

**Kenaitze Kuya Qyut'anen Early Childhood Center  
Head Start Grantee 90CI9880  
Annual Report  
January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017 – December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2017**

**REVENUES:**

**Grant Revenue:**

DHHS – Office of Head Start	\$689,219
SOA – State of Alaska Head Start	\$33,671
SOA – Alaska Child and Adult Care Food Program	\$73,948
DOE – Alaska Native Education	\$461,703
USDA – Summer Food Program	\$22,966
BIA - Bureau of Indian Affairs	\$64,269
<b>Total Grant Revenue:</b>	<b>\$1,345,776</b>
<b>In-Kind Donations</b>	<b>\$109,936</b>
<b>Kenaitze Indian Tribe Support</b>	<b>\$197,946</b>
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$1,653,658</b>

**EXPENSES:**

Payroll Expense	\$940,360
Training & Technical Assistance	\$13,407
Program Supplies	\$18,221
Meals	\$51,042
Indirect Expense	\$406,589
Other Administrative	\$9,498
Facility Expenses	\$104,604
Donated Services	\$109,936
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$1,653,658</b>

**Projected Budget for funding year FY18:**

*DHHS – Office of Head Start	\$628,718
SOA – State of Alaska Head Start	\$30,549
DOE - Alaska Native Education	\$451,437
SOA – Alaska Child and Adult Care Food Program	\$94,328
<b>Total Grant Revenue:</b>	<b>\$1,205,032</b>
<b>In-Kind Donations</b>	<b>\$155,651</b>
<b>Kenaitze Indian Tribe Support</b>	<b>\$156,810</b>
<b>Total Revenue:</b>	<b>\$1,517,493</b>

**\*Projected Budget for DHHS – Office of Head Start FY18 (from FY18 application)**

Program Supplies	\$5,000
Training & Technical Assistance	\$11,296
Payroll Expense	\$585,655
Indirect Expense	\$6,767
Other Administrative	\$20,000
Facility Expenses	\$0
Donated Services	\$0
<b>Total DHHS – Office of Head Start FY2018</b>	<b>\$628,718</b>

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<b>Children Served:</b>		<u>Funded Enrollment</u>
Head Start	64	57
Income Eligible Children Served	56%	
American Indian/Alaska Native children served	66%	
Average Monthly Attendance	90%	
Children up-to-date on primary health care	95%	
Children receiving preventive dental care	97%	
Children with disabilities	19%	
<b>Families Served:</b>		
Head Start	60	

**Federal Review Results:**

April 16, 2018 CLASS review completed; no results received to date.  
 April 17 – 19, 2018 Focus Area II review completed; no results received to date.  
 April 26, 2016 Environmental Health and Safety (EnvHS) Review  
 No area of noncompliance was found – no corrective action is required.

**Audit Results:** No Findings

**Services Provided:** Comprehensive early childhood education services are provided to children from three through 8 years old focused on the individual learning styles of children while incorporating Dena’ina culture, creative arts, literacy, language development and communication, science, math, physical health and development, as well as social skills and problem solving competency. The Early Childhood Center (ECC), a center-based pre-school, consists of the programs described below, serving children in Kenai, Soldotna, Nikiski, and Kasilof.

The comprehensive, school readiness pre-school operates from 8:00 am to 12:30 pm, Monday – Thursday, 128 days per year, serving 77 primarily income eligible Native and non-Native children ages 3 to 5. There are three Head Start classrooms and one Alaska Native Education classroom with one Teacher and one Teacher’s Aide working as a team in each classroom. The ECC’s comprehensive preschool program includes, a healthy breakfast/lunch, health screenings, developmental and social services for children and families.

Our After-school program offers services of tutoring and Dena’ina cultural lessons for Head Start Alumni and Alaska Native/American Indian children kindergarten through third grade. Students are transported from surrounding elementary schools to our center for our program from 3 pm to 6 pm Monday through Friday. Currently one Teacher, one Teacher’s Aide, one Language/Cultural Aide and one High School Intern work as a team in the one classroom.

A ten week Summer Camp was provided for 15-17 students in four different age group classrooms; 2 classrooms of 3-5 year olds, one 5-6 year old and one 7-8 years old classroom.

Teachers use the *Creative Curriculum*<sup>TM</sup> in conjunction with the *Dena’ina Cultural Curriculum*. Our Kenaitze Cultural Department assists the program three times a week sending staff to the classrooms to teach language as well as providing experiences in Dena’ina traditions, culture, songs and dance. Teachers, together with parents, plan educational experiences that meet the needs of the individual child and family.

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Assessments on children's progress are conducted three times each program year using Teaching Strategies GOLD. Teachers plan individual and group activities focused around the child's social/emotional and cognitive growth to prepare them for elementary school. Local public schools work with us to ensure expectations are met for kindergarten and that transitions to elementary schools are seamless. Teachers have a minimum of a Bachelor's degree in Early Childhood or related field and receive a minimum of 25 hours of continuing education training hours each year.

Collaborative agreements assist the program in providing services in health, nutrition, dental, hearing & vision screenings, mental health, disabilities, training & technical assistance, parent groups, transition services from Head Start to the public schools, and family services.

Parents participate in Classroom Social Meetings, Policy Council, Health Advisory Committee, School Readiness/Curriculum Committee, Enrollment Selection Committee, Governance Committee, and as volunteers in the classroom. Parent/family activities hosted by our staff incorporating Family Engagement Outcomes are offered twice monthly in addition to inviting community partners to present information on topics such as budgeting, nutrition (picky eaters), emergency preparedness and positive behavior/parent skills. Some of the fun family activities that are held are Story Nights, Gross Motor Play, Holiday crafts and Book Bingo. We also offer the book borrowing program "Raising a Reader".

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Submitted by

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