

# SUMMIT HEAD START 0-5



ANNUAL REPORT  
2019/2020 SCHOOL YEAR



## FROM THE DIRECTOR...

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I am excited to share with our community the 2019-2020 program year Annual Report. It highlights our children, activities, and accomplishments that support getting HS0-5 children and families ready for school and ready for life.

The Head Start 0-5 program has a wonderful staff at Early Childhood Options, an engaged board, and supportive community partners. It is our collaboration and relationships that allow HS0-5 to best serve the needs in our community.

As this year brought many new challenges, I am proud to say that we, as a program and a community, came together to adapt, improvise, and overcome. We are looking forward to another successful year!

**CARLY NIXON**

HS0-5 DIRECTOR

EARLY CHILDHOOD OPTIONS

# PROGRAM DETAILS

## VISION

Prepare families for the future.

## MISSION

Develop school readiness for all children by promoting education, health, self-sufficiency, and community.

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The Summit Head Start 0-5 (HS0-5) program provides services to children of low income families, prenatal to 5 years old. Summit County Government is the grantee for 35 funded Head Start slots (HS) and 14 funded Early Head Start (EHS) slots with management and leadership provided by Early Childhood Options (ECO). ECO also contracts with Clayton Early Learning for 12 additional Early Head Start Childcare Partnership (EHS-CCP) slots.

HS0-5 collaborates with the Summit School District (SSD), Summit County Preschool, Lake Dillon Preschool and Carriage House Early Learning Center to provide high quality preschool and center-based care. HS0-5 partners with Early Intervention Colorado (EI) to provide disability services for EHS, and Part B at the SSD to provide services for HS children with identified disabilities. Public Health provides nurse consultation, and WIC staff serves as the HS0-5 registered dietician. HS0-5 also has Early Childhood (EC) coaches on staff and access to Mental Health Consultants to provide comprehensive supports. Through these partnerships, HS0-5 is able to provide high quality and comprehensive services to children, families, and teachers.

## HEAD START 0-5 BY THE NUMBERS

### 74 children

provided with comprehensive services including education, health, and family well-being supports during 2019-2020 program year (cumulative enrollment)

### 71 families served

two annual home visits provided and participation in family goal setting

### 31 Engagement Events

offered during 19-20 program year for parents, children, and families

### 17 classrooms

across Summit County serving HS0-5 children; all received full tuition reimbursement, coaching and site support

### 83% Spanish

families reported Spanish as their home language

100% average Monthly enrollment for 19-20 program year

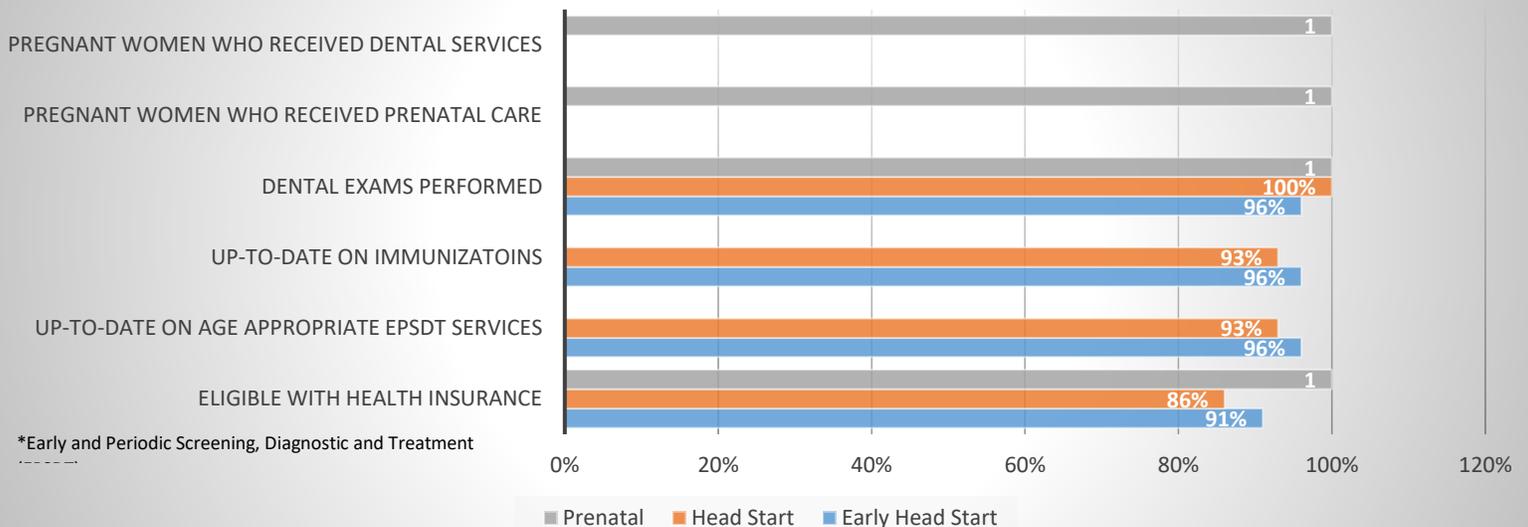


# HEALTHY CHILDREN AND FAMILIES



Head Start 0-5 received 15 referrals during 19-20 program year from community agencies such as Family Intercultural Resource Center (FIRC), Nurse Family Partnership, Department of Public Health, CCCAP, Advocate,

## HEALTH SERVICES- End of Enrollment 19-20 Program Year



Health screenings are performed throughout the school year. Within 45 days from the first day of attendance, HS0-5 children are screened and assessed in the following areas: Developmental, Behavior, Vision, Hearing and Dental. Dental screenings are completed within 90 days of start date, and children are monitored every 6 months with exams and follow up services.

HS0-5 uses the ASQ3/ASQSE-2, a community screening tool, to support a community-wide efforts for early identification and referral. This tool is used at most EC center based programs, home visit programs and at local pediatricians' offices. HS0-5 uses the ASQ-3 & ASQ-SE2 at time of application to support community wide effort for early identification and referral. HS05 participants are screened at enrollment and a minimum of once every subsequent year.

# FAMILY ENGAGEMENT

97% of enrolled families received one or more services identified from family needs assessments. Services cover supports and assistance for food, clothing, transportation, housing, mental health, ESL, parenting education, domestic violence services, and health education.



## FAMILY ENGAGEMENT

HS0-5 offered multiple engagement opportunities for participants and families. HS0-5 offered 31 events in the 19-20 program year. Events included were bilingual playgroups, healthy snack events, yoga classes, hiking, and snowshoeing outings. HS0-5 also offered six parent committees and three main events throughout the program year. These included Back to School Night, Family Disco, and Graduation. The events were well attended and fostered community activities, relationships and learning. Children, parents, family members and staff have all actively socialized and participated in HS0-5 engagement opportunities.

## POLICY COUNCIL

HS0-5 hosts monthly Parent Policy Council Committee meetings. Meetings are open to the entire program, and are attended by elected parents and community members. Each HS0-5 site has representation. Members review and approve: goals, objectives, and outcomes. Annual reporting, grant applications, and financials are also reviewed at these meetings.

## ENGAGEMENT DURING COVID-19?

During the pandemic, virtual events were held by Zoom. Families attended Bilingual Play Groups, Yoga, How to prepare Healthy Snacks and a Family Support Group. Positive Solutions for Families, a evidenced-based parent training, was also offered.



# ENROLLMENT

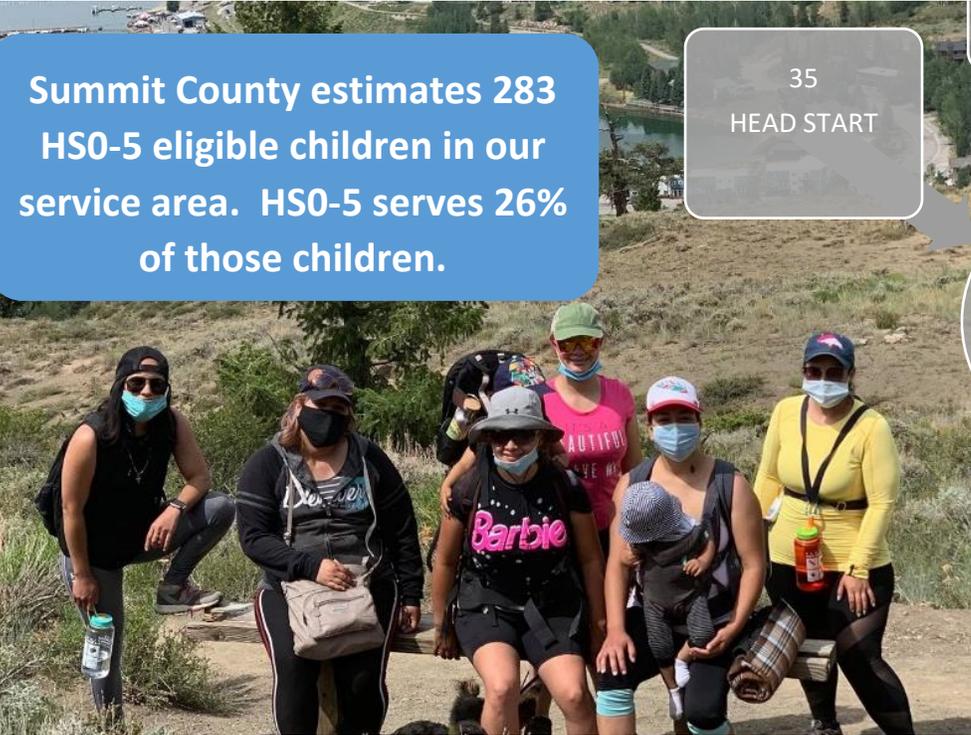
Summit County estimates 283 HS0-5 eligible children in our service area. HS0-5 serves 26% of those children.

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HEAD START

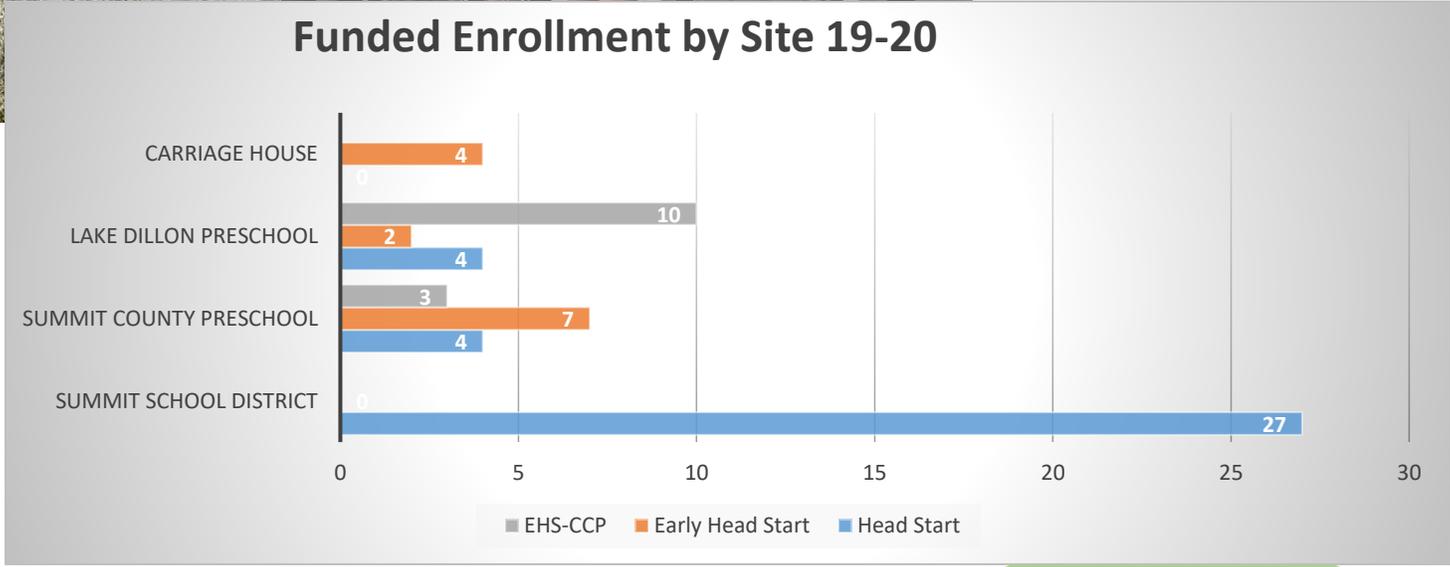
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EARLY HEAD  
START (INCLUDES  
EHS-CCP)

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PRENATAL

61 FUNDED  
ENROLLMENT



Funded Enrollment by Site 19-20



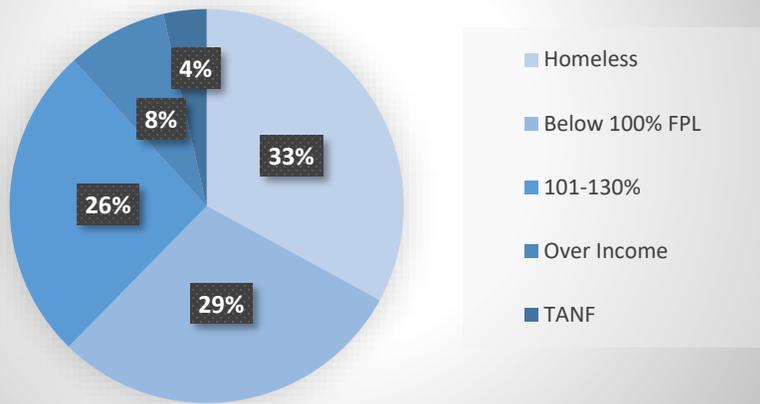
*“Children are not a distraction from more important work. They are the most important work.”*

-C.S. Lewis

# WHO WE SERVE

The Head Start 0-5 program serves families and their children birth to five whose income qualify according to Federal Poverty Guidelines. Children also qualify based on risk factors established locally by the program's Policy Council and governing body.

## ELIGIBILITY STATUS OF PARTICIPANTS



\*HSO-5 uses Federal Poverty Guidelines. In 2019, the Federal Poverty Level (FPL) for a family of four was \$25,750.

\*HSO-5 uses McKinney Vento Act for qualifying a family as homeless.

\*Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)

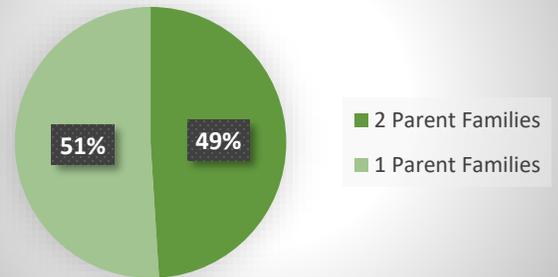
## DISABILITY SERVICES

17% OF HS CHILDREN WERE ON AN IEP (INDIVIDUALIZED EDUCATION PROGRAM)

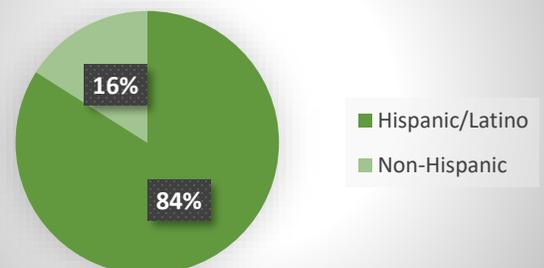
20% OF EHS CHILDREN WERE ON AN IFSP (INDIVIDUALIZED FAMILY SERVICE PLAN)



## FAMILY TYPE



## ETHNICITY OF FAMILIES



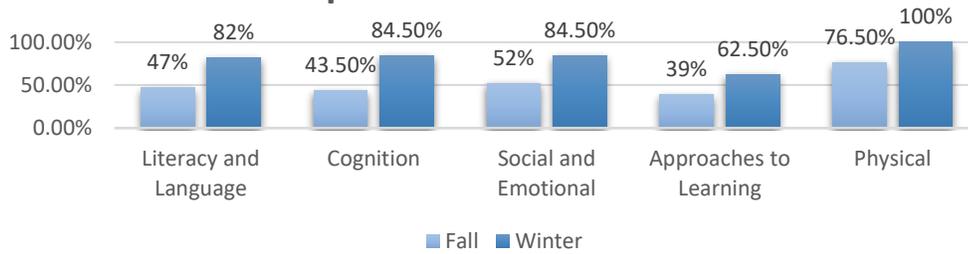
# SCHOOL READINESS

Summit County has a School Readiness Committee that includes representatives from HS0-5, FIRC, Summit School District, Early Childhood Options, Early Childhood Council and Community Childcare programs. This local committee created community-wide school readiness goals. The committee meets quarterly to discuss school readiness goals, to review data, and to inform the planning they do for training and supports for EC professionals. Head Start requires that goals are created for each of the following domains: literacy & language, cognitive & knowledge, social & emotional, approaches to learning, and physical health & development.

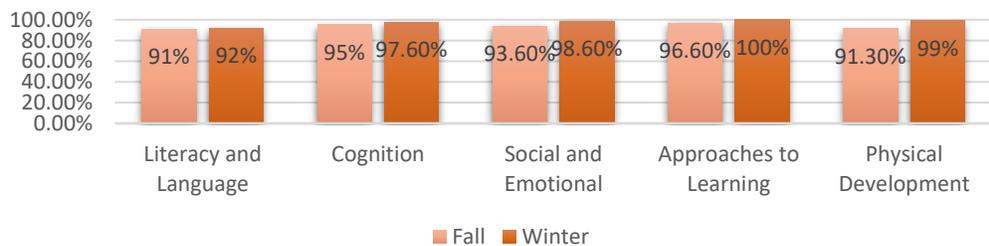
## TS GOLD DATA

The HS0-5 program uses Teaching Strategies GOLD assessment system. Center programs, including Head Start 0-5, utilize the Creative Curriculum and the online TS GOLD assessment. There are 3 data checkpoints in a year, which occur in the Fall, Winter and Spring. In 2020, the Spring checkpoint was cancelled due to center closures in response to COVID-19.

**Head Start Participants Meeting Widely Held Expectations for TS Gold**



**Early Head Start Participants Meeting Widely Held Expectations for TS Gold**



## QUALITY

CLASS Tool observations are conducted annually to assess the quality of teacher-child interactions. In addition, mock Infant/Toddler Environment Rating Scale (ITERS) & Early Childhood Environment Rating Scale (ECERS) ratings are offered to all sites.

All HS0-5 sites are at a level 3 or 4 on the Colorado Shines rating system. At a minimum, programs are licensed, in good standing and meet health and safety standards. Ratings of a 3 and above demonstrate high-quality programs and practices in all areas.

Coaching support is offered at all sites- providing a minimum of 8 hours per classroom per program year. Additional support is available for sites upon request.

# Overview of Community Assessment

Summit County continues to address the challenges and hard work of improving the quality of comprehensive services provided for young children. Professionals in the field of education and human services work diligently together to educate the public and policy makers on the issues affecting the health and well-being of young children and families in Summit County. HSO-5, collaboratively with community partners is committed to maintaining and improving quality systems that support families, children, and EC professionals. Focus remains on: affordable housing and the high cost of living, strategic planning to retain qualified staff, increasing bilingual staff representative of cultures of families served, coordinated services around access to health and mental health supports, expansion of disability supports and services to community sites, coordination of blended funding, and a community-wide referral system to ensure continuum of care and resources for families of children ages birth-5 years old.

## COVID-19

In mid-March, in an effort to reduce community spread of COVID-19, all local centers closed and 50% of local family child care homes closed. 100% of the 18 classrooms serving Head Start and Early Head Start children closed. 66% of Head Start classrooms re-opened in early June, although several programs opened with limited enrollment capacity. All community centers applied for and received forgivable loans through the federal Payroll Protection Program, one center also furloughed staff. These loans allowed centers to avoid widespread layoffs. In addition, to offset the considerable financial burden on child care centers as a result of unplanned closures, the Summit County Head Start Program, along with the local child care subsidy program (CCCAP) and the PreK tuition credit program (SPK), maintained tuition payments throughout the entire period of March 13-August 31, 2020. Local quality improvement funding, along with Head Start funding, was also used to help with the purchase and distribution of PPE and other supplies needed to re-open centers as safely as possible for staff, children and families.



Summit Head Start received a \$43,061 supplement in COVID-19 One Time funding. This funding was received from the CARES Act, and was to be used to prevent, prepare for, and respond to COVID-19. It was also encouraged to support children transitioning to Kindergarten and children with identified disabilities. Here is an overview of how HSO-5 used the funding.

7 Prek Children served with full-time summer care

PPE supplies for all classrooms and sites

contracted with an Early Childhood Special Education (ECSE) teacher to support in summer classrooms

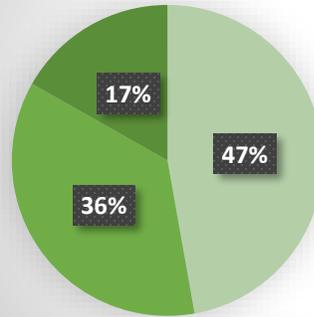
8 Outdoor classes offered throughout summer geared towards Kindergarten readiness

# FINANCIALS

\*Summit County Government (SCG) is the grantee for both a Head Start and Early Head Start grant. Following is financial information related to grants held by SCG.



## 2019 Federal Dollars \$986,655



- Head Start \$465,809
- Early Head Start \$355,163
- EHS Childcare Partnership \$165,683

## 2019 ACTUALS

FY 2019 Budget – Category	Actual	
	EHS	HS
Personnel	\$166,355	\$134,148
Fringe	\$45,313	\$35,707
Travel	\$6,499	\$4,769
Supplies	\$8,435	\$9,700
Contractual	\$78,961	\$196,289
Other	\$30,603	\$54,117
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$336,166</b>	<b>\$434,730</b>

\*includes 2019 COLA

## 2020 PROPOSED BUDGET

FY 2020 Budget – Category	Proposed	
	EHS	HS
Personnel	\$73,368	\$184,335
Fringe	\$15,968	\$42,956
Travel	\$5,625	\$4,769
Supplies	\$13,188	\$12,836
Contractual	\$228,530	\$182,402
Other	\$18,484	\$38,491
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$355,163</b>	<b>\$465,809</b>

\*includes 2020 COLA & OI

### EARLY HEAD START CHILD CARE PARTNERSHIP

Early Childhood Options has completed three successful years in a contract with Clayton Early Learning to serve 12 additional infants/toddlers at Lake Dillon Preschool and Summit County Preschool through an Early Head Start-Child Care Partnerships (EHS-CCP) grant. Clayton Early Learning is a leading early childhood program located in Denver, Colorado. Clayton was awarded an EHS-CCP grant designed to support/toddlers through EHS services in community childcare centers throughout the state. Fiscal Information is to the right.



### Sept 2018-Aug 2019 Budget-

Category	EHS-CCP
Personnel	\$51,228
Fringe	\$13,639
Travel	\$1,407
Supplies	\$900
Contractual	\$88,668
Other	\$9,841
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$165,683.00</b>

### ANNUAL AUDIT

Summit County government has their books audited annually by an independent accounting firm. The audit includes basic financial statements as well as federal grant auditing. Audited financial statements are issued by June 30 for the prior year. The 2019 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and the Federal Single Audit Report state compliance in all material aspects. These reports can be found at: <http://www.co.summit.co.us/?nid=218>.

# NON FEDERAL SHARE

## 2019 Federal Requirements for NFS

HS: 108,730

EHS: 83,995

Program Total: 192,725

The requirement for non-federal share match to HS/EHS grant reflects the partnership and commitment between the federal government and local community. The Federal government has committed to cover 80 percent of the actual costs of program services, and the local community is responsible to raise or provide 20% of program costs with non-federal dollars.

## 2019 NFS ACTUALS

	HS	EHS	Clayton	Total
Colorado Preschool Program/ Summit School District (Public)	\$ 95,567			\$ 95,567
Summit County Right Start Project (Public)	\$ 42,354	\$ 40,587	\$ 92,505	\$ 42,354
Family Intercultural Resource Center (Public)		\$ 85,939		\$ 85,939
Temple Hoyne Buell Foundation (Private)	\$ 12,914	\$ 10,154	\$ 15,953	\$ 39,021
Anschutz Family Foundation (Private)	\$ 1,450	\$ 350	\$ 3,200	\$ 5,000
Other Private support	\$ 7,641	\$ 1,057	\$ 6,666	\$ 15,364
The Summit Foundation (Private)	\$ 31,801	\$ 6,263	\$ 24,756	\$ 31,801
<b>Total Public Funding</b>	<b>\$ 137,921</b>	<b>\$ 126,526</b>	<b>\$ 92,505</b>	<b>\$ 137,921</b>
<b>Total Private Funding</b>	<b>\$ 53,807</b>	<b>\$ 17,824</b>	<b>\$ 50,573</b>	<b>\$ 53,807</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 191,728</b>	<b>\$ 144,350</b>	<b>\$ 143,078</b>	<b>\$ 479,156</b>

Each Head Start 0-5 sites reports out annually on their contribution to the required NFS match.

We are fortunate to have support from a variety of local and state organizations to make our required non-federal share match. These organizations include:

Summit Foundation, Colorado Health Foundation, Early Childhood Options, Family & Intercultural Resource Center, Summit School District, Summit County Preschool, Lake Dillon Preschool, Carriage House Early Learning Center, State of Colorado (Colorado Preschool Program), Summit County Government (Right Start Project, Public Health & Fiscal/Legal) and volunteers.