

Ounce of Prevention Fund Waukegan Early Head Start



Annual Report 2016

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General Information

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Agency Type: Grantee

Agency Description

The Ounce of Prevention Fund is a Head Start/Early Head Start grantee that provides services through directly-operated, partner, and delegate programs throughout the city of Chicago, the south suburbs, and Waukegan.

Delegate Agency: One Hope United, Waukegan Site

Program Name: One Hope United – Waukegan Early Learning Center
Program Number: 05-CH8341-201
Program Address: 1500 Sunset Ave., Waukegan, IL 60087
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Agency Type: Private/Public Non-Profit

Agency Description:

One Hope United provides advocacy, support and comprehensive early childhood education services to vulnerable children and families through a diverse array of prevention, intervention, and community-based programs and services.

Program Philosophy:

OHU's early childhood program philosophy is grounded in the premise that parents, families and communities are the principal influences on the development of children. We know that parents and the family are the first and most important teachers of their children. We want to work together to help your child reach his or her fullest potential. All families need support, and our programs are specifically designed to help meet your needs. The early childhood program is dedicated to helping families raise strong and healthy children. We believe that the best way to do this is to form partnerships with parents and the families of children. These partnerships are based on mutual trust, understanding, respect and common goals.

Research has shown that most of a child’s potential for learning is established by age 6. During these early years, children need a stimulating environment that will enable them to build their own knowledge through many and varied opportunities to see, hear, smell, taste and feel. They need opportunities to explore and experiment, to question and guess, to fail and try again. Most importantly, children need a nurturing environment, where they can feel secure and can trust that they are loved and cared for. These objectives require teachers who are trained to be *edu-caring* professionals, to be competent in providing both education and loving care.

Site Locations

Waukegan Early Learning Center
1500 Sunset Avenue, Suite B
Waukegan, IL 60087

Waukegan Home Visiting Program
2115 Ernie Krueger Cir.
Waukegan, IL 60087

Community Areas Served

- Waukegan Township
- Waukegan
- Beach Park
- Park City
- North Chicago

One Hope United-Waukegan – provides full day, full-year center-based services in Lake County for Waukegan Township, which includes the municipalities of Waukegan, Beach Park, Park City, and North Chicago. One Hope United-Waukegan serves **40 children** at one site. The program also provides home-based services to **30 children** in Waukegan Township covering Waukegan, Beach Park, Park City, and North Chicago in Lake County.

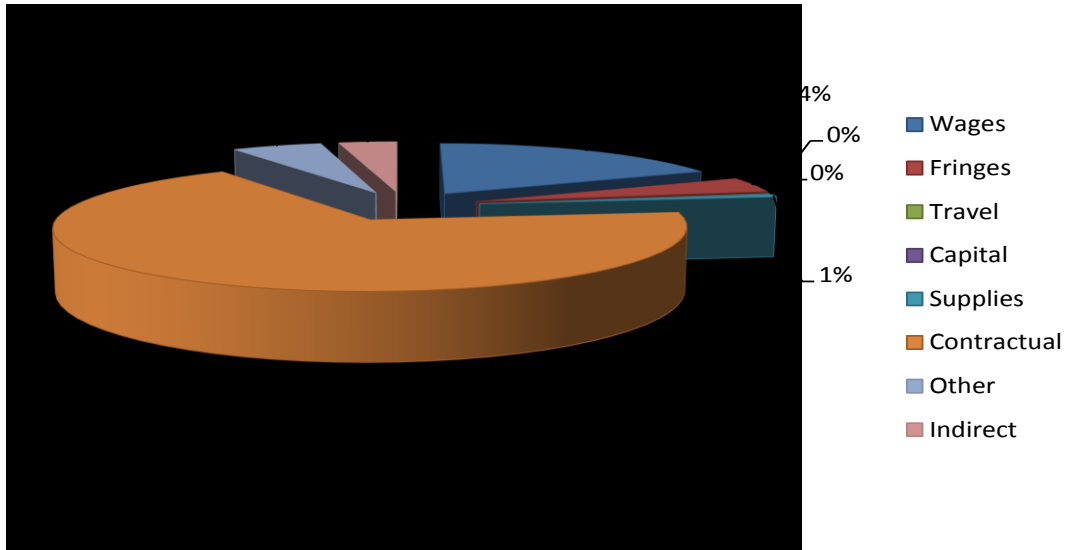
Overall Grantee Budget 2016

Total Public and Private Funds Received: \$ 1,256,688

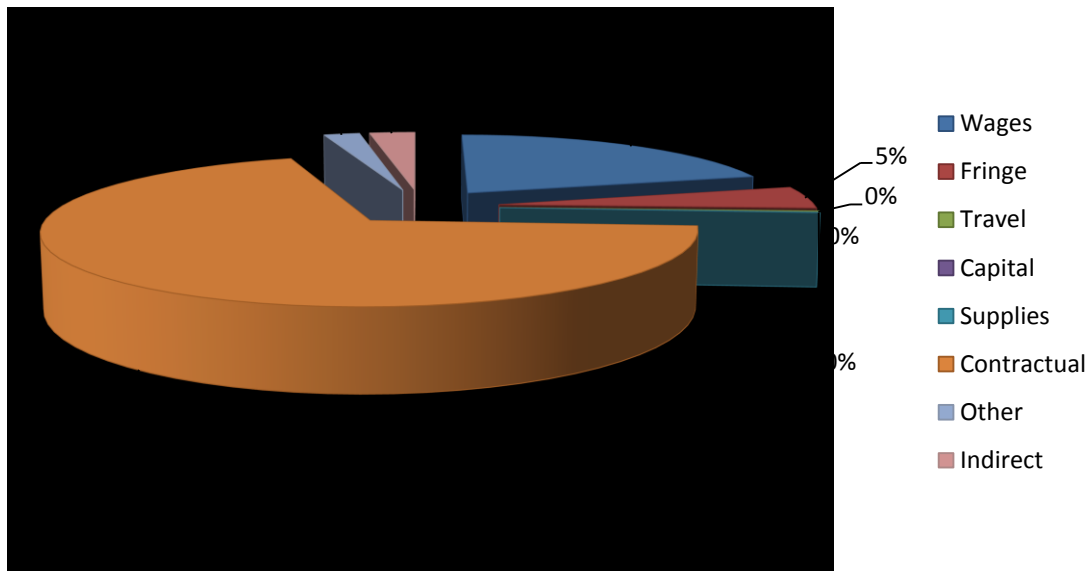
Source	Public	Private
Federal	\$ 1,005,305	\$ -
State & Local	\$ -	\$ 48,223
Individuals, Corporations, Foundations, In-kind, Other	\$ -	\$ 203,161
TOTAL	\$ 1,005,305	\$ 251,384

2016 Budget and Actual Expenditures

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Children and Families Served 2016

	Head Start Enrollment	Early Head Start Enrollment
Center-based Program		40
a. 5 days per week		
1. Full-day enrollment		
2. Part-day enrollment		
b. 4 days per week		
1. Full-day enrollment		
2. Part-day enrollment		
Home-based Program		30
Total:		70

One Hope United

Total Children Served: 94

Total Families Served: 76

Average monthly enrollment (as percentage of funded enrollment): 100%

Number of Eligible Children in Community, ages 0-2	1,760
Percentage of Eligible Children Served in Agency	5.3%

Health

Percentage of enrolled children who received medical and dental exams	Received Medical Exams	Received Dental Exams/ Oral Care
One Hope United – Waukegan Site	74%	74%
Grantee Average	74%	74%

Parental Involvement

Parent Education Activities

Health

- Mobile Dental Vans
- Health Education workshops on infant immunizations
- Importance of Health & Developmental screenings
- Pedestrian Safety
- Nutrition Workshop
- CPR/First Aid & Safe Sleep

Mental Health

- Child Abuse and Neglect Training
- Classroom Observations
- Strategies of Discipline
- Supporting Social and Emotional Development
- Working with Children with Challenging Behaviors
- How to Manage Stress

Education and Literacy – sampling

- Teaching Strategies Workshops
- Children's Literacy
- Parent Trainings
 - Child Development Milestones
 - Creative Curriculum Purpose of Play
- On-Site Family Literacy Nights and Activities

Community and Social Services

- Parent Program Orientation
- Week of the Young Child Activities
- Parent Surveys

- Provisions of Resources and Social Service Referrals
- At Home Activities for Parents & Children

Other Community-related Education

- University of Illinois Cooperative Extension
- Chicago Metro AEYC Conference
- Ounce Annual Pre-Service Conference
- Back to School Health and Education Fair
- National Head Start Parent Conference
- Parent and Community Classes
 - Head Start/Early Head Start recruiting
 - Financial Planning

Parent Committee Meetings

- Parent Education Workshops are generally include monthly meetings. Examples include:
 - Parent Committee Orientation
 - Strengthening Families Self-Assessment Committee developed plans to enhance parent involvement.

School Readiness

Teachers received ongoing training on utilizing the Creative Curriculum and *Teaching Strategies GOLD®* assessment tool. By completing ongoing observations, teachers have become more attuned to children's individual needs and development. The Education Coordinator will continue regularly working with staff to further develop their knowledge and skills in implementing the curriculum and assessment tool in the coming year.

As a result of their program data analysis in the Spring, each teacher and home provider is aware of his/her own strengths and areas for improvement in the collection of documentation and assessment data. Following each checkpoint data analysis period, teachers and home providers have developed action plans for improvement. The majority of Center- and Home-Based staff has been, and plans to continue to be, successful in achieving their individual goals.

Teachers and home visitors continue to develop strategies for streamlining their documentation routines. Home-Based staff now use a visual checklist of objectives and share strategies to engage families in collecting observation data on their own. When successful, this is a highly valuable strategy. Strategies to engage families in the assessment of their children would be useful for center-based teachers.

Teachers showed an improved capacity to analyze their data for the Spring checkpoint period and in making comparisons to Fall and Winter. They recognized their greater ability to collect and enter data as well as to use their lesson plans intentionally to plan experiences for data collection. The teachers also shared how they had improved their teaching practices related to their ability to observe the interests of children and use those when planning curriculum experiences.

Summary of Annual Review Findings

In March 2016, OHS conducted a Comprehensive Services/School Readiness review. No Area of noncompliance was found during the course of the review.

In August 2016, OHS conducted a Leadership/Governance/Management Systems review. No Area of noncompliance was found during the course of the review.

Summary of Audit Findings

There were no financial audit findings in the grantee or delegate agency for FY2016.

Summary of Information Required by the Secretary

The Ounce Board of Directors and Policy Council were given brief summaries and links to all Program Instructions and Information Memorandums.