

2017 - 2018 ANNUAL REPORT

EARLY HEAD START

EWU Rural Home Visiting Program Serving Prenatal to Age 3

Eastern Washington University's Early Head Start program provided nearly **3,000 early health and education home visits** in 2017-2018 to pregnant women, infants and toddlers living in rural and remote communities scattered throughout **6000 square miles** of Ferry, Stevens and Pend Oreille counties in northeast Washington State.

Eastern Washington University (EWU) Early Head Start **home visitors traveled over 120,000 miles**, year-round, to bring needed prenatal and early childhood health, nutrition, oral health, mental health, developmental and educational resources to families in this mountainous, under-resourced and underserved area.



To help infants and toddlers in this region **develop the brain architecture, secure relationships, language, pre-numeracy, health and developmental foundations** they need for success in learning, EWU's Early Head Start program engages the child's parents in their unique roles as their child's earliest teacher, primary nurturer and best advocate. The program **equips rural families** with the resources, expertise, connections and support they need and desire to plan and implement rich learning experiences in and around the child's home.

To learn more about EWU Early Head Start call:

1-800-776-9136 or 509-359-3152

<https://sites.ewu.edu/earlyheadstart>

EWU Early Head Start Making a Difference for Children and Families



Children Served 2017-2018: 189

Families Served in 2017-2018: 150

Pregnant Women Served 2017-2018: 14

Parent Time Implementing Home-based
Early Head Start Learning Experiences:

Over 30,000 hours

Single-parent

Households served
this year: **26% of
families**

Two-parent

Households served
this year: **74% of
families**

Percentage of EHS children that were *homeless* this year: 15% of enrolled children

Families involved with Child Protective Services this year: **22% of enrolled families**

Children with a diagnosed ***developmental delay or disability***: 18% of children

Children in ***foster care*** or placed with a legal guardian this year: 15% of children

Youngest person parenting an EHS child: 16 years old

Oldest person parenting an EHS child: 68 years old

Dual-language families served this year spoke English and this language in the home:

Spanish, Russian, Punjabi and American Sign Language

Percentage of ***applicants served*** in 2017-2018: 96%

Average ***monthly enrollment***: 116 pregnant women, infants and toddlers

Children Up-To-Date as Possible on ***Well Child Exams***: 98%

Children Up-To-Date as possible on ***Immunizations***: 95%

2018 Tri-County Community Assessment Highlights



Ferry, Steven and Pend Orielle Counties (The Tri-Counties)
 Rural and Remote (6000 sq. miles)
 Rugged Mountain Terrain
 Abundant Natural Beauty



1705
 Children ages 0 - 2
 (2017 data)



Educational Attainment (2018)
89% High School Graduates
18% Bachelors Degree

Tri-County Population (2018)

Total Population **66,350**
 Ferry **7,780**
 Pend Oreille **13,540**
 Stevens **45,030**

Licensed Child Care Sites (2017)

Ferry **1**
 Pend Orielle **2**
 Stevens **11**

Unemployment Rate (2018)

Washington State **4.3%**
 Ferry **11.9%**
 Pend Orielle **8.2%**
 Stevens **7.8%**

Largest Towns (2018)

Colville **4,745**
 Chewelah **2,670**
 Newport **2,170**
 Kettle Falls **1,640**
 Republic **1,100**

Early Education Enrollment (23 School Districts)

Kindergarten Enrollees **593**
 Head Start (Pre-K) Slots **126**
 ECEAP (Pre-K) Slots **114**
 Early Head Start (0-3) Slots **116**

Median Projected Household Income (2017)

Washington State **\$68,550**
 Ferry **\$42,157**
 Pend Oreille **\$49,720**
 Stevens **\$53,245**

Public and Tribal Lands

Kalispel Reservation
 Colville Reservation
 Spokane Reservation
 Colville National Forest
 Little Pend Oreille National
 Wildlife Refuge

Languages Spoken by Tri-County Citizens (2010 Census Data)

95.7% English
1.5% Spanish
.6% Russian

Largest Employers

Government, with increasing:
 Border Patrol
 Forest Service (Fire Fighting)
 Education
 Healthcare and Long-term Care
 Tribal Businesses
 Manufacturing and Extraction

Federal Health Designations (2018)

Frontier and Remote (FAR) Areas
 Medically Underserved Areas
 Primary Health Care, Dental Care
 and Mental Health Care Provider
 Shortage Areas

Kindergarten Children Race and Ethnicity (2018)

2.5% Other or Not Provided
6.5% Hispanic/Latino
7.0% Two or more races
9.0% Amer. Indian/Alaska Native
75.0% White

Limited Tax Base to Finance Infrastructure and Services

Small populations
 Low private land ownership
 (18% Ferry , 36% Pend Oreille)
 Limited internet access
 Limited transportation routes

EWU Early Head Start is Partnering with Parents and Laying Lasting Foundations for Child Success in Kindergarten and Beyond!

- Planned and implemented individualized data-informed home-based learning experiences; over 10% of students caught up on development
- Coordinated and aligned services with Individualized Family Services Plans for children with disabilities (18% of EHS children)
- Implemented training and college coursework including: child development, observation and ongoing assessment, motivational interviewing, socializations, nutrition, literacy, curriculum fidelity, practice-based coaching
- Aggregated data aligns with WA Kids data with greatest developmental gap in language and communication.
- Conducted Policy Council, staff, and board member interviews regarding WA Kids data and implications for the next 5 year program and school readiness goals

Early Head Start Funding Sources for July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018

\$1,920,022 DHHS, ACF Early Head Start Award

\$ 480,006 Non-federal share contributions

| Budget Category | Approved Budget | Actual Expenditures |
|-------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| Personnel | \$892,544 | \$917,712 |
| Fringe Benefits | \$422,031 | \$407,011 |
| Travel | \$17,600 | \$17,600 |
| Equipment | \$0 | 0 |
| Supplies | \$64,995 | \$79,331 |
| Contractual | \$0 | \$0 |
| Facilities/Construction | \$0 | \$0 |
| Other | \$365,640 | \$340,856 |
| Direct Costs | \$1,762,510 | \$1,762,510 |
| Indirect Costs | \$176,252 | \$176,252 |
| Total | \$1,938,762 | \$1,938,762 |

No Audit Findings. The *State of Washington Single Audit Report for FY 17* does not include any findings or questioned costs for Eastern Washington University. www.ofm.wa.gov

Head Start Compliance. Eastern Washington University Early Head Start did not have any identified areas of non-compliance in the most recent on-site federal monitoring reviews by ACF Office of Head Start in April and June 2016.