





# FY2007/08 Annual Report







#### CHILDREN ARE OUR BOTTOM LINE

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Solano Coalition for Better Health

Child Start, Inc.

Dixon, Fairfield-Suisun, Vacaville and Vallejo Unified School Districts

Fighting Back Partnership

City of Benicia/Police Department

City of Vacaville/Police Department

**Dixon Family Services** 

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**Vision:** All Solano County children are loved, healthy, confident, eager to learn, nurtured by their families, caregivers and communities. **Mission:** First 5 Solano Children and Families Commission creates and fosters programs and partnerships with community entities to promote, support and improve the lives of young children, their families and their communities.



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# FY2007/08 Annual Report: Introduction

Each year, First 5 Solano submits the attached information and documentation to First 5 California for its statutorily-required statewide report to the Legislature and the public. This submission provides detail about the many accomplishments of First 5 Solano grantees over the past fiscal year, as well as information about challenges and vignettes about specific service outcomes.

The FY2007/08 First 5 Solano Annual Report is the product of a great deal of diligent and high-quality work on the part of the Commission, its funded grantees, community partners and staff. This report reflects the articulation of First 5 Solano's vision and mission in its documentation of the status of the Commission's finances and funded services.

The past year was a busy and successful one for First 5 Solano. Thanks to the Commission's investments of over \$4 million in prenatal services, early childhood mental/developmental health, universal health insurance, quality child care, school readiness and family/parent support, almost 20,000 Solano residents took advantage of a First 5 Solano-funded service over the past year.

This FY2007/08 Annual Report represents year one of a five-year funding cycle. The Commission's investments are arrayed using the required format set by First 5 California, which fortunately aligns closely with First 5 Solano's three Strategic Plan Priority Areas as well as its overarching goal of systems change. Each of First 5 Solano's funded programs and services are linked directly to its strategic plan by their program-level results, which contribute to community-level result areas in the local strategic plan.

Also included are summaries of compelling outcomes in First 5 California's areas of Improved Family Functioning, Improved Child Development and Improved Child Health. Moreover, First 5 Solano continues to expand its documentation of the dramatic "return on investment" by way of its Leveraged Funds Report and in the form of cost-avoidance estimates such as reduced child welfare system costs (by keeping at-risk children safe in their homes and communities) and reduced health care costs (by increasing the number of babies born substance-free to high-risk mothers).

At First 5 Solano, "Children are our bottom line" is more than a slogan. It is a simple and compelling way to express the Commission's vision that "All Solano Children are loved, healthy, confident, eager to learn, nurtured by their families, caregivers and communities." It expresses the high degree of accountability – financial, programmatic and organizational – to which the Commission holds itself, its staff and its grantees. It underscores the "child-centric" philosophy that drives the Commission's extensive community engagement efforts, its enduring support for collaboratives and its abiding commitment to quality evaluation for both accountability and service improvements.

In these tough economic times, this FY2007/08 Annual Report reflects First 5 Solano's commitment to long-term community partnerships and funding that makes a measurable difference in the lives of our most precious resource – the young children who will someday be Solano County's workers, parents and community leaders.



# Annual Report Form 1 (AR-1)(Page 1 of 5) County Revenue and Expenditure Summary for Fiscal Year 2007-2008 (July 1, 2007 - June 30, 2008)

County: Solano Wednesday, September 24, 2008

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Rev	venue Detail		
1.	Tobacco Tax Funds	\$	4,673,364
2.	School Readiness Program Funds	\$	443,224
3.	CARES Funds	\$	28,069
4.	Health Access Program Funds	\$	40,821
5.	Power of Preschool Program Funds	\$	0
6.	Special Needs Project Funds	\$	0
7.	Augmentation and Minimum Allocation Funds	\$	0
8.	Other Funds (Specify Source Below)	\$	91,381
	Medical Administrative Activities		
	AmeriCorps		
9.	Grants (Specify Source Below)	\$	0
10.	Donations	\$	0
11.	Revenue from Interest Earned	\$	910,713
12.	Total Revenue	\$	6,187,572
Res	sults and Services - Expenditure Details		
	sult 1: Improved Family Functioning (Family Support, Education a	nd Serv	ices)
13.	Behavioral, Substance Abuse and Other Mental Health Services	\$	0
14.	Adult Education and Literacy for Parents	\$	0
15.	Community Resource and Referral	\$	204,404
16.	Distribution of Kit for New Parents	\$	0



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17.	Family Literacy Programs	\$	0
18.	Provision of Basic Family Needs (Food, Clothing, Housing)	\$	15,800
19.	Targeted Intensive Parent Support Services	\$	507,358
20.	General Parenting Education Programs	\$	60,070
21.	Other Family Functioning Support Services (please describe below)	\$	0
22.	Total	\$	787,632
Res	sult 2: Improved Child Development (Child Development Services)		
23.	Preschool for 3 and 4 Year Olds	\$	0
24.	State School Readiness Programs & Local Match	\$	1,064,835
25.	Local School Readiness (Mirror Programs)	\$	0
26.	Comprehensive Screening and Assessments	\$	32,000
27.	Targeted Intensive Intervention for Children Identified with Special Needs	\$	0
28.	Early Education Programs for Children (Other than SR and Preschool for 3 & 4 Year Olds)	\$	132,000
29.	Early Education Provider Programs	\$	158,702
30.	Kindergarten Transition Services	\$	0
31.	Other Child Development Services (please describe below)	\$ <u> </u>	0
32.	Total	<b>_</b> \$	1,387,537



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Res	sult 3: Improved Health (Health Education and Services)		
33.	Breastfeeding Assistance	\$	0
34.	Nutrition and Fitness	\$	0
35.	Other Health Education	\$	0
36.	Health Access	\$	213,852
37.	Home Visitation for Newborns	\$	99,564
38.	Oral Health	\$	0
39.	Prenatal Care	\$	1,312,382
40.	Primary Care Services (Immunizations, Well Child Checkups)	\$	0
41.	Comprehensive Screening and Assessments	\$	275,989
42.	Targeted Intensive Intervention for Children Identified with Special Needs	\$	0
43.	Safety Education and Intentional and Unintentional Injury Prevention	\$	0
44.	Specialty Medical Services	\$	0
45.	Tobacco Cessation Education and Treatment	\$	0
46.	Other Health Services (please describe below)	\$	0
47.	Total	∟ \$	1,901,787
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	sult 4: Improved Systems of Care		
48.	Service Outreach, Planning, Support and Management	\$	736,246
49.	Provider Capacity Building, Training and Support	\$	161,546
50.	Community Strengthening Efforts	\$	62,713
51.	Total	\$	960.505



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Expenditure Notes: Please use this space to document any issues with the information provided on this spreadsheet and to explain any significant variances from prior year's expenses that is not related to revenue growth. Please identify if any line includes significant capital expenditures. If yes, identify the line and the capital amount included.

I hereby certify the information submitted herein is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge. I further certify that I have the authority to submit this information. I make these certifications via my electronic signature, which is affixed hereto.

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## Leveraged Funds Report Fiscal Year (FY) 2007/08

#### **Introduction**

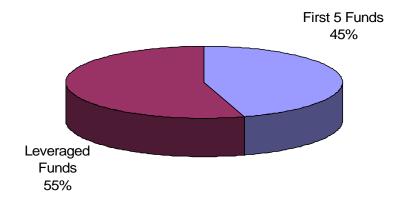
The First 5 Solano Commission's strategy of emphasis on investments that generate matching funds proved to be a strong support for its overarching goal of system change again in FY2007/08. First 5 Solano's relatively flexible funding has proven to be an ideal source of local matching funds for a variety of local, state, federal and public/private foundation funding streams. First 5 Solano grantees demonstrated an impressive level of motivation and commitment in their ability to grow services through collaboration, both in their program designs and their diligence in pursuing matching funds, resulting in leveraged investments that exceeded the annual First 5 grant expenditures in FY2007/08.

#### Funding Leveraged by First 5 Solano Grantees

Many First 5 Solano-funded grantees utilize First 5 Solano funds to "leverage", or bring in funds, from other sources. They may use First 5 funding as a direct or "hard" match to other funds, or match First 5 funds with in-kind or other "soft match" resources. First 5 funds may also be used (wholly or partly) to attract other grant or foundation funding as representative of larger collaborative efforts. As a result, additional dollars become available for critical services for young children and their families in Solano County.

In Fiscal Year 2007/08, Solano County's First 5-funded grantees utilized their First 5 Solano dollars of \$3,576,296 to access an additional \$4,344,199 in leveraged dollars for local programs and services. Note that the various sources and amounts of funding available to expand services are directly dependant upon the types of services that each program provides and the populations served. In addition, leveraged funds may not be specifically restricted to the 0-5 age group and may be utilized by program planners and practitioners to expand the larger children and family service system, such as services to 6-18 year olds or to adults without children aged 0-5.

#### FY2007/08 First 5 Solano Fiscal Impact



Following are highlights of leveraged funding efforts by Commission Initiative area:

• **Prenatal Initiative**: With \$1,242,382 in First 5 Solano funding, the BabyFirst Solano Initiative grantees leveraged \$339,297 in additional dollars. This represents 27% of the overall First 5 Solano spending for FY2007/08 (for every \$1.00 of First 5 dollars, an additional 27 cents were brought into the County).

Under the leadership and coordination of Solano County Health & Social Services Department, BabyFirst Solano has leveraged state and federal funding from Maternal, Child & Adolescent Health funding source, Title XIX. Title XIX matching funds are secured through activities to identify and link women and children to Medi-Cal services, including prenatal care, substance use services, mental health services, as well as well-baby visits. Recently, the state of California has provided further clarification and directions to local health jurisdictions about what activities are "matchable" under Title XIX. The FY2007/08 was a period of transition as BabyFirst Solano incorporated the guidelines into their funding structure.

In the upcoming year, BabyFirst Solano has identified an additional revenue source for the perinatal substance use project at the prenatal care sites. Comprehensive Perinatal Services Program (CPSP) provides enhanced Medi-Cal funds to prenatal care sites for providing wrap-around services to pregnant and postpartum women, including psychosocial, nutrition, and health education services. BabyFirst Solano anticipates that each clinic site will be able to pull down approximately quarter of their total budget from this source.

• Early Childhood Developmental Health Services: With \$407,369 in First 5 Solano funding, the Early Childhood Developmental Health grantees leveraged \$1,222,278 in additional dollars. This represents 300% of the overall First 5 Solano spending for FY2007/08 (for every \$1.00 of First 5 dollars, an additional \$3.00 was brought into the County).

The largest return on investment for First 5 Solano dollars is the Early Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and treatment (EPSDT) program. Through Solano County Health & Social Services (H&SS), this program draws down a considerable match (about 89%) in Federal mental heath funding for Medi-Cal eligible children (for every \$1.00 of First 5 dollars, an additional \$19 was brought into the County). With the \$59,311 spent on this program in FY2007/08, an additional \$1,173,578 was leveraged for mental health services to children 0-5 and their families. The Children's Nurturing Project also used First 5 Solano dollars to secure additional grants from various sources that allow for services into the cities that are outside of the First 5 Solano School Readiness catchment areas.

- Children's Health Initiative: With \$173,031 in First 5 Solano funding, the Children's Health Initiative grantee was able to leverage \$1,300,000 in additional dollars. This represents 750% of the overall First 5 Solano spending for FY2006/07 (for every \$1.00 of First 5 dollars, an additional \$7,50 was brought into the County). A small portion of these funds (approximately \$40,000) were leveraged by First 5 Solano on behalf of Solano Coalition for Better health, through the First 5 California health initiative matching program. In addition, Partnership HealthPlan has been successful in leveraging substantial funding from multiple public and private sources to support Healthy Kids premiums for the Children's Health Initiative (CHI). Other sources of funding include the Blue Shield Foundation, County General Fund and Medical Administrative Activities.
- School Readiness Initiative: With \$496,859 in First 5 Solano funding, First 5 Solano School Readiness program grantees leveraged \$394,103 in additional dollars primarily through the First 5 California School Readiness matching funds program. This represents 79% of the overall First 5 Solano spending for FY2007/08 (for every \$1.00 of First 5 dollars, an additional 79 cents were brought into the County). Through the funding design of the program, each School Readiness site leverages a 1:1 match from First 5 CA for each program's total funding (except the Markham School Readiness site in Vacaville, which draws \$76,000 for each \$100,000 spent). In addition, the 4 AmeriCorps members serving the School Readiness programs funded by First 5 Solano generated \$8,000 each for a total of \$32,000 in FY2007/08.

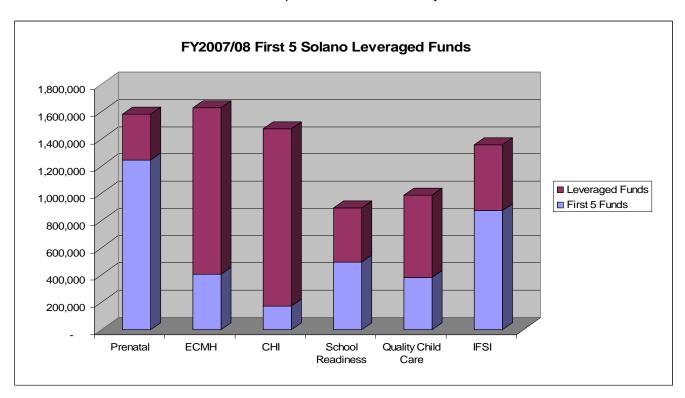
Quality Child Care: With \$383,914 in First 5 Solano funding, the Quality Child Care grantees leveraged \$604,055 in additional dollars. This represents 157% of the overall First 5 Solano spending for FY2007/08 (for every \$1.00 of First 5 dollars, an additional \$1.57 was brought into the County).

First 5 Solano was able to leverage \$31,740 in additional dollars from First 5 CA on behalf of the Comprehensive Approaches to Raising Educational Standards (CARES) program grantee. This represents 20% of the overall First 5 Solano spending for FY2007/08 for this program. Another Children's Network program "Constructing Connections" (a child care facilities system development effort) is based on a grant from the Low Income Investment Fund and First 5 California. First 5 Solano funds of \$40,486 leveraged a 1:1 match, contributing to that program budget. In addition, Child Start Inc. has also been successful in using its First 5 Solano funding of \$164,000 to secure an additional \$489,380 in Federal funding for the Head Start program in FY2007/08 (for every \$1.00 of First 5 dollars, an additional \$2.98 was brought into the County).

• Family Support Services: With \$871,741 in First 5 Solano funding, the Family Support grantees leveraged \$484,466 in additional dollars associated with the Integrated Family Support Initiative (IFSI). This represents 56% of the overall First 5 Solano spending for FY2007/08 (for every \$1.00 of First 5 dollars, an additional 56 cents were brought into the County).

Under the leadership of the Children's Network of Solano County, which provides coordination, common data and assessment tools and other support, Family Resource Centers utilize First 5 Solano funds to attract other grants and funding specific to the needs of the targeted population. The Solano County Child Protective Services Social Worker and the Public Health component of the Integrated Family Support Initiative (IFSI) bring in over a 50% match from Federal sources to fully fund these services.

Overall, First 5 Solano grantees have leveraged more dollars into Solano County than First 5 distributed. The chart below shows the impact of First 5 dollars by initiative area:



#### Conclusion

The First 5 Solano Commission's strategy of emphasis on investments that generate matching funds proved to be a strong support for its overarching goal of system change in FY2007/08. First 5 funds alone are insufficient to fully address any one of the many needs that face children and families today. In addition, First 5's decreasing source of funds cannot sustain services in the long term. However, First 5's relatively flexible funds have been found to be vital source of matching funds for some federal and state program funding streams as well as to for local investment commitments that attract public/private foundation and other grant opportunities.

First 5 Solano grantees understand that the First 5 funding stream has a sunset, and as such, are actively pursuing outside funding opportunities to help sustain or expand their services to children and families. Documenting these results to is a critical component in the overall success of First 5's impact on families in Solano County.

Statewide, this measurable impact has been honored with a Merit Award from the California State Association of Counties (CSAC) on First 5 Solano's submission about leveraging funds, entitled "First 5 Solano Leverages Millions for Local Services." Other County First 5's are viewing the work being documented in Solano as one great way of demonstrating the value of First 5's efforts and impact in its community.

The Commission continues to actively encourage and support First 5 Solano grantees in finding new opportunities to leverage First 5 funding to expand the scope, quality and sustainability of Solano County's early childhood and family service system. The Commission will measure the impact of this strategy by tracking the level of leveraged funds and by documenting the results achieved from these investments.

Grantee	First 5 Funds Budgeted	First 5 Funds Expended	Leveraged Services	Source of Leveraged Funds	Leveraged Funds
Prenatal Grants					
H&SS - AFLP & BIH	555,203	575,316	Increase awareness of and link clients to Medi-Cal insurance and Medi-Cal services (e.g. prenatal care,	State General Funds and Federal Funds (Title XIX)	
H&SS - Substance Abuse Services	660,243	404,699	substance use services, and mental health services)	1,	352,006
Everlasting Hope Ministries	67,484	67,180	No leveraged funds	s reported	0
CA Hispanic Commission Its All About My Baby	150,069	147,104	No leveraged funds	s reported	0
Total Prenatal Initiative:	1,432,999	1,194,299			352,006
Early Childhood Developmental Health Gran	ts				
Children's Nurturing Project Welcome Baby	99,564	99,564	Welcome Baby home visiting and intensive case management	Kaiser, City of Fairfield CDBG; TCM (State through County); Rotary Club of Cordelia; NorthBay Healthcare	32,500
Solano County H&SS EPSDT	55,000	·	Mental health services	Short Doyle FFP; EPSDT; County General Fund Realignment	759,734
Families First	272,702	258,910	Administrative overhead	Families First in-kind expenses	12,224
Child Haven PCIT Van	18,750	18,750	Purchase of PCIT Mobile Van	Office of Emergency Services	150,000
Children's Nurturing Project Substance Abuse Parent Education	42,524	46,609	Parent Ed Groups	Kaiser and CDBG (Fairfield)	5,000
Total ECMH Initiative:	488,540	463,819			959,458
Children's Health Initiative Grant					
Solano Coalition for Better Health- SKIP	352,980	196,953	Universal Regional Children's Health Initiative	The California Endowment, Blue Shield Foundation, CA First 5, County General Fund	499,000
Total Children's Health Initiative Grant:	352,980	196,953			499,000
School Readiness Grants**					
Anna Kyle Elementary	223,144	80,146			91,415
Loma Vista Elementary	218,200	130,617	Neighborhood-based school readiness services, pre-	First 5 CA	97,317
Markham Elementary	210,000	126,231	Kindergarten academy, health and parent services		73,980
Silveyville Primary	217,250	86,414			86,414
AmeriCorps Program	140,594	86,480	Support for the 4 school readiness programs	Federal	32,000
Total School Readiness Initiative:	1,009,188	509,888			381,126

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Grantee	First 5 Funds Budgeted	First 5 Funds Expended	Leveraged Services	Source of Leveraged Funds	Leveraged Funds
Quality Child Care Grants					
Children's Network - CARES II	650,000	500,261	Childcare outreach, training and stipends	First 5 CA	126,329
Children's Network - "Constructing Connections"	43,000	47,339	Developing relationships w/ agencies to streamline & improve the process for developing child care center.	Low Income Investment Fund	47,339
Child Start - Head Start Slots & Mental Health Trainees	165,657	165,111	Wrap around child care and mental health services for Head Start children	Federal Head Start Program	533,321
Total Quality Child Care Grants:	858,657	712,711			706,989
Family Support Grants					
Rio Vista CARE	45,390	43,766	Information and referral, parent education and basic needs assistance	Child Welfare Services	28,917
Benicia Police Dept			In kind - Rent & Utilities	Benicia Police Dept.	1,200
Vacaville Police Dept	39,555	28,080	Targeted Case Management for Medi-Cal clients	State of California through Solano County	30,000
Fairfield-Suisun USD	141,760	130,483	Basic needs financial assistance, Parent education, information and referral, and home visiting services	PSSF, McKinney Homeless grant, Solano County	139,710
Children's Network	139,329		Maintaining Community Resources Directory, including Medi-Cal providers; Planning to improve Medi-Cal access	Medical Administrative Activities, Solano County	178,156
Interfaith Council	13,805	13,805	No leveraged fund	s reported	0
	130.000	,	Case management, Mental Health Coordination, School	TCM ,Solano County H&SS, S.H. Cowell, California Endowment , and Vallejo City Unified School District	173,621
Fighting Back Partnership  Dixon Family Services	39,661		Readiness Coordination/Services  Basic needs financial assistance, Parent education, information and referral, and home visiting services	Drug and Alcohol Youth, Solano County, Silveyville School Readiness	21,000
Health & Social Services Public Health Nurse	·	·			,
& Child Protective Services Social Worker	150,000	150,000	Salaries & Benefits of Social Worker III & PHN	Federal, State and County Funds	82,528
Child Haven Rio Vista Home Visitor	17,000	17,000	No leveraged fund	s reported	0
CA Hispanic Commission Substance Abuse Specialist	85,000	72,466	No leveraged fund	s reported	0
Youth and Family Services Substance Abuse Specialist	75,000	75,000	No leveraged fund	s reported	0
Total Family Support Initiative:	910,992	865,639			655,132
Total All Grants:	5,053,356	3,943,309			3,553,711

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<sup>\*</sup>This amount may be duplicated as some Family Resource Center agencies reported funds leveraged from H&SS individually.

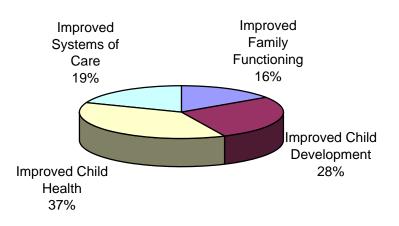
\*\* School Readiness grants include budgetd amounts for the entire program (First 5 Solano & First 5 CA). Expended funds exclude First 5 CA funds, as those funds are accounted for in the Leveraged funds column.

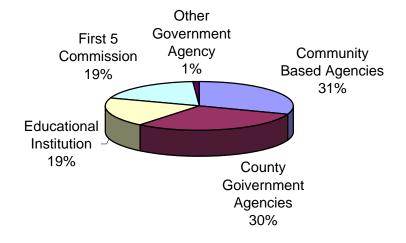
## Results and Services Funding by Result Area

	Community	County			Other	
	Based	Goivernment	Educational	First 5	Government	
Results and Services	Agencies	Agencies	Institution	Commission	Agency	Total
Result Area 1: Improved Family Functioning	460,111	150,000	121,399	•	56,122	787,632
Community Resource and Refferal	95,914	-	91,049	-	17,441	204,404
Provision of Basic Family Needs	15,800	-	-	ı	-	15,800
Targeted Intensive Parent Support Service Programs	288,327	150,000	30,350	ı	38,681	507,358
General Parenting Education Programs	60,070	-	-	ı	-	60,070
Result Area 2: Improved Child Development	322,702	-	808,899	255,936	-	1,387,537
State School Readiness Programs & Local Match	-	-	808,899	255,936	-	1,064,835
Comprehensive Screening and Assessments	32,000	-	-		-	32,000
Early Education Programs for Children	132,000	-	-	-	-	132,000
Early Education Provider Programs	158,702	-	-	-	-	158,702
Result Area 3: Improved Child Health	524,839	1,376,948		-	-	1,901,787
Health Access	213,852	-	-	-	-	213,852
Home Visitation for Newborns	99,564	-	-	-	-	99,564
Prenatal Care	-	1,312,382	-	-	-	1,312,382
Comprehensive Screening and Assessments	211,423	64,566	-	-	-	275,989
Result Area 4: Improved Systems of Care	232,393	-	50,004	678,109	-	960,506
Service Outreach, Planning, Support & Management	171,181	-	-	565,065	-	736,246
Provider Capacity Building, Training and Support	40,486	-	50,004	71,057	-	161,547
Community Strengthening Efforts	20,726	-	-	41,987	-	62,713
Grand Total:	1,540,045	1,526,948	980,302	934,045	56,122	5,037,462

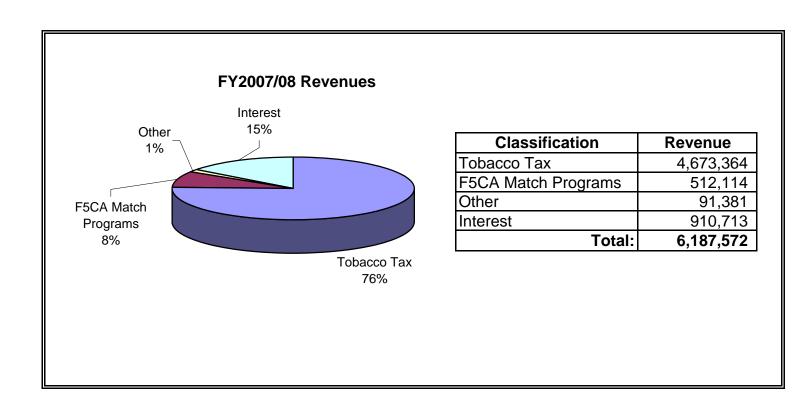
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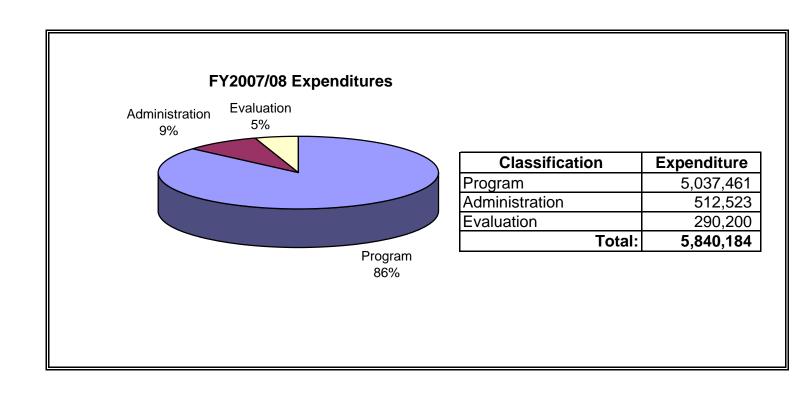
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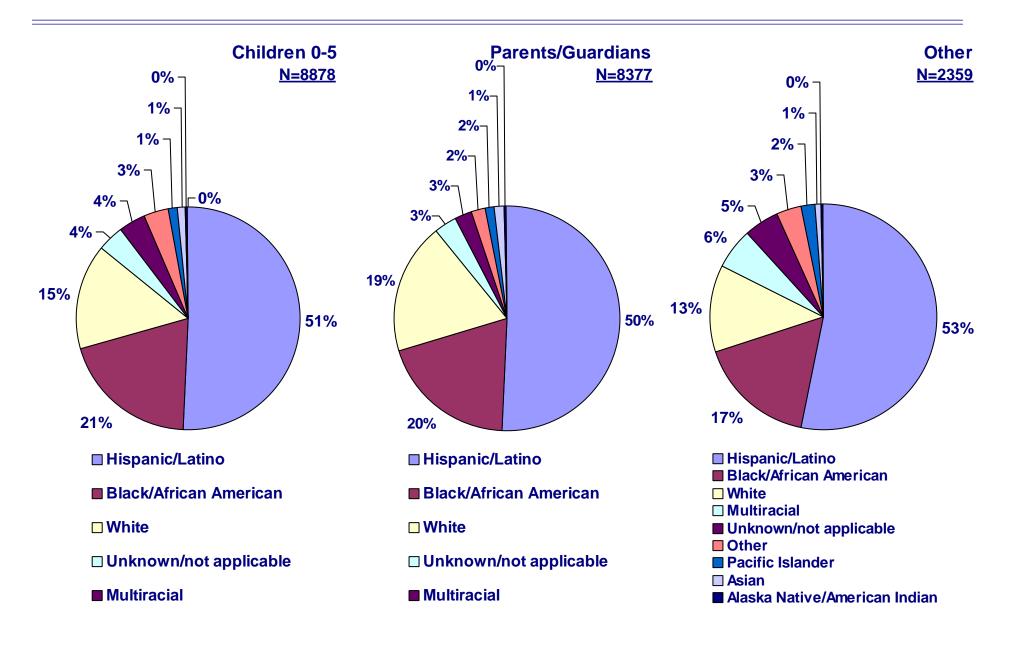






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All Programs
Top 10 values

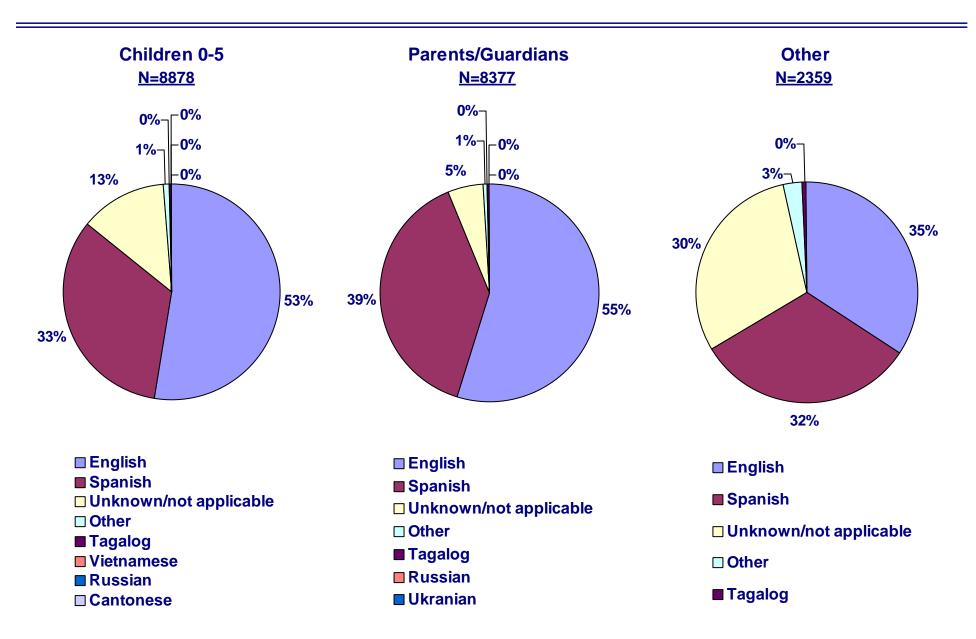


Ethnicity	Children 0-5 Participants	Parents/Guard Participants	Other Participants	<b>Total</b> Participants
Alaska Native/American Indi	<b>27</b> 0%	<b>30</b> 0%	<b>7</b> 0%	64
Asian	<b>107</b> 1%	<b>152</b> 2%	<b>19</b> 1%	278
Black/African American	<b>1,785</b> 20%	<b>1,641</b> 20%	<b>397</b> 17%	3,823
Hispanic/Latino	<b>4,481</b> 50%	<b>4,239</b> 51%	<b>1,252</b> 53%	9,972
Multiracial	<b>349</b> 4%	<b>214</b> 3%	<b>136</b> 6%	699
Other	<b>303</b> 3%	<b>128</b> 2%	<b>81</b> 3%	512
Pacific Islander	<b>120</b> 1%	<b>98</b> 1%	<b>47</b> 2%	265
Ukranian	<b>1</b> 0%	<b>0</b> 0%	<b>0</b> 0%	1
Unknown/not applicable	<b>356</b> 4%	<b>289</b> 3%	<b>124</b> 5%	769
White	<b>1,349</b> 15%	<b>1,586</b> 19%	<b>296</b> 13%	3,231
Total:	<b>8,878</b> 100%	<b>8,377</b> 100%	<b>2,359</b> 100%	19,614



## F Participants by Language

All Programs
Top 10 values



Language		Unknown 0-5 Participants	Parents/Guardians Participants	Other Participants	<b>Total</b> Participants
Cantonese		1 0%	<b>0</b> 0%	<b>0</b>	1
English		<b>4,673</b> 53%	<b>4,582</b> 55%	<b>803</b> 34%	10,058
Other		<b>79</b> 1%	<b>44</b> 1%	<b>70</b> 3%	193
Russian		<b>5</b> 0%	<b>5</b> 0%	<b>0</b> 0%	10
Spanish		<b>2,941</b> 33%	<b>3,287</b> 39%	<b>760</b> 32%	6,988
Tagalog		<b>9</b> 0%	<b>9</b> 0%	<b>10</b> 0%	28
Ukranian		<b>0</b> 0%	<b>3</b> 0%	<b>0</b> 0%	3
Unknown/not applic		<b>1,165</b> 13%	<b>447</b> 5%	<b>716</b> 30%	2,328
Vietnamese		<b>5</b> 0%	<b>0</b> 0%	<b>0</b> 0%	 5
Total:		<b>8,878</b> 100%	<b>8,377</b> 100%	<b>2,359</b> 100%	19,614



		Children 0-5					Parents/	/Guardian	S	Other			
	_	Partici	Participants Service Contacts			Particip	Participants Service Contacts			Particip	ants	Service Contacts	
Program	Modality	Total	%	Total	%	Total	%	Total	%	Total	%	Total	%
Program <sup>1</sup>	Title: Anna Kyle School Readiness					Contract	<b>#</b> : 20	004-404					
Agency:	Fairfield-Suisun Unified School	ol Distric	t										
	Direct Services	360	100	531	100%	446	100%	600	100%	1	100	0	0%
	Total:	360		531		446		600		1		0	
Program <sup>1</sup>	Title: BabyFirst Solano					Contract	<b>#:</b> 20	007-601					
Agency:	Solano County Health and So	cial Servi	ces										
	Case Management	253	100	847	100%	498	21%	7,210	81%	197	100	870	100
	Direct Services	0	0%	0	0%	1,819	79%	1,644	19%	0	0%	0	0%
	Total:	253		847		2,317		8,854		197		870	
	Title: CNP Home based Screening					Contract	#: 20	005-101					
Agency:	Childrens Nurturing Project	054	400	000	4000/	000	4000/	000	4000/	4.45	400	000	400
	Home Visit	251	100	639	100%	260	100%	623	100%	145	100	363	100
	Total:	251		639		260		623		145		363	
Program <sup>1</sup>	Title: Early Childhood Mental Health	1				Contract	<b>#:</b> 20	005-103					
Agency:	Families First												
	Direct Services	25	100	715	100%	37	100%	350	100%	2	100	40	100
	Total:	25		715		37		350		2		40	
Program <sup>1</sup>	Title: EPSDT - Mental Health					Contract	<b>#:</b> 20	007-102					
Agency:	Solano County Health and So	cial Servi	ces										
	Direct Services	575	100	8,411	100%	71	100%	823	100%	7	100	27	100

			Children 0-5				Parents/Guardians				Other			
	-	Partici	pants	Service (	Contacts	Partici	pants	Service (	Contacts	Particip	oants	Service (	Contacts	
Program	Modality	Total	%	Total	%	Total	%	Total	%	Total	%	Total	%	
	Total:	575		8,411		71		823		7		27		
Drogram T	Fitle: Full Day Head Start					Contract	<b>#</b> . 20	007-502						
Agency:	Child Start					Contract	#: 20	JU7-3UZ						
Agency.	Direct Services	53	100	7,975	100%	59	100%	7,904	100%	17	100	3,351	100	
	Total:	53 53	100	7,975 <b>7,975</b>	100 /6	<b>59</b>	10076	7,904 <b>7,904</b>	100 /6	17	100	3,351	100	
	Total.	33		7,973		33		7,304		17		3,331		
Program 1	Fitle: Head Start Mental Health					Contract	#: 20	005-102						
Agency:	Child Start													
	Case Management	503	85%	1,745	84%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	
	Direct Services	87	15%	331	16%	1	100%	4	100%	0	0%	0	0%	
	Total:	590		2,076		1		4		0		0		
	FW 1501 D 11 5D0					0 1 1		07.004						
	Fitle: IFSI - Benicia FRC					Contract	#: 20	007-301						
Agency:	City of Benicia/Police Dept.  Case Management	53	35%	340	40%	37	31%	253	37%	18	39%	177	39%	
	Direct Services	99	35% 65%	540 516	40% 60%	37 84	69%	253 422	63%	28	39% 61%	177 279	39% 61%	
	Total:	152	03%	856	00%	121	09%	675	03%	46	0176	456	0176	
	Total.	102		000		.2.		010		40		400		
Program 1	Title: IFSI - CPS & PHN					Contract	#: 20	007-310						
Agency:	Solano County Health and So	cial Serv	ices											
	Direct Services	352	100	1,662	100%	269	100%	1,213	100%	263	100	1,412	100	
	Total:	352		1,662		269		1,213		263		1,412		
_	Title: IFSI - Dixon FRC					Contract	#: 20	007-302						
Agency:	Dixon Family Services													
	Case Management	43	26%	43	26%	111	18%	50	20%	28	26%	28	26%	
	Direct Services	124	74%	124	74%	491	82%	205	80%	78	74%	78	74%	

		Children 0-5					Parents.	/Guardian	S	Other			
		Partic	ipants	Service (	Contacts	Partici	pants	Service (	Contacts	Particip	oants	Service (	Contacts
Program	Modality	Total	%	Total	%	Total	%	Total	%	Total	%	Total	%
	Total:	167		167		602		255		106		106	
Program	Title: IFSI - Healthy Start FRCs Fair	field-Suis	sun			Contract	#: 20	007-303					
Agency:	Fairfield-Suisun Family Reso	urce Cen	ter										
	Case Management	182	20%	2,660	21%	120	22%	2,218	26%	234	26%	2,605	18%
	Direct Services	718	80%	9,990	79%	434	78%	6,313	74%	651	74%	12,191	82%
	Total:	900		12,650		554		8,531		885		14,796	
Program	Title: IFSI - Heather House					Contract	#: 20	007-309					
Agency:	Interfaith Council of Solano C	ounty											
	Case Management	46	100	0	0%	41	100%	3,708	100%	24	100	0	0%
	Total:	46		0		41		3,708		24		0	
Program Agency:	Title: IFSI - Isolated Families Childrens Nurturing Project					Contract	#: 20	007-308					
_		111	100	357	100%	Contract	#: <b>2</b> 0	<b>007-308</b> 417	100%	16	100	35	100
_	Childrens Nurturing Project	111 <b>111</b>	100	357 <b>357</b>	100%				100%	16 <b>16</b>	100	35 <b>35</b>	100
Agency:	Childrens Nurturing Project Direct Services		100		100%	147	100%	417	100%		100		100
Agency:	Childrens Nurturing Project Direct Services Total:		100		100%	147 147	100%	417 <b>417</b>	100%		100		100
Agency:	Childrens Nurturing Project  Direct Services  Total:  Title: IFSI - Rio Vista FRC		100		100%	147 147	100%	417 <b>417</b>	100%		100		100
Agency:	Childrens Nurturing Project  Direct Services  Total:  Title: IFSI - Rio Vista FRC Rio Vista CARE	111		357		147 147 Contract	100% #: 20	417 417 007-305		16		35	
Agency:	Childrens Nurturing Project  Direct Services  Total:  Title: IFSI - Rio Vista FRC Rio Vista CARE  Case Management	<b>111</b> 166	50%	<b>357</b>	56%	147 147 Contract	100% #: 20	417 <b>417</b> <b>007-305</b>	53%	224	50%	<b>35</b>	52%
Agency: Program Agency:	Childrens Nurturing Project  Direct Services  Total:  Title: IFSI - Rio Vista FRC Rio Vista CARE  Case Management Direct Services	111 166 166	50%	357 314 247	56%	147 147 Contract 135 135	100% #: <b>2</b> 6 50% 50%	417 417 007-305 287 257	53%	224 224	50%	35 308 282	52%
Agency: Program Agency:	Childrens Nurturing Project  Direct Services  Total:  Title: IFSI - Rio Vista FRC Rio Vista CARE  Case Management Direct Services  Total:	111 166 166 332	50%	357 314 247	56%	147 147 Contract 135 135 270	100% #: <b>2</b> 6 50% 50%	417 417 007-305 287 257 544	53%	224 224	50%	35 308 282	52%
Agency: Program Agency:	Childrens Nurturing Project  Direct Services  Total:  Title: IFSI - Rio Vista FRC Rio Vista CARE  Case Management Direct Services  Total:  Title: IFSI - Substance Abuse	111 166 166 332	50%	357 314 247	56%	147 147 Contract 135 135 270	100% #: <b>2</b> 6 50% 50%	417 417 007-305 287 257 544	53%	224 224	50%	35 308 282	52%

		Children 0-5				Parents/Guardians				Other			
		Partic	ipants	Service	Contacts	Partici	pants	Service (	Contacts	Particip	ants	Service (	Contacts
Program	Modality	Total	%	Total	%	Total	%	Total	%	Total	%	Total	%
Program 7	Title: IFSI - Substance Abuse Servi	ces				Contract	#: 20	007-311					
Agency:	Youth and Family Services												
	Case Management	53	100	750	100%	40	100%	545	100%	0	0%	0	0%
	Total:	53		750		40		545		0		0	
Program 1	Title: IFSI - Vacaville FRC					Contract	#: 20	007-306					
Agency:	Vacaville Police Department												
	Case Management	310	36%	574	51%	235	36%	432	51%	0	0%	0	0%
	Direct Services	559	64%	559	49%	419	64%	419	49%	123	100	123	100
	Total:	869		1,133		654		851		123		123	
Program 1	Title: IFSI - Vallejo FRCs					Contract	#: 20	007-304					
Agency:	Fighting Back Partnership												
	Case Management	586	43%	1,544	48%	383	40%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
	Direct Services	789	57%	1,658	52%	569	60%	85	100%	0	0%	0	0%
	Total:	1,375		3,202		952		85		0	,	0	
Program 1	Title: Loma Vista School Readines	S				Contract	#: 20	003-401					
Agency:	Vallejo City Unified School Di												
	Direct Services	432	100	251	100%	332	100%	192	100%	1	100	0	0%
	Total:	432		251		332		192		1		0	
_	Title: Markham School Readiness					Contract	#: 20	004-403					
Agency:	Vacaville Unified School Dist		400	4.000	4000/	547	4000/	0.005	4000/	10	100	0.4	400
	Direct Services	387	100	4,983	100%	517	100%	2,635	100%	18	100	24	100
	Total:	387		4,983		517		2,635		18		24	
Program 1	Title: Nurturing Parenting Program					Contract	#: 20	006-101					
	Childrens Nurturing Project												
Agency:	Official Martaring Froject												

		Children 0-5				F	Parents	/Guardian	S	Other			
	_	Partici	pants	Service (	Contacts	Particip	ants	Service (	Contacts	Particip	oants	Service C	Contacts
Program	Modality	Total	%	Total	%	Total	%	Total	%	Total	%	Total	%
	Total:	71		254		62		243		2		2	
Program 7	Fitle: Silveyville School Readiness					Contract #	<b>#</b> : 2	007-201					
Agency:	<b>Dixon Unified School District</b>												
	Direct Services	688	100	396	100%	590	100%	305	100%	55	100	0	0%
	Total:	688		396		590		305		55		0	
Program 7	Fitle: Solano Coalition for Better He	alth				Contract #	<b>#</b> : 2	007-401					
Agency:	Solano Coalition for Better He	alth											
	Direct Services	780	100	49	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
	Total:	780		49		0		0		0		0	
	Once I Total	0.070		40.500		0.077		00.405		0.050		00.400	
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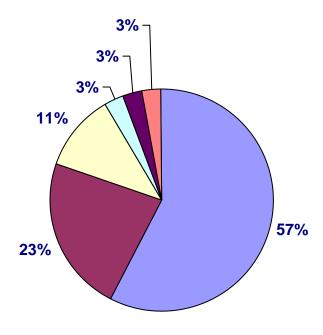
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Period From: 07/01/2007 To: 06/30/2008



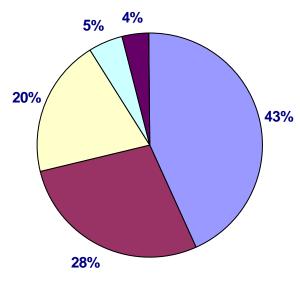
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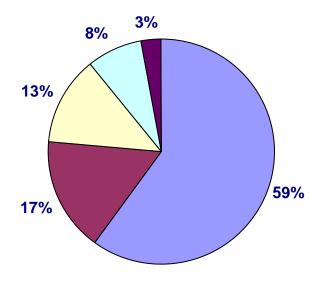




- **■** Unknown/not applicable
- Hispanic/Latino
- White
- **Other**
- **Multiracial**



- Hispanic/Latino
- **Black/African American**
- White
- Asian
- **■** Unknown/not applicable

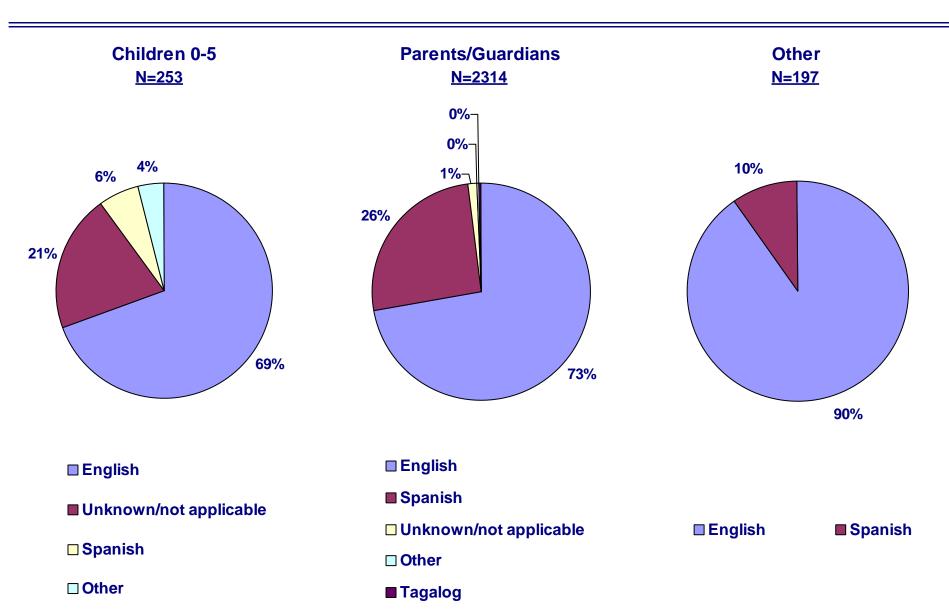


#### ■ Black/African American

- **■** Hispanic/Latino
- White
- Multiracial
- Pacific Islander

### Rarticipants by Language

BabyFirst Solano Top 5 values

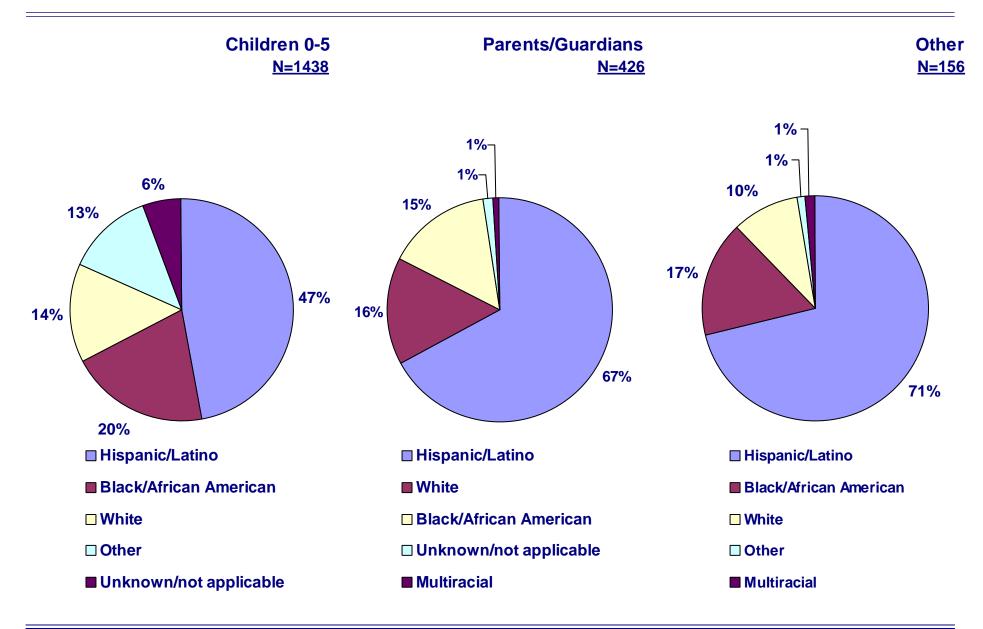




## Farticipants by Ethnicity

CNP Home based Screening, Early Childhood Mental Health, EPSDT - Mental Health, Head Start Mental Health, Nurturing Parenting Program

Top 5 values

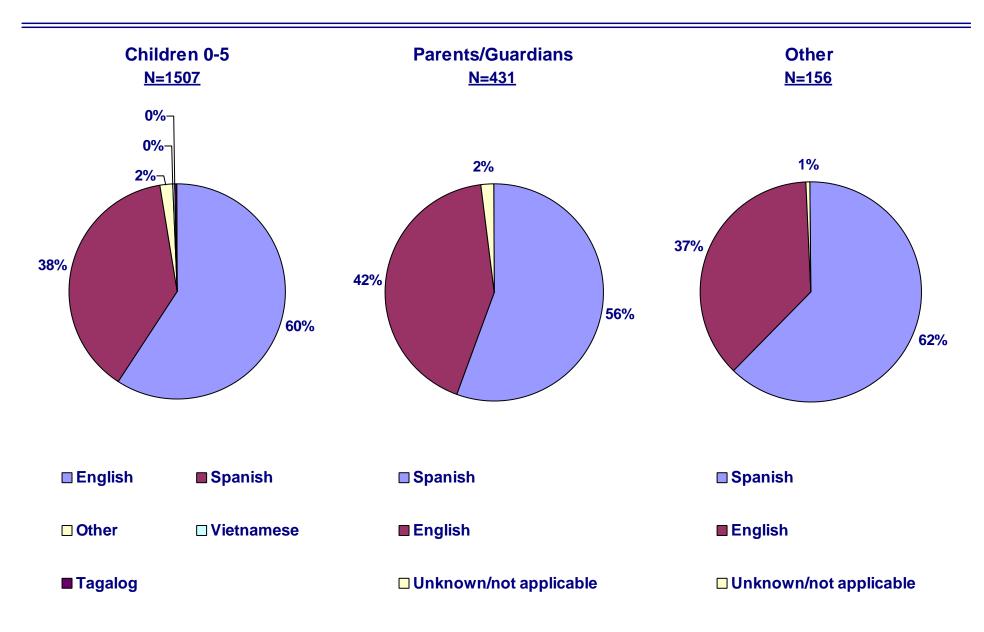




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Top 5 values





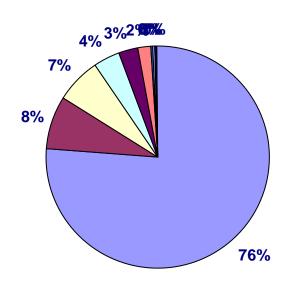
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Solano Coalition for Better Health
Top 10 values

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Children 0-5 N=780 Parents/Guardians N=

Other N=



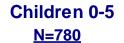
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- □ Pacific Islander
- Other



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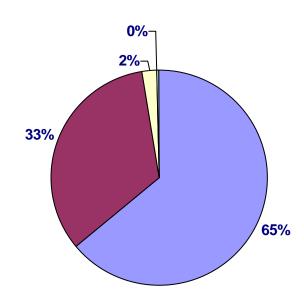
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Period From: 07/01/2007 To: 06/30/2008



Parents/Guardians N=

Other N=



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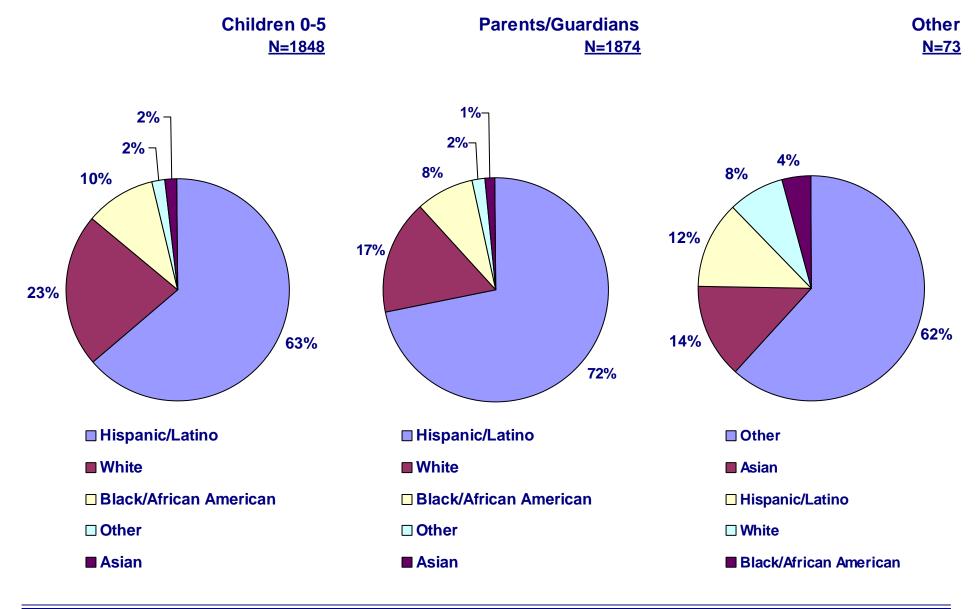
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## Participants by Ethnicity

Anna Kyle School Readiness, Loma Vista School Readiness, Markham School Readiness, Silveyville School Readiness

Top 5 values

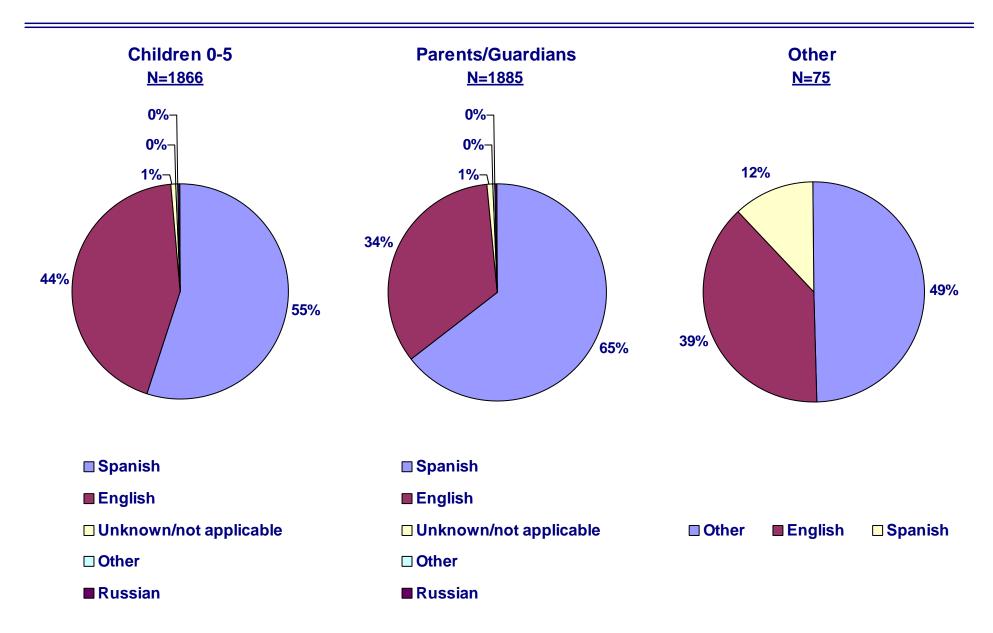




## Participants by Language

Anna Kyle School Readiness, Loma Vista School Readiness, Markham School Readiness, Silveyville School Readiness

Top 5 values





## F Participants by Ethnicity

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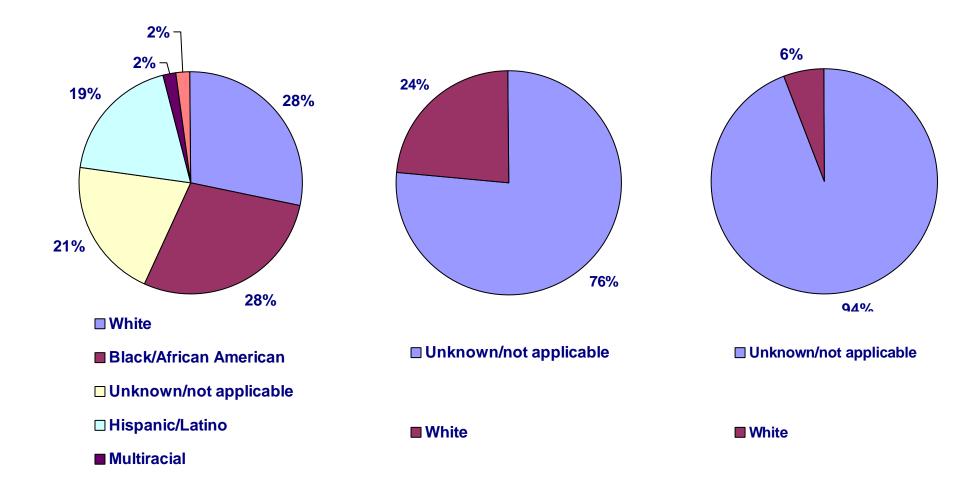
Top 10 values

Period From: 07/01/2007 To: 06/30/2008



### Parents/Guardians N=59

## Other N=17

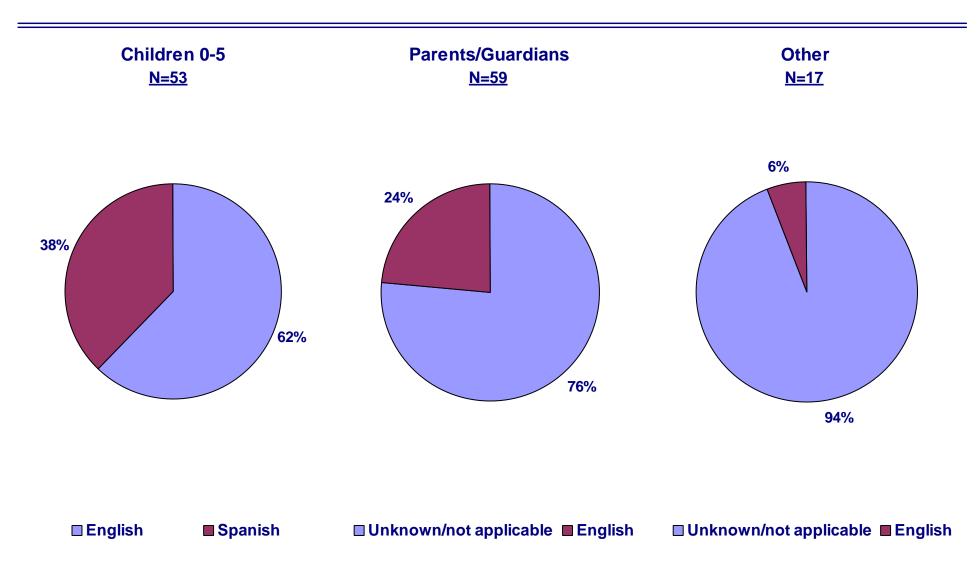




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Top 10 values





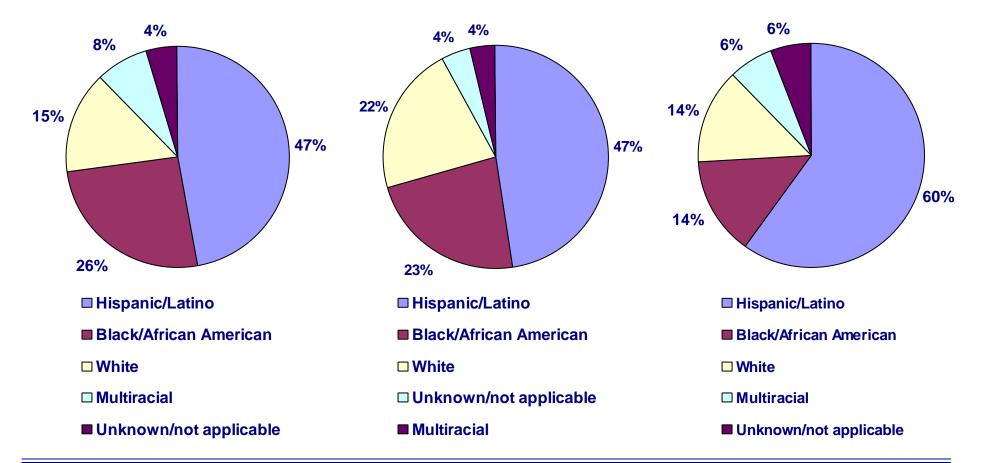
## F Participants by Ethnicity

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Top 5 values

Period From: 07/01/2007 To: 06/30/2008

Children 0-5 N=4252 Parents/Guardians N=3548 Other <u>N=1832</u>



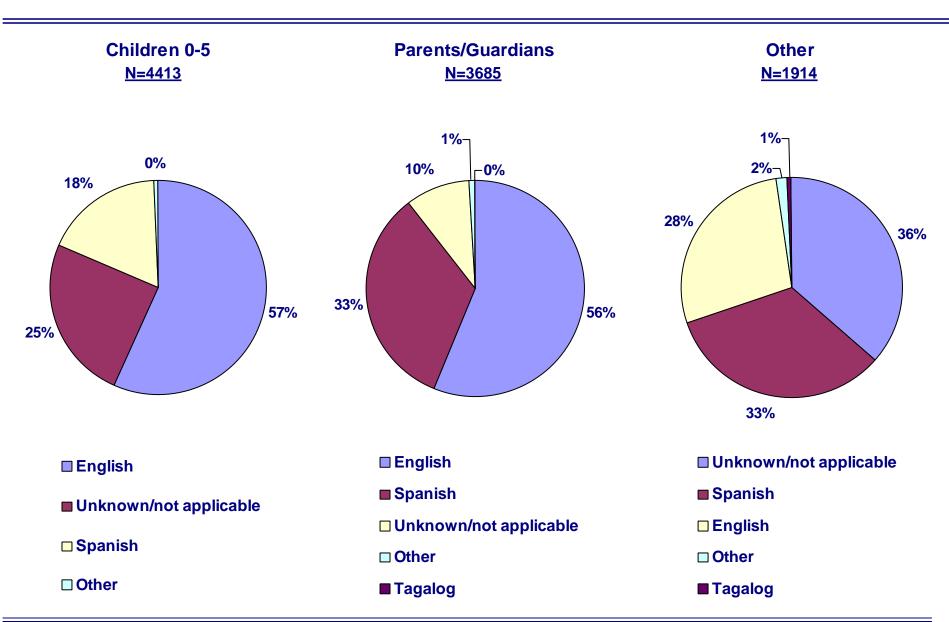


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Top 10 values

Period From: 07/01/2007 To: 06/30/2008





# First 5 Solano FY2007/08 Annual Report Most Compelling Outcome: Improved Family Functioning

## Avoidance of Foster Care Placement

#### **Compelling Outcome**

First 5 Solano Children and Families Commission's partnerships with local health and education public agencies are generating significant potential savings to the county and state budgets through cost-avoidance of expensive crisis services. First 5 Solano's Integrated Family Support Initiative (IFSI) connects families to a coordinated system of support through Family Resource Centers across Solano County.

During FY2007/08, 100% of 199 children served by IFSI remained out of Foster Care placement and in their homes and communities. By the most conservative estimate, using Child Welfare Services research and data on the risk of future placement of children in IFSI-like families, and going out only 1.5 years from the date of the incident, this represents cost-avoidance in Solano Foster Care costs of \$415,824 annually.

While no one would suggest that all 199 children served by IFSI would enter Foster Care if unserved, these 199 children remaining at home, in their community, and out of placement represents a potential net avoidance of up to \$3,296,180 in county, state, and federal Foster Care placement costs. Other costs such as court, public health, mental health and developmental/early education costs, are being studied.

#### **Benchmark/Baseline Data**

In FY2006/07, 98% of 133 children served by IFSI remained out of Foster Care placement and in their homes and communities. The number of children remaining at home, in their community, and out of placement represent a potential net avoidance of \$2,079,215 in Foster Care Costs.

#### **Outcome Measurement Tool**

These data are tracked by the IFSI Child Protective Services Worker and then reported to First 5 Solano on a quarterly basis using the First 5 Solano Quarterly Performance Measures Report.



# Children's Nurturing Project Spanish Nurturing Parenting Program/Dixon

Cristina Garcia attended the Parenting Class in Dixon. She had a lot of issues with her son Antonio, 42 months old. Mom had to quit her job because she was receiving phone calls from his pre-school program every day, because Antonio was having problems using the bathroom and had behavioral issues (crying, hitting other children, and was hard to re-direct).

Antonio was 42 months old when Cristina started attending the Group, and she kept Antonio with her during classes because Antonio was acting out when taken to the Children's Group.

During that same period, Antonio was expelled from his pre-school program due to behavioral problems and because teachers couldn't handle him. Antonio was subsequently referred to the school district for Special Education. Mother Cristina was overwhelmed and sad. Cristina began attending Group and during that period learned how to discipline and re-direct Antonio in a positive way.

The Group Facilitator also referred the family to FamiliesFirst Program. The family is currently receiving services from FamiliesFirst and Antonio is doing a lot better. Last month, the home visitor completed a follow-up visit with the family and noticed a huge improvement in Antonio's behavior and development.

Antonio is more verbal and able to express his feelings. Mom is more relaxed and using discipline techniques learned from Group to re-direct Antonio. Antonio follows directions and uses the bathroom by himself. Soon he will go to the local Head Start Program. Mom got a job and feels happier as a parent. The family is receiving services and has access to other community programs that can help them.



# Fairfield-Suisun Healthy Start Family Resource Center

The Integrated Family Service Initiative (IFSI) multi-disciplinary team for Fairfield-Suisun has been working with a homeless family with two daughters, ages 10 months and 2 years old. The father is due to be released from jail very soon. The mother became homeless when the father went to jail. She has a history of mental illness and substance abuse and the children show developmental delays. Although Child Protective Services (CPS) reports have been made, the situation does not fall under CPS criteria as an open case. The members of the team who are working with this young family are:

Family Resource Center (FRC): goal is to assist with basic needs of food and formula, assist in obtaining SSI for mother and ultimately housing, and obtain developmental assessments for daughters. The family is currently staying with friends.

Substance Abuse: goal is to assist mom in obtaining evaluation for mental health and substance abuse issues.

Public Health Nurse: goal is to follow children for health and developmental needs.

CPS: goal is to make sure that needs of children are being met.

Youth & Family Services (YFS) jail outreach: goal is to maintain contact with father while in jail.

Ultimate goals for this family are that parents will obtain substance abuse treatment, mom will obtain mental health services, children will receive early intervention services, and most importantly, permanent housing.



# Vacaville Police Department Family Resource Center

In 2007 police responded to a call in which a three year-old child was living in dirty and unsafe conditions and her parents were under the influence of methamphetamines. Child Welfare Services (CWS) responded and the child was removed from her parent's custody. The child was immediately placed with her paternal grandmother. The Emergency Response Worker sent a referral to the Vacaville Police Department's Child Abuse Response Team (CART). The Family Support Worker (FSW) assigned to work with the family immediately contacted the family, but the phone numbers provided were not valid due to the client's move. The FSW then sent a letter to which the clients responded.

After one month of the clients scheduling and canceling appointments both parents met with the FSW at the office. The mother was thirty-one years old and she suffered from anxiety disorder and depression. She was very distraught about losing her daughter, and her main goal was to follow her CWS case plan in order to get her daughter back. The mother had enrolled in drug classes and counseling.

The father was a twenty-two year old male who was then unemployed at the time. He had a positive work history and was actively seeking employment with no success. He had also enrolled in drug classes, but he was in need of anger management classes to fulfill his CWS case plan. Both parents needed a fifty-two week parenting class in addition to completing the CART program. The parents had recently moved and were behind on their PG&E bill.

The FSW met with the couple every week for four and a half months. The clients attended every meeting and were actively engaged in the Nurturing Parenting Program curriculum. The parents learned about appropriate development, meeting their and their child's needs, discipline, empathy, and other nurturing parenting techniques. The parents expressed the connection between what they were learning and how it could be applied to their situation, changes they could make and raising their daughter.

The FSW also assisted the family in accessing services and programs. The family applied for HEAP and had their PG&E bill paid. The father was referred to anger management classes (through a local church), which he successfully completed. They were referred to Catholic Social Services for the fifty-two week parenting classes which they also successfully completed. The FSW created a resume which the client used and gained full time employment. The FSW also assisted the mom in applying for Social Security. The FSW talked to the CWS case worker on a monthly basis to report the parent's progress and successes in completing their case plan. As a result of the parent's work and compliance they gradually received more unsupervised visits with their child.

Working hard month to month the parents completed the Nurturing Parent Program. The parents completed every task asked on their case plan and in September, CWS recommended that they receive full legal and physical custody of their child again, and it was granted. About a week later the family returned to the office to thank the FSW for all of her work and help in getting their daughter back and the FSW was able to meet the child.

Result Area 1: Improved Family Functioning (Family Support, Education and Services

Service Area: 40) Community Resource and Referral

#### Reporting Requirements

**TOTAL** 

#### **Population Served**

Children less than 3	527
Children 3 to Five Years	799
Children - Ages Unknown(birth to five years)	195
Parents/Guardians/Primary Caregivers	1317
Other family members	874
Providers	0
TOTAL	3712

#### **Ethnic Breakd**

down of Population Served(Children and Families)	Children	Parents/Guardians
Alaska Native/American Indian	6	3
Asian	10	6
Black/African-American	420	308
Hispanic/Latino	695	611
Pacific Islander	18	16
White	130	227
Multiracial	104	46
Other/Unknown	138	100
TOTAL	1521	1317

#### **Primary Langua**

uage Spoken in the Home(Children and Families)	
English	
Spanish	
Cantonese	
Mandarin	
Vietnamese	
Korean	
Other	
Unknown	
TOTAL	

Children	Parents/Guardiar

801	771
294	475
0	0
0	0
0	0
0	0
6	8
420	63
1521	1317
	-

Result Area 1: Improved Family Functioning (Family Support, Education and Services

Service Area: 43) Provision of Basic Family Needs (Food, Clothing, Housing)

#### Reporting Requirements

**TOTAL** 

#### **Population Served**

Children less than 3	27
Children 3 to Five Years	19
Children - Ages Unknown(birth to five years)	0
Parents/Guardians/Primary Caregivers	41
Other family members	24
Providers	0
TOTAL	111

#### **Ethnic Breakde**

down of Population Served(Children and Families)	Children	Parents/Guardians
Alaska Native/American Indian	0	0
Asian	0	1
Black/African-American	16	13
Hispanic/Latino	16	9
Pacific Islander	0	0
White	9	16
Multiracial	5	2
Other/Unknown	0	0
TOTAL	46	41

#### Primary Language Spoken in the Home(Children and Families)

u	age spoken in the nome(children and railines)
	English
	Spanish
	Cantonese
	Mandarin
	Vietnamese
	Korean
	Other
	Unknown
	TOTAL

Children	Parents/Guardians

46	41
0	0
0	0
0	0
0	0
0	0
0	0
0	0
46	41

#### **Results and Service Area Worksheet AR2 County: Solano**

Result Area 1: Improved Family Functioning (Family Support, Education and Services

Service Area: 44) Targeted Intensive Parent Support Services Programs

#### Reporting Requirements

**TOTAL** 

#### **Population Served**

Children less than 3	947
Children 3 to Five Years	1063
Children - Ages Unknown(birth to five years)	725
Parents/Guardians/Primary Caregivers	2180
Other family members	1000
Providers	0
TOTAL	5915

#### **Ethnic Breakd**

down of Population Served(Children and Families)	Children	Parents/Guardians
Alaska Native/American Indian	4	2
Asian	16	12
Black/African-American	643	478
Hispanic/Latino	1226	972
Pacific Islander	50	28
White	481	496
Multiracial	217	80
Other/Unknown	98	112
TOTAL	2735	2180

#### **Primary Langua**

uage Spoken in the Home(Children and Families)	
English	
Spanish	
Cantonese	
Mandarin	
Vietnamese	
Korean	
Other	
Unknown	
TOTAL	

#### Children Parents/Guardians

1599	1205
446	661
0	0
0	0
0	0
0	0
13	24
677	290
2735	2180

Result Area 1: Improved Family Functioning (Family Support, Education and Services

Service Area: 45) General Parenting Education Programs

#### Reporting Requirements

**TOTAL** 

#### **Population Served**

Children less than 3	119
Children 3 to Five Years	45
Children - Ages Unknown(birth to five years)	18
Parents/Guardians/Primary Caregivers	209
Other family members	18
Providers	0
TOTAL	409

#### **Ethnic Breakdo**

lown of Population Served(Children and Families)	Children	Parents/Guardians
Alaska Native/American Indian	2	2
Asian	4	4
Black/African-American	21	25
Hispanic/Latino	123	139
Pacific Islander	0	0
White	26	37
Multiracial	6	2
Other/Unknown	0	0

#### **Primary Language Spoken in the Home(Children and Families)**

**TOTAL** 

u	age Spoken in the nome(Children and Families)
	English
	Spanish
	Cantonese
	Mandarin
	Vietnamese
	Korean
	Other
	Unknown
	TOTAL

#### Children Parents/Guardians

182

209

65	73
117	136
0	0
0	0
0	0
0	0
0	0
0	0
182	209



# First 5 Solano FY2007/08 Annual Report Most Compelling Outcome: Improved Child Development

## Mastery of MDRDP Dimensions

#### **Compelling Outcome**

First 5 Solano's Kindergarten Readiness Assessment (KRA) provides a snapshot of kindergartners' readiness to begin school in the four catchment areas targeted by First 5 Solano. One portion of the KRA focuses on competency assessments of children.

Teachers assess individual children using the Modified Desired Results Developmental Profile (MDRDP). This teacher-completed observation checklist measures children's readiness for school in four dimensions: cognition and general knowledge; communication skills; emotional well-being and social competence, and approaches to learning.

During FY2007/08, 34% - 51% of children fully or almost mastered all items in all four MDRDP dimensions (n=344 +/-2). Competencies in all four dimensions were higher than for both the prior year and since 2004/05 (the first year this information was gathered).

#### **Benchmark/Baseline Data**

In FY2006/07, 19% - 41% of children fully or almost mastered all items in all four MDRDP dimensions (n=300 +/-1).

#### **Outcome Measurement Tool**

Teachers assess children using the MDRDP child survey.



## Child Start Head Start Wrap-Around Services

Amy came to Woolner Head Start with many behavioral and emotional issues, in part due to her mom's mental illness. However, mental illness did not stop Amy's mom, Elizabeth, from enrolling in school full time to earn a degree in Business and Criminal Justice.

Elizabeth supports herself and Amy with help from Elizabeth's grandmother, who shares housing with her daughter and granddaughter. She is in her fifth year of the Welfare to Work program and is motivated to be successful. Unfortunately, while attending college, Elizabeth faced a serious crisis when her mom was diagnosed with terminal cancer. Elizabeth almost dropped out of college several times during the year because the stress of her mom's illness and single parenthood were taking its toll.

Although, Elizabeth is in treatment for mental illness and is sustained through her relationship with faith based services, she said it was the Woolner staff encouraging her and providing her with community resources that made her not give up.

Elizabeth was further encouraged by the progress her daughter was making in school. Amy was developing strong attachments with the teachers and after only three months was overcoming her fears of napping. Over the course of the year, Amy made tremendous emotional and educational progress as illustrated through work sampling and teacher observations. As the year came to an end, Staff was confident that Amy was ready, emotionally and educationally, for kindergarten.

As for Elizabeth, after volunteering regularly in her child's classroom her interest in early childhood and its importance came to the forefront of her priorities. Elizabeth stayed in college too, thanks to a referral to Solano Family and Children's Services, and Elizabeth received child care assistance for Amy after Kindergarten hours.

By the end of the second year with Head Start and a full year of full day childcare, Elizabeth reached her goal and graduated with her AA degree from Solano Community College. Amy proudly came to school and talked about her mom graduating from college.



# Markham School Readiness Wellness Home Visits

The Markham School Readiness Program offers a multitude of services for parents, including home visits to pregnant women. These pre-natal visits include having the Parent Liaison (PL) and Nurse from the readiness site go into the home to meet with the expectant mother. This home visit provides a comfortable setting to discuss the health of the mother, the stages and expectations of pregnancy, medical coverage for the mother, dealing with older siblings and any other issue that the mother has identified as being of concern to her, or that she would like to receive more information about.

Mothers receive a First 5 Kit for New Parents and a diaper bag filled with goodies, magazines and other information items, but also a nurse that can stay awhile and answer their questions. The duo refers and informs the mothers about available health insurance, Car Seat Connection and many other services in the community.

Once the child is born, the Parent Liaison and Nurse continue to visit the home and offer transitional support including information on the baby's development and parenting techniques. They also make sure that the newborn is signed up for medical insurance. When the moms are asked about this service, they most value the fact that a nurse comes to their home, allows them to ask questions freely, without the transportation issues and constraints of time associated with going to a clinic/hospital for a simple issue or question.

Many women have built upon the connection that they had with the Parent Liaison and Nurse and later attend the Nurturing Parent Program, the Latino Literacy Project or signed their child up for preschool. It is a gratifying experience when we know and work with the family from the moment the mother is pregnant until the child enters kindergarten. In many cases we are still the connection and support for families as their children continue into and through elementary school.

Result Area 2: Improved Child Development (Child Development Services)

Service Area: 49) State School Readiness Programs & Local Match

#### Reporting Requirements

**TOTAL** 

164

1569

134

1885

**75** 

0

3827

#### **Population Served**

Children less than 3

Children 3 to Five Years

Children - Ages Unknown(birth to five years)

Parents/Guardians/Primary Caregivers

Other family members

**Providers** 

**TOTAL** 

#### Children

#### Parents/Guardians

**Total Children** 

1867

Ethnic Breakdown of Population Served(Children and Families)

Asian

Black/African-American

Hispanic/Latino

Pacific Islander

White

Multiracial

Other/Unknown

TOTAL

1
24
158
1345
5
310
0
42
1885

#### Primary Language Spoken in the Home(Children and Families)

**English** 

Spanish

Cantonese

Mandarin

Vietnamese

Korean

Other

Unknown

TOTAL

#### Children

#### Parents/Guardians

Ommunom	
816	
1026	
0	
0	
0	
0	
13	
12	
1867	

644
1217
0
0
0
0
12
12
1885

Result Area 2: Improved Child Development (Child Development Services)

Service Area: 51) Comprehensive Screening and Assessments

Reporting Requirements	
	TOTAL

#### **Population Served**

Children less than 3	0
Children 3 to Five Years	590
Children - Ages Unknown(birth to five years)	0
Parents/Guardians/Primary Caregivers	1
Other family members	0
Providers	0
TOTAL	591

#### Ethnic Bre

reakdown of Population Served(Children and Families)	Children	Parents/Guardians
Alaska Native/American Indian	5	0
Asian	33	0
Black/African-American	164	0
Hispanic/Latino	296	0
Pacific Islander	8	0
White	64	1
Multiracial	0	0
Other/Unknown	20	0

#### Primary Language Spoken in the Home(Children and Families)

TOTAL

u	age opoken in the nome(Children and Lamines)
	English
	Spanish
	Cantonese
	Mandarin
	Vietnamese
	Korean
	Other
	Unknown
	TOTAL

#### Children Parents/Guardians

1

590

300	1
253	0
1	0
0	0
5	0
0	0
31	0
0	0
590	1
	-

Result Area 2: Improved Child Development (Child Development Services)

Service Area: 53) Early Education Programs for Children (other than School Readiness and Preschool for 3 &

#### Reporting Requirements

**TOTAL** 

#### **Population Served**

Children less than 3	0
Children 3 to Five Years	51
Children - Ages Unknown(birth to five years)	2
Parents/Guardians/Primary Caregivers	59
Other family members	17
Providers	0
TOTAL	129

#### **Ethnic Breakde**

down of Population Served(Children and Families)	Children	Parents/Guardians
Alaska Native/American Indian	1	0
Asian	0	0
Black/African-American	15	0
Hispanic/Latino	10	0
Pacific Islander	0	0
White	15	14
Multiracial	1	0
Other/Unknown	11	45
TOTAL	53	59

#### Primary Language Spoken in the Home(Children and Families)

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	English	
	Spanish	
	Cantonese	
	Mandarin	
	Vietnamese	
	Korean	
	Other	
	Unknown	
	TOTAL	

Children	Parents/Guardiar	
33	14	
20	0	
0	0	
0	0	
0	0	
0	0	
0	0	
0	45	
53	59	



# School Readiness Form 1(SR-1)(Page 1 of 1) School Readiness Demographic Worksheet for Fiscal Year 2007-2008 (July 1, 2007 - June 30, 2008)

Re	rvice: General Parenting Education Programs	Thursday, September 18, 2008
Ро	pulation Served	
1.	Children Less than 3 Years Old	59
2.	Children from 3rd to 6th Birthday	559
3.	Children - Ages Unknown (birth to 6th Birthday)	54
4. Total		672
Ch	ildren with Special Needs Served	
1.	Children Less than 3 Years Old	0
2.	Children from 3rd to 6th Birthday	20
3.	Children - Ages Unknown (birth to 6th Birthday)	0
4.	Total	20
Wł	no was the primary audience for the service?	



# School Readiness Form 1(SR-1)(Page 1 of 1) School Readiness Demographic Worksheet for Fiscal Year 2007-2008 (July 1, 2007 - June 30, 2008)

County:	Solano	Thursday, September 1	8, 2	2008

Result: Improved Child Development
Service: Kindergarten Transition Services

Po	pulation Served	
1.	Children Less than 3 Years Old	62
2.	Children from 3rd to 6th Birthday	592
3.	Children - Ages Unknown (birth to 6th Birthday)	54
4.	Total	708
Chi	ildren with Special Needs Served	
1.	Children Less than 3 Years Old	0
2.	Children from 3rd to 6th Birthday	20
3.	Children - Ages Unknown (birth to 6th Birthday)	0
4.	Total	20
Wh	no was the primary audience for the service?	



## School Readiness Form 1(SR-1)(Page 1 of 1) **School Readiness Demographic Worksheet** for Fiscal Year 2007-2008 (July 1, 2007 - June 30, 2008)

Re	unty: Solano sult: Improved Child Health rvice: Primary Care Services (Immunizations and/or Well C	Thursday, September 18, 2008 child Checkups)
Ро	pulation Served	
1.	Children Less than 3 Years Old	43
2.	Children from 3rd to 6th Birthday	418
3.	Children - Ages Unknown (birth to 6th Birthday)	27
4.	Total	488
Ch	ildren with Special Needs Served	
1.	Children Less than 3 Years Old	0
2.	Children from 3rd to 6th Birthday	16
3.	Children - Ages Unknown (birth to 6th Birthday)	0
4.	Total	16
Wh	no was the primary audience for the service?	



# School Readiness Form 1(SR-1)(Page 1 of 1) School Readiness Demographic Worksheet for Fiscal Year 2007-2008 (July 1, 2007 - June 30, 2008)

County: Solano Friday, September 19, 2008

**Result: Improved Systems of Care** 

Service: Provider Capacity Building, Training and Support

#### Who was the primary audience for the service?

1) Educators & 2) Community Service Providers

- 1) Educators Examples: preschool and kindergarten teachers, SR staff, principals and school departments, such as special education, when appropriate, and Head Start
- Community Service Providers Examples: FRCs & daycare providers, nurses, speech pathologists, Children's Network and CHAP

#### What were the types of services provided?

1) Articulation Meetings & 2) Joint Planning and Decision making

#### What was the intended result of the service? What was the community impact of the service?

- 1) Articulation Meetings: Develop procedures that facilitate continuity between early care and education providers as described by NEGP "Ready Schools". Early care and education providers partnered to identify key elements of school readiness, articulation levels of mastery needed to be successful in kindergarten, develop and align practices across providers to support the success of children and their families and identify strategic practices in working with parents to support them as their child/children's first and best teacher.
- 2) Joint Planning and Decision Making: Community service providers met throughout the year to plan and support large community forums such as health and literacy fairs, safety forums and strengthening the overall capacity of service delivery by aligning common practices across providers.



# School Readiness Form 2(SR-2)(Page 1 of 3) School Readiness Narrative for Fiscal Year 2007-2008 (July 1, 2007 - June 30, 2008)

County: Solano Friday, September 19, 2008

#### **Evaluation Purpose**

The evaluation design for the First 5 Solano's School Readiness program includes an annual Kindergarten Readiness Assessment (KRA), conducted by an outside evaluator, as well as tracking of specified program performance measures at each of the four School Readiness sites.

The purpose of the KRA is to provide a snapshot or point-in-time profile of kindergarteners' readiness to begin school in the 4 catchment areas targeted by First 5 Solano. It examines whether kindergarteners are:

- Personally and socially competent;
- Effective learners:
- Show physical and motor competence;
- Are safe and healthy; and
- Have families who support their learning and development.

In addition, School Readiness Program performance measures are tracked in order to capture the activities in which School Readiness programs are engaging, the number of families and children being served, and site-specific program goals.

#### **Evaluation Method**

The KRA consists of competency assessments of individual children (conducted by kindergarten teachers) and a survey of their parents. In FY07/08:

\*MDRDP: Teachers assessed individual children using the Modified Desired Results Developmental Profile child survey (MDRDP). This is a teacher-completed observation checklist measuring children's readiness for school in 4 dimensions: cognition and general knowledge, communication skills, emotional well-being and social competence, and approaches to learning;

\*Parent Survey: This collects parent-reported information about children's health, physical development, preschool and home experiences prior to kindergarten, and kindergarten readiness activities. It is offered in English and Spanish, and is sent home with children and returned by parents.

In addition, School Readiness Site Coordinators track program activities and the overall number of people served. These measures are entered into a database and reported to F5 Solano gtrly.



# School Readiness Form 2(SR-2)(Page 2 of 3) School Readiness Narrative for Fiscal Year 2007-2008 (July 1, 2007 - June 30, 2008)

County: Solano Friday, September 19, 2008

#### **Measurement Technique**

Each of the four dimensions on the MDRDP (cognition and general knowledge, communication skills, emotional well-being and social competence, and approaches to learning) includes between three and twelve observation items. Teachers assess the level of mastery for each individual child according to a four-point scale. Children that demonstrate a "3" or "4" are assessed as having "Almost" or "Fully" mastered an item, respectively.

The parent survey, which measures the Health dimension, includes questions about developmental disabilities. Children whose parents indicate they do not have developmental disabilities are considered "school ready" in the dimension of health.

#### **Sample Selection**

All kindergarteners in the four schools in First 5 Solano's catchment areas (Silveyville/Dixon, Anna Kyle/Fairfield, Loma Vista/Vallejo, and Markham/Vacaville) are eligible to participate in the KRA, regardless of whether they have participated in a School Readiness activity.

All parents of kindergarteners participating in the study complete an active consent form. MDRDP assessments and parent surveys have a cover sheet where teachers provide the child's student ID number. After parent surveys and child assessments are entered into a database they are stored in a locked file cabinet. At data entry, the cover sheet to both the parent surveys and child assessments is removed. The database is password-protected and only evaluators have access to information. Data is only reported in aggregate, making it impossible to link individual clients to specific responses.

#### **Data Processing**

All MDRDP and Parent Survey data collected for the KRA are input into statistical data analysis software. Appropriate statistical analysis is conducted to determine the frequency of responses to each item and the number of children in each level of competency for each dimension (cognition and general knowledge, communication skills, emotional well-being and social competence, approaches to learning, and health). Results are compared to prior years' data. Information collected from the parent survey is linked to MDRDP assessments to determine the relationship between children's mastery level of competencies and preschool experience, school readiness activities engaged in by parents, participation in a Pre-K Academy, child ethnicity, language spoken at home, and the education level of parents/caregivers.



# School Readiness Form 2(SR-2)(Page 3 of 3) School Readiness Narrative for Fiscal Year 2007-2008 (July 1, 2007 - June 30, 2008)

County: Solano Friday, September 19, 2008

#### **Conclusions**

Communication regarding differences in sub-groups of children: Evaluation findings have been used to increase communication between kindergarten and pre-kindergarten teachers. Articulation meetings have been held to identify key components of successful transition into kindergarten. Teachers have found early and consistent intervention increases school readiness for English Language Learners. To address this, all sites are engaging parents and children in early literacy activities.

More communication with parents: All school readiness sites began outreach and enrollment in March this year to allow more time for communication with parents.

Partnerships with libraries: All sites have increased their focus on literacy during home visits, brought library partners to sites, included literacy as a topic in parenting classes and if possible, added a small library to sites.

I hereby certify the information submitted herein is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge. I further certify that I have the authority to submit this information. I make these certifications via my electronic signature, which is affixed hereto.

Name

Phone



### <u>First 5 Solano FY2007/08 Annual Report</u> <u>Most Compelling Outcome: Improved Child Health</u>

## Substance-Free Newborns

#### **Compelling Outcome**

First 5 Solano's BabyFirst Solano Prenatal Services Initiative (BFS) is committed to creating a system of care in Solano that supports and educates pregnant and parenting women to deliver healthy and drug free babies. BFS believes that all babies in Solano County should be born healthy and live in a nurturing environment where they will thrive.

During FY2007/08, 46 of 52 babies were born substance-free to high-risk mothers served by BFS. By a conservative estimate (average-stay NICU costs of \$78,000 per child), the number of babies born substance-free represents potential savings of \$3,588,000 in Neonatal Intensive Care. These savings extend through the entire early childhood system in the form of reduced costs to the education, legal, health and public assistance sectors.

#### **Benchmark/Baseline Data**

In FY2006/07, 22 babies were born substance-free to high-risk mothers served by BabyFirst Solano. The number of babies born substance free represents potential savings of \$1,716,000 in local and state public social services.

FY2006/07 was the first year of the BFS Prenatal Substance Abuse Project, and the project was only operating at one site with limited capacity. However, during FY2007/08 the project extended their services and began full operation at two locations. The change in services available during FY2007/08 accounts for the noteworthy increase in the number of babies born substance-free.

#### **Outcome Measurement Tool**

BabyFirst Solano screens mothers with the 4Ps Plus Screen for Substance Treatment and Domestic Violence in Pregnancy.

These data are then reported to First 5 Solano on a quarterly basis using the First 5 Solano Quarterly Performance Measures Report.



#### BabyFirst Solano - Black Infant Health

Sonia is a 34 year old mother of two healthy daughters who participated in the Black Infant Health Program (BIH).

From the beginning, Sonia was eager to be an excellent mother. During her second pregnancy when Sonia was in BIH, she experienced some health problems, but was always diligent in addressing them, never once having skipped an appointment. Additionally, Sonia attended many BIH program workshops, stork's nests, group meetings, and "Celebrate Healthy Babies" events. Her second daughter was born healthy and Sonia chose to breastfeed to make sure her baby had the best nutrition available.

Sonia and her family are truly amazing, especially since both Sonia and her husband are developmentally challenged. Regardless of their limitations, this family does a wonderful job of parenting their children, maintaining an organized and safe household, and seeing to it that their children attend all medical appointments.

Sonia and her family have many successes in their lives. They reside in a local subsidized housing complex where Sonia actively participates on the Housing Council Committee. Sonia's husband has maintained his current work position as a Custodian for the past five years.

Watching this couple interact with their children and one another is wonderful to observe because of their commitment to maintain a healthy, happy family. They are organized, effectively communicate their needs, and make great use of their resources!



# Children's Nurturing Project Welcome Baby Program

The Children's Nurturing Project's (CNP) Welcome Baby Program is an early identification program for special needs in infants and children ages 0-5. Interactive screenings are done in the home with the baby and parent, and potential delays or concerns are discussed and referred on for health and development services and resources to help support the family. A First 5 New Parent Kit, Community Resource Guide, and baby items such as clothing, toys, wipes and books are provided to the family during the home visit. The following story is an example of the success of this home visiting program in improving the lives of children in Solano County.

Steven, Jeremy and Samantha were referred to the Welcome Baby Program at Children's Nurturing Project via a referral from Child Protective Services (CPS). The children had been exposed to domestic violence and the CPS worker felt a developmental screening and assessment would be beneficial in determining their physical and emotional well being. The children were living with their grandparents at the time of the referral.

A home visitor met with the family in their home to administer the screenings. Jeremy, age 14 months and Samantha, age 2, scored within normal limits for both the Ages and Stages Questionnaire (ASQ) and the Ages and Stages Questionnaire – Social/Emotional (ASQSE). Steven, age 3, scored within normal limits in all domains of the ASQ with the exception of communication. He was significantly delayed and rarely verbalized, preferring to use the basic sign language his grandmother had taught him, or simply pointing and whimpering. Steven's ASQSE score was 20+ points above the cut off score, indicating significant behavioral and/or social-emotional delays. During the ASQSE, he acted out the domestic violence incident he had witnessed, clearly exhibiting emotional trauma from what he had seen. The children's grandparents were open and receptive to referrals and interventions to support Steven.

While Steven's speech delay was obvious, the ASQSE proved invaluable in recognizing his social/emotional delays and allowed him to be referred for Early Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT) services through County Mental Health, as well as to the SELPA for speech evaluation. Steven is now in speech therapy, will be starting Head Start in September 2008, and is receiving mental health services through CNP's early childhood mental health program to help him work through the trauma he experienced in witnessing the domestic violence incident between his parents. Follow-up screenings on Steven via ASQ and ASQSE show improvement where there were delays, and his siblings are receiving follow up screenings to ensure there are no changes in their social/emotional well being and development.

As a result of the initial Welcome Baby referral, Steven is linked in with the services and supports he needs to facilitate developmental progress and help him to be at his optimal health and development when he enters Kindergarten.



## <u>FamiliesFirst, Inc.</u> Early Childhood Mental Health Services

We have been serving a 5 year old female client and her family since the end of December, 2007. This client came into treatment exhibiting a depressed mood, and flat, blunted affect. In her individual therapy sessions, conducted both in home and in our office, she was primarily talking about her father who had been recently incarcerated.

Although she presented herself as being sad and depressed, the client was not able to clearly identify and articulate her feelings. Additionally, there was a lot of stress and tension with the family unit at home. The client received individual therapy on a weekly basis, and attended the FamiliesFirst children's social skills group. Her mother, a divorced single mother of two, began attending our parenting classes and began to build a support network. In-home collateral sessions with mother as well as in-home family therapy sessions were provided when needed as the treatment progressed.

Now, as treatment is drawing to a close, the client's depressed mood has lifted and she displays a fuller range of affect. She has adjusted to her father being incarcerated in that she communicates about a wider range of issues, no longer dwelling primarily on this issue. She communicates with her father by mail and occasionally visits him.

The family dynamic continues to improve as unhealthy patterns of communication and of favoring one sibling over the other have been identified and are being worked through. The client has grown in her capacity to be reflective, to gain insight, and to identify and articulate her feelings with her clinician as well as within her family. The Ages and Stages Questionnaire (ASQ) and other evaluative scores prepared at final discharge are projected by the clinician to reflect the gains and progress of this client and her family as did the six month assessments prepared by the clinician.



# Solano Coalition for Better Health Solano Kids Insurance Program

Sandra and Pablo Nunez and are the proud parents of four kids, Judith (age 17), Isaac (15), Nathalie (8) and Arianna (4). The Nunez children, until recently, had the fortune of having medical coverage under their father's construction union health plan since they were born.

A few months ago, the union wasn't able to offer enough work for Pablo to support his family, so he started his own construction business. With a new business venture and uncertain income, Pablo could no longer afford health insurance for his family. This past February, the entire Nunez family, including all four children, lost their medical coverage and were uninsured.

Thankfully, it was around that time that Sandra learned of the Solano Kids Insurance Program (SKIP) and its efforts to help Solano County families enroll in private and public insurance programs. Sandra was surprised that her children might qualify for the affordable, comprehensive health coverage even though her husband owned his own business.

SKIP helped Sandra complete applications for Judith, Isaac, Nathalie and Arianna and all four children were approved for the Healthy Families program. They now receive comprehensive health coverage, including medical, dental and vision, from the state-run program.

Sandra and Pablo now have peace of mind that their children's health is taken care of, and can focus on supporting their new business venture, and Judith, Isaac, Nathalie and Arianna can focus on being kids.

Result Area 3: Improved Health (Health Education and Services)

Service Area: 61) Health Access

Reporting Requirements	
	TOTAL

#### **Population Served**

Children less than 3	334
Children 3 to Five Years	440
Children - Ages Unknown(birth to five years)	6
Parents/Guardians/Primary Caregivers	0
Other family members	0
Providers	0
TOTAL	780

#### **Ethnic Breakd**

down of Population Served(Children and Families)	Children	Parents/Guardians
Alaska Native/American Indian	2	0
Asian	2	0
Black/African-American	51	0
Hispanic/Latino	594	0
Pacific Islander	30	0
White	61	0
Multiracial	3	0
Other/Unknown	37	0
TOTAL	780	0

#### Primary Language Spoken in the Home(Children and Families)

_	age opoken in the nome(ormaten and runnies)
	English
	Spanish
	Cantonese
	Mandarin
	Vietnamese
	Korean
	Other
	Unknown
	TOTAL

261	0
499	0
0	0
0	0
0	0
0	0
20	0
0	0
780	0
	•

Result Area 3: Improved Health (Health Education and Services)

Service Area: 62) Home Visitation for Newborns

Reporting Requirements		
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#### **Population Served**

Children less than 3	191
Children 3 to Five Years	59
Children - Ages Unknown(birth to five years)	1
Parents/Guardians/Primary Caregivers	260
Other family members	145
Providers	0
TOTAL	656

#### **Ethnic Brea**

akdown of Population Served(Children and Families)	Children	Parents/Guardians
Alaska Native/American Indian	0	0
Asian	0	0
Black/African-American	32	37
Hispanic/Latino	188	193
Pacific Islander	0	1
White	25	25
Multiracial	2	1
Other/Unknown	4	3
TOTAL	251	260

#### **Primary Langua**

uage Spoken in the Home(Children and Families)		
	English	
	Spanish	
	Cantonese	
	Mandarin	
	Vietnamese	
	Korean	
	Other	
	Unknown	
	TOTAL	

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87	91
164	169
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251	260
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Result Area 3: Improved Health (Health Education and Services)

Service Area: 64) Prenatal Care

Reporting Requirements	
	TOTAL

#### **Population Served**

Children less than 3	163
Children 3 to Five Years	39
Children - Ages Unknown(birth to five years)	51
Parents/Guardians/Primary Caregivers	2317
Other family members	197
Providers	903
TOTAL	3670

#### **Ethnic Breakde**

down of Population Served(Children and Families)	Children	Parents/Guardians
Alaska Native/American Indian	1	22
Asian	1	105
Black/African-American	143	602
Hispanic/Latino	28	920
Pacific Islander	2	46
White	7	429
Multiracial	7	82
Other/Unknown	64	111
TOTAL	253	2317

#### **Primary Language Spoken in the Home(Children and Families)**

age Spoken in the nome(Children and Families)
English
Spanish
Cantonese
Mandarin
Vietnamese
Korean
Other
Unknown
TOTAL

#### Children Parents/Guardians

176	1674
15	597
0	0
0	0
0	0
0	0
10	17
52	29
253	2317

Result Area 3: Improved Health (Health Education and Services) Service Area: 66) Comprehensive Screening and Assessments

Reporting Requirements	
	TOTAL

#### **Population Served**

Children less than 3	351
Children 3 to Five Years	220
Children - Ages Unknown(birth to five years)	29
Parents/Guardians/Primary Caregivers	108
Other family members	9
Providers	0
TOTAL	717

#### **Ethnic Breakde**

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down of Population Served(Children and Families)	Children	Parents/Guardians
Alaska Native/American Indian	4	0
Asian	9	0
Black/African-American	90	19
Hispanic/Latino	132	51
Pacific Islander	7	2
White	115	31
Multiracial	2	1
Other/Unknown	241	4

#### **Primary Language Spoken in the Home(Children and Families)**

TOTAL

		-
English		
Spanish		
Cantonese		
Mandarin		
Vietnamese		
Korean		
Other		
Unknown		
TOTAL		

600

108

489	67
107	33
0	0
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4	8
600	108



# Annual Report Form 2 (AR-2)(Page 1 of 1) County Demographic Worksheet

for Fiscal Year 2007-2008 (July 1, 2007 - June 30, 2008)

September <sup>•</sup>	18, 2008
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**Result: Improved Systems of Care** 

Service: Service Outreach, Planning, Support and Management

Who was the primary audience for the service?
First 5 Solano grantees/service providers.

#### What were the types of services provided?

Project design refinement, contract and program support, technical assistance in a variety of areas, participation on planning groups and collaborative partners, funding for shared data systems and assessment tools and support of multi-disciplinary case conferencing.

#### What was the intended result of the service? What was the community impact of the service?

Intended Result: Establish and maintain high program quality and effectiveness, increase service integration, reduce service gaps and overlaps, more effectively blend funding.

Community Impact: Enhanced communication, reduced instances of disallowed expenses, more effective programs and services, increase in number of shared forms and tools, increased knowledge and expertise among partners.

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# Annual Report Form 2 (AR-2)(Page 1 of 1) County Demographic Worksheet for Fiscal Year 2007-2008 (July 1, 2007 - June 30, 2008)

County: Solano Thursday, September 18, 2008

**Result: Improved Systems of Care** 

Service: Provider Capacity Building, Training and Support

#### Who was the primary audience for the service?

Child care centers, preschools and child care policy-makers, First 5 Solano grantees.

#### What were the types of services provided?

Assistance with financial and capital asset issues relating to planning, start-up and expansion of child care facilities and programs, policy advocacy, support of local events and trainings to build knowledge and expertise of the service provider community, support for efforts to leverage funds into the community to expand services, infrastructure & provider capacity support for existing grantees.

#### What was the intended result of the service? What was the community impact of the service?

Intended Result: Increased funding for child care, increased number of child care facilities and child care slots, increased service provider knowledge and skills, expanded funding for young children's services, increased communication between preschool and kindergarten teachers to facilitate smooth transition between classes.

Community Impact: 126 new child care slots, increase knowledge and expertise in the service provider community.

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# Annual Report Form 2 (AR-2)(Page 1 of 1) County Demographic Worksheet

for Fiscal Year 2007-2008 (July 1, 2007 - June 30, 2008)

County: Solano Thursday, September 18, 2008

**Result: Improved Systems of Care** 

**Service: Community Strengthening Efforts** 

#### Who was the primary audience for the service?

Local policy makers, businesses, parents and primary caregivers, grantees, service providers, general public.

#### What were the types of services provided?

Outreach and engagement of community organization and parent groups, maintenance and improvement of website and creation of other community information materials, media relations, customization of Kit for New Parents, preparation of Annual Report to the Community.

#### What was the intended result of the service? What was the community impact of the service?

Intended Result: More direct support for parents/primary caregivers, more Commissioner participation in community organizations/policy bodies, increased awareness of the business community regarding the importance of child care in planning efforts.

Community Impact: Increased public knowledge of First 5 and its grantee services, improved quality and quantity of media materials.

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Grantee/Initiative	Accomplishment Highlights
	PRIORITY 1: Health and Well-Being
Prenatal Care Collaborative Initiative – "BabyFirst Solano" Provide prenatal support services delivered through Black Infant Health (BIH) and Adolescent Family Life Program (AFLP) countywide for high-risk pregnant African-American women and teens and women at-risk for substance abuse.	<ul> <li>✓ 93% of 1500 pregnant women began prenatal care in the first or second trimester (Exceeding their target of 80%)</li> <li>✓ 60% of 1500 pregnant women began prenatal care in their first trimester (Exceeding their target of 46%)</li> <li>✓ 622 of at-risk low income uninsured pregnant women were linked to health insurance (Exceeding their target of 440)</li> <li>✓ 72% of 181 postpartum clients initiated breastfeeding (Exceeding their target of 50%)</li> <li>✓ 39% of 181 of postpartum clients initiated exclusive breastfeeding (Exceeding their target of 20%)</li> <li>✓ 100% of 189 women enrolled in case management and who attend client workshops increased their knowledge of child birth, newborn care, and parenting skills (Exceeding their target of 66%)</li> <li>✓ 87% of 186 of newborns will be linked to a primary care provider and health insurance (Exceeding their target of 85%)</li> <li>✓ 80% of 186 infants attended their well baby visits and received the appropriate immunization (Exceeding their target of 76%)</li> <li>✓ 80% of 251 women enrolled in case management attended at least 75% of prenatal care appointments (Exceeding their target of 75%)</li> <li>✓ 92% of 186 infants were born at 37 weeks gestation or more (Exceeding their target of 75%)</li> <li>✓ 88% of 186 infants were born at 2500 grams or more (Exceeding their target of 70%)</li> </ul>
Early Childhood Mental Health Initiative	5070 OF 100 Intuits were born at 2000 grains of more (Exceeding their target of 7070)
Families First – Early Childhood Mental Health:  Mental health services to children 0-5 and their families in order to increase the level of parent-child interaction and bonding, and increase the parenting skills and connection to community resources.	✓ 100% of 27 children treated improved their social and emotional behavior as measured by the ASQ and the NCFAS (Exceeding their target of 70%)
Children's Nurturing Project – Welcome Baby: Provision of family-friendly, home-based early and sequential screening and linkage to services for mental health, developmental, behavioral, and health concerns to newborns, infants, and toddlers.  Children's Nurturing Project – Nurturing Parenting Program: Provision of quarterly Nurturing Parenting Program 12-week sessions.	<ul> <li>✓ 100% of 316 children served were linked with a primary care provider for ongoing care (Exceeding their target of 90%)</li> <li>✓ 100% of 440 parents served verbalized/demonstrated knowledge and awareness of age-appropriate developmental milestones (Exceeding their target of 90%)</li> <li>✓ 95% of 129 children referred for further assessment accessed those services (Exceeding their target of 75%)</li> <li>✓ 100% of 72 families have increased awareness of local community resources (Exceeding their target of 80%)</li> <li>✓ 96% of 72 families demonstrated improved parenting skills, attitudes, and beliefs after completing the 12-week parenting session (Exceeding their target of 80%)</li> </ul>



Grantee/Initiative	Accomplishment Highlights
Child Start – Early Mental Health Services:  Behavioral and mental health services to Head Start  students located in each school readiness catchment  area.	<ul> <li>✓ 95% of 372 children showed growth in at least one indicator in the social/emotional domain area of the Pearson Education Inc's Work Sampling for Head Start Developmental Checklists (Exceeding their target of 75%)</li> <li>✓ 42 children and families who would have otherwise not received services, received individual mental health services during the program year (Exceeding their target of 16-20)</li> </ul>
Solano County Health and Social Services – Early Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment:  Mental health services to children 0-5 through the leveraging of Early Period Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment funding.	<ul> <li>✓ 85% of 778 clients meeting Medi-Cal eligibility guidelines for medical necessity for treatment were enrolled in on-going mental health services (Exceeding their target of 80%)</li> <li>✓ 81% of 757 clients receiving on-going therapy and support services showed improvement in at least one treatment goal (Exceeding their target of 80%)</li> </ul>
Health Access/Children's Health Initiative	
Solano Coalition for Better Health – SKIP: Assistance to families with uninsured children ages 0- 5 to successfully apply for subsidized health insurance and maintain health coverage.	<ul> <li>✓ 823 children ages 0-5 were enrolled in health insurance (Exceeding their target of 500)</li> <li>✓ 8 schools in Solano County (including all School Readiness sites and Rio Vista) have 100% of children insured (Exceeding their target of 5)</li> </ul>



Grantee/Initiative	Accomplishment Highlights
	PRIORITY 2: Early Childhood Learning and Development
School Readiness Initiative	<ul> <li>✓ 34%-51% of 344 +/-2 children fully or almost mastered all items in all four MDRDP dimensions in 2007/08. Competencies in all four dimensions were higher than for both the prior year and since 2004/05 (the first year this information was gathered).</li> <li>✓ 65% of 216 parents of entering Kindergartners either toured the school or visited a classroom prior to their child's entry into Kindergarten</li> <li>✓ 89% of 220 Kindergartners whose parents responded to the parent survey say their children were enrolled before Kindergarten began</li> </ul>
Dixon Unified School District – Silveyville Primary School:  Services to help parents prepare their young children to enter school healthy, learning, and ready to reach their greatest potential in the Silveyville Primary School catchment area.	<ul> <li>✓ 235 families reported reading or telling stories to their children (Exceeding their target of 80)</li> <li>✓ 64 children entering Kindergarten participated in a summer Pre-K Academy (Exceeding their target of 40)</li> <li>✓ 103 children were immunized by the first day of Kindergarten (Exceeding their target of 34)</li> </ul>
Vacaville Unified School District – Markham Elementary School:  Services to help parents prepare their young children to enter school healthy, learning, and ready to reach their greatest potential in the Markham Elementary School catchment area.	<ul> <li>✓ 47 parents demonstrated an increase in parenting skills after taking a parent class or workshop (Exceeding their target of 19)</li> <li>✓ 52 children received dental services including screening and treatment (Exceeding their target of 40)</li> <li>✓ Provided multiple parent education programs and other materials and resources to families in Spanish</li> </ul>
Vallejo City Unified School District – Loma Vista Elementary School: Services to help parents prepare their young children to enter school healthy, learning, and ready to reach their greatest potential in the Loma Vista Elementary School catchment area.	<ul> <li>✓ 52 parents participated in parenting classes focused on supporting child physical, cognitive, and social development (Exceeding their target of 40)</li> <li>✓ 100 children entering Kindergarten at Loma Vista received pre-kindergarten orientations (Exceeding their target of 45)</li> <li>✓ 68 children received dental services including screening and treatment (Exceeding their target of 25)</li> </ul>
Fairfield Unified School District – Anna Kyle Elementary School:  Services to help parents prepare their young children to enter school healthy, learning, and ready to reach their greatest potential in the Anna Kyle Elementary School catchment area.	<ul> <li>✓ 189 parents took parenting classes on topics such as positive parenting, quality child care, preparing for kindergarten, and health and behavior management. Anna Kyle offered additional classes in 2007/08 to meet parent demand (Exceeding their target of 90)</li> <li>✓ 62 children entering Kindergarten participated in a summer Pre-K Academy (Exceeding their target of 24)</li> <li>✓ 128 children received School Readiness backpacks and 273 parents received literacy packets (Exceeding their targets of 68 and 100, respectively)</li> </ul>



Grantee/Initiative	Accomplishment Highlights
ABCD Constructing Connections:  Create a streamlined process for the financing, construction, and development of child care facilities in Solano County.	<ul> <li>✓ Child care language was included into land use planning, community development programs, and/or zoning and permit processes in the 2008 Updated Solano County General Plan</li> <li>✓ 2 new licensed child care centers opened a total of 78 spaces and 126 slots (Exceeding their target of 1 new license with a minimum of 20 slots)</li> </ul>
Children's Network/CARES:  Provides trainings and stipends to child care providers as an incentive to continue and advance in the field of early childhood education.	<ul> <li>✓ 953 licensed child care providers received information regarding CARES (Exceeding their target of 600)</li> <li>✓ 321 providers participating in trainings increased their knowledge of the training topics (Exceeding their target of 240)</li> <li>✓ 118 providers received professional development advising</li> </ul>
Child Start – Full Day Head Start:  Promotes early reading and math skills to preschoolers in order to be successful in kindergarten by enhancing the social and cognitive development of children and their families.	<ul> <li>✓ 100% of child care spaces were utilized by children with an average daily attendance of 85% (Meeting their target of 100%)</li> <li>✓ 80% of 5 three year olds comprehended and responded to stories read aloud (Exceeding their target of 75%)</li> </ul>



Grantee/Initiative	Accomplishment Highlights
	PRIORITY 3: Family Support and Education
Family Resource Center Services Initiative (IFSI) The Children's Network/IFSI, lead agency: Coordination and integration of care for at-risk populations utilizing eight Family Resource Centers, Heather House Homeless Shelter, a Public Health Nurse and Child Protective Services Social Worker Home Visitor, Substance Abuse Specialist, and the Solano Parenting Partnership.	<ul> <li>✓ Training, technical support, and coordination services were provided to 7 Family Resource Centers at 9 sites</li> <li>✓ The Parenting Database received 88,284 hits, representing 6,608 unique users</li> <li>✓ The FRCs served 2,308 unduplicated families and 3,138 children aged 0-5 years</li> </ul>
Dixon Family Services – Dixon FRC Information and referral, home visitation, with staff supervision to families with children 0-5 living in the catchment areas of Silveyville Primary School.  Fairfield-Suisun Unified School District – Fairfield and Suisun FRCs: Information and referral, home visitation, with staff supervision to families with children 0-5 living in the	<ul> <li>✓ 423 families receiving referrals for public assistance benefits, housing, child care, or health services followed-up on at least one referral provided (Exceeding their target of 50)</li> <li>✓ 516 families received outreach (Exceeding their target of 250)</li> <li>✓ 77 high risk families indicated an increased awareness of services available to them (Exceeding their target of 56)</li> <li>✓ 20 families increased parent participation at the Family Resource Center (Exceeding their target of 3)</li> <li>✓ 95 families accessing public assistance benefits, housing, child care, or health services reported that these services led to stabilization or improvement (Exceeding their target of 75)</li> <li>✓ 16 families became involved in activities related to their child's development (Exceeding their target of 15)</li> </ul>
cities of Fairfield and Suisun.  Rio Vista CARE – Rio Vista FRC: Information and referral, home visitation, with staff supervision to families with children 0-5 living in the city of Rio Vista.	<ul> <li>✓ 137 families receiving referrals for public assistance benefits, housing, child care, or health services followed-up on at least one referral provided (Exceeding their target of 120)</li> <li>✓ 105 families accessing public assistance benefits, housing, child care, or health services reported that these services led to stabilization or improvement (Exceeding their target of 90)</li> <li>✓ 13 families reported increased knowledge of parenting skills (Exceeding their target of 6)</li> </ul>
Vacaville Police Department – Vacaville FRC VacaFirst: Information and referral, home isitation, with staff supervision to families with children 0-5 living in the city of Vacaville.	<ul> <li>✓ 110 families receiving referrals for public assistance benefits, housing, child care, or health services followed-up on at least one referral provided (Exceeding their target of 100)</li> <li>✓ 101 parents reported sufficient knowledge and skills to improve family functioning (Exceeding their target of 100)</li> <li>✓ 85 families accessing public assistance benefits, housing, child care, or health services reported that these services led to stabilization or improvement (Exceeding their target of 75)</li> </ul>



Grantee/Initiative	Accomplishment Highlights
Fighting Back Partnership – North Vallejo & Sereno Village FRCs:  Provide school readiness preparedness information and referral, home visitation, with staff supervision to families with children 0-5 in Vallejo.	<ul> <li>✓ 515 families attended an outreach presentation (Exceeding their target of 100)</li> <li>✓ 205 families receiving referrals for public assistance benefits, housing, child care, or health services followed-up on at least one referral provided (Exceeding their target of 55)</li> <li>✓ 40 families completed parenting education class (Exceeding their target of 10)</li> </ul>
Public Health Nurse and Child Protective Services Social Worker Home Visitor: Create access to integrated support systems provided by H&SS and Family Resource Centers that address child abuse and neglect, and the need for early health assessments for children ages 0-5.	<ul> <li>✓ 100% of 199 children served by the CPS Worker remained in their homes and out of the foster care system (Exceeding their target of 50%)</li> <li>✓ 8% of 153 children screened by the Public Health Nurse were referred for follow-up on possible special needs</li> <li>✓ 100% of 105 parents showed an increase in knowledge of primary or specialized healthcare for the family unit (Exceeding their target of 50%)</li> </ul>
Heather House Homeless Shelter: Provide basic needs, school readiness preparedness information and referral, and staff supervision to families with children 0-5 living in the Heather House Homeless Shelter.	<ul> <li>✓ 50% of 34 families served by Heather House found and remained in stable housing for at least 90 days (Meeting their target of 50%)</li> <li>✓ 76% of 34 families moved from In-Crisis to Stable in the Social/Emotional Health and Competence of the Family Development Matrix (Exceeding their target of 50%)</li> </ul>
Children's Nurturing Project  Parent education and support for families with children 0-5 isolated due to immigration status, culture, language, and lack of resources.	<ul> <li>✓ 89% of 62 parents completing the Nurturing Parenting Program showed improvement in parenting skills and practices (Exceeding their target of 80%)</li> <li>✓ 100% of participants increased awareness of the rights of their special needs child under IDEA and other government mandates (Exceeding their target of 80%)</li> </ul>
California Hispanic Commission  Provide case management, interim interventions, referrals, follow-up and wrap-around services to substance-using parents in collaboration with the Integrated Family Support Initiative (IFSI).	<ul> <li>✓ 68% of 41 clients have adhered to a service plan (Exceeding their target of 50%)</li> <li>✓ 19 families who received pre-treatment services entered into a treatment plan (Exceeding their target of 5)</li> </ul>
Youth and Family Services  Provide case management, interim interventions, referrals, follow-up and wrap-around services to substance-using parents in collaboration with the Integrated Family Support Initiative (IFSI).	<ul> <li>✓ 45 parents/families were linked to treatment (Exceeding their target of 10)</li> <li>✓ 101 case conferences resulted in IFSI partners being supported (education, attend home visits, etc.) in efforts to address ATOD in the home (Exceeding their target of 32)</li> <li>✓ 68 participants experienced an increase in knowledge of substance abuse recovery processes, treatment models, and recognized signs of familial substance abuse, etc (Exceeding their target of 32)</li> </ul>



## Annual Report Form 3 (AR-3)(Page 1 of 3)

# County Evaluation Summary for Fiscal Year 2007-2008 (July 1, 2007 - June 30, 2008)

County: Solano Wednesday, September 24, 2008

#### Provide a description of the evaluation activities completed during the fiscal year

First 5 Solano and its local evaluator engaged in a wide variety of evaluation activities in FY2007/08, including:

- 2008 Results Fair: In April 2008, First 5 Solano hosted its second "Communities Creating Change" Results Fair to highlight and celebrate the many accomplishments of Commission funded programs and initiatives. The event was a multi-media and highly interactive format for presenting program- and systems-level outcomes. The April 2008 Results Fair brought together diverse members of the community, including policymaker representatives, service providers, community members, Commissioners, staff and the media, to learn about how First 5 Solano-supported efforts are making a difference in the lives of children 0-5 and their families. Commissioners recognized grantees with Congressional Certificates of Merit and a copy of the monograph Good to Great and the Social Sectors by Jim Collins.
- 2008 Community Impact Report: Developed to accompany the April 2008 Results Fair, the Community Impact Report provides a succinct overview of each funded program and initiative. Using the Results-Based Accountability framework, grantee and initiative representatives reported results on at least one meaningful indicator on which they have made progress to improve the lives of Solano County's youngest residents and their families.
- 2007 Annual Report to the Community (ARC): In December 2007, First 5 Solano released its first-ever ARC, which provides descriptive and evaluative data on each of First 5 Solano's strategic initiatives, and information on the Commissions' financial standing. The ARC was formatted as both a report and 2008 calendar with local resources and parenting tips for families with children 0-5.
- FY2006/07 Comprehensive Evaluation Report: In January 2008, the Commission received a comprehensive FY2006/07 evaluation report, including process and outcomes data for all funded programs and initiatives. Additionally, a Community-Level Lead Indicators Review was provided to the Commission in conjunction with the Evaluation Report. This review highlighted the most recent available data for First 5 Solano's community-level indicators and a subset of "lead" indicators important to the Commission.
- FY2006/07 Kindergarten Readiness Assessment (KRA): In May 2008, the Commission received a report on the FY2006/07 KRA which is conducted at all First 5 Solano School Readiness sites. The purpose of the KRA is to provide a snapshot profile of kindergartners' readiness to begin school in the four catchment areas targeted by First 5 Solano. Additionally, the report includes trend data over time, as the KRA has been conducted each year since FY2003/04.
- Family Survey Report: The Commission received the Family Survey Report which provided information on indicators related to child and family health, knowledge of child development, and connection to community resources.
- Evaluation-Related Presentations at Grantee Meetings. Results Based Accountability Framework presentation and working meeting for 2008 Results Fair.
- Ongoing Technical Assistance and Management of Evaluation Processes and Systems: First 5 Solano staff and LFA evaluation team provided ongoing technical assistance to grantees and initiative partners to maintain and manage the evaluation processes in place to measure progress toward target objectives.



# Annual Report Form 3 (AR-3)(Page 2 of 3) County Evaluation Summary for Fiscal Year 2007-2008 (July 1, 2007 - June 30, 2008)

County: Solano Wednesday, September 24, 2008

#### Describe the evaluation findings reported during the fiscal year

**EVALUATION FINDINGS:** 

During FY2006/07, First 5 Solano funded programs for school readiness, prenatal services, family support, quality child care, children's health and early childhood mental health all made progress in strengthening partnerships within and among their collaboratives, in some cases expanding membership in and across collaboratives to address service gaps. Based on results from the 2007 survey of First 5 Solano grantee partners, First 5 Solano is seen as a key partner in improving and enhancing systems of care for children 0-5 and their families.

First 5 Solano achieved many significant outcomes during FY2006/07, including, but not limited to, the following:

- First 5 Solano leveraged \$3,553,711 into Solano County through dollars accessed at least in part because of First 5 funding in the fiscal year.
- The number of teen preterm births in BabyFirst Solano (5%) is lower than the Healthy People 2010 objective (8%) and lower than California's current rate (12%).
- Children who received mental health services via the Early Childhood Mental Health Initiative were progressing in their development and functioning, and parents receiving specialized services were increasing their parenting skills and overall family functioning.
- Every child at the four First 5 Solano School Readiness sites had health insurance, and 100% of students at a total of 41 schools in Solano County were insured as a result of the Solano Kids Insurance Program.
- Entering Kindergarteners at the four School Readiness sites posted gains in competencies in the domains of emotional well-being, approaches to learning and communication skills.
- An additional 428 child care spaces in Solano County were either under potential development through, or being developed with the participation of, the Constructing Connections project.
- 98% of the children intensively served in the Integrated Family Support Initiative remained with their families and out of the foster care system.



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## County Evaluation Summary

for Fiscal Year 2007-2008 (July 1, 2007 - June 30, 2008)

County: Solano Wednesday, September 24, 2008

#### Describe the policy impact of the evaluation results

#### COMMUNICATING RESULTS

Written Reports: The Commission received six evaluation reports over the course of FY2007/08, including a comprehensive evaluation report in January 2008.

Oral Presentations: Accompanying each written report, the Commission received an oral presentation at one of their regular Commission meetings or annual retreat.

2008 Results Fair: The April 2008 "Communities Creating Change" Results Fair, the second such event sponsored by First 5 Solano, was a multi-media and highly interactive format through which the Commission received evaluation results. Using the Results-Based Accountability Framework, grantee and initiative representatives presented results on one meaningful indicator on which they have made progress to improve lives for children 0-5 and their families in Solano County. Cost-Benefit and Leveraging: The Commission used evaluation information to compile important cost-benefit and leveraging information and produced both a cost-benefit presentation showing savings in the child welfare and health systems due to the success of First 5 Solano programs, and its second annual "Leveraged Funds Report", documenting the leveraging power of First 5 funds to grow the overall early childhood system in Solano County.

#### **DECISIONS MADE**

Continued Focus on Initiatives: First 5 Solano developed and continues to support an investment approach informed by evaluation results to date. Evaluation-based principles of this approach include an emphasis on accountability, and an intention to deploy limited funding strategically through initiatives that are supported by First 5-funded collaboratives and/or other local collaboratives.

Strategic Plan Review: The Commission, staff and evaluation consultants reviewed the Strategic Plan and affirmed current priorities, goals, and results in the plan.

#### LESSONS LEARNED

Communicating and Engaging Authentically with the Community: In FY2007/08, First 5 Solano made significant progress on its community engagement strategies. The Commission released its first-ever Annual Report to the Community (ARC), which provided descriptive and evaluative data on each of First 5 Solano's strategic initiatives, as well as information on the Commission's financial standing. The ARC was formatted as a report on one side and a 2008 calendar with parenting tips on the other. Additionally, for the second year in a row, the April 2008 Results Fair brought together diverse members of the community, including policymaker representatives, to learn about how First 5 Solano-supported efforts are making a difference in the lives of Solano County's youngest residents and their families.

Standardizing and Streamlining Data Collection Regionally: First 5 Solano, along with other Bay Area county representatives, have been engaged in discussions about how to standardize and streamline data collection across the region to create economies of scale and build a data environment that facilitates benchmarking local results.