

# Associates for Human Services, Inc.

## Early Head Start Grantee

### 2017 Annual Report

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Associates for Human Services, Inc. (AHS) is currently funded for 112 Early Head Start slots in Attleboro, Brockton, Middleboro, New Bedford and Norton. The Homebased Model services 42 children under the age of 3 and pregnant women in an Expectant Families Model. The Child Care Partnership program services 70 children under the age of 3 in one of our child care partnership centers.

#### **Total amount of public and private funds received and the amount from each source:**

##### Homebased

ACF Federal Grant	\$478,316.00
Mass Dept. of Education	\$13,117.00
Private In-Kind contribution	\$119,579
Total Support & Revenue	\$611,012.00

#### **An explanation of budgetary expenditures and proposed budget for 2017:**

Personnel	\$298,659.00
Fringe	\$79,000
Travel -	\$500
Equipment	0
Supplies	\$4,000
Contractual	\$27,500
Construction	0
Other	\$57,445
Training	\$11,212

No substantial changes are being proposed for the 2018 Fiscal Year.

**The total number of children and families served, the average monthly enrollment, and the percentage of eligible children served (information from 2016/2017 PIR):**

- During the year, AHS served a total of 77 children and 8 pregnant women from 67 families in the homebased model.
- The EHS Homebased program was fully enrolled at all times and maintained a wait list throughout the year.
- Eligibility: 57 enrollees were income eligible, 2 enrollees were the recipients of public assistance, 1 enrollee were foster children, 30 enrollees were homeless and 4 enrollees were over income.

**The percentage of enrolled children that received medical and dental exams (information from 2016/2017 PIR):**

- 100% of enrolled children had an ongoing source of continuous, accessible health care
- 98% of children were up-to-date on a schedule of age-appropriate preventive and primary care according to Massachusetts’ EPSDT schedule for well child care
- 56% of children had continuous, accessible dental care provided by a dentist
- 64% children were up-to-date on a schedule of age-appropriate preventive and primary care according to Massachusetts’ EPSDT schedule for dental care

**Information about parent involvement activities:**

- Parents and guardians participated in the program’s policy council and council sub-committees such as self-assessment committees and personnel committees
- Parents and guardians were involved in PAO TOPICS such as: Behavior Management, Routines, Toilet Training, Health Topics and Car Seat Safety
- The program also offered several field trips to area attractions
- Parents participate in self-assessment by completing parent surveys
- Parents participated in curriculum and assessment selections

Child Care Partnerships

ACF Federal Grant	\$1,473,964.79
Mass Dept. of Education	\$0
Private In-Kind contribution	\$368,492.00
Total Support & Revenue	\$1,842,456.79

**An explanation of budgetary expenditures and proposed budget for 2017:**

Personnel	\$387,222
Fringe	\$99,785
Travel -	\$500
Equipment	0
Supplies	\$49,000
Contractual	\$504,400
Construction	0
Other	\$100,960.00
Training	\$28,140

No substantial changes are being proposed for the 2018 Fiscal Year.

**The total number of children and families served, the average monthly enrollment, and the percentage of eligible children served (information from 2016/2017 PIR):**

- During the year, AHS served a total of 121 children from 102 families.
- The EHS child care partnerships program was fully enrolled at all times and maintained a wait list throughout the year.
- Eligibility: 76 enrollees were income eligible, 16 enrollees were the recipients of public assistance, 6 enrollees were foster children, 22 enrollees were homeless and 1 enrollees were over income.

**The percentage of enrolled children that received medical and dental exams (information from 2016/2017 PIR):**

- 100% of enrolled children had an ongoing source of continuous, accessible health care
- 100% of children were up-to-date on a schedule of age-appropriate preventive and primary care according to Massachusetts' EPSDT schedule for well child care
- 46% of children had continuous, accessible dental care provided by a dentist
- 40% children were up-to-date on a schedule of age-appropriate preventive and primary care according to Massachusetts' EPSDT schedule for dental care

**Information about parent involvement activities:**

- Parents and guardians participated in the program's policy council and council sub-committees such as self-assessment committees and personnel committees
- Parents and guardians were involved in center level Family events and Parent Committee meetings
- Parents participate in self-assessment by completing parent surveys
- Parents participated in curriculum and assessment selections

**The agency’s efforts to prepare children for kindergarten:**



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**Early Head Start – School Readiness Goals 2017-2018**

Early Head Start strives to empower parents/guardians to strengthen their relationship with their child by providing positive learning experiences that create a foundation for optimal child development, and preparation for a lifetime of learning. Early Head Start provides support to families in order to achieve the following school readiness goals:

<b>Social Emotional</b>	<b>TSG</b>	<b>Outcome</b>
Children will follow limits and expectations while managing their emotions with adult support.	1a, 1b, 2a	75% of children will meet or exceed expectations at the baseline checkpoint, with a 5% increase by the end of the program year.
<b>Approaches to Learning</b>		
Child will maintain focus and show persistence in problem solving while showing interest and curiosity in materials or experiences.	11a, 11b, 11c, 11d	80% of children will meet or exceed expectations at the baseline checkpoint, with a 5% increase by the end of the program year.
<b>Language</b>		
Child will use and understand an increasing number of words to engage in conversation and follow directions.	8a, 8b, 9a, 10a	70% of children will meet or exceed expectations at the baseline checkpoint, with a 5% increase by the end of the program year.
<b>Literacy</b>		
Children will engage with books and comprehend the meaning of pictures and stories.	18a, 18c	70% of children will meet or exceed expectations at the baseline checkpoint, with a 5% increase by the end of the program year.
<b>Cognition</b>		
Children will recognize the differences in people, objects or events while building their memory for more complex thoughts.	12a, 2b	75% of children will meet or exceed expectations at the baseline checkpoint, with a 5% increase by the end of the program year.
<b>Gross Motor</b>		

Children will demonstrate effective and efficient movement and positioning with their large muscles to explore their environment.	4, 5, 6	80% of children will meet or exceed expectations at the baseline checkpoint, with a 5% increase by the end of the program year.
<b>Fine Motor</b>		
Children will use their hands to reach and grasp during exploration, play, and daily routines.	7a	80% of children will meet or exceed expectations at the baseline checkpoint, with a 5% increase by the end of the program year.

**The results of the most recent review by the Secretary and the financial audit:**

Associates for Human Services, Inc. participates in federal program monitoring every three years. The most recent monitoring took place during November 2015. The results of the review are kept on file at the program’s office. This most recent review confirmed that Associates for Human Services, Inc. is delivering high-quality Early Head Start services to families in Attleboro, Brockton, Middleboro, New Bedford and Norton. No areas of non-compliances were noted during the review.

**Financial Audit Results:**