

# 2019-2020 IMPACT REPORT





# WE'RE ON A MISSION

### We bring programs and resources for children to our community because *Children Are No Small Matter.*





Each day our professional and caring staff work to support the healthy development of children and build strong families in Onslow County through disruptive programs and services *because children are no small matter.* Our work with children, families, and early educators helps ensure the success of our community in the future.

The end of the fiscal year posed some unique challenges with the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic and subsequent stay at home order. But rather than viewing this as an insurmountable obstacle when it came to providing services, our staff embraced it as a unique challenge and opportunity to reinvent this important work.

During the time our agency was closed to the public (March through the end of the fiscal year) most of our staff worked remotely. However, when the world slowed down our work did not stop. Children and families still had needs for our programs and resources. Our Child Advocacy Center remained open to provide evaluations to the most emergent cases and support families in crisis. In addition, we successfully launched an online application platform for NC Pre-Kindergarten, Three School and Early Head Start, allowing families to apply for our programs from the comfort and safety of their homes. We also stood up a virtual training platform for early educators to ensure they could continue to receive the professional development and training needed to do their important work.

While we don't know what the future holds, children and families in our community can continue to count on the Onslow County Partnership for Children to connect in new ways and adjust our focus as needed to meet the changing needs of those we serve.

### Increasing Quality $\checkmark$

- Early Educator Training
- Technical Assistance
- Inclusion Support Services

### Supporting Families

- Early Head Start Home Based
- Child Advocacy Center
- Triple P
- Circle of Parents





### Growing Literacy

- Dolly Parton's Imagination Library
- Little Free Libraries
- Story Walks in the Parks

# Enhancing School Readiness

- Early Head Start-Child Care Partnership
- NCPre-K
- Threeschool

#### Raising Awareness and Increasing Knowledge

- Child Care Resource and Referral
- Community Education and Development
- First 2,000 Days
- Protective Factors

# **OUR IMPACT**

### More than 600

Children enrolled in child care programs participating in the Quality Enhancement Initiative.

# 524

Early educators participated in training and professional development to increase job knowledge.

### 22

Child care facilities receiving ongoing comprehensive techinical assistance.

### 5

Child care facilities receiving technical assistance for Inclusion of children with special needs.

# **QUALITY MATTERS!**

All families deserve access to affordable, high-quality care for their young children, and evidence shows that high-quality care programs help prepare children for school success. Our staff work to increase quality in programs through ongoing coaching and support. Each day in our community more than 3,600 children participate in child care programs and 600 early educators work to support the needs of children and families in Onslow County.

### Levels of Technical Assistance Support



- Quality Enhancement Initiative
- Quality Rating and Improvement System
- Licensing
- Start-Up

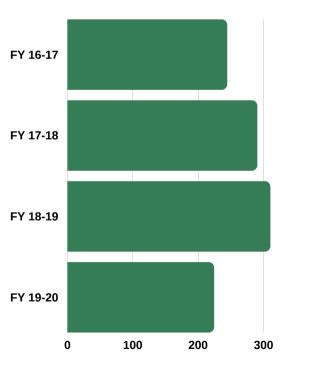


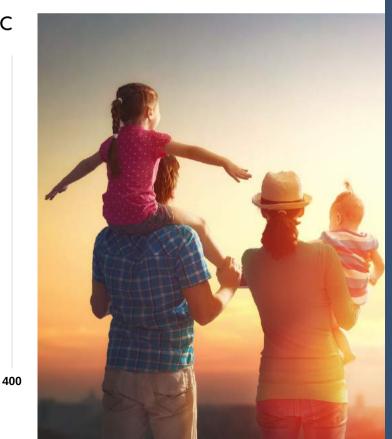
# **RESILIENT FAMILIES**

In order to end child abuse we must strengthen families. Research shows that protective factors are linked to lower incidences of child abuse and neglect. Helping parents find resources, support, and coping strategies that allow them to parent effectively, even under stress, increases their protective factors. Prevention is key.

Sometimes prevention isn't enough. Our Child Advocacy Center serves children who have experienced the unimaginable. The CAC works to reduce the impact of child abuse by bringing together law enforcement, child protective services, forensic interviewers, medical and mental health providers, victim advocacy professionals and prosecution, into abuse investigations. This multi-disciplinary approach helps children heal from the trauma of abuse. Since opening in 2010, our CAC has supported 2,594 child abuse and neglect cases in our community.

#### Number of Evaluations in the CAC





# **OUR IMPACT**

# 224

Children evaluated in the Child Advocacy Center for suspected child abuse, neglect, and exposure to violence.

### 166

Infants, toddlers, and expectant mothers received Early Head Start home-based services and support promoting physical, cognitive, and social emotional development through enriching relationships.

# 105

Parents/caregivers participated in parent education classes and support groups to strengthen skills, increase positive parenting practices, and reduce the risk of child abuse

# OUR IMPACT

### 20,230

Children have been registered for Dolly Parton's Imagination Library since the initiave began in Onslow County in 2017.

### 68

Percent of children enrolled in Dolly Parton's Imagination Library read daily - an increase of 33% from daily reading habits prior to DPIL registration.

### 36

Little Free Libraries maintained throughout the county to increase access to books.

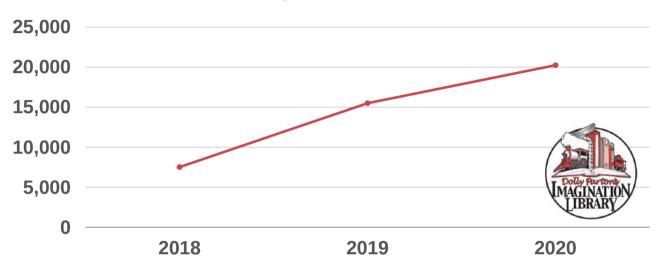
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Community parks with a permanent Story Walk. Books rotate monthly and provide additional opportunities for children and families to access free books in the community.

# **READ EARLY. READ OFTEN.**

Access to books is critical to encouraging literacy and improving grade-level reading proficiency. Early literacy is the key to healthy brain development for young children.

#### **Dolly Parton's Imagination Library Enrollment**





# **READY FOR SCHOOL**

High-quality early education programs help ensure children enter kindergarten physically, academically, socially, and emotionally prepared. Children's readiness for kindergarten has been linked to success in school and into adulthood. When children who experience hardship due to poverty, disabilities, or other barriers can gain access to these programs during their early years, evidence shows they have better outcomes. Our early education programs such as the Early Head Start Child Care Partnership Program, Three School, and NC Pre-Kindergarten, work to support the developmental progress of young children.

#### **Five Developmental Domains**

Social and Emotional Development

Cognition and General Knowledge

Health and Physical Development

Language Development and Communication

Approaches to Learning



# **OUR IMPACT**

# 817

Children enrolled in NC Pre-Kindergarten, a high-quality program focusing on the five developmental domains and encouraging school readiness.

# 107

Children received high-quality educational experiences to enhance school readiness through participation in Three School.

# **48**

Children participated in planned learning, activities, and play through the Early Head Start Child Care Parternship Program which supports kindergarten preparedness and increased social-emotional skills.

# **OUR IMPACT**

# 12,616

Community members receiving email information, newsletters, and community education.

### 5,286

Facebook followers receiving daily posts with information and resources designed to increase knowledge and to support children and families.

# 1,216

Parents and caregivers provided consumer education about highquality early care and education.

### 50

Staff trained in the Strengthening Families Protective Factors Framework.

# **KNOWLEDGE IS POWER!**

Research tell us investments in programs that provide services beginning at birth yield big results for children. We only have 2,000 days from when a child is born to when they enter kindergarten to get it right. We work each day to raise awareness across our community about the importance of ensuring that each child has a strong start. We help empower parents to make informed decisions about their child's early care and education.



# **RESILIENT FAMILIES. RESILIENT COMMUNITY.**

"Dealing with my children, learning how to talk to them the right way, has helped our family tremendously. Seeing that other people are going through similar things and getting support and advice through this parenting group has been a huge outlet and stress reducing source. I now know how to talk to my kids. I spend more time with my kids. It has changed my life and my household." - Circle Of Parents Participant



"They all were very respectful, polite. Made sure you felt comfortable and safe knowing they are here to help and listen. Under the circumstances you felt relieved to be there. - Child Advocacy Center Non-Offending Supportive Caregiver



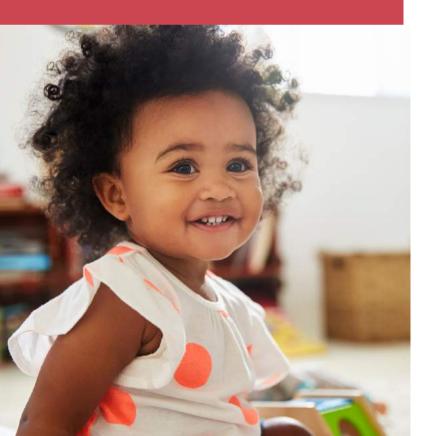
"My daughter loved preschool...Sending her to school for the first time was very difficult, but (the teachers) made it easier on my family. Every morning they welcomed her with open arms and smiling faces. Not only did they teach her educational material, but also many social skills. I was able to witness so much growth from my daughter over the year she was in preschool. I could never thank (the teachers) enough for what they did for my baby. I am so happy that we chose to send my daughter to NC-Pre-K!" - NCPre-K Parent

# FY19-20 FINANCIALS

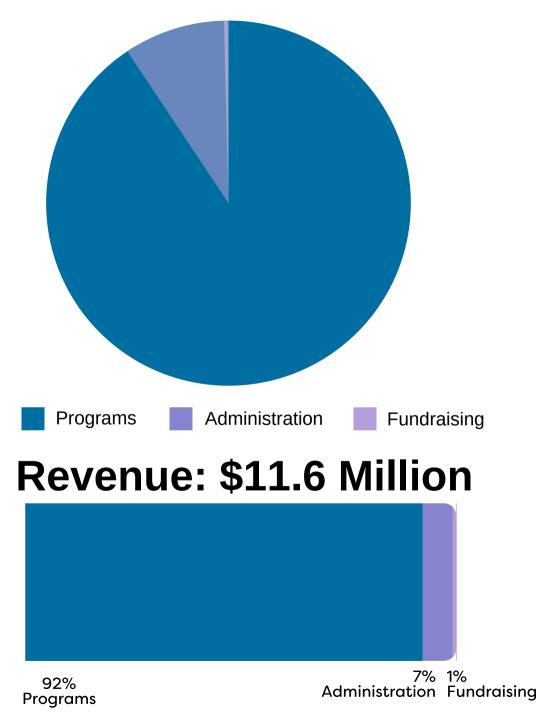
OCPC believes that investing wisely in programs for children and families prepares the next generation for a lifetime of productivity and responsible citizenship.

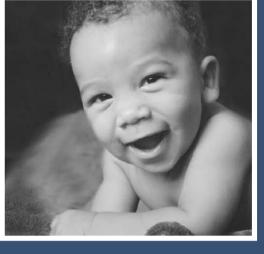
# **OVER 90%**

Of funding went to program implementation and support.



# **Expenses: \$11.6 Million**









# Thank You for Investing in Children in 2019-2020!

The work of OCPC would not be possible without the support of our patrons. It is with great appreciation that we recognize our community of Champions for Children:

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# HOW YOU CAN HELP

Help us turn our 2021 vision into reality. Here are ways you can lend a hand:

#### Donate

Make a financial contribution either one-time or recurring at www.onslowkids.org/donate

#### Share

Share information about our programs and services with other community members. Like and follow us on Facebook @theOCPC

#### Sponsor

Sponsor our signature fundraising event, Diamonds and Denim at www.onslowkids.org/events We know there is more work to do to support children and families in our community. We invite you to join us in this important work. We can't wait to see what the future holds for children and families in Onslow County!







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# Because Children Are No Small Matter

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