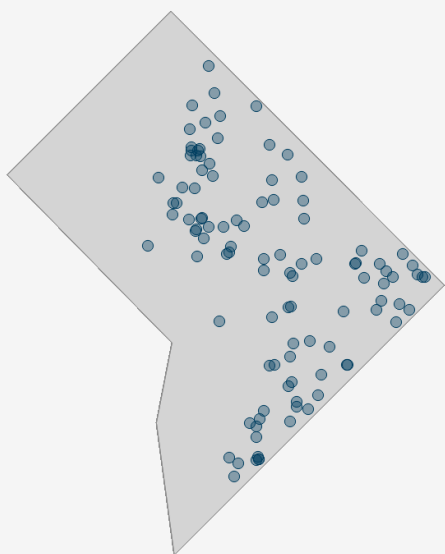


District of Columbia

2022 Head Start & Early Head Start Profile

"I am very grateful for the supportive services Head Start provides for children and families. Head Start is evolving and getting better every day. They are there for children and families, they put tools in place to meet families' needs, and they good with grandparents and blended families. It takes a village to raise children and Head Start is that village."

– Alisa Jackson-Gray



● **105**
Head Start Centers

Visit nhsa.org/locator to view the map in more detail.

\$39,117,008

FY21 Funding

(Excluding Migrant and Seasonal Head Start Funding)

2,095

Funded Slots

201

Funded **Head Start** Slots

1,894

Funded **Early Head Start** Slots

Head Start's Model

Nationwide, Comprehensive, Multi-Generational

In the six decades since our founding, we have reached a new milestone: 37 million children have been served by Head Start. Innovators and small business owners, police officers and members of the service, nurses and teachers—our alumni represent the vast and diverse fabric of our country. From early math and reading skills, to confidence and resilience, Head Start helps children build the skills they need to be successful in school and life.

Head Start takes a comprehensive approach to meeting the needs of young children and their families. **There are four pillars in every program:**

Education: Learning experiences support intellectual, social, and emotional growth

Health Services: Immunizations, dental, medical, and mental health support, nutritional services, and early screenings ensure healthy development

Family Involvement: Opportunities for parents and caregivers to be involved in decision making, participate in classes, and volunteer in the program strengthen families

Wraparound Support: Tailored services meet local and individual needs and link children and families to community supports.

“**Head Start and Early Head Start programs successfully implemented CDC recommended guidance and other ancillary measures for child care programs that remained open, allowing them to continue offering in-person learning.**”

— CDC, *Implementing Mitigation Strategies in Early Care and Education Settings for Prevention of SARS-CoV-2 Transmission*

December 2020



Children

16,524

Home Visits Conducted Throughout the Year

90

Pregnant Women Served

564

Newly Enrolled Children Completed Behavioral Screenings

51

Children Received Care for a Chronic Health Condition

121

Children Received Preventative Dental Care

1,095

Children Up-to-Date on Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic & Treatment Screenings



Families

191

Homeless Families Served

1,388

Families Received Services that Promote Family Outcomes

207

Fathers Involved in their Child's Educational Experiences



Community

233

Head Start and Early Head Start Classrooms

737

Total Head Start and Early Head Start Staff

1,079

Parents Employed, in School, or in Job Training