

CocoKids.org

Annual Report

2023



parents with workshops and consultations



9,827 families with free child care referrals so 14.777 children could be safe and nurtured in care



154,966 breakfasts, 281,248 lunches, 157,604 dinners, and 24,395 snacks to 4.065 children



HELPED

4.605 at-risk children to attend child care and preschool; and 635 foster children to receive emergency child care



1,112 providers with 150,791 classes, technical assistance, information calls, program visits, and consultations

For FY 2022-23, over 99,345 children, parents, and early educators were helped, aided and supported to succeed

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7,232 families with free child care referrals so 9,695 children could be safe and nurtured in care





3.700 at-risk children to attend child care and preschool; and 684 foster children to receive emergency child care



TRAINED

1,056 providers with 87,757 classes, technical assistance, information calls, program visits, and consultations

> For FY 2021-22, over 72,986 children, parents, and early educators were helped, aided and supported to succeed

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Helping Children Face Today's Challenges

Dear Childhood Champions:

As we bid farewell to another remarkable year, I find myself reflecting on the incredible journey we have shared together. The past twelve months have been filled with triumphs, challenges, and countless moments that have shaped us as individuals and as a collective force for positive change.

Our community has proven time and again that resilience is our greatest asset. In the face of adversity, we have come together to support one another, demonstrating the true strength of our bonds. Whether it was navigating the complexities of the ongoing challenges or celebrating the small victories that make our community thrive, each experience is added to a collection of shared memories.

This year, we witnessed inspiring acts of kindness, innovation, and unity that showcased the unwavering spirit of CocoKids. From impactful community initiatives to the countless hours of volunteer work, your dedication to making a difference has left an indelible mark on our collective identity.

As we turn the page to a new chapter, let's carry forward the lessons learned. Let the challenges of the past fuel our determination to build an even stronger and more inclusive future. Together, we have the power to create positive change, in our community.

The past year has been a year of tremendous growth and transformations. In the coming year, CocoKids will continue to grow and evolve and adapt to the needs of the community. We have exciting projects on the horizon, new collaborations to explore, and fresh opportunities to make a lasting impact. I am confident that the spirit of collaboration and resilience that defines us will propel us to grow to even greater heights.

Thank you for being an integral part of the CocoKids family. Your passion, dedication, and contributions are the driving forces behind our success. May 2024 be filled with joy, growth, and meaningful connections.

Warm regards,

John F. Jones
Executive Director

John A Jones



Your Generous Gifts Made a Difference in the Lives and Future of Children and Their Families. THANK YOU!

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Financial Statements

CocoKids Total Income for 2021-2022 Fiscal Year: \$52,923,730

EXPENDITURES: \$52,573,430

Total Expenditures: \$52,573,430

- 77.2% Provider Payments
- 18.2% Programs & Services
- 4.5% Infrastructure



Programs & Services Spending: \$9,454,223



- 50.3% Child Care Fund
- 30.8% Resource & Referrals
- 9.4% Child Health & Nutrition
 - 9.2% Learning Institute
 - 0.3% Other

Financial Statements

CocoKids Total Income for 2022-2023 Fiscal Year: \$68,839,439

EXPENDITURES: \$68,489,341



Total Expenditures: \$68,489,341

- 74% Provider Payments
- 22.1% Programs & Services
 - 3.9% Infrastructure

Programs & Services Spending: \$15,162,043



- 42.6% Child Care Fund
- 44.6% Resource & Referrals
 - 7.1% Learning Institute
- 5.4% Child Health & Nutrition
 - 0.3% Other



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Provider Story

As Xiuling was taking care of submitting claims she came across an issue in our system. One of our Spanish speaking providers, from Alameda County, showed as not licensed. I immediately reached out to this provider and her husband to notify them that we would not be able to pay the claim since they were not licensed for the claim month. This is when I learned that they were indeed licensed and still operating. There had been a problem with licensing, which they were told had been successfully fixed. Sadly, when Licensing makes a mistake like this one, it has a ripple

effect on CNIPS (Child Nutrition Information Payment System).

I got in contact with the analyst who confirmed the license was active and an error had been made the month before. In the end, the analyst was able to ensure the information was transferred over to CNIPS. The following day both Cecilia and I touched base on the issue, and called the provider to notify her that it was fixed, and she was very grateful. She expressed that she always knew Cecilia went above and beyond for the providers. Additionally, she was very glad to see that this did not apply only to her assigned Specialist, but to all CocoKids staff.

Alejandra M.-S., Nutrition



Parent Stories

I recently enrolled a single parent that was working limited morning hours because she was having a hard time affording afterschool care for her Kindergartener. We were able to enroll her based on the part time hours she was currently working. We were able to enroll her based on the part time hours she was currently working. A few days later, the parent called and told me that her manager was so happy she was receiving help with child care, and she was asked if she wanted to work more hours. The parent was also thrilled about this opportunity



and asked if that was possible. She was so excited when I told her that I could increase her child care with the appropriate documentation. Her manager has been wanting the parent to work more hours because she is a wonderful employee.

A few weeks later, the parent called me to say thank you for helping her receive child care services so that she could work more hours and put her family in a better place financially. Not only by working more, but also not having to pay for child care, she was able to catch up on bills and is now looking to enroll in a college course to help with her career even more.

Heather K., Subsidy

I recently enrolled a single mother from the Child Care Eligibility List. At the enrollment appointment, the mother and I made an instant connection. Three weeks after her enrollment, she called to tell me that she had been offered a job in Texas. After everything that she shared with me, I knew this was an amazing opportunity and blessing for her family.

The day before the family was due to be disenrolled, the parent called me sobbing that the job that was offered to her was given to someone else! She said she wanted to reach out to me first to see if she could stay on our program and go back to the provider her daughter adored. When I called the provider, she squealed with joy and said, "OF COURSE I HAVE ROOM FOR

HER!" It was clear to see that she shared the same connection and fondness as I did for the family. The next morning, the child was dropped off with the provider and the parent came straight to Cocokids to thank me personally for being a shoulder to cry on when she needed someone that had their best interests at heart.