







Fiscal Year 2016-2017



"Anyone
who does
anything to
help a child
in his life is a
hero to me."
- Fred Rogers
(Mr. Rogers Neighborhood)

Mission Statement

The mission of Young Horizons Child Development Centers is to provide quality childcare and preschool programs in a caring, loving and learning environment.

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Review and Forecast

Message from Board Chairman and Executive Director

Our Annual Report for 2016-17 brings you significant information about our programs, our progress and our goals for the upcoming years. Each year, Young Horizons sets goals for our programs, our staff, and our board. Our programs and staff are as strong as ever, and we want not only to keep them that way, but also to ensure their sustainability. As part of our strategy, in the past year we have been pleased to welcome several new board members, and renew our focus on fundraising.

One of our goals is to increase donations from individuals like you. We invite you to become a supporting member of Young Horizons to ensure that future generations have the wonderful, high-quality program that prepares children for school and life. We encourage you to share your knowledge and experiences at Young Horizons with your friends and encourage them to support us, too.

Our focus for the upcoming year will continue to be on fundraising and board development. We continue building our board and increasing board members' capacity as they serve. We are encouraged by dedicated, capable, caring individuals serving and working together to accomplish our mission. We are thankful for everyone who volunteers their time on behalf of our children.

We are grateful for the achievements of 2016-17 and look forward to a successful 2017-18, our 49th year serving children and their families.



Roger Scott Board Chairman Sarah Soriano
Executive Director



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One Parent's Appreciation



This parent's letter of appreciation after her daughter graduated shows the lasting impact of our program—one child at a time:

"I am the mother of Guadalupe and Jovanni Munguia and would like to thank Young Horizons for all the teaching and the care that they offered [my children]. These were many happy years and I thank you from the bottom of my heart for everything and for the whole team that makes up Young Horizons.

I want to thank Teacher Esmeralda for all the help offered ... and I also thank her for notic-

ing the [special needs indicators] that my Lupita had as a baby. She then offered me the necessary information and resources so she could get extra help outside Young Horizons. She is an amazing teacher. I also wanted to thank Teacher Ariana for all the help and patience with my Lupita. [She is] a great person and a great teacher for all the children ... I know [my daughter] is a very special girl and without your help she would be where she is now. They [all] do a very good job and it is very safe for the children. On behalf of Lupita and her mother thank you from the bottom of our hearts. Thanks for seeing her grow and teaching her everything she knows. Thanks to the Young Horizons team."

Five Centers in Long Beach

Kohn Center / Administrative Office

501 Atlantic Avenue, 90802 562 437-8991

License: 198000638/0639

North Pacific Center

2418 Pacific Avenue, 90806

562 424-6933 License: 191609482

Grisham Center

11A W 49th Street, 90805

562 984-3801

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1840 Pacific Avenue, 90806

562 599-3136 License: 198006417

Ludloff Center

2650 Pacific Avenue, 90806

562 988-5799 License: 198013045

Caring for Tomorrow's Future, Today



400+
Children Served
Daily

156Graduates in 2016-17

Our Motto...

"Educate Early"

The first 5 years are the most critical, formative time of a child's brain. Educating early is vital for a child to grow and thrive. This motto reflects our belief that every child should be educated early.

5Long Beach
Centers

960

Meals Served Daily 23%

Employed 15-20 years

100%

Certified Teachers

YH ... Initials to Success



Serving Since 1969

Knowledgeable Diversity Enrich Service Integrity Service Educate Advocate Educate Advocate Caregiver Loving Nutrition Programs OVING Nutrition Service Experience Accountability Knowledgeable Service Integrity Educate Service Knowledgeable Advocate Diversity Nutrition Advocate Integrity Service Experience Knowledgeable **Programs** Workshops Educate Community Caregiver Service LOVING Enrich <u>Commitmen</u>t Knowledgeable Diversity Nutrition Diversity Nutrition Commitment Caregiver **LOVING** Service Advocate Integrity Enrich Accountability Workshops Knowledgeable Knowledgeable Workshops Programs Programs Workshops Caregiver Loving Service Caregiver Accountability Advocate

Making Brighter Futures



Together, let's make a brighter future for them

Quality is a word that we take seriously at Young Horizons. We strive, always, for excellence in the work we do and make sure that we are providing value to our children and their families. With your support, more than 400 low-income families will continue to receive quality care for their children. Our community is strengthened when parents can provide for their families and children are prepared for lifelong learning.

Please consider supporting Young Horizons. It means so much to the success of our program. Your contribution ensures that we are able to continue providing much needed high-quality childcare in Long Beach.

Our Goals and Vision

Young Horizons Early Childhood Education Program prepares lowincome children for Kindergarten so that they are able to successfully compete socially and academically with their more affluent peers. We also assist their parents in helping their children obtain these goals in a supportive, nurturing, and safe home environment.

Our Program Goals:

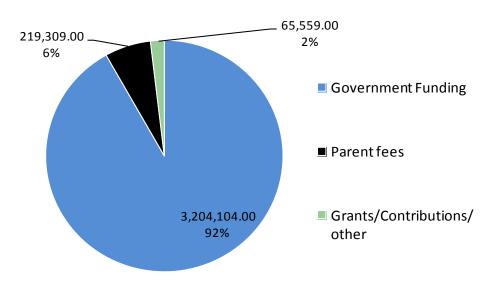
- 1. Young Horizons provides high-quality care and education.
- 2. 98% of Young Horizons' children reach desired developmental milestones.
- Young Horizons meets the quality of care outlined by the California Department of Education and the Early Childhood Environment Rating Scales.
- 4. Young Horizons serves 177,000 meals (breakfast and lunch) and 58,000 afternoon snacks to our children per year.
- Young Horizons provides professional development workshops, resources and support for its teaching staff to ensure that children experience a safe, stimulating, educational environment informed by best practices and the latest developments in early education.
- 6. Young Horizons provides ongoing parenting workshops, resources and support for our parents.

Our vision is to help build a better tomorrow through the children we serve today. Daily, we set a solid early learning foundation for the children in our care to succeed and thrive.

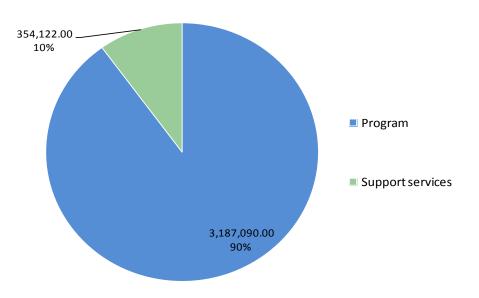
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Revenue



Expenses



Contributors and Supporters

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* Partial List

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"Educate Early"



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To Our Friend(s):

