

UCC Early Childhood Education

# 2023-2024 Annual Report

Grant Period: 6/1/23 - 5/31/24



## United Community Center Mission and Vision:

**Mission:** To transform the lives of Hispanics, families, and individuals of all ages by providing high quality comprehensive services in education, human services, health, community development, and cultural arts.

**Vision:** An empowered and thriving Hispanic community where all achieve their fullest potential.

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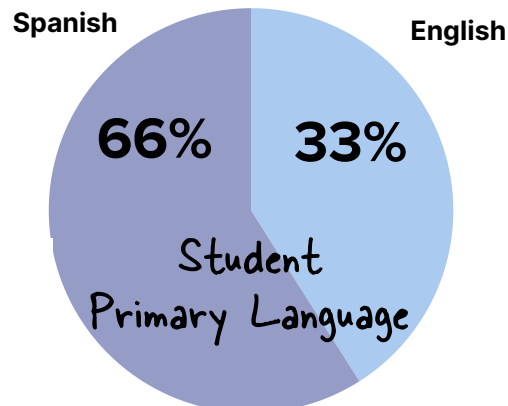




## UCC Agency Background

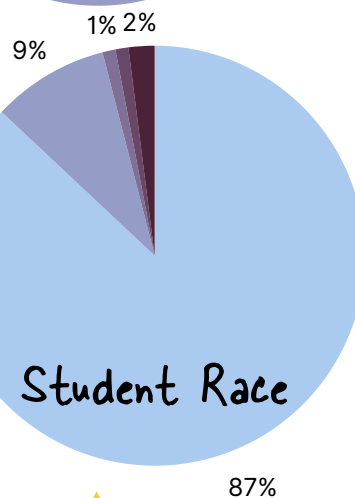
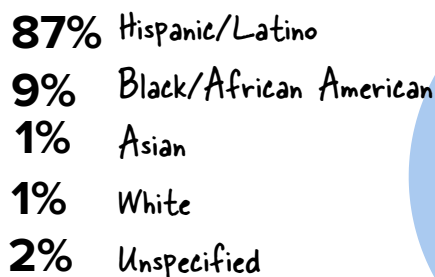
United Community Center opened in 1970 as an afterschool program to provide youth with constructive activities to promote health and wellbeing. Quickly blooming into a larger agency to meet the needs of the growing Hispanic community, UCC developed educational and recreational programs for the entire family.

With education and community impact as a top priority, the UCC Board of Directors made the decision to purchase a Child Care center to serve primarily infants and toddlers in a location outside of UCC's main campus. With the growing need for quality early childhood education, UCC formally applied in 2018 to become an Early/Head Start Program Provider. In 2019 UCC was awarded a contract to serve 510 (88 EHS, 422 HS) children, which dramatically increased the opportunity for families to access high quality early childhood education services within the 53204 and 53215 zip codes.



## Early Learning Program Purpose

To provide access to high quality education and care that promotes lifelong learning for the youngest learners and their families. UCC Early Childhood Education programs provide families full day center based services including wrap-around service options for both before and after school childcare. Ready to Shine Curriculum is utilized at UCC centers which are thematic based and directly align to school readiness goals. UCC's child assessment system includes Teaching Strategies Gold to document formative assessment data for students and ensure students are progressing toward both age and developmental appropriate skills and are ready for the transition to 5-year-old kindergarten.



## Enrollment Overview: Year 5

- **497** children served
- **275** newly enrolled '23-24'
- **222** returning students from '22-23'

## Student Demographics

- **83** from households with income at/below 100% the federal poverty level
- **7** foster care children
- **39** homeless
- **65** with Individual Education Plan designations (IEP's)
- **378** dual language learners
- **305** from households receiving public assistance (TANF, SSI, SNAP)
- **85%** average daily student attendance



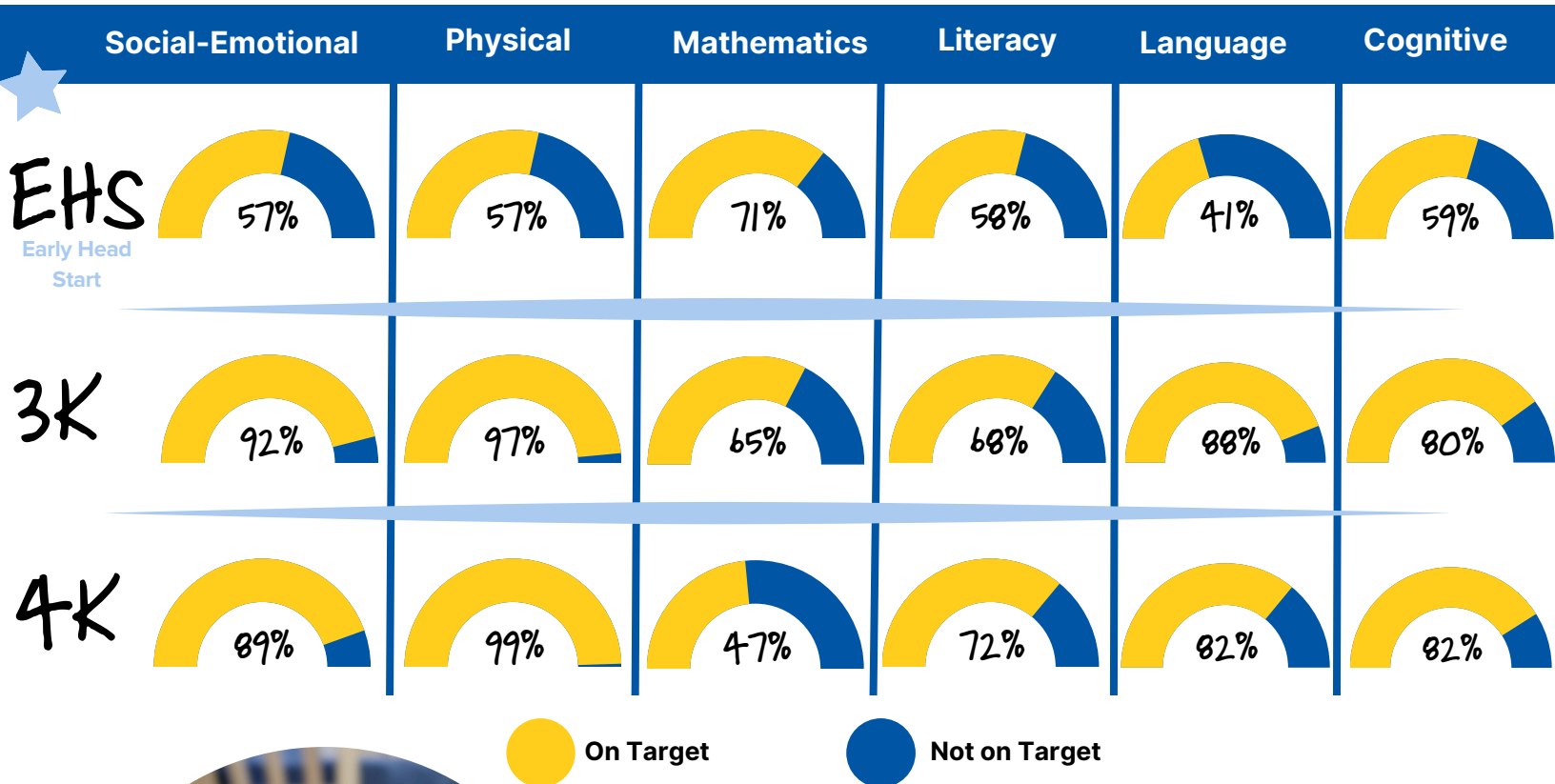
## Total Families Served

- **463** families served
- **51%** are two parent households
- **81%** participated in research-based parenting curriculum
- **84%** identified as one or more parent/guardian employed, job training, or in school
- **86%** identified as having High school Diploma or higher
- **61%** of Family Service Goals reached major progress by end of program year

# UCC Early Childhood Education Outcomes

## Graphs Explained

The graphs represent the percentage of children meeting ALL of the Teaching Strategies-Gold widely held expectations and objectives for a child's age and developmental level within each domain.





# Additional Information

## Health/Medical Information

- **97%** of children up-to-date on immunizations
- **85%** of children secured a permanent dental source by end of enrollment
- **466** children received dental exam
- **348** children up-to-date on Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT) areas at end of enrollment
- **493** children with a source of health care by end of enrollment



## Full Enrollment Initiative

- In collaboration with the Office of Head Start, our Program created a Full Enrollment Initiative Plan in November 2023 to reduce under enrollment. Our Program did not meet full enrollment but has submitted an enrollment reduction application to rebalance our contract. This enrollment reduction is currently within the approval process.

## 2023-2024 Budget

23-24	Total Budget	Total Expenditures
Personnel	\$ 4,501,012.45	\$ 4,530,228.68
Fringe Benefits	\$ 1,485,334.11	\$ 1,455,725.03
Travel	\$ 11,700.00	\$ 42,079.02
Supplies	\$ 679,562.72	\$ 863,873.97
Contractual	\$ 1,107,825.46	\$ 976,915.53
Other	\$ 1,093,895.53	\$ 1,057,423.90
Indirect Cost	\$ 887,933.03	\$ 841,017.17
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 9,767,263.30</b>	<b>\$ 9,767,263.30</b>

\*\*UCC received a clean financial audit.

"Since joining UCC, Dee has gradually learned English and can now communicate with her teachers and peers. Her vocabulary expands daily, and her confidence continues to grow. Despite being just four years old, Dee is mastering three languages—English, Spanish, and her native language Mixtec—showing that her language barrier does not define her but will be key to her success in the future."

- Dee's teacher

