ANNUAL REPORT 2020-2021



Our Mission:

We make a positive difference for young children, families, and communities through partnerships and comprehensive early childhood developmental services.



ABOUT US 2020-2021: Wyoming Child & Family Development (WCFD) continued to focus on its mission to make a positive difference for young children, families, and communities through partnerships and comprehensive early childhood services. WCFD began administering programs for children and families in eastern Wyoming in 1965. Children birth through five, their families, and expectant mothers benefit from participation in our programs. We enjoy an excellent reputation for providing high quality early childhood education designed to meet individual and community needs.

Our program funding includes Head Start, Early Head Start, TANF Preschool (Discovery Preschool), Childcare, and Early Intervention and Developmental Preschool services in nine counties covering most of the eastern side of Wyoming. Our service area covers over 29,000 square miles and includes Campbell, Crook, Weston, Natrona, Converse, Niobrara, Platte, Goshen and Laramie counties. During the 2020-2021 program year, we provided services to over 900 children and their families.

A variety of comprehensive center-based and home based programs help support each child's education, health, nutrition, social and emotional well-being, and mental health. Improving school readiness, engaging families in their child's education, collaborating with others, and improving family well-being remain important priorities. We continue to invest in staff development and improving the quality of interactions to support positive child outcomes. Our data affirms that our results meet, and in many instances exceed, state and national outcome measure.

WCFD Service Area - Percent of Eligible Children Served		
13%		
39%		
Families		
175		
430		

Services and Number Served		
Early Head Start	195	
Head Start	476	
Discovery Preschool	41	
Early Intervention &		
Developmental Preschool	190	
Preschool Academy	34	
PeeWee Academy	4	

Children are Healthier			
Preventive health care supports school readiness.			
Completed Exams			
	Well Child	Dental	
EHS	78%	58%	
HS	87%	75%	

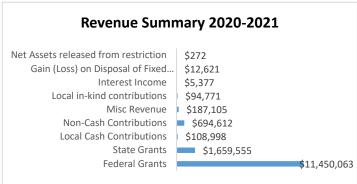
Efforts to Support School Readiness

- Individualized Mental Health Supports for children, families, and staff
- Consistent communication with families to support learning at home
- Family well-being support
- Specialized supports for children with special needs, behavioral challenges, and those learning English
- Supporting families to establish and maintain consistent school attendance
- Continued provision of snacks, meals, and physical activity to encourage lifelong healthy choices
- Ongoing family engagement opportunities to build parent confidence to be involved in their child's education
- Building family skills for advocating for their child
- Helping families recognize the link between health and school readiness by encouraging preventative medical and dental care
- Supporting families through transitions daily, life, and to the next education setting
- Establishing strong relationships, Memorandums of Understanding and data sharing with receiving schools
- Encouraging children to investigate, explore and engage in purposeful play
- Supporting the development of emotional, behavioral, and cognitive self-regulation
- Providing individualized experiences and instruction
- Ongoing observation and assessment to inform intentional teaching

FUNDING

Wyoming Child and Family Development, Inc. has a comprehensive external financial audit completed annually. The results of this most recent audit provided an unmodified opinion. The results of the audit disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards.





Projected Budget 2021-2022 Annual Federal Grant 11939605 State Grant 1620451 **Local Cash Contribution** 85000 Local In-kind 96618 Interest Income 5000 152880 Misc. Income

13,899,554 Total

Parent Engagement Activities

PARENT ENGAGMENT EVENTS LOCAL PARENT GROUPS **POLICY COUNCIL DESIGNING UPDATED MENUS**

WCFD employs over 250 people.

Over 1000 community and parent volunteers helped support our programs.

Shared Leadership & Governance

Governing Body 2020-2021

- Daniel Sisson, Chairperson
- Elizabeth Roth, Vice Chairperson
- Barbara Frederick, Secretary
- Harla Gilbreath, Treasurer
- Twila Barnet
- Herb Doby
- Catherine (Kate) Steinbock
- Dee Wook
- Wendy Gauntner



Management Team

- Danielle Wondercheck, Executive **Director/Special Services Director**
- Marian Moats, Head Start/Early Head Start/TANF Preschool Director
- Mary Kugler, Assistant Director, ERSEA/Area Coordinator
- Brooke Miller, Chief Fiscal Officer/Business Manager
- · Gina Olson, Deputy Assistant Director, Family Services Coordinator/Area Coordinator
- Melissa Miller. Health/Safety/Nutrition/Facilities Coordinator
- Lacy Judkins, Early Head Start/Area Coordinator
- Kathy Nelson, Education/Area Coordinator

Policy Council 2020-2021

- Heather Goddard, Chairperson
- Maria McLauglin, Vice Chairperson
- Erin Sidwell, Secretary
- Kinzie Baker
- Robretta Campbell
- Jessica Schreiner
- Cynthia Bonar
- Destiny Crosley
- Katie Miller
- Amber Cheeseman
- Jessica Curry
- Alicia DeMott
- Ericha McCoy
- Adam Messenger

All Wyoming Child & Family Development sites are licensed by the State of Wyoming Department of Family Service, follow National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) Standards, and participate in the USDA's Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP).