



## CDC Brazoria County Head Start—Annual Report

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### A MESSAGE FROM THE CEO

I bring you greetings on behalf of the board of directors of the Child Development Council, sponsoring agency for the Brazoria County Head Start Program. We are celebrating 40 years of services to economically disadvantaged pre-school age children and their families throughout our great county.



Over the years more than 12,000 children have participated in our program. As we reflect over our years of services, we have much to be proud of. We recognized that we did not do it alone, so we will always be grateful to the many folks who lent a helping hand along the way.

Our many accomplishments continue to be inspired by the first Executive Director for our agency, the late Mr. Olin LeBaron, and Mr. Jim Isom, who succeeded him. I am only the agency's third leader, and I have been honored to serve in this capacity since 1982. Throughout the years we have enjoyed the services of committed board and Policy Council members, and a trained and dedicated staff. In 2001 we expanded our program to include pregnant women, infants and toddlers. We have so much to be grateful for and we ask for your continued support now and in the years to come.

Take time to carefully review the data included in the following pages. If you have any questions or concerns, send your thoughts directly to me at [emoore@headstartbc.org](mailto:emoore@headstartbc.org).

Enjoy!

*Evelyn Moore*

*The Child Development Council of Brazoria County exists to provide early childhood development experiences, health services, and family and community partnerships in order to bring about a greater degree of social competence in pre-school children from low-income families.*

# CDC Brazoria County Head Start By the Numbers

## Our Children and Families

Our funded enrollment was **492** children, and we maintained full enrollment monthly.

We maintained an active waiting list, and **60%** of all eligible children were served for the year.

By year end, the Head Start and Early Head Start programs served a total of **609** children and **33** pregnant women.

**585** children received medical exams and **568** received a dental exam.

**93%** of 4-year-olds knew at least 10 letters of the alphabet. This is a 2% increase from last year and well over the National Average.

**8** fathers completed the agency's 5-week fatherhood training program, Nurturing Fathers.

**60** families received job training, English as a Second Language (ESL) courses, or Adult Education (GED, college selection, etc.)

Emergency assistance (addressing an immediate need for food, clothing, or shelter) was provided for **187** families.

The agency had **342** volunteers in the program, of which **197** were current or former Head Start parents.



## Our Staff

**40%** of our staff members were current or former Head Start parents.

Of our teaching staff, **16%** had a Bachelor's Degree, **26%** had an Associate's Degree, and **58%** had a Child Development Associate.

**58%** of administrative staff had an Associate's, Bachelor's, or Master's Degree.

**Head Start in Action**  
**Elizabeth G.**  
**Alvin Head Start Parent**

*Elizabeth is a parent at Alvin Head Start and represents the center on the Health Advisory Committee. Her daughter has attended the center for two years and began Pre-K this year.*

*"The teacher was so impressed with how much Kayla knew (at the beginning of the year). She could write her name correctly, knew almost all her letters, and was beginning to sound out words and spell. I told the teacher she learned everything from Head Start. I am happy with how well she is doing."*

# Financial Information

<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 4,423,564.00.</b>
<b>Public Funds from governmental grants and fees</b>	
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services – Head Start Grant	\$ 3,805,337.00
Texas Department of Human Resources – Child & Adult Care Food Program	179,647.00
<b>Private funds from contributions and other income</b>	
Donated Services and Facilities	\$410,438.00
Unrestricted Contributions	9,564.00
Raffle Sales, net of expenses	13,618.00
Interest Income	4,960.00
<b>Expenses for fiscal year ending August 31, 2008</b>	<b>\$ 4,487,448.00</b>
<b>Total net asset at August 31, 2008, net of accumulated depreciation</b>	<b>\$ 2,115,344.00</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>	<b>\$635,200.00</b>

The above financial information was obtained from our most recent audited financial statements for the fiscal year ending August 31, 2008. CDC received an unqualified audit report; and there were **no findings**, or questioned costs, and no Management Letter. A complete set of our audited financial statements are available to the public at our office located at 651 West Miller Street, Angleton, Texas.

## Legacy Fund Drive

The Legacy Fund Drive will establish an endowment that will secure and sustain CDC's Legacy of providing quality educational services for pre-school children throughout Brazoria County in the years to come. The agency thanks the following donors:

### Platinum Donor (\$500 +)

Kiwanis Club of Alvin  
Neal Insurance Agency  
Wells Fargo Bank  
Anonymous Giver

### Gold Donors (\$300—\$499)

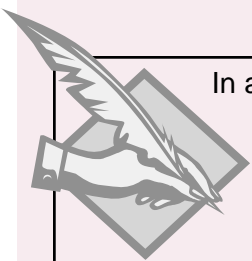
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Nate & Evelyn Moore  
Michael & Ann O'Hara

### Bronze Donors (\$1—\$99)

Family of  
Lillie Belle Wright  
James Isom



In addition to our Legacy Fund Drive last year, we conducted our 12th Annual Raffle Ticket Fund Drive. Over 19,000 \$1 tickets were sold by board members, Policy Council, parents, staff, and friends of Head Start.



# School Readiness Strategies

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**School District Partnerships.** CDC expanded its partnership with **Columbia-Brazoria ISD** to increase joint Head Start and Pre-K classrooms on **three** elementary school campuses. The agency also expanded its school district partnership base to include agreements with **Angleton ISD and Alvin ISD.**

## **Scientific, Research-Based Curricula**

- DLM Express (preschool)
- HighReach (infants and toddlers)

## **Screening and Assessment**

- All children received developmental screening near the beginning of their enrollment, and were periodically assessed to see how they were progressing. Students are evaluated in the areas of **language, literacy, mathematics, science, creative arts, social-emotional, approaches to learning, and physical learning.**
- An individualized lesson plan was developed for each child according to their strengths and needs.

**Texas Early Education Model (TEEM).** A research effort by the state of Texas to improve school readiness, with an emphasis on early literacy.

**Family Literacy Nights.** Held quarterly, these workshops gave parents strategies for enhancing literacy in their home environment.

## Our Parents Speak. . .

*MOTHER OF  
Luis E.*

*Dually Enrolled in Head Start and  
Local Pre-K*

*“LUIS’ TEACHER SAYS THAT HE IS SO  
ADVANCED THAT THEY HAVE TESTED  
HIM WITH KINDERGARTENERS. HE HAS  
SCORED HIGHER THAN THEY HAVE, AND THE  
TEACHER WANTS TO TEST HIM TO MOVE HIM  
TO KINDERGARTEN.”*

*MOTHER OF  
Glenn E.*

*“I AM IMPRESSED WITH HOW MUCH  
GLENN HAS LEARNED. I HAVE ALSO  
NOTICED HOW MUCH HIS SPEECH HAS  
IMPROVED. GLENN GREATLY ENJOYS  
COMING TO SCHOOL AND ALSO HIS SPEECH  
CLASS (WITH SPEECH THERAPIST).”*