



# Onward Neighborhood House

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## Early Head Start and Head Start Annual Report 2014-2015

To the Governing Bodies, Clients, Stakeholders and Staff:

Onward Neighborhood House had been a cornerstone in the West Town community since the late 1800's and has been providing services in the Belmont Cragin community for seven years. In August of 2014, Onward House officially closed its West Town site as a result of gentrification of the community. Onward House moved its administrative offices and all programs and services to Belmont Cragin and Partnership sites starting in September of 2014.

The agency has provided Head Start services to children and families since the mid to late 60's, during the infancy of Head Start. We are a delegate agency of the City of Chicago for Head Start and Early Head Start. This program year the agency submitted Request for Proposals for Head Start and Early Head Start. The agency was awarded 252 slots for Head Start and 12 slots for Early Head Start. Currently, over 90% of the families are income eligible and the average monthly enrollment represents over 85% of the funded enrollment. We currently employ 64 full time staff that is charged to the Head Start and Early Head Start budgets. With the exception of the home based program option and the partnership program, the agency receives funding from Chicago Public Schools and childcare to allow for full time, year round programming.

Our program operations and evaluation is based on 2000 performance standards (CFR 1304, 1306, 1308, 1310) and administrative requirements (Section 644 of the Head Start Act 42 U.S.C. 9839) and OMB Circular A-133 regulating federal grants.

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Program Governance  
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Finance  
Internal Controls  
Children with Disabilities  
On-Going Monitoring  
Self-Assessment

Shared Decision Making  
Planning  
Communication  
Record Keeping and Reporting  
Eligibility, Recruitment, Selection,  
Enrollment and Attendance

“Improving Head Start for School Readiness Act of 2007” requires programs to present an annual report to the public. I am pleased to provide this snapshot of Onward Neighborhood House’s Head Start and Early Head Start comprehensive programming.

Yolanda I. Colón  
Director of Early Childhood Education

## LOCATIONS

### Partnership Sites *185 Head Start*

**New Beginnings Day Care**  
5445 W. North Ave.  
Chicago, IL 60639  
60 Head Start

**La Escuelita**  
3001 W. Diversey Ave.  
Chicago, IL 60647  
49 Head Start

**ABC Preschool**  
3800 N. Austin Ave.  
Chicago, IL 60634  
16 Head Start

**Lakeshore School**  
6759 N. Greenview  
Chicago, IL 60626  
60 Head Start

### Belmont Cragin Center

5423 W. Diversey Ave.  
Chicago, IL 60639

*55 Center Based Head Start*

*12 Home Based Head Start*

*12 Center Based Early Head Start*



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## Policy Committee

Chairperson: Elpidio Gutierrez  
 Vice-Chairperson: Stephanie Toney  
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 Board Member- Elaine Quinn

Parent Member: Paulina Hamlin  
 Parent Member: Maria Hernandez  
 Parent Member: Claudia Hernandez  
 Parent Member: Masanetta Popov  
 Community Representative: Wanda Vasquez

## Demographics

**ABC Preschool**  
*Head Start*  
 16 students

7% White	2 Administrative Service
88% Hispanic	2 Teachers
5% Multi-racial	1 Family Support Worker

**Belmont Cragin**  
 Head Start  
 55 Center Base Students  
 12 Home Base

2% Black	5 Administrative Services
3% Multi-racial	8 Teachers
95% Hispanic	8 Support Services
	1 Family Support Worker
	1 Home Visitors

**Belmont Cragin**  
*Early Head Start*  
 12 students

4.5% Black	5 Administrative Services
91% Hispanic	4 Teachers
4.5% Multi-racial	5 Support Services
	1 Family Support

**New Beginnings Day Care**  
 Head Start  
 60 students

2% Multi-racial	3 Administrative Services
83% Black	8 Teachers
2% European	1 Family Support Worker
13% Hispanic	3 Support Services

**La Escuelita**  
 Head Start  
 49 Students

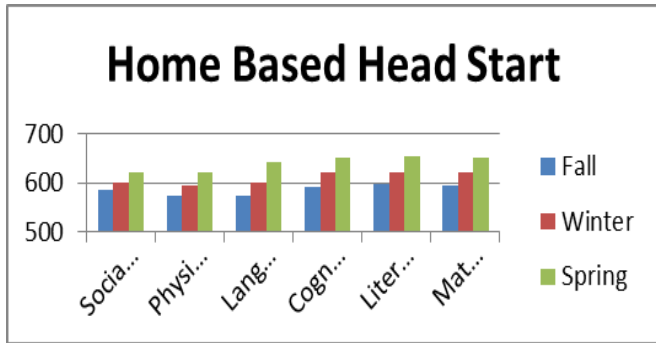
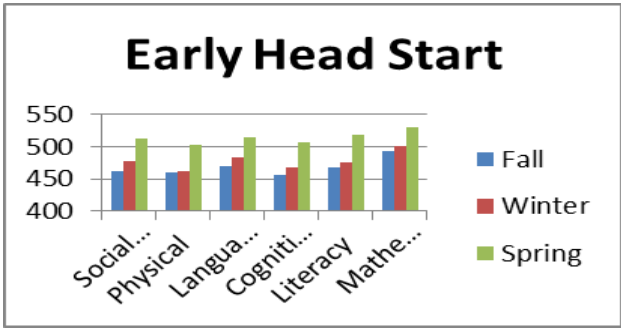
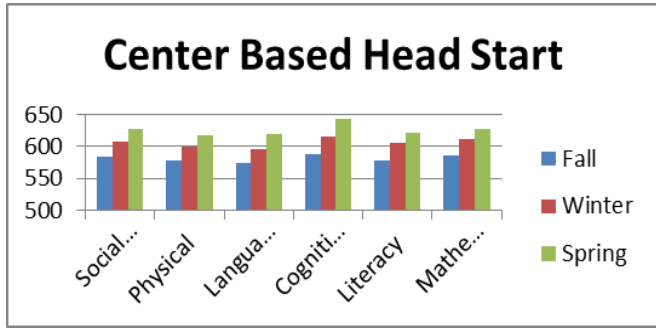
3%Black	3 Administrative Service
82%Hispanic	6 Teachers
4%American Indian	1 Family Support Worker
4%Multi-racial	4 Support Services

**Lake Shore Schools**  
 Head Start  
 60 Students

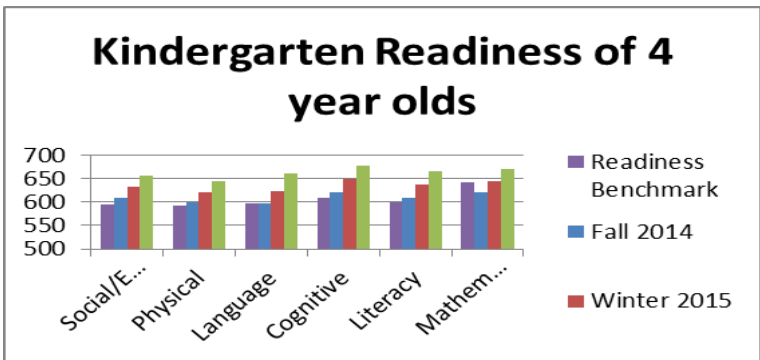
5% American Indian	2 Administrative Service
8% Asian	7 Teachers
48% Black	1 Family Support Worker
31% White	4 Support Services
10% Multi-racial	



Head Start Outcomes



Kindergarten Readiness





**Parent Trainings**

- Child Safety
- Pedestrian Safety
- Car Seat Safety
- Child Abuse & Neglect
- Childhood Development
- Dental Health
- Guidance Discipline
- Domestic Violence
- Mildly Ill/First Aid
- Fire Prevention
- Governance
- Mental Health
- Self- Assessment
- Substance Abuse
- Transition to Kindergarten
- Volunteer
- Nutrition/Healthy Lifestyle
- Budget/Money Management

**Family Engagement**

- Family Goal Setting
- Family Partnership Agreements
- Family Reading Night
- Parent Committee
- Parent Policy Committee
- Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Socialization Opportunities
- Parental Planning of Student Goals
- Intervention Supports
- Home Visits
- Kindergarten Readiness
- Father Involvement

**Community Partnerships**

- All Star Dental
- Chicago Children’s Museum
- Chicago Police Department
- Chicago Public Schools
- Chicago Youth Centers, Centro Nuestro
- Child & Family Connections #11
- Dental Dreams, LLC
- El Rincon- Illinois Department of Transportation
- Family Focus
- Family Resource Center for Disabilities- RCADD
- University of Illinois Cooperative Extension
- Infant Welfare Society of Chicago
- Metropolitan Family Services
- National Louis University
- Northwest Side Housing Center
- Northwestern Dental Clinic
- Parent Outreach
- Schubert Elementary
- Spanish Action Committee of Chicago
- St. Augustine College
- St. Peter’s United Church of Christ
- Sonrisa Family Dental
- Trina Davila Community Center
- University of Illinois Center for Literacy
- Westside Health Authority

**Child Health**

ABC Preschool:

Medical Exams Complete: 100%  
Dental Exams Complete: 100%

Belmont Cragin HS:

Medical Exams Complete: 100%  
Dental Exams Complete: 100%

Belmont Cragin (EHS):

Medical Exams Complete: 100%  
Dental Exams Complete: 100%

New Beginnings:

Medical Exams Complete: 100%  
Dental Exams Complete: 100%

Lake Shore Schools:

Medical Exams Complete: 100%  
Dental Exams Complete: 99%

La Escuelita:

Medical Exams Complete: 96%  
Dental Exams Complete: 97%



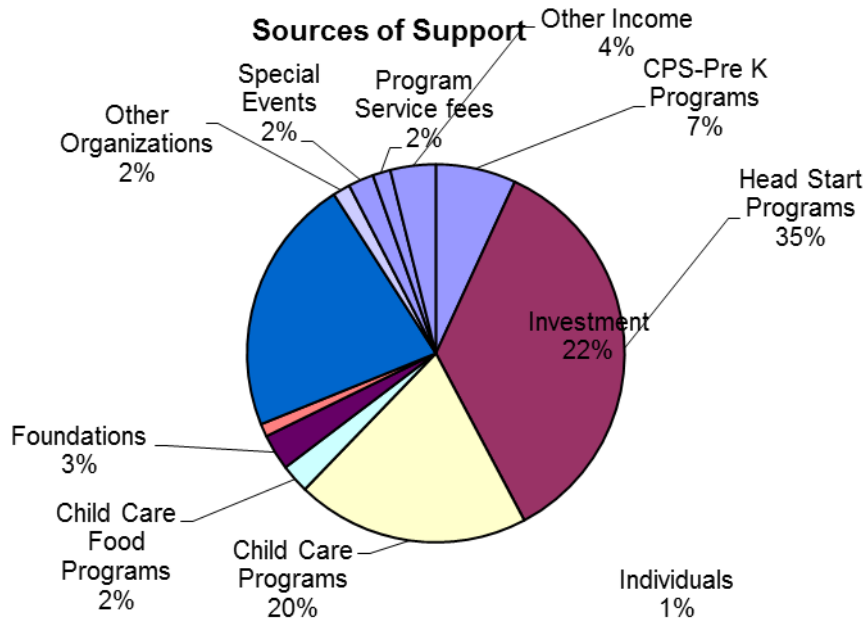
Health Services Advisory Committee

Jenny Seacat: Head Start Coordinator, Onward Neighborhood House  
Cristal Casiano: Health Aide, Onward Neighborhood House  
Patty Voloschin-Weiner, L.C. P. C., M.PH. Mental Health Consultant, Onward Neighborhood House  
Maria Pepito RD, LDN: Nutrition Consultant, Onward Neighborhood House  
Virginia Julion RN: Nurse Consultant, Onward Neighborhood House  
Dr. Sheila Hall: Infant Welfare Society- Dental Provider  
Robin McGinnis-CEO-Infant Welfare Society-Medical Provider  
Roberta Hanson: Parent Liaison, Child & Family Connections #11  
Guadalupe Contreras: Partnership Sites Family Support Worker  
Rosemary Dominguez: ONH Belmont Cragin HS Family Support Worker  
Rebeca Ortega: ONH Belmont Cragin EHS Family Support  
Paula Ortega: New Beginnings Family Support Worker  
Morgan Lynch, Lake Shore Family Support Worker  
Hayde Flores: Parent Representative  
Maria Tejada, ONH Home Visitor



Finance

Revenue



Total Revenue: \$4,173,211

Expense

Summary of Expenses

