

REACH-UP, INC.'S ANNUAL REPORT TO THE PUBLIC
 (August, 2011)
Mission Statement

Reach-Up Inc. provides comprehensive education and support services
 that strengthen low-income families with young children.

Core Values

- We value all relationships based on integrity, trust and respect.
- We value our strength-based partnerships with families and community agencies.
- We value the uniqueness and diversity within our communities.

Vision Statement

Reach-Up is recognized throughout the community and state as
 an early childhood model of excellence that has a *lasting impact*
 on children and families.

Funding Source/Amount:

Federal Head Start (HS):	\$2,862,953	Federal HS ARRA :	\$44,746
Federal Early Head Start (EHS):	362,188	(aka "stimulus dollars")	
State HS/EHS:	665,325	Federal EHS ARRA:	5,982
USDA/CACFP (Fed Food Program)	134,452	(aka "stimulus dollars:)	50,729
General Mills Grant	9,559		
United Way	30,392		
Child Care Receipts	66,722		
Medica Foundation Grant	5,000		
Head Start/Body Start Grant	1,792		
	<u>\$4,138,383</u>		

Funded Enrollment:

Head Start: 429 Early Head Start: 60

Total Children & Families Served:

Head Start: 498 Early Head Start: 79

Average Monthly Enrollment (Sept-May):

Head Start: 99.7% Early Head Start: 100%

Percent of Eligible Children/Families Served:

Head Start: 75% Early Head Start: 38%

Children Who Received Preventative/Primary

Health Care Services:

Head Start: 99% Early Head Start: 95%

Children Who Received Preventative Dental

Services:

Head Start: 84% Early Head Start: 94%

Parent Involvement Activities:

Parents and other family members are offered the opportunity to be involved in their children's programming from the initial enrollment. Specifically, families are encouraged to attend site-based parent meetings, to visit or volunteer in the classroom and on field trips, to serve on the Policy Council, to serve on Reach-Up's advisory committees, to attend MHSA-sponsored trainings, to attend the annual MHSA parent conference, and to participate in other relevant activities. Topic specific classes are offered for parents, which includes one sequence specifically targeting "fatherhood".

Parent Satisfaction:

The most recent family surveys (spring, 2010) revealed 98% overall satisfaction with Reach-Up's center-based programs and 100% overall satisfaction for its home-based programs.

Preparation For Kindergarten:

KinderStart facilitates the successful transition of past Head Start children and their families into the elementary school system. KinderStart supports families through individualized home visits and supports kindergarten teachers and/or principals through transition meetings. During the 2009-10 program year:

- **226** families of KinderStart (past Head Start) children received some type of KinderStart service.
- **28** elementary schools updated written transition agreements with KinderStart.