advocate.

"I see the importance of Head Start. I have found that some families are like my family. All children will benefit. They need that beginning just like I did," she said. "What attracted me to this program is that the Children's Center really wants to support families, not just the child. Head Start helped me understand the world around me. It was a good spring board."

## Summary of the 2017-2018 Western Tidewater Community Assessment

- Slow and steady growth in the number of Hispanic children in Isle of Wight and Suffolk.
- The continued difference in household income between whites and blacks.
- Median household income in Franklin is well behind other localities
- · The cost of living in Western Tidewater has decreased.
- Poverty continues at historic levels in Franklin. Other localities have dropped.
- Childhood poverty has decreased with the exception of Franklin
- TANF cases have dropped with the exception of Southampton County.
- · Health outcomes in general have not improved.
- Over 63 percent of births in Franklin are to single mothers and every locality is above the state average.
- Southampton, Franklin, and Suffolk continue to be above the state average in low birth-weight babies.
- The teen pregnancy rate has improved in Franklin.
   It remains three times above the state average.
- Franklin is trending down in prenatal care beginning in the first trimester.
- The infant mortality rate is above the state average in Franklin, Southampton, and Suffolk.
- The child food insecurity rate in Franklin is double the state average.
- 3rd grade SOL English test scores remained stable.
   Franklin continues to be 28 percentage points below the state average.
- 5th grade SOL Math test scores are all near the state average. Franklin has improved from 26 percent passing in 2013-2014 to 77 percent passing in 2016-2017.
- Accessibility of public transportation in Franklin, Southampton, and Isle of Wight is poor.
- Over 90 percent of children in Franklin are eligible for free or reduced lunch.

## "Izzy" makes progress through El program

Shawynee Love was concerned about her young daughter, Isabella. "Izzy", as she is known, wasn't making eye contact nor interacting with people. Shawynee suspected autism. Her instinct was correct - eventually, Isabella was diagnosed with a mild case of autism.

The Children's Center was able to help Izzy and her family with services through the Early Intervention program.

Izzy began to receive services from the Children's Center's at the age of two. Kristie Dailey, the rehabilitation manager for the Center, visited her home every two weeks to work with Izzy and also provide her parents with activities they could use to help encourage her development.

"Kristie got her to do things that we just couldn't," Shawynee noted. "She was caring but persistent with her. Kristie did things by example. She would get Izzy to clean up her toys while singing a song. Later, Izzy would clean up while singing the song (by herself). Kristie helped her learn sharing and taking turns, things that would help her to interact."

Kristie showed the family that they needed "to get down to Izzy's level" to make better progress.

"Kristie showed us we needed to play with her on the floor as opposed to sitting on the couch. I never would have thought of that. I thought playing was playing, but she really enjoys playing on the floor at her

level," Shawynee said.

Izzy received services from the Children's Center for a year before transitioning to Suffolk Public Schools. Shawynee said she sees the results of Early Intervention.

"I remember the first day
Kristie came. Izzy didn't want to
get out of my lap. I have seen a
major transition and a progression throughout the whole year,"
Shawynee said. "I was
very satisfied. I'm sorry
it came to an end. It

it came to an end. It was like losing a family member."

Izzy now interacts with others. She gets on the bus and goes to school without hesitation.

"It was harder on me than her when she started going to school!" Shawynee said. "She just went like, 'I got this'." "Kristie got her to do things that we just couldn't," Shawynee noted. "She was caring but persistent with her. Kristie did things by example."



Shawynee Love and her daughter Isabella and son Gabe. Isabella was diagnosed with mild autism but has made great progress through the Chidlren's Center Early Intervention program.

## Lucy, Love, Light

The Children's Center is honored to share the lives of children and families. The Muse family walked through the doors and into the hearts of those with whom they shared. Nicholas was our first explosion of energy and excitement. Needing help with his speech, we cheered as he worked with his parents Kristi and Kevin; Allie, speech therapist; and Angela Gary's two year old classroom of friends. This train-loving, tractor-loving, farm boy grew to use words and tell the world his thoughts. Success!

Along with Nicholas, a tiny baby girl was being nurtured in her mom's womb bringing hope for their family of five. Lucy Amelia grew through pregnancy. Testing revealed a rare genetic condition that threatened her life. We celebrated every day she developed and remained guardedly hopeful.

Lucy arrived as a Father's Day gift. Fifteen weeks premature, her parents waited as she breathed one breath, two, and little Lucy kept breathing!

Five months of holding, loving, fighting, and celebrating in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit, Lucy loved her big sister, Natali. A gifted little artist and creative spirit, Natali loved rocking and singing to baby Lucy. We all held on to the miracle of hope. Grandparents, Jodie and Dave were lifesavers. Juggling jobs, children, the hospital and life, they were dedication and love.

Lucy was a fighter and shattered all predictions. She was a bright light in our world. In November, she caught a cold her lungs could not heal. She died in her mother's arms, knowing she was adored and treasured, her parents' little LAM. Lucy will always be light and always be love.

The family continues to be a light for the Children's Center. Many community members came together to support this family with scholarships including summer camp 2017. Kristi and Kevin will light a candle for Lucy at the Grief Group's annual candlelighting 2017. Her light burns.



The Muse family dotes on Lucy.

## **Program Statistics**

	Total	Suffolk	Franklin	Isle of Wight	South- ampton	Other
Early Intervention	426	285	56	74	11	0
Pediatric Therapy	342	228	45	41	6	22
Franklin Childcare	85	5	46	5	25	4
Suffolk Childcare	92	74	1	2	1	14
Early Head Start	338	161	91	40	46	0
Head Start	327	199	36	32	60	0
Total Participating*	1,610	952	275	194	149	40

<sup>\*</sup> Some children were enrolled in more than one program.

## Early Head Start & Head Start Facts

## Kindergarten Readiness

The Children's Center has school readiness goals across five key domains: social and emotional development, language development and literacy, approaches toward learning, cognition and general knowledge, and physical well-being and motor development.

The Center uses ongoing assessment through Teaching Strategies Gold to monitor all children's progress and to individualize lesson planning.

Teachers enter data on each child's progress at three checkpoints each year.

The Center administers Pre-K Pals screening to all 4-year olds in the fall and spring to assess their phonological awareness.

Data from the 2016-2017 school year showed positive progress from fall to spring across developmental domains.

The Children's Center uses Creative Curriculum in all of its classrooms. Creative Curriculum is a comprehensive curriculum with a clear organizational structure and a particular focus on interest areas.

The Children's Center Early Head Start and Head Start programs assure that all children have required immunizations, social security cards, birth certificates, primary care physicians, dental screenings, and health insurance before they leave the program.

# Millety-seven percent of difficulties.

## **Parent Involvement**

100 percent of families served by Early Head Start and 100 percent of Head Start families participated in education activities designed to develop knowledge and skills that encourage self-sufficiency and improve interaction with children.

### **Health Insurance**

- One hundred percent of children in the Early Head Start program had health insurance.
- Ninety-seven percent of children in the Head Start program had health insurance.

## **Head Start Review**

The Administration for Children and Families conducted an on-site monitoring review of the Children's Center's Head Start programs from November 4 through November 7, 2014; January 26 through January 30, 2015; and March 30 through April 3, 2015. The Head Start Review Reports contained no deficiencies as a result of the review. The report included areas of strength as well as areas of non-compliance, which were corrected within the designated Federal timeline. A full report is posted at each Head Start center.

## Percentage of eligible children served in Western Tidewater

The Children's Center estimates that 1,073 children are eligible for Early Head Start services in Western Tidewater. During the 2016-2017 fiscal year, the Center served 32 percent of those eligible children (338 of 1,073).

The Children's Center estimates that 766 children are eligible for Head Start services in Western Tidewater. During the 2016-2017 fiscal year, the Center served 43 percent of those eligible children (327 of 766).

## **Dental and Medical Exams**

- 100% of children in the Early Head Start program received dental screenings.
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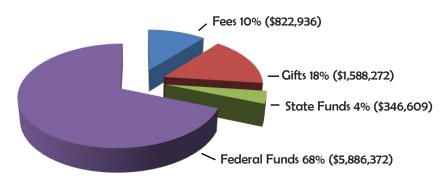
Average EHS Monthly Enrollment for 2016-2017 as percentage of funded Enrollment: 100% (256 of 256). Average HS Monthly Enrollment for 2016-2017 as percentage of funded enrollment: 100% (300 of 300).

## **Financials**

## Revenue and Expenditures

2016-2017 Actual - \$8,644,189

## Revenue by Source



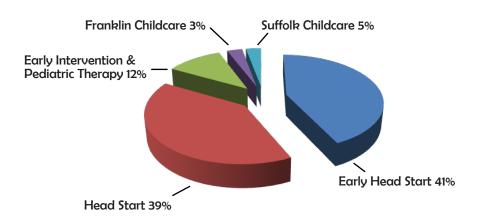
## **Audit Results**

The independent auditors' report expressed a qualified opinion on the financial statements of the Children's Center for the fiscal year 2016-2017. The qualification is based on the financial statements, which show fixed assets purchased with Head Start funds as fully depreciated in the year of acquisition. Property and equipment acquired for the Head Start programs may be fully expensed in the year acquired, in accordance with Federal regulation 2 CFR 225, Appendix B(15)(b)(4).

We are pleased to report the auditors' report on compliance for the Children's Center had no findings or areas of non-compliance for the Early Head Start and Head Start programs for the fiscal year 2016-2017. A copy of the Children's Center's audit is available upon request.



## **Expenditures by Program**



## Early Head Start & Head Start Revenues & Expenses

## 2017-2018 Early Head Start Budget

#### **EHS Revenues**

Source	Budget
EHS Federal Funds	\$7,805,757
In-Kind Contributions	\$1,535,577
USDA	\$ 230,250
Local Tax	\$ 13,000
United Way	\$ 19,012
Contributions	\$ 251,090
TOTAL	\$9,854,686

#### **EHS Expenses**

Source	Budget
Salaries	\$3,306,797
Other	\$2,273,618
Construction	\$2,207,790
Fringe	\$ 719,902
Supplies	\$ 689,071
Equipment	\$ 473,806
Contractural	\$ 180,702
Travel	\$ 3,000
TOTAL	\$9,854,686

### 2017-2018 Head Start Budget

#### **HS Revenues**

Source	В	udget
HS Federal Funds	\$2	2,705,428
In-Kind Contributions	\$	644,045
USDA	\$	235,520
Local Tax	\$	13,000
United Way	\$	13,375
Contributions	\$	0
TOTAL	\$3	3,611,368



#### **HS** Expenses

Source	Budget
Salaries	\$1,758,912
Other	\$1,164,042
Fringe	\$ 350,688
Supplies	\$ 323,726
Equipment	\$ 10,000
Travel	\$ 1,500
Contractual	\$ 2,500
Construction	\$ 0
TOTAL	\$3,611,368

Representative Donald McEachin visited the Suffolk Head Start Center to meet with staff, children, and parents.

## 2016-2017 EHS Revenues and Expenses

#### Revenues

		70
EHS Federal Funds	\$2,727,096	75
In-Kind Contributions	\$ 669,341	18
USDA	\$ 114,727	3
Contributions	\$ 112,237	3
Local Tax	\$ 13,000	0
United Way	\$ 17,147	1
TOTAL	\$3,653,548	
Expenses		
		%
Salaries	\$1,762,698	48
Other	\$1,018,048	28
Fringe	\$ 335,963	9
Supplies	\$ 342,464	10
Equipment	\$ 186,184	5
Travel	\$ 6,222	0
Contractural	\$ 1,969	0

## 2016-2017 HS Revenues and Expenses

\$3,653,548

#### Revenues

TOTAL

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		%
HS Federal Funds	\$2,596,763	75
In-Kind Contributions	\$ 602,726	17
USDA	\$ 223,054	6
Contributions	\$ 25,832	1
United Way	\$ 10,973	0
Local Tax	\$ 13,000	1
TOTAL	\$3,472,348	
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Expenses		
		%
Salaries	\$1,458,932	42
Other	\$1,184,136	34
Supplies	\$ 377,810	11
Fringe	\$ 273,167	8
Equipment	\$ 174,703	5
Travel	\$ 1,631	0
Contractual	\$ 1,969	0
TOTAL	\$3,472,348	

## In honor, memory & gratitude

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#### Volunteer

The Children's Center has many volunteer opportunities from reading to children and sharing a skill or a hobby to painting or helping with the annual report mailing. Contact Jeff Zeigler at 562-6806 on how to get started.

#### **Guest Speakers**

The Children's Center can provide a guest speaker for your club, church group, or organization. Topics range from early childhood development and behavioral health to disabilities and bereavement.

#### **In-Kind Gifts**

The Children's Center accepts in-kind gifts including class-room art supplies, educational toys, recreational toys, and general supplies. For a comprehensive list, go to www. childrenscenterva.com/page/wish-list.

#### **NAP Tax Credits**

The Virginia Neighborhood Assistance Program (NAP) provides tax incentives for individuals who donate \$500 or more to the Children's Center in a six month period.



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