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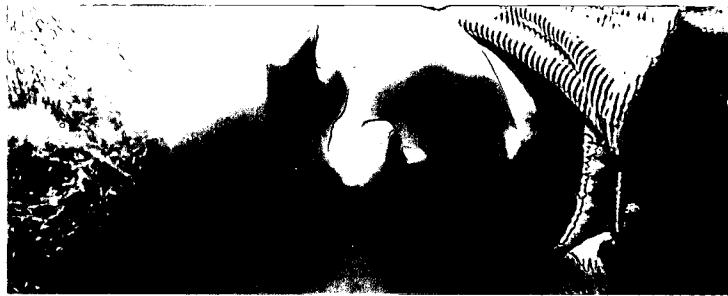
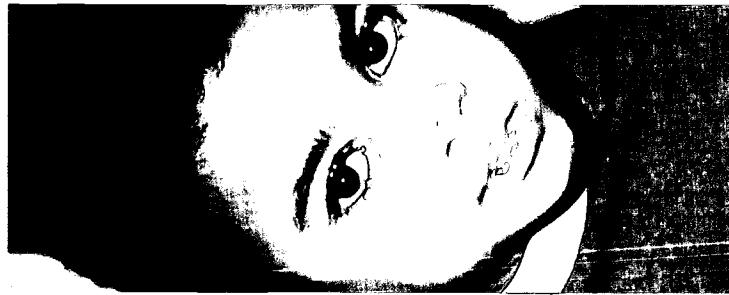
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ABSTRACT

This publication presents a collection of true stories that demonstrate the ways in which children's, parent's, and staff's lives have been enriched as a result of their involvement with Project Head Start. The stories describe remarkable achievements of individuals, often made in the face of great disadvantages and difficult circumstances, which illustrate, through real-life situations Head Start's benefits to children, families, and communities. The individual's accomplishments and the role Head Start played in his or her life and success are summarized. The first section of the collection consists of 135 Head Start graduate success stories, and lists the role Head Start played in the graduates' successful education. The second section consists of 170 parent success stories, and shows the importance of the support and assistance Head Start parents received. The third section consists of 136 staff success stories, and shows the success of Head Start volunteers and employees. The fourth section consists of 126 testimonials from persons involved in a variety of ways with the Head Start Program. (SD)

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The membership of the National Head Start Association (NHSA) is primarily composed of Head Start directors, staff, parents of children currently enrolled in Head Start, and other individuals supportive of Head Start. The Association is responsive to this diverse membership which has a broad spectrum of interests. Therefore, its mission is comprehensive. Specifically the Association strives to:

- Define and implement strategies for maintaining, improving, and funding the Head Start program that respond to the needs of the general membership.
- Provide training and professional development services for all categories of membership.
- Advocate for the provision of quality services to the Head Start community.
- Advocate for measures that support the development of children.
- Advocate for measures that assist parents to meet the needs of their children and families and to become economically self-sufficient.
- Advocate for training and professional development for Head Start staff.
- Develop and disseminate research, information, and resources that impact child and family-oriented legislation and Head Start program delivery.

The mission is supported by agencies, corporations and foundations that are affiliate members of the National Head Start Association.

The National Head Start Association's mission can only be accomplished through collaboration with state and regional associations.

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Thank You

Project Head Start, serving more than 15 million children and families in 30 years, has contributed to the success of countless Head Start graduates, staff, and parents across the country. The National Head Start Association, committed to working toward support for this program, has compiled but a few of these numerous successes. NHSA is grateful to each Head Start center for its special contribution. In gratitude, we dedicate this book to each of you.

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Graduate Success Stories

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Description Leonard Adams now has a license as an aircraft mechanic. He credits his good start in Head Start with his success.

Georgianna Akers is convinced that being a Head Start student made a tremendous difference in her life. She finished high school, a B.A. and a master's degree in social work. Currently she works as an intervention specialist in an elementary school.

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Lorenzo is a sophomore in high school and maintains a high average. He is involved in sports including football, wrestling, and baseball. He is a positive role model for other young adults in his community.

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Clarence Edward Anthony is studying for a Ph.D. in public administration. He has earned a master's of public administration, a B.A. in criminal justice, and an associate of arts degree. He is the vice president of the William R. Hough Company, has managed a small business, taught, worked as a city and regional planner, served on boards of directors, and received many awards for leadership and scholarship.

Lowell is studying medicine and will graduate in 1996. He had a successful high school and university career, participated in sports and other activities, attended the university on a full scholarship, and received a Student of the Year award in 1992 while a pre-med student. He graduated from the university with honors.

Adrienne graduated from high school as an honor student. She was an active member of the 4-H Club, high school basketball team, and youth group of her church. She is presently at Louisiana Technical College and will graduate with a B.A. in journalism in August 1995. She will also receive a B.A. degree in political science.

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| Description | Wes Barnett qualified for the Olympics at the North American, Central American, and Caribbean Islands Olympic trials held in May 1992. Wes won a scholar- athlete award in high school and attended Johnson County Community College. |

Courtney Bates graduated from Head Start in 1981. She was an honor student from grade school through high school. In high school she was elected to office and was involved in athletics. She is currently a student in college and plans to major in elementary education so she can give something back as a teacher.

Danielle attended Head Start in 1966 and 1967. She then attended elementary school, high school, and earned scholarships to colleges. She graduated with a B.S. in science. Later she worked as a police officer and was promoted to detective. She pursued a master's degree in liberal arts and is currently pursuing a Ph.D. in Afro-American studies and a law degree. Danielle also volunteers to work with the homeless, alcoholics, and abused children and plans to volunteer in her home community after she graduates.

Albert is in high school and is maintaining a high average. He gets along well with the students and teachers and is involved in community activities. He hopes to attend college and major in civil engineering.

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Description

Terry Wayne Bennett was successful in both elementary school and high school and was very active in sports and other activities. He majored in business administration in college, graduated in 1988, and was employed by the Potomac Valley Bank as an auditor.

John Blanton graduated from high school and attended college. He then entered a police academy and is now employed by the Kentucky State Police.

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| | | <p>Gabriel attended Head Start in Santa Cruz, California, in 1976-1977. He has since graduated from Sarasota High School and attends college. He has gone through Emergency Medical Service training and fireman school, graduating second in his class. He works as a firefighter and emergency service staff member and continues to attend college classes. He also works for a veterinarian as an assistant.</p> <p>Haneik graduated from high school in 1990 and was the recipient of many academic awards and athletic achievement awards. She was elected to school leadership positions and graduated with honors. She attended a university for a year and then was selected to attend a radiologic technology program. She graduated from the program in 1993 and is presently working at the hospital where she attended school.</p> |

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Description Petie Briseno was a quiet boy. His home life was unstable and abusive. As he progressed through school, he was a model student and at the top of his class. In junior high and high school, he was on the honor roll. He graduated from high school as the salutatorian and is now attending Indiana State University on a full scholarship. His ambition is to be an accountant.

Michael Brown is now 15 years old and is a successful student. He has received athletic awards for wrestling and is the quarterback on the junior high football team. He also works in his community.

Arlen Paul Carry graduated from high school with honors. He attended a community college and received an associate degree in political science. He also received a B.S. degree in environmental science from a state university. Arlen Paul Carry graduated from high school with honors. He attended a community college and received an associate degree in political science. He also received a B.S. degree in environmental science from a state university.

Michael Brown is a lawyer and a member of several professional legal organizations. He excelled in college and law school and won several awards for scholarship and excellence. He worked for the Department of Justice in Washington, D.C., for a private firm, and now litigates independently. He serves on the board of directors of many civic organizations.

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 Holly is the program director of the Drug and Alcohol Prevention Program of Erie Community College. Her educational goal is to obtain a Ph.D. in education within the next three years. Holly moved from Head Start to an elementary school with a strong feeling of self-esteem and confidence. Later she moved to one of the first magnet schools in the city of Buffalo. In high school she was active in organizations, clubs, and sports. She attended West Virginia University on a track and field scholarship. Holly earned a master's degree at Buffalo State College where she received a fellowship to pursue a degree in college administration.

Amanda represented the state of Massachusetts as the Easter Seal Poster child in 1987. Today she is still progressing and has overcome her disability, thanks to Head Start.

Kenneth has worked at the National Children's Center, Prince George's County Public Schools, and Head Start as a teacher since 1992. He has developed and implemented aerobics and weight training classes for parents, works at a summer camp and as a volunteer at a church school. Kenneth attended Head Start, graduated from high school, and earned a B.A. degree in early childhood education.

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Cindy was a shy child with low

self-esteem. She is a senior in high

school and has been accepted to

the local community college.

Sherry Conley is currently

employed as a nursing instructor

at Craven Community College.

She received degrees from two

colleges. She also works for Home

Health Care Inc. on a part-time

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Shimall graduated from high school and college, earning a degree in criminal justice in 1991. He is now working as a paralegal.

Sherry Conley is currently employed as a nursing instructor at Craven Community College. She received degrees from two colleges. She also works for Home Health Care Inc. on a part-time basis. She credits Head Start with helping her develop confidence and self-esteem. These attributes aided in her academic achievements and in the attainment of her goals.

Wanda Conway graduated from Head Start in 1973 and completed high school in 1985. After high school, she attended college and received her B.S. degree in business administration in 1989. She is working toward a master's degree in early childhood education at a Mississippi university.

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Description Dolores Estrela Curbelo is a 1972 graduate of St. Augustine Head Start in the Bronx and received her M.D. degree on May 11, 1992, from Mount Sinai School of Medicine. She was a resident at the Beth Israel Medical Center in New York.

Felicia T. Daniels received a full track scholarship to attend college. But to strengthen herself academically, she withdrew herself from athletics and transferred to another college. By the time she was a junior, she maintained all A's and B's. Today Felicia is a financial analyst working for the Office of the Commissioner of Insurance. She is grateful to the Hart County Head Start family for "giving me the skills and self-confidence to succeed."

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Tanya wrote, "Although I had an extremely supportive and loving family, Head Start was the first place outside of the home that gave me an early environment where people were supportive. Head Start showed me that learning was important...It gave me a foundation for the future." Tanya Dawkins is a senior vice president responsible for the United Way's Resource Management Division. She oversees the allocation of revenue for certain social service programs and is also responsible for developing public/private partnerships. Tanya has a master's degree in business administration and has received numerous awards. She has been very active in her community and was also awarded a three-year national fellowship in international affairs by the Kellogg Foundation.

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| Judy Veach Director Embarras River Basin Agency Head Start P.O. Box 307 Greencup, IL 62428 Phone (217) 923-5141 | The girls who are in high school now are honor students. One wants to go on to become a social worker and the other a Head Start teacher. The boy is doing well in school also. |

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Description Daniel Fremouw graduated from high school and enlisted in the U.S. Navy. He has been in the Navy for seven years, and is a five year member of the VFW and the American Legion.

Scott Fremouw attended Head Start in the late 1960s. He graduated from high school, worked as an apprentice, and became a certified journeyman mechanic. He has been an employee of the Finger Lakes DDSO for 14 years and is a stock car racer and five year member of the VFW.

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Vanessa's story was submitted by her sister who reported that they grew up in a neighborhood full of multiple problems consisting of poverty, crime, and drugs. Vanessa has been able "to rise above adverse conditions to thrive in her personal and professional life." Vanessa excelled academically through elementary, high school, and college. She will graduate with a B.A. in business

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| Description | Francisco Gonzales earned a B.A. in social sciences and is employed as a bank manager. He has always been active in his community and serves on the Head Start parent policy council as a community representative. He is also the vice chairperson for Right to Read of Weld County. |
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Crystel excelled academically and graduated from Build Academy as valedictorian of the class of 1976. Later she graduated from the Buffalo Academy for Performing Arts with honors and was the recipient of several awards. She obtained a B.S. degree from the Naval Corps School and is serving in the Navy as a respiratory technologist. She is planning to marry and will then pursue a master's degree in occupational therapy.

Kevin Harvey was a Head Start child in 1968 at the Maple Hill Head Start Center in Kansas City, Kansas. He plans to complete his doctorate in psychology in 1995. Kevin is currently employed as a center director in Wichita, Kansas, and teaches at Wichita State University. He is also a consultant to Head Start programs in the region in the areas of behavior management and organizational development through the Community Development Institute. "It is his willingness to give back to the Head Start community that sets him apart. He shares his leadership, time, and talents to help grow a quality 21st century Head Start in Region VII," wrote Kate Lamm of CDI.

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| Description | Aaron finished high school and attended auto-diesel college in Nashville, Tennessee. He earned a degree in auto-diesel technology and is now employed by Command Service Inc. | Carolyn graduated from both high school and college. She is working in a position at State Street Bank in Quincy, Massachusetts. | Dwayne Howard graduated from high school and attended the Franklin Institute for two years to study engineering. Presently he is an engineer in the U.S. Navy stationed in Japan. |
| | | | Rebecca graduated from high school and attended respiratory therapy school. She passed the state board exam in 1989 and has worked in respiratory therapy since that time. |

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| Description | Alex studied business management for four years at a state university and electronic technology at a community college with a speciality in biomedical technology. He received many outstanding awards in football and track during high school and college. He says Head Start was where many of life's basic principles were introduced into his life. |
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Kermit Jackson graduated from both high school and college. He has a B.S. degree in biology. Presently he is employed as an assistant judge with the Atlanta courts.

Gary Jackson attended high school and a university where he earned a master's degree in computer science. He is now employed by Texas Instruments as a department head.

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 In 1993, Seronda Arlette Jackson was the first black valedictorian at Coffee High School in Georgia since the school was integrated 23 years ago.

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Dr. Johnson was enrolled in the first Head Start program in 1965 at Lincoln Memorial Elementary School in Robbins, Illinois. He graduated from junior high as a salutatorian and then with honors from high school. He graduated from Illinois Wesleyan University with a B.S. in biology and a minor concentration in chemistry. He later graduated from the New England College of Optometry in Boston, Massachusetts, with a doctorate of optometry degree. Now that he is in private practice in Illinois, he is committed to serving the needs of the community. He is the only African-American optometrist in private practice in south suburban Chicago.

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Description James graduated from high school and later from a university with a B.S. degree in accounting. He started working for the federal government in 1995.

Description Winnie Jordan remembers her Head Start teacher as an inspirer. She stated, "It is because the Head Start program served as my starting ground that I have gone on to achieve success in other areas of my life." She attended Florida State University and was very active in organizations. Later, she attended law school, where she was involved in projects and served as the president of the Black Law Students Association. She was awarded the Dean's Honor Scholarship and worked

several summer jobs in law school. Presently she works as a law clerk in the federal courts for U.S. District Judge Willkie D. Ferguson. She appreciates the strong work ethic she developed through the Head Start program.

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Description Joseph King is a senior at the University of Missouri in St. Louis. He is studying criminology and criminal justice and was chosen for the Harry S. Truman Scholarship Foundation's Truman Scholarship from more than 1,400 nationwide applicants. These scholarships are awarded to college seniors who plan to work in public service fields after graduation. Joseph is also a Specialist in the U.S. Army Reserves and is a cadet for the St. Louis Metropolitan Police. He has worked as an intern in the office of Lieutenant Governor Mel Carnahan.

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Reba King is a graduate of Savanna State College, is a teacher at Migrant Head Start, and was a Head Start graduate. She is now pursuing a master's degree in education and taking courses for teacher certification.

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Lehata Letbetter had a successful academic career and was very active in athletics. She entered the child care profession, taught 4- and 5-year-olds, and then enrolled in a technical institute. She is now a state registered medical assistant.

Christopher was an honor student in elementary and high school. He received science fair awards, was named outstanding student, and graduated as the valedictorian of his high school class. Later he received a B.S. in psychology and now works as a Louisiana trooper.

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| Description | Zackery Lincoln attended Bradenton Head Start in Manatee County. He was an honor student in college. Later he received a degree in barbering from Raffler Barber College in Tampa and then became an emergency medical technician and firefighter. Now he is employed by NASA at the Kennedy Space Center as a firefighter and is also sent overseas for emergency rescue duties. |
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Description
 Melinda Minix Marcee graduated from high school and from a community college. She is now a dental assistant.

Rose graduated from both high school and college. She earned a B.A. in education and is currently employed as a teacher at Grolee Elementary. She also teaches religion at St. Charles Church and is a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha.

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Terry Martin was the salutatorian of his high school and on the Dean's List in college. He earned a B.S. in food science and was the class president. Later he received a master's degree in food science. He is now employed by Kraft General Foods Inc. as a quality food manager.

Larry was the high school salutatorian of his class and an honor student in college. He continued his academic career and earned a Ph.D. in microbiology at Michigan State University. He is presently employed as a research associate at a research center.

Fletcher McClendon Jr.

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Description
Fletcher McClendon Jr. attended Oklahoma City University and graduated with a bachelor of arts degree in performing arts. He has performed in many productions and is now co-director of Starz Choice Dance Academy in Venice, Florida. He is a teacher, dancer, singer, actor, choreographer, and artistic director.

Michael is a graduate of high school, Rollins College in chemical engineering, and is now an assistant supervisor at the Bank of Boston.

Sherman's grandmother brought him to Head Start and told them he had a heart defect and a problem with his lung. Several times teachers rushed him to a clinic because of breathing problems. He received all Head Start services. When he entered high school he was an honor roll student every quarter. He received a Presidential Scholar award, was on the dean's list, and graduated with honors. He enrolled at North Georgia College for his B.A. in criminal justice.

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Gregory McKeithen is an assistant district attorney in Atlanta, Georgia. He is a graduate of a university where he received a degree in criminal justice and of law school where he was on the honor roll. He is a member of the State Bar of Georgia and of professional associations.

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Description
 Kelvin attended college and earned a degree in psychology. He is now employed as a child counselor with Youth Focus in Greensboro and has held a number of other positions. He is active in his community and a member of the Black Liberation Affairs Committee which is affiliated with the NAACP.

Michelle's counselor writes that she displays an abundance of positive characteristics. She is enthusiastic, responsive, and cares deeply about people. She is warm, friendly, open, optimistic, and sensible.

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Eugene Newborn

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Eugene attended UCLA in California and is now an architect.

Nancy Mendez attended Head Start from 1975 through 1977. She is a senior at Florida International University with a high grade point average. She is majoring in elementary education with a minor in early childhood education. She plans to continue her studies and obtain a doctoral degree that focuses on language and literacy development. She feels that she can reach disadvantaged children by developing new programs and strategies that begin in the early childhood classroom.

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Description Greta graduated from high school with a high average and attended respiratory therapy school. She is now board certified and works in this field.

Alfredia finished high school as an honor student among the top ten in her class. She was selected to the Who's Who in American Society. She attended college for four years in the field of speech pathology and was on the Dean's List for four years. She also received a public service award. She plans to pursue another degree in education.

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Andrew Mitchell Jr. graduated from high school and earned a B.A. degree in physical education/secondary education. He received numerous awards in high school and was a leader and sportsman in college. Presently he is the Livingstone College Women's Basketball Head Coach and also works in other sports programs.

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Marialice Mokarzel has succeeded in securing employment with one of the area's largest hospitals where she is an administrative associate. She is self-supporting and continues to pursue other goals for herself and her family. She believes Head Start helped her deal with being a single parent.

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Description

James and his two sisters attended the Cherokee County Head Start program. He won a four year football scholarship to Western Carolina University. He graduated with a B.S. degree in sports medicine. He is now employed with the Cherokee County Sheriff's Department as a deputy sheriff. He is a member of the volunteer fire department, superintendent of a Sunday school, and coaches football at a middle school. He has also organized a mentoring program for young black males.

Jonathan Nance attended Bethune Head Start. Later he excelled in football and became one of the top city football players. He dreams of playing professional football and attending Kentucky State University.

Kerri received her B.A. from a university in Washington. She is currently working as a speech and language therapist and junior high school librarian. Her community achievements are impressive and she has raised money for charitable causes. She continues to help her community grow.

Melissa attended the Greene County Career Center and graduated as the valedictorian of her class. She was placed in a job with Electronic Data Systems where she currently works.

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 Kia Parker is a freshman at Florida A&M University. She is participating in a five year business program and is maintaining a high grade point average. She graduated from high school with honors. She also volunteers in her church.

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Ruth Howard
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Lanessa graduated from high school with a high grade point average and was the recipient of a regional scholarship from Morehead State University. She earned a degree in radiologic technology and graduated with high honors. She is currently employed as a radiologic technologist and is married.

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Stephanie graduated from Magoffin County high school, attended a community college, and later graduated from a university with a degree in elementary education. She now teaches the fourth grade. She participated in many activities in high school.

Antoine Peebles graduated from Head Start in 1982. He is a senior in high school and enjoys sports. Currently he is a star player on the basketball team. He hopes to attend college on a basketball scholarship.

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| Description | Monica Peebles graduated from Head Start in 1985. She is a sophomore in high school and is involved in extracurricular activities. She is an honor roll student and was recently selected to be in the Who's Who Among American High School Students. |
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Freeman Perry received a football scholarship to Stephen F. Austin State University in Nacogdoches, Texas. Perry said, "Head Start gave me that first big step...that mentality to get me going farther."

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Diedra graduated as the valedictorian from her high school. She attended college and a school of pharmacy. She is presently employed as a registered pharmacist at Walgreen's Pharmacy.

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Deborah Policare

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Jessica Policare graduated from Head Start in 1979, attended high school, and was nominated to Who's Who Among American High School Students for both her junior and senior year. She is currently pursuing a bachelor's degree in financial investment from King's College.

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| Title | | Ruth Howard |
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| Description | Saretha won scholarships from both Head Start, the Times Leader, and a community organization in Wilkes-Barre. She graduated from a school of radiologic technology and is a registered radiologic technologist. She was later chosen as a clinical instructor. | Patrick Prater graduated from both high school and college. He earned a degree in elementary education and is presently working as a substitute in the Magoffin County School System. |

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| Dianne Brooks | Resource Teacher Somerset County Public Schools 7982 Crisfield Highway Westover Annex Westover, MD 21871 |
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Ermina Quinnones entered the Marion Migrant Head Start Center as an infant and continued to return each summer for the six-week program until she reached the seventh grade. During her teenage years, Ermina attended the Marion Migrant School as a student and assisted in the classroom as a volunteer. After receiving her GED Certificate, Ermina worked as a team leader in the South Bay Florida Center. Presently, she is happily employed full time by Dr. Richardson, Cardiologist, as a secretary and receptionist.

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Description

Nicole graduated with honors in the top ten of her class in both elementary and high school. She was active in academic clubs and attended an engineering course at the university level while still in high school. She was also active in the Catholic Youth Group of her church and worked in the community throughout high school. She graduated from a university with a B.S. in speech pathology and will receive a master's degree in communication disorders in 1996.

David Richard excelled in athletics in high school and then entered a vocational institute. He completed an engineering course and then joined the U.S. Marine Corps. He received the top Honor Graduate Award in a course in education as well as other awards for achievement, conduct, and leadership. He is now in his second term in the Marine Corps, married, and the father of two children.

David was a member of the Future Teachers of America and a three year letterman on the basketball team in high school. He received athletic awards and later attended Xavier University of Louisiana on a full athletic scholarship. He completed college in 1988 and is employed as a teacher and a coach. He also volunteers his time to a youth group in the community.

Marva graduated from both high school and college. She worked in billing at Slemco and then as an insurance clerk. Currently she is employed with General Health Systems in Baton Rouge at the Louisiana Reference Laboratory as an insurance specialist. She was married in 1994.

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Description
 Both Anita and her sister, Richetta Newsome Gatling, believe they would not have gotten a good educational start had it not been for Head Start. Anita is a professional and active in her community. Her sister is a senior accounttant. Both girls began their education at Head Start at Temple University. Anita is an attorney, realtor, town councilwoman, NAACP Chairperson of the Legal Redress Committee, chair of the Hartford County Democratic Party, a member of professional associations, and on a board of directors.

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Theo graduated from high school with honors and as the student body president. He then earned a B.S. degree in business education. He is now employed as a teacher at Sherwood Middle School.

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Therese is an excellent student who will graduate with honors from high school. She is involved in many school activities and her goal is to attend Arizona Western College to earn a photojournalism degree.

Dennis Snapp attended both college and law school. He was in private practice before moving to California where he is now an assistant district attorney for Los Angeles County.

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Description
 Angel is a junior at the University of Southwestern Louisiana pursuing a B.S. in sociology and business administration. She is active in her church and works in the computer science department at the university.

Description
 Angella Talley was named Employee of the Month by the Liberty National Bank and Trust Company of Indiana. She is the head teller at one of the banks locations and is currently majoring in psychology in college.

During Evans' 10 years of service with the U.S. Marines, he obtained the rank of Staff Sergeant. He is presently an agent manager for the John Hancock Financial Services in Honolulu, Hawaii.

Jessie Taylor is in the U.S. Marine Corps and served in a number of capacities. He has also received decorations including a Navy Commendation Medal, Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Sea Service Ribbon, and Overseas Ribbon. He attended Head Start for two years.

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| Description | Lloyd attended Head Start in 1968 and has had a successful academic career. He earned a B.S. in social psychology and is working on a master's degree in sociology. He is teaching at Telican Island Elementary School as a physical education instructor and is a minister of a small congregation. He is married and has two children. | April Thomas is excelling in high school and plans to attend a four year university. She has won many awards for scholarship and excellence, is listed in Who's Who Among American High School Students, won a Physical Fitness Award, performed volunteer services, and takes pre-college enrichment courses. April writes, "As a past participant of Head Start, I have always been off to a good firm start in my education. Head Start helped me to learn the very important fundamentals needed at an early age." |
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| Description | Phillip attended Head Start with his twin sister Paulette. He later attended Xenia city schools and graduated from high school in 1988. He is now employed as a teacher assistant by Head Start. | Mark Jarrett Thomas graduated from Southwest Missouri State University with a B.S. in economics. He is now employed at the Missouri Division of Employment Security as an employment security deputy. |

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| Samara Wade | 128 Hickory Street Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702 | (717) 824-0815 | Margaret Wade | Margaret Wade | Ninth District Opportunity Inc. CAA P.O. Drawer L Gainesville, GA 30503 | (404) 532-3191 | Shayna is a Head Start graduate who graduated from high school and is now working at a supermarket. She held a job as a paper carrier, played field hockey, and was in the band while in high school. |
| Kelli Ward | | | Patsy Thomas | Director | | | Kelli needed speech and social development when she entered Head Start. She was diagnosed with verbal apraxia and mild mental retardation. After two years in Head Start, Kelli's speech became clearer, her eye-hand coordination improved, and her attention span increased. She performs adequately in school and is active in 4-H. |
| Joseph Edward Waters | | | Audrey West | Executive Director | Newark Preschool Council Inc. Ten Park Place Newark, NJ 07102 | (201) 621-5760 | Joseph Edward Waters graduated with honors from Rutgers University majoring in the administration of justice with a criminology certificate. He was a member of a fraternity and other clubs, and was listed in Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges. He earned an honors internship with the United States Secret Service. Joseph is now employed with Elrac Inc. as a manager trainee. He believes that his Head Start experience prepared him to enter the public school system ready to learn. |

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Description
Ronica is a graduate of the University of Oklahoma where she earned a degree in public administration, and of Syracuse University where she earned a master's of public policy and administration. She now works as a research and planning analyst for the Tulsa Community Action Agency and is active in her community as a volunteer.

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Diane was a Head Start child in 1964. She graduated from both high school and college and presently works as a teacher at Huron Head Start.

Twyla White is an award-winning high school student. She has received Good Citizen, band, and chorus awards and been named Student of the Month. Her mother feels like a celebrity in the community because her daughter is so well-respected. Twyla attended Head Start for two years.

Thomas J. Wiley IV

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| Description | This Head Start graduate earned a B.A. in social work with a minor in community health education. After working in Head Start, he accepted a job with the State of Iowa as a family-centered worker in the Department of Human Services. He is active in his community, is a founding board member for the Habitat for Humanity of Cerro Gordo County, and serves as a community representative on the Head Start policy council. |
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Thomas Wiley graduated first in his high school class in 1991. He was accepted into the Navy ROTC program and the University of Rochester to study physics and won scholarships. Tom spent some time volunteering at Head Start while attending high school.

As a 1994 graduate of Terrell High School, Gerald received honors including the United States Academy of Academic Achievements Award, the Most Valuable Basketball Player Award, and the Academic Scholar Award. He is presently enrolled at the University of Texas in Arlington majoring in biology as a pre-med student.

Gilbert graduated from high school and received a number of honors including All Regional Basketball, All District Most Valuable Player, and a listing in Who's Who Among American High Schools. He attended the University of North Texas in Denton and graduated from East Texas State University with a degree in kinesiology. Presently, he is employed by Terrell I.S.D. as the middle school physical education instructor and football/basketball coach. He worked with the National Youth Sports Program, coached youth program teams and worked with the Special Olympics.

Gerald Sanders Willie

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Gilbert Willie Jr.

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| Description | Donna Wilson has earned an associate's degree in criminal justice, a B.S. in paralegal studies, and is working on a master's degree in rehabilitation counseling. She is a certified youth supervisor and resident counselor for the Illinois Department of Corrections and is active in her community. | Shelia graduated from high school and attended a college to study pediatrics. Presently she is working at the Harvard Community Health Center. | Maudry Wiltz is presently employed by an attorney as a paralegal. He previously attended college with a major in general studies and a minor in paralegal studies and was in the military. |

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Parent Success Stories

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Description

Cynthia Albee is a Head Start migrant volunteer who has served on many committees. Her efforts have been recognized and she has served as the New England Head Start Association Representative, the National Head Start Association Representative, and has worked with the Family Preservation Forum. Cynthia writes, "I am currently a university student. I will never totally give Head Start up. It has educated me and wherever I go that will go with me. I encourage all Head Start parents to shoot for the stars.

It may take awhile to reach them, but they are trainable. I know. I am training them."

Janine Anderson

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Jorge is very active in his community with Latin American affairs and organizations affecting Hispanics. He has also been very involved at the leadership level in Head Start, self-sufficiency efforts, and the Habitat for Humanity.

Mr. and Mrs. Arce are the proud owners of the Express Auto Repair Shop in Springfield. Head Start assisted them in completing applications for business certificates, permits, insurance applications, and in obtaining community endorsements.

Janine Anderson is a single mother of two. She is a realtor for the Century 21 office in Apache Junction, Arizona. Janine appreciated the support she received from Head Start. She is successful now and independent of the welfare system. She has just purchased her first home.

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"Julia B" *

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Description When Ms. Armstrong enrolled her children in Head Start she was unemployed and in an unhappy situation due to domestic violence. Head Start made a significant difference in her life. She volunteered, worked on committees, graduated from Exploring Parenting and other training programs, learned skills which enabled her to volunteer in the classroom, and gained the confidence to enroll in college. She did become homeless and was forced to move from place to place but now has a home for her family, has graduated from college, and encourages other parents to change their lives.

"Julia B" is a Latino woman with a 4-year-old daughter. When she informed the staff that she was a domestic violence victim in danger, they helped her obtain a restraining order, find temporary housing at a women's shelter, and apply for a Section 8 certificate. After FSC successfully advocated for the certificate, staff assisted her in finding safe, affordable housing. Julia has attended a training program and obtained full time employment with benefits.

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Rhonda Bain finished college, graduated with distinction, and became a television production expert. She has produced 26 shows for television. She is an active volunteer in her community and has written a book to encourage others to strive to be the best they can be.

Rhonda wrote, "I broke free from the shackles of poverty and despair—all thanks to Head Start."

Dianne Bagner is a graduate assistant in the School of Business at Drake University where she is working on a master's degree in Public Administration. She has steadily pursued her educational goals and addressed other Head Start parents to encourage them to do the same. While attending an area community college, the governor presented her with an award for developing a financial counseling service for low-income persons like herself. While at college, Dianne brought together the college and community by organizing a Halloween party for over 300 low-income children. Diane's consistent focus has been to have a good influence on those facing the challenges of poverty.

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Description
 Kathy earned a GED through Head Start and then earned a Qualified Medical Assistant Certificate and an EMT license. She has now earned a nursing degree and is employed at the Jasper Nursing Center in Indiana. She is the mother of five children and has worked hard to become successful.

Barbara has six children and is a single parent. She started a job full time while her last child was in Head Start, has been there for over two years, and is doing very well. She has since purchased a home through Farmer's Home Administration.

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Debra Bicknell and her sons participate in the Home Based Program. Head Start staff encouraged her to earn her GED. She decided to attend college and graduated from Eastern Kentucky University with a degree in Social Work. She is now the Director at the Berea Senior Citizens Center. Debra wrote that she will "always remember the support she received from Head Start and how it changed her life for the better." She feels that she has grown in every area of her life.

Mary's goal is to finish her college education. She is seeking an A.A. degree to transfer to a four year college. Her major is humanities and she maintains a 4.0 grade point average while working with her husband in their family business.

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Description Cassandra returned to school and earned a high school diploma. Later she started studying child development and in 1994 completed her first college course. She became an active volunteer with Head Start and later received a food handler's card.

Description Alicia Botello studied at home for her GED. She then obtained a certificate in the secretarial field. She is now working as a bilingual secretary for the county. Alicia wrote, "Everything is possible to obtain when you keep a positive attitude."

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Description Cindy Brown worked in the office for Head Start Broome County Child Development Council and now has a job working for the Corporation Counsel at city hall as a senior clerk.

Shirley writes to the Head Start staff, "Can I ever repay you for the Head Start you gave my family? Never! But with each life I touch, I try to give that person a part of what you gave me." Shirley's three children attended Head Start and she now teaches at a Catholic Indian School. She writes, "I am now able to encourage those who are in the same situation I was in eight years ago." She remembers being a single mother of three on welfare and finding Head Start, a place where she was treated with respect and motivated to achieve. She enjoyed volunteering and attending a convention where she met other parents, "some of the most intelligent, motivated, and hardworking people I had ever met." The staff also assisted her when her son was diagnosed with Attention Deficit Disorder.

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Description Janice Bush is the single parent of three daughters. In 1994, she graduated from a community college with an associate's degree in drug and alcohol rehabilitation counseling. She now works as an outpatient counselor.

Lisa is the single mother of two children and is a diabetic. She is earning a B.S. in a nursing program at a university and is the recipient of a nursing scholarship and two other scholarships. She is active on college committees and served as a summer volunteer at a camp for diabetic children. She facilitated a statewide teleconference on health care and presented a sexual health seminar to 300 students. Lisa said that "without Head Start my achievements would have been very difficult to obtain."

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Robert is a disabled veteran and a Head Start parent who has been dedicating his time to research and finding officials in the community to help set up a Citizens On Patrol group. His daughter attended Head Start in a high crime area of town and he felt such a program would be helpful. His daughter has moved on to kindergarten but he is still volunteering many hours to the program. He has the well-being of others at heart.

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Gwen has four children, three of whom attended Head Start. She is now attending computer courses.

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Beverly DiSanto

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Description

Linda started a nursing program before her son started Head Start. She finished her degree and is employed by a local corrections facility. She has since remarried.

Karen is a former AFDC recipient. She completed a nurse's assistant course at Claiborne Vocational Tech in 1994 and is now employed at a nursing home. She moved into her own apartment in 1994.

Ms. Conway is a single mother with two children. She overcame difficulties to earn a high school diploma. She is focused on her goal to become a certified nurse's assistant. Now she participates as a volunteer in Head Start. She will begin employment training as a certified nurse's assistant this year.

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Pat Curtis now teaches at an elementary school. She raised five children and was an active Head Start parent volunteer. While a Head Start parent, she earned her GED and a college degree. Her experiences in Head Start have contributed to her success as a hard-working, parent-child oriented teacher. She is thought of highly by families of the children she teaches.

| Name | Address | Description |
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| Doris Dixon | | |
| P.O. Box 52 Kimbball, WV 24853 | | Doris Dixon sought Head Start for her two children following her divorce. Head Start helped Doris find an ear specialist for one daughter plagued by infections and referred her to a JTPA hospital training program. She was hired on a full-time basis in the dietary department. |
| h-(304) 585-7135 w-(304) 436-8461 | | |
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| Helen K. Carson | Evelyn Duffy | Sharon Dodds was involved in Head Start for two years. She later obtained a college degree, and was honored for her scholarship. She implemented a volunteer alumni group for a domestic violence shelter and wrote and participated in a documentary for cable TV. She is presently the director of social services in a nursing home. |
| Director of Health and Education Council of the Southern Mountains P.O. Box 158 Wilco, WV 24895 | Family Service Worker CORSRP 116 East Third Street P.O. Box 459 Greenville, OH 45331 | Irene is a parent who turned her life around through Head Start. She sought treatment for alcohol abuse and enjoys sharing her story with others. She is very involved with the literacy council and other Head Start activities which are helping her build a future. |
| (304) 448-2131 | (513) 548-8002 | |
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| Doris Dixon | | |
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| Tina Douglas | | |
| 835 N. Main Street Oshkosh, WI 54901 | | Tina is achieving her goals through vocational-technical education and hopes to pursue a B.S. degree in accounting. Her enrollment at a community college gave her a chance to realize her dreams. A mother of three preschool children, she graduated from her courses with a perfect 4.0 average and is now employed full time as a clerk in patient collections for a biomedical laboratory. She is enrolled as a full time student in accounting at a college, volunteers with Head Start, and is living a life that seemed an impossibility a couple of years ago. |
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| Address | | |
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| Tina Douglas | Wanda Palmer | |
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| Contact | Description | Name | Description |
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| Title | Jessica is a former AFDC recipient who is the mother of five children who attended Head Start. She earned a nursing assistant certificate and was certified in CPR training while her children attended Head Start. She plans to attend classes to become a licensed practical nurse. | Holly became very active in Head Start, obtained a GED, and became a teacher assistant. Now she is an active PTA member and volunteers in her child's kindergarten. She also continues to volunteer with Head Start. | Dwayne Fisher is now an assistant manager at Radio Shack. Head Start staff motivated this Head Start volunteer and AFDC father to seek employment. |
| Address | Service Head Start P.O. Box 876 Mindens, LA 71058 | Connie Combs Program Coordinator Webster Parish Community Service Head Start P.O. Box 876 Mindens, LA 71058 | Suzanne is a single parent with two children. She has been attending college to receive a bachelor's degree in education and is now doing her student teaching at a local school. She has commented often about her son's maturity since he attended Head Start. |
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| | Centralia, IL 62801 | 7190 Ridge Road East | WHO—Head Start |
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| Description | <p>Donna was a shy person when she began her involvement in Head Start. She earned her GED and then took classes at a college. Later she was accepted into a nursing program. Now she has self-confidence and the Head Start staff is very proud of her.</p> | | |
| | <p>Rosemary Flores is a widow with a history of drug abuse who recently gained custody of grandchildren and came in contact with Head Start. "Head Start is like a life raft," she says. "It teaches the value of education and the concept of family unity. If I had my way, it would be available to everyone." Flores has helped hundreds of Head Start parents to register to vote. She realizes the power of those who organize and her own history gave her the impetus to help others. Flores was raised on welfare by two blind parents, picked cotton, and baled hay. She did obtain a high school equivalency degree but prior to that she was arrested for welfare fraud. Eventually, she worked as a legal secretary. When her grandchildren are older, she hopes to return to work.</p> | | |
| | <p>Ruth Fox has graduated from nursing school as the valedictorian of her class and is now employed as a Registered Nurse. She achieved her goals with the encouragement of Head Start staff who also helped her meet the special needs of her child. Two of her three children attended Head Start. Ruth wrote, "The Head Start program was very beneficial to my whole family. I highly recommend the program and hope it continues. Head Start really does give families the head start they need."</p> | | |

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Description Kimberly Gatlin received a high school GED while she was a Head Start parent and a B.S. in special education in 1994. She is employed by the Institute for Learning Disabilities in Nashville.

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Gloria Jean Gilbert enrolled a child in Head Start after her husband abandoned the family. She became actively involved in the Head Start program and earned a GED. She then worked as a teacher's aide. She has held positions as a teacher's aide, lead teacher, center director, and parent involvement coordinator. Gloria was able to purchase a HUD home, which sadly was lost in a flood that hit Albany. She has coped with this loss in a way that inspired the staff and parents.

A grandparent raising three grandchildren, Rosemary has overcome a 30-year heroin habit and is an advocate for Head Start families and against drugs and gangs. She was a strong Head Start volunteer and became a parent representative on a national panel of experts designing a training program. She is currently the PTA chairperson for her grandchildren's elementary school.

Paulette Graham received a B.S. in vocational education specializing in training and development. She was employed with the Displaced Homemaker Program as a program coordinator and was recently selected as vice-chair of the Kitsap Community Network, an organization focused on reducing youth violence through Washington State's Legislative Agenda. She has also been a PTA president in a local school and the Washington state parent representative for Head Start.

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Description

Ed was an abused stepchild, school dropout, and recovering substance abuser. His three children attended Head Start and he became interested in volunteering and in working with children. Soon he will complete his A.A. in early childhood education with honors, and he plans to earn a B.A. in social work. He lost one of his children in a drowning accident and has since provided inspiration to other grieving parents. Ed was a keynote speaker at the Head Start National Parent Institute held in Washington, D.C., and received a standing ovation.

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Description

Jane has been an extremely active parent in Head Start. She has been involved in center committee meetings, the policy council, a state parent affiliate delegate, and a board member. She has aspired to become a licensed day care provider and opened her home to six preschool children.

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Description

Laura volunteered with Head Start while her children attended. She was also a member of the policy council. She has attended Georgia College and will soon earn a B.S. in psychology with a minor in German and criminal justice. She has volunteered for other groups such as the Big Brothers/Big Sisters fundraisers and is now returning to Head Start as a volunteer.

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Description

Debra Hansen was involved as a parent in Head Start for five years. A Head Start home visitor offered her strategies to help her with a hyperactive child and to cope with an abusive relationship. When Debra's third child entered Head Start, she entered school. She will graduate in 1995 with a degree in family counseling. In the interim, she divorced and remarried. She is now doing an internship with Head Start.

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Description Mercedes wrote that through Head Start she found the courage to leave an abusive relationship, return to school to earn a GED, take business courses, and prepare for college. She commented that when she began Head Start she was filled with hopelessness, but “today I truly believe I can accomplish anything I set my mind to.”

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Donna is currently employed by a manufacturing company. She was an active Head Start volunteer and is proud that she no longer depends on welfare or food stamps. Soon she will graduate from a GED program.

Description Sue Harrod volunteered at Head Start frequently when one of her three sons was enrolled. She also encouraged her father to become involved as a Head Start volunteer. Later she was hired as a homemaker aide and now holds a job for U.S.D.A. as a full time coordinator.

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Bessie now has a teacher's aide certificate and a nursing aide certificate. She works as a teacher's aide on weekends for a church.

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| Description | Dana attended a local community college, obtained her associate's degree in human services, and is now employed at a local rehabilitation center as a volunteer coordinator. She was able to attend school because her children were enrolled in Head Start. | Marcia is active in both Head Start and the community. She has been involved in all aspects of the program and has attended the National Head Start Association convention. She is entering her second year as a HIPPY instructor with Stratford Parents' Place in Connecticut and recruits for Head Start in her free time. She also attends college to pursue an associate's degree in social work. | Lisha and her family experienced very difficult times through life-threatening illnesses, low income, lost educational opportunities, a move, and an uncertain future. She enrolled her daughter in Head Start and when the staff saw her interest in children they offered her the opportunity to be the special needs worker for a boy with spina bifida. She worked part time in that slot and then accepted a full-time cook's position. Later she was hired as a teacher at a new center, earned a CDA, and plans to earn additional degrees. She is on track for a rewarding future in a career she loves. |

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Description
 Isabel Hernandez has been both a parent and a teacher's assistant for Head Start. She received a GED and her bilingual abilities have facilitated communication between Head Start families, staff, and the community. She has earned a CDA and has taken other Head Start educational opportunities. Head Start is lucky to have benefitted from her caring, according to the family services coordinator.

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Ruby Hinman was alone with three children under 4 when a Head Start home visitor first contacted her. She was afraid to leave the house even though they were very isolated and her husband traveled frequently. Ruby enrolled her daughter because she discovered she could obtain physical and dental exams. Later Ruby became so comfortable with the home visitor that she agreed to take the GED high school equivalency test and to attend meetings at Head Start. Her confidence grew, she took a job, and later entered college to earn a degree in psychology. Now all her children are on the honor roll and her husband works close to home. Ruby credits her success and growth to Head Start.

Ruby Hinman

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Kathy Hornsby is a computer systems office manager. She was in a Head Start summer program and her two daughters and participated in Head Start over a four year period. She was a very active parent volunteer and was able to complete an associate's degree in management information systems, which led to her employment. Kathy now volunteers at her daughters' elementary school as vice president of the Parent Teacher Organization. She is also active at her church.

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Stephanie has volunteered over 2,000 hours at the Head Start center. Now she works part time and attends college classes. She plans to earn a degree in nursing.

Jennifer Hubbard received help through a parent child center when she became pregnant at age 16. She obtained a GED and attended parenting classes. Later Head Start helped her fill our job applications and she found a job she enjoys which offers medical benefits. She is grateful to Head Start and happy that there are people who care.

Ellen is a Head Start parent who graduated from a junior college and earned a dental assisting certificate. Later she decided to earn an R.N. degree and will graduate in 1995. She is the mother of four children.

Waetina Irby has a GED as a graduate of the Lifelong Learning Center. She dropped out of school in the 9th grade when she was 15 years old due to pregnancy. Now she is employed at the Learning Center as a teacher's aide. Her goal is to become an educator and she has been accepted as a student at Greenville Technical College where she will major in elementary education.

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| Description | Dmitris works as a certified nurse's aide and attends classes to earn credits toward a B.S. degree in communications. She is committed to her responsibilities at work and to her sons' interests. | Karen and her family had serious medical and financial problems. They moved for employment and found another home with space for foster care. Karen's husband is now in computer management and Karen is a computer software consultant for Eastern Kentucky University. | Cathy is an instructional assistant for special education in the Newport School District. She was a strong Head Start volunteer and served as chair of the policy council and the Head Start state representative, as well as other leadership positions. She has helped in other community activities and served as the family support coordinator for a disease support and research association. |
| | | Josephine completed a child development course and also earned a certificate in cooking. She is raising four children and has worked in both preschool and kindergarten with them. In 1994, she became a teacher's aide for Yreka Preschool. She is completing a course in early childhood professional development. | |

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Description This parent volunteered and took available classes while involved in Head Start. Later, he took college classes, parenting classes, and worked in the early childhood field. He is also a lodge member and is active in the PTA.

Zezete Johnson obtained a B.S. degree in biology in 1987. She later obtained a master's degree and is currently employed by the Department of Environmental Quality as an environmental specialist. She was a Head Start parent for two years.

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Description Eddie Jones and his wife Cheryl were Head Start parents for four years. They now have a successful landscaping business and Cheryl is the bookkeeper. Eddie was also recently elected Mayor of Bauxite, Arkansas.

Shannon's daughter is attending Head Start and Shannon has enrolled herself in the human services field at a local community college. She now works three part-time jobs and is looking forward to going to school full time in 1995.

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Description
 Dawn has two daughters who attended Head Start. She enrolled in business school, graduated, and now works full time at a local hospital.

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Peggy believes that she would not have returned to school without the encouragement of Head Start staff. She has received a diploma and while working at Head Start became a "more open and friendly person."

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Fredye Keys attended night classes to earn her B.A. in special and elementary education and now reaches special education at an elementary school. Fredye's three children attended Head Start and she is a former Head Start teacher. She endorses the Head Start philosophy of assisting the entire family. Fredye believes that Head Start parents not only learn about the needs of their children, but how to work with staff and access the community resources available to them. She feels that the learning experiences her children were exposed to through Head Start enabled them to be motivated and self-confident throughout their school years. Her daughter is now an assistant manager in an area hospital. Her oldest son has a B.A. degree in Mechanical Engineering. Her youngest son is an Air Force Sergeant.

Stephen and Mary Khauka
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Stephen and Mary Khauka are political refugees from Africa with five children, two of whom attended Head Start. Stephen is finishing a four-year degree in hotel administration. Mary is working on her high school diploma and at a local manufacturing plant.

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Description
Veronica is studying to become
a registered dietitian. She has
been an active Head Start
volunteer participating in fund
raising, coordination of a health
fair, planning, and community
coordination. She is also active in
her community.

Shirley is a single mother rearing
three children. She learned about
Head Start services after enrolling
her youngest child in Head Start.
Shirley earned her G.E.D., a
driver's license, and was accepted
in the Blackfeet Community
College. She has maintained a 4.0
grade point average and has been
awarded a Project Native in
Education Scholarship.

Maria Kowal became a Head Start
parent through the home based
program. She was a dedicated
volunteer and assumed leadership
positions. She became more
self-assured and participated in all
facets of the program.
Ultimately she obtained her
GED. Later, she and her husband
made a donation to Head Start to
help other families.

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| Description | <p>Kris and her husband were attending school full time but could not afford to continue. Kris is the mother of three, had earned a GED and was certified as a nursing assistant and her goal was to become a registered nurse. Her name was submitted for a scholarship and she was awarded a full scholarship to pay for her courses and books. She has maintained an A average.</p> |

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| Name | Jeanette Lake |
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| Description | <p>Jeanette had two children enrolled in Head Start. She earned an early childhood education degree and is now employed by a local nursery school as a teacher.</p> |

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| Name | Cindy LaRue |
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| Description | <p>Cindy is a single parent of three children, all of whom attended Head Start. While her second child was at Head Start, she secured a supervisory position at a local manufacturing plant. She continues to be employed at the plant.</p> |

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| Description | <p>When Ellen was 17 and pregnant, she married and then had another child. They lived with her in-laws from crisis to crisis until she left. Head Start turned her life around. She is now a registered nurse with a BSN degree, happily married, and a home owner. Her children are achieving at school, holding jobs, and saving money. Ellen's exposure to parenting skills, nutrition, budgeting, chairing committees, attending meetings, and setting goals gave her the impetus to apply for financial aid for college. She writes, "Through all my hard work, tears and fears, I might never have taken the first steps to initiate change if Head Start hadn't provided the bridge to walk on. Our family received a jump start toward a productive, independent lifestyle, including community involvement... Head Start is a lifeline."</p> |

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Description
 Julie operates a home child care service and is licensed by the state. She tries to keep her costs down so she can help her clients. She also attends classes at the YWCA about child development and plans to go to school to earn a CDA. In the future she wants to become a teacher.

Diana is the parent of six children who benefited from Head Start. She was a single parent and a high school dropout. Head Start staff suggested that she obtain a GED, and praised her accomplishment when she did. Later she earned a four year degree in social work and received a national \$1,000 scholarship from the National Association of Head Start parents. She writes, "I appreciate the difference Head Start has made in the life of my entire family!"

Robin has obtained her GED and enrolled in a community college. She is a single parent with four children who is trying to do the best for her family. Previously she lacked the confidence to attend school but the Head Start staff was able to offer her the needed encouragement.

Mrs. Martin writes that she has been a volunteer for Head Start for almost 28 years. Her children are both college graduates now and established in the business world. She helped spread the word about the Head Start center opening in her neighborhood and it was such a popular program that they opened two instead of one site. She writes that she has always felt that "the Head Start program was the best idea that was ever on the education agenda."

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Description

Aurelia Martinez is a participant in a Family Service Center and has developed her vocational skills. She now has full competency in five areas of the preschool strand of the FSC Training Model. She has also enrolled in numerous English as a Second Language classes and has achieved competency with the English language. She is now studying for a GED and hoping to utilize her new skills during the 1995 Migrant Head Start program year. Aurelia writes, "Because my children see me studying at home, they are now motivated to do their own homework."

| Name | Mary Matin |
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Description

Kathy was able to earn a high school diploma because her child was enrolled in Head Start.

Dodi was a very active parent volunteer during her four years as a Head Start parent. She has three sons and a daughter who attended Head Start. Dodi gained confidence and enrolled in college. She then successfully completed nursing school and now works as a charge nurse. She has an annuity plan for retirement and is in the process of buying her own home.

Mary cites as the turning point in her life, her involvement with Head Start. She was a shy person who served as secretary of the center and the area parent committee, and chairperson of the Head Start Policy Council for three consecutive years. Her Head Start experiences helped her to continue her efforts in the public school system where she served on the Avon Avenue and Essex County PTA's. She later enrolled in college and now works as a part time librarian and a full time student pursuing a B.A. degree at Jersey City State College.

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Description Medy married a young man in the military, learned English, and obtained a job at a fast food restaurant. She heard about Head Start and enrolled her child. With the encouragement of the social service coordinator and the parent involvement coordinator, she obtained her citizenship and some schooling. She is currently the assistant manager at a local fast food establishment and is looking forward to returning to school. She wants to become a secretary.

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| Description | Myrtha McKinney sent five children through Head Start. She was an active single mother volunteer and obtained her GED while involved. She became a Head Start teacher and then spent three years in journalism school and earned a six week scholarship at Stratford-on-Avon in England. She then became the managing editor for a small local newspaper and wrote for Indiana University's newspaper. Later, Myrtha opened a restaurant at her church, organized church women to help each other, worked at the local State Developmental Center, married a minister, and now works with chemically dependent women and children. |

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| Description | Barb enrolled in a university to pursue a degree in psychology and began to work as an addictions counselor. She was depressed and abusing alcohol when Head Start staff encouraged her to set goals. |

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| Name | Lourdes Mejia |
| Address | |
| Phone | |
| Contact | Dr. Kathy Hayden |
| Title | Assistant Director |
| Address | Roosevelt Head Start 6000 S. 7th St. Phoenix, AZ 85040 |
| Phone | (602) 243-4829 |
| Description | Lourdes arrived from Mexico to Arizona with seven children. She spoke no English. With the help of Head Start staff, she was able to return to school. She earned a B.S. degree in early childhood special education and is now employed by the Mesa School District. |

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Description Fran was a Head Start parent for three years. She attended a program to learn practical nursing and is now employed by a local nursing home.

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Description Fran was a Head Start parent for three years. She attended a program to learn practical nursing and is now employed by a local nursing home.

Contact Kathy Milner is employed full time by the State of New York and is now working on a degree in business administration. She has three children and two attended Head Start.

Description Mary Beth was very happy with her involvement in Head Start as a parent. She decided to become involved in the policy council and was elected as a parent representative. She held a number of positions on the council and attended meetings, conferences, training, and retreats. This prepared her to become active in her community. She became a member of the community advisory committee with her school district and now plans to run for a seat on the board of county commissioners. Her long term goal is to become a state senator. She gives Head Start credit for encouraging her. Presently she is managing a variety store.

Contact Ramona was a migrant Head Start parent with two children enrolled over a five year period. Later she worked as a certified nurse's aide for Head Start and took courses to prepare for nursing school. She has offered health training to children, parent, and Head Start staff and serves as an inspiration to other parents. In 1995, she will start course work to earn a nursing degree.

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| Phone | (315) 923-4620 | |
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| Description | Mary Moore is the grandmother of a Head Start student and Chitonya Moore is the mother. Both women received a GED and a nurse's assistant certificate, and both are now employed at a local nursing home. | Rosemarie Nichols is enrolled in the Staten Island School of Nursing. She was a Head Start parent for four years and is still an active volunteer on many state and local Head Start committees, a teacher in an adult literacy program, and an AIDS counselor. She believes "Volunteerism prolongs life." |
| | | Sheila Nitzel is a licensed clinical social worker who coordinates intervention services for high risk infants. Head Start staff helped Sheila get on her feet when she was a teenage mother. She was an active and talented volunteer who with encouragement went on to college and a master's program. Now that she is active on the state level on committees, she is a strong advocate for Head Start and a spokesperson for those enduring poverty. Sheila commented, "I never thought I could be anything other than maybe a waitress." |
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| Phone | | (910) 378-7700 | (414) 596-2483 | (717) 421-2676 |
| Description | The Family Services Coordinator wrote about Pat, "She is an inspiration to those who come in contact with her. She has been a facilitator for beginning experience, a support group for the separated, divorced, and widowed, and has shared her life experiences in offering hope and support to others. By her devotion and respect for family and work, Pat is a constant reminder of the importance of every individual to contribute their assets to building responsible, caring, and supportive families." Pat was a single parent of eight children when she became involved in Head Start as a volunteer. Later she accepted a secretarial position and was able to support her family without AFDC. | Rhonda Oboh was a student in Head Start in 1967 and 1968. She graduated from South West Guilford High School in 1981 and attended Shaw University. She earned a degree in criminal justice in 1987 and attended graduate studies to learn counseling for children. She became a lead teacher for United Child Development Services in 1989 and a social service assistant in 1991. She is married and has two children and is involved with the Habitat for Humanity. She became a home owner in 1994 through Habitat and continues as a partner with another Habitat family. She participates in many other community activities and sings in a gospel choir. | When Jennifer became involved in Head Start, she developed self-assurance. She volunteered with Head Start for three years and then accepted a civil service job. She also has a part time woodworking business. She is a single mother of four children who credits Head Start with her success. | Janet's family moved to Pennsylvania three years ago. She was interested in finding a preschool program for her only child, enrolled him in Head Start, and became involved in volunteering. She gained confidence in herself and her abilities, and is happy to be involved in her son's education. Her son has become more independent and confident, receives speech therapy, and is now involved in another local program for children his age. |

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| Lori Paskins | Geneva Ortiz | <p>Cully Pederson 922 E 7th St. Duluth, MN 55805 h-(218) 724-6166 w-(218) 727-3822</p> |
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| | | <p>Cully earned a two year associate of arts degree and became certified as a chemical dependency practitioner and as a prevention specialist. Currently she is pursuing a four year degree at a university. She has been a Head Start parent for three years.</p> |
| | | <p>Jeanette's 4-year-old daughter enjoyed Head Start. Jeanette's husband passed away and she went to college for 1.5 years and then worked in the public schools. She then worked in a high school and now is the secretary in an elementary school building that houses Head Start. She has helped in her community as a Girl Scout leader, church member, and in the schools. Her daughter is now a graduate student and works as a multicultural coordinator for a college.</p> |
| | | <p>Lori Paskins is the mother of four children whose dream was to further her education and obtain a job to support her family. After she divorced, she volunteered at Head Start and took the advice of staff who advised her to enroll in business classes. She now has a job in the office of the facility where she attended classes. She is now planning to marry and is very involved in her church. Lori often mentioned that Head Start was her "other family."</p> |
| | | <p>Geneva Ortiz received her group teacher certification and CDA in 1993 after working as a substitute teacher assistant for Head Start. Her plan is to become a director of a child care center serving children of varied cultural backgrounds. Her daughters are both attending college. She credits Head Start for the successes of her daughters and herself.</p> |

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| Phyllis Simmons | President I.I. Head Start Child Development Services 48 Austin Street Patchogue, NY 11772 (516) 726-1312 | | |

Description
Edna gained the courage to enroll in college when volunteering with Head Start. She received her associate of arts degree with highest honors and a 4.0 grade point average. She is now earning a Human Services Certification and plans to continue to earn a B.S. degree in psychology. She works part time at a library.

Today Ruth Dercer has an associate's degree in early childhood and holds a good job. She gives the credit to Head Start and their family counselors for helping her get a new start in life. With the help of Head Start, Ruth was able to overcome a substance abuse problem, find employment, obtain a GED, and get her children to school on time in the morning! It was hard work but Ruth persevered and is now grateful. "I will always trust the people in Head Start," she wrote.

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| Phyllis Simmons | |

Christine volunteers her time to Head Start as the parent group secretary. She is employed by M.C. Management. She shows rental properties to prospective renters and oversees the firm's accounts.

Vicki Perpinan, her husband, and their five children lived in a Volkswagen bus at their lowest point. Head Start offered the family the opportunity to break out of poverty and they did. Vicki became involved as a volunteer, a leader, and a capable student. She took advantage of literacy, family counseling, and household management programs. Her talents were recognized by Head Start, she represented the program at conferences, and now she is a consultant offering advice about parent involvement for programs other than Head Start. Her goals are to earn a political science degree and run for public office.

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| Elsie Pickens | |
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| Bridgette Pierce | |
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| Description | <p>James Perry has taken part in Head Start by serving as the chairperson of the policy council and the center parent group. He has volunteered countless hours at the center and is now employed by M.C. Management where he manages and maintains 58 apartments.</p> |
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Elsie Pickens enrolled a child in Head Start and then was elected secretary of a committee. She continued her involvement in the program even after her two children went to kindergarten. She is now the editor of the parent newsletter and plans to pursue writing. She is now in a job training program and will graduate in January.

Description

Linda Pierce is employed at the public defender's office after serving two terms as the town clerk. She has commented that Head Start gave her confidence in her career. Her son does well as an honor student at North Rose Wolcott Middle School.

By the time Bridgette was 20 years old, she had been beaten badly and hospitalized twice. She was also involved in substance abuse, served time in prison, and had been suicidal. Now she is the mother of a 4-year-old daughter with goals. Head Start is the primary reason she has made positive changes in her life. Bridgette benefited from working full time through the Job Training Partnership Act. She completed her GED and is now enrolled in a community college. Now she is facing the challenge of fighting cancer. She has set short and long range goals. About Head Start, she wrote, "The program taught me more of what I wanted to be. You gave me a chance."

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| Name | Doris Planté | Jean Price |
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| Description | Doris is the mother of nine children and is now a Meals on Wheels Site Director. She feels the child she sent to Head Start benefitted and is happy to report that this child graduated from college. She wishes all of her children could have had a Head Start experience. | Susan Poretis is now an eligibility examiner working for the State of Idaho. She is the single mother of six children and was on welfare for three years. She was an active Head Start volunteer while two of her children were in Head Start. Susan later earned a degree in psychology. In 1988, the Poretis family was selected as the Family of the Year for the Greater Pocatello Area. |

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| Rafaela Ramos | 915 South Division Grandview, WA 98930 (509) 882-3240 |
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Jean is the single parent of three boys, two of whom attended Head Start. She was active on various committees and now works as a bus driver for the local school district and in the office at the school.

Rafaela Ramos is a migrant Head Start parent who participates in the migrant Head Start Family Service Center Project. Through the project, she participated in the FSC 500 hour infant/toddler training program. She overcame literacy difficulties and completed the training. She has also been enrolled in English as a Second Language classes while working alongside her husband in farm labor. She has now recruited her two older married daughters to attend GED classes. Mrs. Ramos is anxious to demonstrate her newly attained language skills and has shown continued enthusiasm for education.

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Description
 Rebin's husband lost his job and then the couple separated. Rebin moved to her parents' home with her two children and enrolled in an administrative assistant course through JTPA at a local community college. She began using employment services available through Head Start and attracted the interest of a corporate official attending a meeting. Rebin was interviewed by the company and hired as a credit analyst. She arrived at work two hours early each day due to the bus schedule. Two months later, Rebin became a permanent employee, was promoted to administrative support clerk, and was able to purchase a car.

Avery and Sharon Richardson wanted a home of their own. They have the home they dreamed of through Habitat for Humanity. Avery helped build the home and now continues to volunteer hours on other Habitat Homes. Avery now takes vocational training in appliance repair and Sharon plans to pursue a degree when her child goes to kindergarten.

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Nancy Ries and her family lost their farm in 1984. They moved to a city and Nancy entered school and obtained an elementary education degree in three years. She now teaches at an Indian school. Nancy's nine children are succeeding in high school and college. Nancy appreciates Head Start's emphasis on the family.

Avery and Sharon Richardson wanted a home of their own. They have the home they dreamed of through Habitat for Humanity. Avery helped build the home and now continues to volunteer hours on other Habitat Homes. Avery now takes vocational training in appliance repair and Sharon plans to pursue a degree when her child goes to kindergarten.

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Description Rachael is the single parent of four sons. She went through JTPA and completed job training at a recycling center. She is now the assistant manager at a Kentucky Fried Chicken. Rachael is working toward her GED and is interested in the education of her children. She has been an active Head Start volunteer.

Lydia became actively involved in Head Start in 1990. She was a faithful volunteer and chairperson, attended workshops, and helped with evaluations. She enrolled in college and is earning a certificate in office technology and administration. She has found employment and appreciates the support and concern of the Head Start staff.

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Description This parent became very active as a volunteer when she enrolled her two children in 1992. She served on many committees and councils, raised funds for classroom materials, was elected to leadership positions on councils, and is working on getting a Head Start classroom in a rural area. She hopes to serve on the local school board and become involved in local government. Linda writes, "Through my Head Start experience, I have learned to deal with many situations with self-confidence...I can effectively interact with all my children's schools...and thus will remain involved in their education."

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| Description | Patricia Sanderson |
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Description

Martha Rytie was motivated by the home based program staff who encouraged her to participate in a program which led to her enrollment in a college. She earned a B.A. degree after an absence of 17 years from college. She graduated in May 1992 with a B.A. degree and teaching licensures. She holds several part time teaching jobs and participates in community organizations. Her goal is to earn an M.Ed. degree. Martha is now the single parent of several teenagers.

Denise has two children who attended Head Start. She enrolled in nursing courses at a local community college and expects to receive her nursing degree in 1995. Her work with Head Start involved membership on the policy council and a personnel committee.

Patricia Sanderson is the mother of four children. After volunteering she was elected to represent the area parents on the Head Start Policy Council. Since serving on the policy council, she was elected to the office of secretary. She was recently elected president of the center parent committee. Patricia writes, "These experiences have truly empowered me to become a more conscientious, committed, and involved parent."

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Name **Ruth Guzman Santiago**
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Anna Scarpati wrote to Head Start about overcoming her problems with the help of staff. Her divorce left her with four children and put her on welfare. When she enrolled one of her daughters in Head Start, she became an active volunteer and supporter of other parents. She earned a regional Head Start scholarship, went back to school and graduated cum laude from a community college with an associate's degree in mathematics. She is working on a B.S. in accounting and is now off welfare. Anna wrote, "I found the positive, can-do attitude of the staff to be contagious. They helped rebuild my self-esteem."

Description

Debbie Schaum obtained her GED and completed the Progressive Readiness for Employment Program at Community Action Southwest in Waynesburg. She wants to become a dentist and entered an undergraduate degree program at Waynesburg College. She has been honored with a scholarship award of \$500 to help pay her educational expenses.

Sonja enrolled her child in Head Start, volunteered in the program, and now works full-time for P&C foods.

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Description

In this family the father gradually learned to trust Head Start and the staff has observed the family make progress over a two year period. Eventually they applied for a low income home, became active in Head Start, the father began GED classes which he had initially resisted, and the family moved into their home.

Willie Simmons is a Mississippi State Senator. He is a former Head Start parent who attributes his success in politics to Head Start. He has been involved in Head Start since 1975 on the state and national levels.

Donna was a Head Start Parent for two years who became a part-time custodian and substitute at the center. Two years later, she enrolled in college and received her associate's degree in early childhood education in 1990. She has written preschool stories and plans to earn a B.S. degree in early childhood education.

| Name | Mary Lee Singleton | Shari Skeels | Linda Smith |
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| Contact | Judith A. Markowski Head Start Director Wayne County Action Program Inc. Head Start 7190 Ridge Road East Sodus, NY 14551 (315) 483-2325 | Beverly DiSanto Family Worker Wayne County Action Program Inc. Head Start 7190 Ridge Road East Sodus, NY 14551 (315) 483-2325 | Valerie Arnold Dir. of Children and Family Services Twin Harbors Head Start 117 E. 3rd, P.O. Box 1827 Aberdeen, WA 98520 (206) 433-5100 1-800-828-4883 |
| Description | Mary Lee Singleton sent three of her four children to Head Start. She was born to migrant parents in Alabama and moved to New York in her late teens. She began her employment as a cook's helper, received training and advanced to teacher's aide, and teacher assistant. She was later promoted to the position of teacher. She also completed a CDA. Her life exemplifies the courage to take risks, accept challenge, grow, and change. | Linda Smith was recognized by President Bush as one of the Thousand Points of Light. She works as Executive Director of the Victor Valley Child Abuse Task Force in California. Linda has a history as a Head Start volunteer. | Mary-Jeanne Smith has recently accepted a position as a job developer. She will help women find jobs and become independent of public assistance. She believes her involvement in Head Start helped prepare her for this position. When Mary-Jeanne was a Head Start parent, the staff encouraged her to search for a job. She overcame depression and found a position as a personnel specialist. |

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| Phone | (315) 483-2325 | (317) 457-8930 | (318) 942-9669 |
| Description | Robin received her business certificate and is now employed by Clear Eye Natural Foods in the business office. She was able to accomplish this because her child was enrolled in Head Start, making her time available for learning. | Sandy Smith believes in her children. She is active in the schools and the community and remains active in Head Start. She also serves as a den leader in Cub Scouts. She has a lot to offer to her community. | Colleen went to college and earned a nursing degree and license. She is now head R.N. in emergency at Opelousas General Hospital. |
| | | | Dewaunda is the mother of one Head Start child. She was a day care worker with a degree in social work and is now employed as a social worker at a nursing home. |

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Description

Kim received an associate's degree in applied business and obtained a good position. While in college she achieved academically. She is currently a 4-H leader. Kim writes, "The people at Head Start were always encouraging and supported my every effort along the way. They really motivate people to go back and get a degree. I owe my success to their motivation and support."

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Debra Taylor is employed as a community organizer. She has survived several tragedies including the loss of her mother, the murder of her sister, and the loss through fire of her home. Debra was responsible for helping the police wipe out drug sales and use from the housing project where she lived. She was an active Head Start volunteer and is a strong advocate of Head Start.

Rolyn works at Head Start and attends a state college. She is working on a CDA and is a job coach for mentally handicapped. She wrote about Head Start, "They showed me you can do anything."

Leah was a divorced mother of two who had been on welfare for five years when she enrolled her youngest child in the Head Start program in Havre, Montana. She was a strong Head Start volunteer and later started college and earned a nursing degree. She found a job working at a hospital, remarried, and now is raising her family. Her son who attended Head Start is successful in high school and she attributes his success to Head Start.

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| Name | Spring Thomas | Billie Thornsberry | Renee Tiller | Jacque Timan |
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| Description | <p>Spring Thomas has been an active Head Start volunteer. She has continued her college education and received an associate's degree in applied science. Her goal is to continue her education and become a nurse. She has also volunteered with many other organizations in her community—a fact which she attributes to her volunteer experience in Head Start.</p> <p>This mother of four children has been very active as a Head Start volunteer and leader of committees. She enrolled in a community college to pursue a degree in communications and plans to continue her education and earn a nursing degree. She was nominated for the Ann Phipps Memorial Scholarship in 1992.</p> <p>Renee is a single parent who spends time volunteering at Head Start and is also enrolled in a nursing program. She is very enthusiastic about Head Start and happy that her shy child is now more sure of herself.</p> <p>Jacque Timan worked as a substitute teacher at a center and received a scholarship for \$4,000 in 1994. She is also taking classes at a community college to earn an early childhood degree and wants to earn a master's degree in this field, as well. Her goal is to "become a teacher...and help others the way you've helped me."</p> | | | |

| Name | Address | Phone | Contact | Description | Patricia Vavoukakis | Kelly Jo Van Zandt | Gwendolyn Waiters |
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| | Orchard Street Clyde, NY 14433 | | Clarita Witherspoon | Toni is the mother of two children. She is a recovering crack cocaine user and has lived in a homeless shelter. She is a high school graduate and a certified nursing assistant. She applied for and received Section 8 housing and has made a comfortable home for herself and her children. Toni entered the Vocational Rehabilitation Service which helped her receive her Certified Nursing Assistant II. She began employment with a home health care company serving homebound geriatric patients. | Kelly is a former Head Start parent who is now working for the Broome County Department of Social Services. During the time she was involved in Head Start she served as a chairperson of the parent policy council, a Policy council representative on the board of directors, attended an early childhood education conference, organized and participated in fundraising, and participated in other committee work. She is also active in her community and has a second job selling water beds. | Patricia is a single parent who has two children, both of whom attended Head Start. She volunteered many hours and credits Head Start with giving her the self-confidence she needed in parenting and job skills. She now works in a family restaurant.. | Gwendolyn Brown Director Manatee County Head Start 1707 15th Street, East Bradenton, FL 34208 (813) 746-4903 |
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Description Jackie Washington graduated from high school and later held various jobs in the fast food industry. She hopes to obtain a bachelor's degree in physical therapy and become a physical therapist and was inspired because her daughter received therapy following heart surgery. Jackie also hopes to obtain a degree in elementary education so she can make a difference in the lives of young people. She is the mother of five daughters and is an active Head Start volunteer. Jackie has been awarded a one year scholarship through the Minden Housing Authority.

Gloria Watson was a Head Start parent in the early 70s. She received an associate's of science degree in executive secretarial and eventually secured her current position at LEGO Systems. Previously, she held other secretarial positions. Her daughter, who attended Head Start, is now a lead teacher, having graduated from high school, community college, and college with a B.S. degree in early childhood education. Both mother and daughter are grateful to Head Start.

Melanie West is a Head Start mother of twin boys. She obtained a GED with the encouragement of Head Start staff and received scholarships to two junior colleges. She plans to obtain a two year certificate as a veterinarian's assistant. Her husband is in college and on the Dean's List. Melanie spoke at her GED graduation about how going back to school had opened doors for her that were beyond her wildest dreams.

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Description

Marcelle Williams became a licensed practical nurse while her youngest child was in Head Start. She later earned a college and nursing degree. She is currently Director of Nursing at a nursing home where she supervises a staff of over 40 nurses and aides. She is active in her church and with her five children and seven grandchildren. While Marcelle was a student, she was recognized as the outstanding science and math student at Arkansas State University.

Tess went back to school to study nursing when her children were in Head Start. She received her LPN license and is now employed at Opelousas General.

Dottie was the policy council chairperson while a Head Start parent. She went to college and received a B.A. in early childhood education. She is now a developmental educator for an early intervention program. She credits her success to her early experiences with Head Start.

Nelda received her GED while her daughter was in Head Start. She was interested in obtaining her GED and was guided by a staff member. She is now considering enrolling in computer classes to gain employment skills to use when her youngest child begins kindergarten.

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Description

Dary Wright became a nurse's aide. He has been a dedicated employee at a nursing home for three years. He enrolled in the JTPA program in Pike County in August 1994 and will receive a LPN degree in May 1995.

Sharen earned a B.S. in environmental science, an A.A. in early childhood education, and a drivers license.

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| Rosa Aguirre | Route 2, Box 56 AA Walstonburg, NC 27888 | h-(919) 753-7212 w-(919) 749-6661 | Yvonne Barnes | Rosa Aguirre is a former migrant farmworker. She became involved with Head Start in the 1980s and worked as paid staff in Migrant Head Start Centers in North Carolina and Florida. When her family settled in North Carolina, she held a variety of positions in a Head Start Center and is now the center director. She received her GED and is only a few courses away from a two year degree in early childhood education. |
| Joyce Adams | Economic Security Corp. of Southwest Area Head Start PO. Box 207 Joplin, MO 64802 | (417) 781-0352 | Jeff Goldammer | Joyce Adams became a teacher's aide in 1972 after her child was enrolled. She was promoted to teacher in 1975 and continues to teach today. She feels Head Start makes a difference in children's lives by giving them self-esteem and offering them the opportunity to appreciate education. |
| Judy Albo | PO. Box 1208 Wautoma, WI 54982 | h-(414) 787-2802 w-(414) 787-7742 | Elizabeth Elyson | Judy Albo's first experience with Head Start was as a single parent and active volunteer. She was later employed in a number of positions and demonstrated a talent working with children. In 1987, she became a Head Start teacher. She has been honored as an Employee of the Year twice and received a scholarship from Head Start. She has been a staff member for 13 years and encourages participation and contributions from parents and students in her class. |
| Janice Allen | 649 E. 95 Street Los Angeles, CA 90002 | h-(231) 754-1911 w-(231) 564-5080 | Mary Idella Coleman | Janice started as a parent volunteer, center officer, and policy committee representative. She was later hired as an assistant teacher and returned to school to earn an associate of arts degree. She is now proud to be a teacher for Head Start. |

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Description
 Valerie Allen was a single parent when her two children went through Head Start. She later became a teacher's aide and, after Head Start paid her way to Penn State for an associate's degree in childhood development, she became a certified teacher. Her ambition is to earn a B.S. degree.

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Angelica Alvarez moved to the U.S. from Mexico as a migrant looking for a better way of life with her family. Her son attended Head Start and she decided to attend adult education classes. She graduated from college in 1986, became a preschool teacher, and in 1991 started working as a Head Start teacher.

After Diane had a son in the program for two years, she joined the staff as a bus aide and offered to substitute. Later she became a teacher's assistant and earned a CDA. She also volunteers at her church.

Winnie volunteered frequently in the classroom when she was a Head Start parent. Then she was hired as a teacher's aide and later as a family advocate. She then became a social service administrator and is now a social service/parent involvement specialist. She attributes her success to the very strong social service/parent involvement team in place when she was a parent in 1984.

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Description
 Chris is the supervisor of home base at USD Head Start. She was a single mother of three children when she applied for a position as a Head Start tutor and has worked for eight years.

In 1991, Gale was a Head Start parent and part time secretary. She became a parent advocate and helped in the classroom. Later she was promoted to administrative assistant and became a member of the Leadership Team. In 1994, she received a CDA. Gale, a mother of four, wants Head Start to be her future.

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O'Frida was hired as a Head Start cook after volunteering and organizing fundraisers. She earned a CDA and is now working at an elementary school and attending college classes. She has musical and artistic talent as well as multicultural knowledge.

Joy Atwater says, "Head Start has been a better educator than any textbook could have been." She is the mother of six who grew to love the program by volunteering in the classroom. She was hired as a classroom assistant, completed her CDA, worked as a home base teacher, and now teaches in a classroom. She especially likes working with people who have problems. She has chaired a committee, revised lesson plans for Head Start, participated on the education planning committee, and facilitated conferences.

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When Doris Baker enrolled her son in Head Start, she became involved as a volunteer, committee member and chair, with conferences, and as an employee. After serving as a classroom assistant, she was promoted to teacher, lead teacher, center supervisor, and center coordinator. She is continuing her education towards a B.S. degree and has now been involved in program activities for 15 years.

Wheelock College named Marjorie Balkken, who was a teacher and education director for Head Start in Roxbury, Massachusetts, to be the school's 10th president in 1994. She had worked at Wheelock since 1981. Wheelock is the oldest institution in the nation specializing in early childhood education.

Pat volunteered at Head Start and then applied for a home base position. She was hired and received a CDA in 1991. After teaching homebase for seven years, she became a family service advocate. She also volunteers at her son's school and has received a parent of the year award.

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Beverly Bartlett is now a health/social services assistant. She began working in 1965 as a community aide in charge of recruiting children for the program and later discovered she had an interest in classroom work. She worked as a teacher's aide and later as a teacher for 18 years until she switched back to social services. She is proud of her work with Head Start.

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| Description | Mary Bellamy has served Head Start for 30 years. She began as a social services assistant and has worked in many areas. She also earned an associate's degree in early childhood education, and many certificates and awards. She is presently enjoying her work as a health/social service assistant. | Connie Birgen | 1032 Cottage Vermillion, SD 57069 h-(605) 624-9455 w-(605) 677-5235 |
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| Address | 668 Euclid Avenue Suite 700 Cleveland, OH 44114 (216) 696-9077 | Fort Belknap Indian Head Start Program RR 1, Box 65 Harlem, MT 59576 (406) 353-2827 | (605) 224-6361 | Thelma Bizzell began as a parent volunteer and was later hired as an assistant teacher and then as a teacher. She has held other positions and currently coordinates all the Head Start day care services for a group of centers. She has earned credentials while involved with Head Start including an applied associate science degree, a CDA, a Pre-Kindergarten certification, and a B.S. degree in education. |
| Phone | | | | She has received scholarship funds and made the Dean's List in two quarters. Presently she is working on a master's degree. |
| Description | William Birinyi came to Head Start in 1988 through the recommendation of another Head Start parent. He lost his job and was therefore available to work in the classroom as a volunteer. Later he was hired on a part-time basis as a family service worker. | Dawn Bishop-Moore is a postmaster who was previously a Head Start health/disability coordinator. Her 10 year involvement in Head Start helped her find educational opportunities and employment. Dawn became a teen mother at age 15 and found assistance through Head Start. She also overcame a chemical addiction. Her commitment to Head Start goals led to several lobbying assignments in support of the interests of Head Start's Native Americans. | Barb was a Head Start parent who began working for Head Start as a secretary. She became interested in the classroom and started working as a teacher's aide. She later became a home visitor and ultimately the home base supervisor. She takes classes toward a degree. | "Head Start gives you the tools as a parent and as a person to be able to look ahead," commented Bill. He took advantage of career development opportunities and graduated from a community college with an associate's degree in liberal arts. He plans to pursue a B.S. degree in early childhood education. Bill also believes Head Start helped him lay a good foundation in parenting and helped him appreciate developmental milestones. |

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| | | <p>Through the help of Head Start, Kathy received a GED and was employed as a teacher assistant. She earned a CDA and was hired as a teacher. Kathy writes, "The Head Start program has greatly improved my self-esteem and helped me to become a more productive citizen for my community."</p> | <p>Ruth is employed by Head Start as a mentor teacher. She obtained her GED, college classes, and CDA through Head Start. A Head Start director commented, "Ruth is a one-of-a-kind person, always ready to help anyone."</p> |
| | | <p>Joyce Blevins began as a parent and within two years she was employed by Head Start. She earned 96 quarter hours in college and was one of the first CDAs in Virginia and Region III. Her center was the fourth Head Start center accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children in 1992. She is now a mentor teacher and provides training to staff.</p> | <p>Leonard Boddie was a Head Start student, a volunteer, and is now an employee of Lima Allen County Head Start with the social service component and parent involvement component. He is married with four children, a pastor of the Galilee Missionary Baptist Church in Defiance, Ohio, and a graduate of high school and college. He hopes to continue his education and plans to teach elementary school, including special education. The director of the Lima Allen program recommended Leonard because he is community-oriented and an inspiration to young people.</p> |

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| Description | Barbara started in Head Start as a parent volunteer and treasurer of the parent group. She drove a bus for the program and worked as a substitute teacher. She was hired as an assistant teacher in 1984 and received a CDA credential in 1986. She is employed as a teacher's assistant and is attending a local community college to work towards an associate's degree. She has been active in many children's programs, such as Girl Scouts, PTA, 4-H, Boy Scouts, and Sunday school. | Christy Bowers and her husband had major financial difficulties when she began volunteering as a bus aide for Head Start. Since she had two sons enrolled, she continued her involvement, served on a policy council, and then was hired as a teacher. She obtained her CDA and currently is a family service worker with a caseload of 70 families. She commented about her experience, "Head Start has helped me with my self-esteem... They have done so much to make me feel like a worthwhile human being." | Shirley Bowman has worked for Head Start for nearly 25 years. She was hired as a teacher's assistant when her youngest child attended Head Start and then obtained a GED. She is pleased that Head Start offers more and better training opportunities for staff and parents than ever before. Shirley believes that Head Start makes an important difference for children with special needs. | Clara Boyd has been employed for 30 years by Head Start. She has received an A.A. degree in early childhood education and also has a CDA. She was promoted to a teaching position and has her own classroom. Clara intends to continue her own education and stresses the importance of education to the parents in the program. She is gratified when she hears stories of successful graduates she has taught. |

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Description

"Head Start had a major impact on my career and on my parenting skills," wrote Mary Bradford. She decided to enroll in an early childhood college program due to her involvement in Head Start, was later hired as a teacher's aide, earned a CDA credential and was promoted to a Head Start teacher position. Mary continued her education, earned a B.A. and in 1995 completed a master's degree in child development/child care administration. She now works for East Coast Migrant Head Start Project.

Pam works for Head Start full-time now as data entry clerk for the health coordinator. She has started GED classes, sharpened her typing skills, and operates a computer. Her self-esteem and professional manner have improved at Head Start.

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Norma Brieleir began her career with Head Start as a teacher in 1972. She was promoted to lead teacher and later held the center director position. She took advantage of training, was promoted to administrative officer and obtained teacher certification renewal in elementary and early childhood education. Later she was promoted to CAA community service coordinator and began working to earn a master's degree. Norma graduated with honors and became the assistant Head Start director. She is very active in community affairs and attributes her success to the encouragement received from the Head Start director and the opportunities she was offered through Head Start.

This single parent of two began working for Head Start as a secretary three years ago. She has been promoted to senior secretary.

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Description
 Pamela is the head teacher at Huron Head Start. She is a Head Start parent and active in her community. She is also a bilingual specialist.

Cassandra Brown is now living in her own furnished apartment. She is employed by Head Start as a teacher's assistant. She is active in her community through her church.

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Jean is a parent who enjoyed her volunteer work with Head Start and decided to apply for a clerical position at her center. She is now employed by WSOS and on her way off welfare. She wrote, "I really feel good about myself."

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Rosie Isaacs
 Jerry Brown was hired as a Head Start assistant in 1966. She was promoted to instructor in 1975 and received an AA in early childhood education at a community college. She accomplished this while raising five children. Jerry commented, "The staff do care and that is what makes Head Start so successful. Real people dedication—otherwise you don't survive."

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| Description | Ophelia Brown is a Head Start director who started as a volunteer with the Economic Opportunity Program. She held many positions, obtained an associate, bachelor's and master's degree, and was promoted to Head Start director in 1982. Ms. Brown has had many accomplishments including consulting with the U.S. DHHS, chairing a coordinating council which secured over \$6 million, attending a Rose Garden Celebration at the White House to honor Head Start's 25th Anniversary, testifying before the National Head Start Association's Blue Ribbon Panel, and completing the first Management Fellows Program at UCLA for Head Start. She was also elected as the first black president of an international civic association of female executives and has served on local, state, and national committees. | Teddi volunteered when her son was enrolled and served as vice-president of the policy council. She was then hired as a teacher assistant, obtained a CDA, and was hired as the education/disability coordinator. She finds the job rewarding and enjoys making a difference to the children and their families. | Ellen Brownheim began her involvement as an active Head Start volunteer. She later completed her associate's degree in liberal arts and received a Social Worker Technician License from the State of Michigan. She is working on a B.S. degree and volunteers in her community. | Pat was a Head Start parent from 1990 to 1993. She was president of the Center Committee and was later hired as a cook. She is in the process of leaving the welfare system and has overcome depression. Her experiences in Head Start have enhanced her self-image. |

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| Description | Linda Bryant worked for Head Start as a home-based visitor beginning in 1990 and recently became a family services coordinator. She has earned a B.S. degree and plans to obtain a master's degree in counseling. | Rose Burris was the Head Start parent of two sons. She volunteered her time in the classroom and by driving a van. In 1986, she was hired as a teacher assistant/bus driver. Her goal was to become a teacher and she was offered that position. She has earned a CDA and is working towards a degree in early childhood education. She feels that Head Start has "played an important role...in helping (Sandra and her sons) grow socially and building our self-esteem to enable us to reach our potential." | Pam attended Head Start and later succeeded academically and graduated from high school with honors. She has served as a house parent at a shelter for abused children, has volunteered with United Way, and has been active as a volunteer at two elementary schools. Currently, she is employed as a substitute teacher's aide at four CAPCA Head Start Centers and will soon enroll in CDA classes. Her goal is to earn a B.S. degree in early childhood education and to attain full-time employment as a teacher of preschool children. |

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| Description | Janet is now an assistant parent involvement coordinator for Head Start. She has committed a significant amount of time to volunteering in Head Start and her community. She enjoys sharing the benefits of Head Start with parents in the program. |

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| Name | Mary Lou Caney |
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| Description | Mary Lou Caney is the founding member of the Fetal Alcohol Syndrome and Fetal Alcohol Effects Support Group in Fairbanks, Alaska. She is a Head Start family advocate worker, active in her community, and earning a degree in social work. Four of her five children attended Head Start. |

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| Description | In 1989, Deborah was hired for a family worker position. She has now almost completed a B.S.W degree and is heading toward a master's degree program at Adelphi University. She has won scholarships from United Neighborhood Houses. |

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| Description | Claudina has been involved in Head Start for over 15 years. She began as a parent volunteering daily and becoming involved in committees. Her participation gave her self-assurance and she developed valuable skills. She was able to use her abilities in the classroom and at home with her three children. The staff encouraged her to go back to school and to apply for an assistant teacher position. She was hired and later became a teacher. She earned a CDA and a bachelor's degree in child development and became a child development supervisor/education coordinator. She is proud of her children's success at three different schools. Claudina commented, "Head Start has been...a door (to) a new way of living..." | Louise Casey has been involved with Head Start since 1967 when her children were enrolled. She worked as a teacher's aide, helped community groups organize to support Head Start, helped establish a policy council, and ultimately became a Head Start teacher. | Chantay commented, "I am grateful to Head Start that I no longer qualify for welfare." She has moved from a life of dependency on the public welfare system to a life of self-reliance and independence. Chantay enrolled her daughter in Head Start in 1990 and became a regular volunteer. She was hired as a disabilities aide at Head Start and was then selected for the position of assistant teacher. In 1994, Chantay received a CDA and is working to earn an associate's degree in early childhood education. |
| Address | | Ron Charles began to volunteer in Head Start in 1983 and then accepted a position as a teacher's assistant. Later he held the parent involvement coordinator position at that center, and then became center director at the Quechan Head Start. Currently he is the director of the newest program in the American Indian program bureau, Rincon Head Start. Ron has an associate of arts degree and plans to earn a B.A. in early childhood education. He has a CDA credential and was the first tribal male to earn this credential on his reservation. Ron wrote, "Parents, I am living proof that you can move up the ladder of success. All you have to do is believe in yourself and dreams will come true." | |
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| <p>Lisa was a Head Start parent for four years and learned to be independent, confident, and helpful to others. She was chairperson of a policy council, and active on other committees and as a Head Start representative. At the state level, she was a member of the State Board.</p> <p>She later applied for the position of family service provider and when she was selected she enjoyed the responsibility and opportunity to help others. She believes Head Start has taught her to be strong, positive, and to move forward. She is now active with other agencies in her community.</p> | |
| Connie Coker | |
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| <p>Connie Coker began her involvement with Head Start after enrolling her son who was struggling with heart disease and leukemia. After he passed away, she became an employee, earned a CDA, and began work on a master's degree. She serves as a curriculum specialist at the center her son attended. Connie wrote, "I am most grateful to Head Start for providing an environment which allows children and adults alike the freedom to imagine, the encouragement to try, and ultimately the confidence to succeed."</p> | |
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| <p>Amanda is employed as a county supervisor. She has been instrumental in encouraging others to volunteer and participate in Head Start and literacy activities. She has encouraged many Head Start parents to obtain a GED, and works closely with community organizations to provide parenting skills classes for Head Start parents. Amanda and her husband now own their own home and rental property and are financially secure. All of her children have completed their education including a young boy they took into their home.</p> <p>Amanda's success lies not only in the fulfillment of her personal goals, but in the support and service she has given to others to help them attain their goals.</p> | |
| Susan Kirbach | |
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| <p>Denise's involvement with Head Start "has strengthened the agency and all of the families it serves," commented Susan Kirbach, the director. Denise is a Head Start parent who was hired by PACT as a home visitor and received her CDA in 1987. She was promoted to social service/parent involvement coordinator and currently holds that position. She has served as a board member for four years for a school district and is taking business classes through a local community college.</p> | |

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| Carol Cooper | | | Carol was a Head Start parent who became a teacher's aide in 1972. She later completed her associate of arts degree and became a teacher. She has taught for 17 years and enjoys the lasting relationships she has developed with the parents. |
| Kimberly Corbin | | | Kimberly Corbin is a Head Start graduate who, after high school, joined the U.S. Army. She served for more than six years. She is now employed by Head Start as a secretary and her goal is to obtain a degree in accounting. |

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Robin Crone was a Head Start parent and received her GED in 1984. When she was a parent, she was on the policy council and volunteered the highest amount of hours for the year. In 1984, she was hired as a teacher assistant/bus driver and was in that position for five years. She advanced to home base teacher and was in that position for two years. She was promoted to education coordinator and is working

towards achieving an associate's degree in early childhood education. Robin wrote, "Without the encouragement of the Head Start staff, I don't feel I would have been able to accomplish my goals."

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Caroline was hired to drive a Head Start van when her children were enrolled, and then as a teacher's assistant. After nine years, she was promoted to center teacher. She accepted the position of home base teacher later and has center base and home base CDAs. She has taken several college classes and is helping with young children at her church.

Linda works for Head Start and has received training in early childhood education. She is working to earn a CDA and is now a disability coordinator. Her daughter who attended Head Start is now planning to attend college.

Mattie began working for Head Start in 1974 and has worked as a bus driver, teacher's aide, and social service worker. She received her GED in 1989 and for the past three years has helped over 300 families as a family services worker.

Beverly is a Head Start family worker. She attended college and in 1993 received an associate's degree in human services. She is working on a B.S. She has also become a notary public with the assistance of Head Start and was elected as a member of the board of education for her school district.

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| Description | | | Brenda Drugan's three children attended Head Start. She enjoyed volunteer activities and was involved with the program for seven years. She applied for an opening as a cook and was hired and is enjoying her job. |
| | | | Michele Drube was hired as a teacher's assistant in 1988. She was promoted to family services coordinator and has been in this position for over three years. She said about her family, "I think without Head Start, we would still be on the 'system's' payroll." |
| | | | Jennifer believes Head Start has provided positive educational experiences for herself and her children and writes, "Through the parent substitute training program which Head Start offers, I was able to realize my potential in the ever-growing area of child care. I have since obtained my CDA credential and intend to further my education and obtain my associate's degree. Thanks Head Start!" |
| | | | Betty has been involved in Head Start for 30 years. In 1972, she became the parent involvement coordinator for the Consolidated Head Start Program where she serves as family services manager and parent involvement consultant to over 600 families. She is currently pursuing a degree in human services. She has helped numerous families through problems and roadblocks and onto the beginning of their own success stories. |

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Linda Duncan
Description Linda Duncan started working for Head Start as a part-time bus driver. She is now a cook and her goal is to become a nutrition coordinator.

Julie M. Eaklor
Description Julie wrote that she was on AFDC and food stamps for 14 years. She has three children and has now received a certificate in culinary arts. She is working at Head Start as a cook and no longer receives AFDC. She is "going to keep going up from here."

Donna Renfrow Dyer
Description Donna is a Head Start graduate and teacher who has achieved a great deal of success through Head Start. She received a Pell Grant to attend night school and graduated from junior college with an associate's degree in child development. She joined an honor society and was named to the Who's Who of Junior Colleges that year. Later she earned an associate's degree in art. She has received awards for teaching in Head Start. Now she teaches child care career courses at a technical center. Her children are achieving in school and the entire family is active at church. Donna is the president of the PTA. Her husband owns and operates an automotive repair shop and has opened an archery business.

Darlene H. Duke
Description Darlene H. Duke is the Director of Twin Rivers Head Start. She has been involved in Head Start since 1971. She has a certificate in culinary arts and is currently working towards her associate's degree in child development.

Laurie Hildenbrand
Description Laurie Hildenbrand is the Family Services Coordinator for RCPC Head Start. She has been involved in Head Start since 1971. She has a certificate in culinary arts and is currently working towards her associate's degree in child development.

Joanne is the mother of four children, all of whom attended Head Start. She was hired by the program as a nurse when her youngest was enrolled in Head Start. Since then, Joanne has taken social services competency based training, is working on her child development associate credential and is enrolled in course work to complete her associate's degree. She is on her way to meeting her goal of becoming a teacher.

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| Mary C. Kirk | Executive Director | Lewis-Clark Early Childhood Program | (208) 743-6561 | "Head Start is NOT just a child education program. It's a lesson plan for the way the world should be." Once Mary became involved in Head Start, she obtained skills through training, as well as nurturing, guidance, warmth, direction, caring, and knowledge. She offered her time and served as parent and community representative on the Policy Council, as state, regional, and national parent representative, member of the National Parents Task Force, and on a National Review Board for Discretionary Grants. She was also treasurer of the board of directors for the task force. In 1994, she accepted the position of family advocate. | Linda Elder attended parent meetings when her children were enrolled and then was hired as a para-educator. She assisted in the classroom for over two years, was a parent involvement assistant, a secretary for Head Start, and then worked for the Head Start central office for over 11 years. Her four children are now employed. | Linda Elder attended parent meetings when her children were enrolled and then was hired as a para-educator. She assisted in the classroom for over two years, was a parent involvement assistant, a secretary for Head Start, and then worked for the Head Start central office for over 11 years. Her four children are now employed. |
| | | | | | Brenda Ellis learned about Head Start when visiting another state in 1965. She applied for a position at a center in her neighborhood and was hired as an assistant that year. The job turned into a career. She was provided with training, traveling and education, and graduated from college in 1972. She is pleased that she has seen parents become successful and is grateful for the opportunities Head Start has provided for her. | |

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| Description | Brenda worked in the classroom as a Head Start parent assistant and became an integral part of the program at her center. Later she became more involved by becoming a volunteer home base visitor and attending college to obtain the credentials to pursue a child care career. She received a degree in early childhood and teaches at a Community Education Nursery School in the morning and has an afternoon substitute teaching position. She has been recognized on several occasions for outstanding achievement. | Marilyn became involved in Head Start in 1984 when her two children were enrolled. She worked on the policy council and returned to college to take courses. In 1991, she was hired by Head Start to work in the home base program, became a multi-service family development aide and case manager in 1992, and is now the social service coordinator. | Adrienne Fansler was employed as a Head Start family services coordinator for 10 years. She earned a B.S. and a social work degree while she was with Head Start. Adrienne is now a family therapist at the Southern Oregon Child Study and Treatment Center and the founding member of the Family Education Resource Network. | Ms. Fields is currently a home visitor in the home base program. She began as a classroom volunteer and has been active for four years. She has also served her community by volunteering at a domestic violence shelter and fundraising for a local homeless shelter. Her academic achievements include obtaining her 64 classroom hours in early childhood and a CDA. She has also taken college courses and available training through Head Start. |

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Terry was involved in Head Start as a parent volunteer in 1984. She helped as a translator and she and her husband served on the PPC board. In 1988 she started working as an employee of Head Start. She has now earned 70 units in early childhood education and will receive her B.A. in early childhood education in late 1995.

Sonja learned she had a knack for working with children, filled out an employment application, and has been with Head Start for several years. She is planning to get a CDA and her goal is to have her own center in the future.

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Linda Fuller is an assistant Head Start director who was married to an alcoholic and felt hopeless until she gained the support of Head Start. Her four children are doing well and she feels her experiences prepared her to help others.

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Mozell Gaines started as a parent volunteer, went on to become a bus driver, and then became a family service worker and administrative secretary. Later she took the Civil Service Exam and now works for the Postal Service.

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Description Britta Garringer is a graduate of Head Start who is now employed as a health disability services assistant. She attended high school and a four year college earning an associate's degree. Britta wrote, "Head Start gave me the social skills needed for public school, which, in turn, allowed me to become academically successful. I also made friends that I still am acquainted with to this day. Head Start helped me learn the importance of school at an early age."

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Description Hellen took the advice of the Extension Service and sent her children to Head Start in 1967. After volunteering, she was hired as a teacher in 1977 and has been employed there since. Head Start helped her self-esteem and she wants to stay with the program.

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Description Bethany Gonzalez has been involved in Head Start for 24 years. She served on the policy council and personnel committee and was a teacher aide in local migrant Head Start. In the 70s she worked as a parent coordinator and volunteered in migrant Head Start. Then she became employed as a teacher aide and family service worker with two programs. She served on local boards of directors, youth advisory council, and other committees. She has also raised six children and attended some college classes. She commented, "When support and encouragement were needed, the staff of Head Start has always been there."

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Description
 Martha Gonzalez is bilingual and a natural teacher. She is studying to gain mastery over written language skills and now serves Head Start as an assistant teacher.

Donna has been employed with Head Start since 1985. She has had training in early childhood development and received a CDA in 1989. She believes that teaching young children is a rewarding experience every day.

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Kathryn Gorby is a Head Start parent who has been involved in Head Start for 14 years. She earned a B.A. in elementary education and was hired as a teacher assistant. Later she held the positions of family service worker, health and disability coordinator, and social worker. She is a board member and active with a domestic violence project and other activities in her community.

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Madeline Gordon served on the Newark Preschool Council board of directors and a policy council. She was later employed as a Parent Coordinator and is currently a certified trainer for Exploring Parenting, Looking at Life, and other training components used in Head Start. She is also a facilitator for stress management and self-esteem enhancement workshops. She earned an associate degree and continues to pursue a B.S. degree in urban studies. She states, "I feel and believe the power lies within ourselves."

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| Description | <p>Yvonne became a volunteer when her son entered Head Start. Later she became a Head Start cook. She then entered college and earned an associates degree in sociology with honors and spoke at the graduation ceremony. She became active in community affairs including child advocacy, prevention of domestic violence, the Boy Scouts of America, tutoring learning disabled students, and an AIDS task force.</p> <p>Yvonne is now employed as a family service worker for Head Start and is continuing her college education. She is also assisting a college instructor by helping her write and publish a book about women's issues.</p> | <p>"I...couldn't tell you what Head Start and the people of Head Start have done for me. It would take a book," wrote Nancy Gossett. She is now a family advocate for Franklin County and works with four centers of families and staff. She has been involved in Head Start for 17 years, received a CDA for center base and later for home base. Before becoming a family advocate, she was a home base teacher for a few years and then taught for four years at a new center.</p> | <p>LaVette Gray became the parent club president and an active policy committee officer and chairperson. She began to travel on behalf of Head Start and was the parent advocate for nearly 2,000 Erie County parents and children. In 1994, she became a family assistant. In LaVette's own words, "I feel good about myself, useful, important, needed, respected and part of a wonderful family...I know I have the support of Head Start."</p> | <p>Grace's husband had a disability and they were able to enroll their youngest son in Head Start in 1984. She obtained a position as a part-time secretary at his center and enjoyed observing his progress. Her husband volunteered, received support from the staff, and returned to school. He is now finishing his thesis for an M.S.W. in social work. Grace accepted more responsibility, returned to college, and earned a degree. She is now an administrative assistant for Head Start. Grace wrote, "We believe it's all the little success stories taken together that make Head Start such a successful program. It brings meaning and purpose into so many lives."</p> |

| Name | Address | Patrice Ray Hamilton-Stacey |
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| Magdalena Gutierrez | 230 E. Pine Street Othello, WA 99344 | Magdalena Gutierrez became involved in Head Start the year she graduated from high school through the summer youth program. Three years later after holding a number of positions, she became the center director for the Othello Center. She has served as a CDA advisor since 1988 and has helped countless teachers to earn their CDA credentials. Maggie also volunteers in her community as a tutor, board member, chairperson hospital volunteers, and at an elementary school. In 1994, Maggie completed her associate of arts degree in early childhood education. |
| Contact | Title | Description |
| Diana Castilleja | MHS CDA/Staff Development Coord. Migrant Head Start Program Washington State Migrant Council 301 N. First Street, Suite #1 Sunnyside, WA 98944 | Patrice received the Community Action Lifetime Achievement Award in recognition of 26 years of dedicated service. She began as a Head Start parent in 1966 and worked her way up through the volunteering and training ranks to her present position as social worker. She was active in organizations while in school and has been honored for contributions to the community, as well. |

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Pat wrote, "Head Start has enabled me to grow personally as well as professionally. It has made me both a child advocate and a Head Start advocate." Her connection to Head Start began when she lived in a rural area and met a home based visitor who visited her son. Later, her older son attended Head Start in a mobile classroom. She began to volunteer and eventually applied for a teacher's aide position. She became a teacher within two years, obtained her CDA, and began her own center. She is now the site supervisor.

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| Description | Jeannette Hays received her certificate as a practical nurse and later earned an associate degree in nursing. She began school with the help of JTPA and while one of her two children was in Head Start. In 1994, Jeannette became a Head Start health coordinator. Jeannette said, "I do not consider myself or my family to be a completed successful project, but I do think we are a success in the making." | Gloria began working in Head Start as a parent volunteer in 1985. Later she substituted for an assistant teacher who became ill. The following year she assisted on a volunteer basis and then was hired in 1988 as a permanent teacher. |
| | | Jose Henderson is the Head Start Director of the Organized Community Action Program. He was elected city council representative of Troy, Alabama. Jose said that many Head Start parents motivated him to enter local non-partisan politics. "These people need a voice, a soldier to help them battle the economic forces of society," said Jose. He has been very involved in community efforts to help the disabled and to foster education. He sees his reward when the names of former Head Start children appear on honor rolls and when they graduate. |
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| Description | <p>In 1990, after having one child in Head Start, Teresa finally realized the importance of an education. She earned a GED and then began to work towards a college degree. She was hired by Head Start as a transportation assistant, was promoted to transportation manager, and then to transportation coordinator. She is proud to work for Head Start.</p> | | |
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| Description | <p>Florence Ann Hicks started in the program as a parent and teacher assistant. Later she was promoted to lead teacher, assistant site manager, teacher, and site manager. She has attended workshops, in-service programs, conferences, received a CDA, and took early childhood courses. She loves her job and feels this program gives adults and children a head start.</p> | | |
| Name | Nelladean Hinkins | | |
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| Description | <p>Kimberly's daughter attended Head Start and she became interested in working with children and their families. She is working on an A.A. in early childhood development now and has been employed by Head Start for several years as a home visitor. She is pleased because every day she is able to give back the help she received years ago and has been "able to spread that spark" through her work and community.</p> | | |
| <p>Nelladean Hinkins loves working with children. She has worked at seven Head Start centers primarily with 3-year-old children over the course of 30 years. "Each year was great and I have loved every minute of it... I was not really working for the money," said Nelladean.</p> | | | |

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Description
 Pearl has been with Head Start for 28 years, has attended many educational programs in health and nutrition, has college credits, and is working towards an associate's degree. Pearl is also a ten-year member of the American War Dads Auxiliary and the American Legion Auxiliary.

Arleen entered the program over 26 years ago and worked as a dedicated parent volunteer. She was later hired full time in the parent involvement component. She is now a parent specialist and has been very successful in building the parent involvement component.

Deborah Holman

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"Volunteering helped me appreciate Head Start," said Deborah. She is the single mother of three children and has always enjoyed being around children. The staff encouraged her to obtain a GED so she signed up for classes. In 1992, she graduated and then applied for Head Start employment. She was hired as an assistant teacher. She was well qualified due to years as a parent policy council representative, president of the parent's group, fundraising activities for Head Start, attendance at Head Start conventions, and other activities.

After she was selected, she had to fight for continuation of medical and other benefits and received help from Head Start staff. She obtained a CDA and is now a head teacher and working towards an associate's degree. She hopes to help special needs children in the future.

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Description Tracey Lea Hooper graduated from high school and received a certificate from a career center. She then studied secretarial science and graduated at the top of her class. She is a Head Start graduate and is now employed by Head Start as a central office aide.

Kathleen became involved in Head Start when she enrolled a child. She is an assistant teacher and has enrolled two more children. She writes, "We are very fortunate to have such strong support and involvement here in Sisters, as well as such active parental involvement."

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Mary Jo was introduced to Head Start when her son was enrolled in 1977. She volunteered and later was hired as the cook at one center. She has taken part in every offered workshop and eventually became a county and then an agency parent coordinator covering three counties.

Susan attended Head Start, has positive memories of her experience, and feels that the program helped develop a positive self-image. Later, she graduated in the top ten percent of her senior class. During her high school and college years, she worked as a volunteer at the Ozark Opportunities Inc. Head Start Center. Susan received a B.S. in biology and an associate's degree in respiratory care. She worked in the respiratory field for three years before coming to her present position as a health and nutrition coordinator with Head Start. She stated, "Working in Head Start provides a feeling of accomplishment." She is also a Girl Scout leader and the mother of an eight-year-old daughter.

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Description
 Clara is serving as the health coordinator for a Head Start center. She has held other positions and attended college social services classes. She is proud to be a Head Start staff member, "reaching out and touching other lives."

Bettie completed high school by attending evening classes. She spent five years attending college on Saturdays and one night each week to receive a degree in elementary education. She raised six children and cared for special foster children in her home. She is now holding the position of family educator for Head Start.

Sheila Jackson had been a migrant farmworker for 25 years and joined the Migrant Head Start Center as a teacher aide. She is the mother of three children who have all harvested crops. Her husband is a field boss. Sheila had to earn a GED to become a member of the staff and participated in the early childhood satellite training. She plans to obtain a CDA Credential in the infant and toddler area. She has earned the respect of her co-workers as a teacher's aide.

Julie Janis earned an associate's degree and a certificate in management development. She has held many Head Start positions between 1971 and 1985, and is currently employed as a personnel director and assistant equal opportunity officer for Panhandle Community Services. Her leadership and service activities in the community have helped many people and she serves her community through her church, the library, a mental health center, Al-Anon, a scholarship committee, the VFW, and other organizations.

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| Contact | Title Address | Phone | <p>Doris G. Turner Family Services Supervisor DCPS Head Start Program 12th Place & Jasper Road, S.E. Washington, D.C. 20020 Same as above</p> <p>Robert E. Moran Council for Economic Opportunities in Greater Cleveland 668 Euclid Avenue Suite 700 Cleveland, OH 44114 (216) 696-9077</p> | <p>Head Start Child & Family Services Inc. P.O. Box 800 Van Buren, AK 72956 (501) 474-9378</p> <p>Christine Johnson has served Head Start for 28 years. She was hired as a teacher's assistant, obtained an associate of arts degree in education with honors in 1973, and was promoted to teacher's assistant 2. She received a B.S. degree after promotions to teacher and lead teacher, succeeding in spite of a divorce and other challenges. She now serves as center manager and supervises several Head Start centers and a community service center. She attributes her success to the encouragement received from Head Start Director Ophelia Brown.</p> <p>Cheryl exemplifies what Head Start is all about, according to the Greater Cleveland Neighborhood Centers Association staff. She was an active parent volunteer in the classroom and kitchen and worked with the family service workers when her children were enrolled. She was also a member of the parent policy committee and was a chairperson at the center level. She is now employed by Head Start as a classroom assistant/substitute teacher. She has attended several Head Start related conferences. Cheryl said, "I've enjoyed Head Start as a parent and I'm enjoying working for Head Start, especially with the children."</p> <p>Florine Johnson was a volunteer when her daughter was enrolled in 1971. She was impressed with the program and after she moved was hired as a teacher's aide at another center. She was promoted to teacher and later to family services coordinator. She grew through opportunities for training and conducting workshops. Later Florine divorced and was supported by Head Start through that experience. She wrote, "Head Start continues to work for me and my family and for thousands of other families."</p> |

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| Description | | |
| | | Rebecca Johnson began her affiliation with Head Start as a parent volunteer. She was hired by the agency during her first year, returned to college, and completed the requirements for her B.A. degree from The City College of New York. Her goal is to earn a master's degree in social work. |
| | | This single parent became involved in Head Start when his two children were enrolled. He volunteered and encouraged other parents to do so. Later he obtained a job as a Head Start bus driver and lunch deliverer. Because he was dependable, he was promoted to director of transportation for the agency. Ultimately, he was able to purchase his own home through the Episcopal Housing Ministry. Recently Kenneth was placed in charge of both transportation and maintenance to ensure that the main office and 11 Head Start centers are in good order. He has fulfilled many goals and now plans to enjoy his accomplishments and those of his children. |
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| Kenneth Lamont Jones | Name | |
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| | | Marlina is the mother of three and has been employed by Head Start since 1973. She has held the positions of bus driver, teacher aide, social service worker, teacher, social service/parent involvement coordinator, interim director, and area supervisor. She appreciates the training she received in dealing with children and believes her own children are self-confident because she learned how to encourage this trait. |
| | | Willette wrote that Head Start has given her a solid foundation for a professional career. She was the co-chairperson of her center committee and represented parents at the policy committee meetings. She took her volunteer responsibilities seriously and attended most workshops offered by the agency. She has been a teacher assistant for two years and has received a CDA credential and an associate's degree in liberal arts. She is now enrolled in college and earning a B.S. degree in early childhood education. |

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| Description | When Lee Ann was hired as a teacher, it boosted her confidence immensely. She has grown personally and professionally in the three years that she has worked for Head Start. She has completed the classes needed for a CDA and is working for an A.A. in child development and will receive a diploma in May 1995. She has been promoted to Teacher II and is the director of the center where she works. Head Start has shown confidence in her and has given her the opportunity to prove herself. She writes, "I am very grateful to this organization for giving me the room to grow and learn and for challenging me to better myself." |
| | In 1967, Betty enrolled a child in Head Start and drove a Head Start bus. She also volunteered. Later she was hired as an aide and then promoted to teacher. She taught over 18 years, took training opportunities, and is now the education coordinator and a CDA advisor. |
| | Kathie King acquired an associate degree with honors in human services from Delaware Technical and Community College. She was hired as a family service worker in Head Start and is now a center coordinator. She volunteers and leads community groups and is enrolled in a program to attain a B.S. degree. |

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Description

Becky has three sons who are Head Start graduates and are honor roll students at ages 10, 12, and 13. She now works as a home base teacher; no longer receives food stamps, and is self-sufficient. Becky wrote, "PACT Head Start gave me and my family the boost we needed."

Jan has two children who participate in Head Start. She earned a B.A. in social work and is employed at Head Start as the family service/mental health coordinator. She is currently attending a university and working on a master's degree in social work.

Dawn Kirkland became a certified nurse's assistant and is enrolled to start classes for R.N. school or a teaching degree. She is an employee of Head Start who is planning another career. She is also a Head Start graduate.

Two of Carol Lang's children have been through Head Start. She is now a director of a center and studying for a master's degree in early childhood education.

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 Lisa works as a bus driver and classroom aide for Head Start. She has also represented Head Start on the local community action board and has been a volunteer in her community. Her goal is to be a teacher.

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Jackie was an active Head Start parent who obtained training through the program and then enrolled in college to take education courses. She's now a home visitor and feels that she and her family "are living proof that Head Start works." She is also active in her community through the school system, her church, and the Girl Scouts.

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Josie first assisted at Head Start by cleaning classrooms, helping with lesson plans, and decorating bulletin boards. She was later hired as a teacher's aide and took classes in early childhood education to become a Head Start teacher. She was an active volunteer when her daughter was enrolled and also tutors Indian children.

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| | | Pamela received a GED in 1992 while her daughter attended Head Start. She also volunteered with Head Start and was elected to represent the policy council to the agency board. She is working towards a B.S. in human services and is now employed by Head Start. |
| | | Teresa began to volunteer in Head Start when her mother was a teacher assistant. In 1968, Teresa was a Head Start child. She has received certificates for her volunteer work and began working as a teacher assistant as part of the CWEB Training program. Later she was hired full time in that position and also as a bus driver. She was promoted to a teaching position and plans to continue her career with Head Start because she enjoys helping people. She will receive her CDA in 1995. |
| | | Carolyn Long enrolled her son in the program in 1965. She applied for a teacher's assistant position and was hired. Later she obtained a degree in early childhood education, was promoted to teacher, and worked in the classroom for 10 years. Now she works as a health/social services assistant. She is proud to be associated with Head Start. |
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Description
 Cipriana Lopez has three children, one of whom attended Head Start. She feels Head Start helped her to establish her life. Today she attends college part time and works at Head Start as a teacher's assistant. "During the years I've been at Head Start, I see how much the program helps families. It also helps children develop in many areas of their life," wrote Cipriana.

Petra is now the health coordinator for Kauai Head Start Program. She became involved as a Head Start parent and served on the policy council. After serving as the area council president and on the board of directors of Kauai economic opportunity, she was hired as the outreach education volunteer coordinator and then as a case manager. She is also active in her community.

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Josie Lorenzo worked and lived on farms for about 13 years as a migrant worker. She had the opportunity to go back to school to earn a GED, worked in the public schools and then took a teacher assistant position with Head Start. Later she was promoted to lead teacher and then became the education coordinator.

Marcella Lovell
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Irene Hale

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Marcella has worked with Head Start for 30 years. She earned a high school and an associate's degree while working as a teacher's aide and in the social services component.

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| Description | <p>Francisca Martinez emigrated from Mexico eight years ago and worked as a migrant. She later found a position as a Head Start substitute teacher, then a teacher assistant. Her goal is to be a lead teacher. She is taking English classes and working on her GED. Francisca said, "The challenge has not been easy! But I'm working on accomplishing my and my children's goals."</p> |
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Description

Barbara worked in the capacity of an education specialist and later was promoted to the departmental personnel officer. She earned a master's degree in psychology and wrote a thesis which included information about the use of teacher aides in Head Start. She later became the administrative services director and then the executive assistant to the director. She has assisted with projects at the local, state, and national level. She has served as the president of the Florida Association for Community Action and has served in many other community leadership roles. She continues to make a difference.

Patricia Matthys has worked for Head Start in a variety of positions since 1982. She is a student at a local community college and in 1993 was inducted into the International Honor Society. In 1994, she was a Dean's List student. Presently, Patricia is a Head Start teacher assistant. She has been involved in Head Start for 12 years.

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Darwin is an enrolled member of the Minnesota Chippewa tribe and graduated from both high school and technical college. He began his work experience in general accounting, was promoted to property and procurement manager and later assumed the duties of executive director of the White Earth Reservation Tribal Council. He still holds that position. In 1984, he purchased a service station and convenience store with a partner. He is also a volunteer fireman.

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| Description | <p>“Starting off as a parent in this program was the best thing I ever did for myself and my children,” commented Linda. She began as a volunteer in 1980 and later accepted a number of paid positions with Head Start. Later, Linda became active with the Oregon Head Start Association and the regional association. She now has a staff position on the national board. Both of Linda’s children attended Head Start and have excelled academically. Linda is also active in her community with the Kiwanis, a local food bank, coaching softball, and refereeing for volleyball.</p> | <p>Shirley is now a Head Start director. She began her involvement in Head Start as a home visitor, worked to receive a CDA and several other certificates, and became a teacher assistant. She has been involved in Head Start for 15 years.</p> | <p>Toni enrolled a child with disabilities in Head Start in 1977. Later she became a teacher’s aide, a bus driver, a teacher, a center supervisor, and, after opening a new center, a program coordinator. She has earned a CDA and is earning credits at a junior college. She is happy to have the opportunity to succeed and to receive the education that was unavailable when she was younger.</p> | <p>When Erma’s twins enrolled in 1977, she volunteered in Head Start. Later she was hired as a teacher’s aide and was promoted to classroom teacher, then center teacher/supervisor. She received the CDA credential, in-service training, and some college credits while employed. She left Head Start to work for a preschool special needs program and continues to serve Head Start children at that location.</p> |

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| Description | <p>Elizabeth is a high school graduate with some college credits in early childhood education and a CDA. She first heard of Head Start when a niece attended and became a volunteer two days a week. Later when her daughter enrolled, she became more active. She was hired as an aide, a teacher, and an associate teacher. She was elected to serve on different community organizations to help those with low incomes. Elizabeth took many opportunities to take courses, attend workshops and conferences, help children, and support and encourage parents.</p> | <p>Elizabeth was an active volunteer while her son was enrolled. She later applied for a position and was hired as a family assistant. Later she was promoted to the position of social services/parent-involvement coordinator. She is caring and sensitive toward the families. Elizabeth is also active in her community.</p> <p>John Meier is a 30 year Head Start staff member who is a psychologist working for Head Start in California and conducting training and research at the local and national level for Head Start. John helped plan and begin Head Start in 1965 and ran one of the first eight week summer training institutes. He was involved in launching the Parent and Child Centers as a project consultant, and served as the director, U.S. Office of Child Development. He conceptualized and implemented the involvement of grandparent aides in Head Start and assistance for abused preschool children.</p> |

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| Phone | (706) 646-8330 | (313) 861-1400 | (715) 345-5210 |
| Description | Mrs. Miller is a lead teacher and is also a master teacher for the special needs children enrolled at her center. She was a faithful volunteer when her children were enrolled and is now a dedicated and hard working staff worker. She is proud of her accomplishments. | Linda wrote that Head Start is sending her to school to enable her to work effectively with children, staff, and the community. She will always be thankful to Head Start for giving her a new beginning. | This parent is now employed by Head Start. She feels now she has the opportunity to be a good influence on her children and can receive job-training with pay. She is now attending college and working toward a social work degree. Stacey writes, "I am proud to be here in this Head Start family. |
| | | | Sharon's daughter had a speech disability when she was admitted to Head Start in 1983. For the following two years, Sharon was an avid volunteer. In 1987, she was hired as a parent services assistant and filled in as a teacher's assistant. Presently, she is a teacher's assistant and fulfills her role with reliability and professionalism. |

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Contact

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Phone (313) 861-1400

Description Hartford Head Start taught Dovenetta Mitchell that she could be whatever she wanted to be. She is now an assistant teacher for that center, back in school, and will receive her CDA certificate. She feared that she would never reach this goal because she could not spell well but now she carries a dictionary.

Ella Mitchell is the education coordinator for the Dayton Public Schools Head Start program. She began her involvement 22 years ago as a volunteer (although her children did not attend). She was hired as a teacher assistant, lead teacher, and later as the center director. She received her master's degree in supervision/education and plans to be with Head Start until her retirement. Ella believes that "once you get a taste of Head Start, you're hooked for life."

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Leah began working for Head Start as a cook aide. Later she became a substitute and then pursued a degree in early childhood education full time. She earned her degree in 1991, and then held positions as an assistant supervisor and training coordinator for Head Start.

Currently, Marian is the director of a Head Start program. She first came in contact with Head Start when she enrolled two of her four children. She was later hired as a teacher assistant and took part in the Leadership Development program at Tuskegee Institute in Alabama. After obtaining her B.S. degree in social work, she worked at the Head Start state training office, then helped grantees, and ultimately was hired for her current position. Marian wrote, "Head Start made the difference in my life and the lives of my children, all of whom are now successful adults...I thank God for Head Start."

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| Description | Calvin E. Moore Jr. |
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| Eva G. Molina | Irene's child attended Head Start in 1979. She volunteered and became an assistant teacher when a position opened. She then took some college courses and received a CDA, an associate degree, and some additional college credits. She now works as a home base visitor. |
| Bruce Montague | Bruce succeeded in high school as an athlete and continued organizing sports teams on the reservation after graduation. He has been the Quechan Head Start maintenance person for six years and the children look forward to seeing him. He is also appreciated by the parents and staff. |
| Irene Montero | Eva was a strong volunteer in Head Start as a parent and helped one center receive a modular trailer equipped with bathrooms. Later she received an associate's degree in child development on a scholarship. She has a children's center permit and is now employed by Palo Verde Unified School District as an instructional aide for Head Start. Eva also coordinates efforts to help the needy in her community. |
| Calvin E. Moore Jr. | Calvin E. Moore is a center manager supervising 10 classrooms. He served four years in the U.S. Air Force and received the Air Force Outstanding Achievement Award. He is a Head Start graduate who is also active in his community and directs a small dramatic and cultural arts company. "Head Start works and provided me with the foundation I needed to succeed both personally and professionally," said Calvin. |

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| Contact | Olga Jefferson-Kerr |
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| Phone | (317) 927-5735 |
| Description | <p>Effew Moore has worked with Head Start for 30 years as a classroom teacher, trainer, supervisor, and site manager. She attended classes and is now a certified parent instructor. She has also obtained an associate's degree in early childhood education, a CDA credential, and a B.A. in early childhood education.</p> <p>She believes that Head Start is truly rewarding.</p> |

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| Phone | (606) 623-7235 |
| Description | <p>Priscilla returned to college at age 35 and is now an area supervisor with an LCSW social worker license. She feels she achieved this due to support from the program staff. This Head Start parent has been a staff member for 23 years.</p> <p>Sandy Morgan has been with Head Start full time for eight years. She is the Family Worker at her center and is taking a psychology course at a local community college. She owns her own home and is the parent of four children, all of whom are doing well in school.</p> |
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| Phone | (606) 623-7235 |
| Description | <p>JoAnn began her involvement with Head Start as the parent of a special needs child in the early 70's. Not only did she volunteer daily, but she worked and earned a GED. She was first employed as a special service aide, then as a teacher aide, and is presently a Head Start teacher. She earned a CDA and began work on a college degree on a part-time basis. For the past two years, she has attended school and will complete her degree in 1995.</p> |

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| Description | <p>Edna Mullinax volunteered at the center her daughter attended. She learned how Head Start operates and was hired as a teacher. She earned a CDA and was later chosen to speak at a Region III training conference. She is also active in her community and feels her experiences with Head Start have helped contribute to her professional growth.</p> |

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| Phone | (304) 257-4853 |
| Description | <p>Maria Murakami came to the United States from Peru and supported herself by cleaning houses. Head Start staff recognized her potential and encouraged her to become a substitute aide. She earned her CDA and became a teaching assistant. She is a college student who also works part time at a clothing store and teaches religious education on Sunday. To date, she has earned 60 credits toward her degree in education.</p> |
| Name | Cherise Myles |
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| Phone | (315) 687-9103 |
| Contact | Harriet Glick |
| Title | Director, Early Childhood Education Pre K/Head Start Program |
| Address | Barnard School 129 Barnard Road New Rochelle, NY 10801 |
| Phone | (914) 576-4386 |
| Description | <p>Cherise is now a home visitor and has completed work for her B.S. and master's degree. She began her involvement in Head Start as a parent volunteer and classroom aide. She was able to earn a teaching certificate and taught first grade as a substitute. Later she was the director of the school age program at a child care facility. She has reached her goals through diligence and hard work.</p> |
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| Contact | Janice Matina |
| Title | Home Visitor |
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| Description | <p>Vickie was advised to work with children in college. She is now a head teacher for Head Start and continuing to work toward a college degree.</p> |

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| Contact | Sandy Herbach | Wayne Mukai | Evelyn Duffy | JoAnn Begley |
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| Phone | (218) 726-1312 | (808) 245-4077 | (513) 518-8002 | (308) 635-2089 |
| Description | Sandy's son entered Head Start in 1986 and she became interested in child development and teaching. In 1991 she received a B.A.S. in early child development. She began working as a toddler teacher and moved to preschool later. She is the co-president of the Duluth Area Association for the Education of Young Children for 1994/1995. She has presented and attended many workshops in the ECD field and is now a long-term substitute for the Duluth Head Start/Home Base Program. | Penny volunteered and worked on the Policy Council, as a parent aide, as a teacher's aide and is now employed as a parent involvement coordinator. | Marcia volunteered in the classroom when her children attended Head Start. She was hired as a van driver in 1979 and was transferred to the position of teacher assistant. She applied for a head teacher position in 1990 and was hired. | This Head Start graduate was sixth in her graduating high school class and received a scholarship to Wesleyan College in Nebraska. She earned a B.S. degree in Science. Sarah now serves as the education coordinator for Head Start. She welcomes challenges and positions of responsibility. She has served on the Mayor's Early Childhood Task Force, is president of the Western Nebraska AEYC, member of NHSA, member of the Church of Christ, YMCA, and Big Brother/Big Sister program, and active in other ways in her community. |

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| Pat Pack | | | Terri Hare | Pat is the mother of three children who became a top volunteer of the year at her center. She was later hired as a van driver/food service person and when she later became an assistant teacher, she continued her education and received a CDA. She became a lead teacher and later a home visitor. When her son was killed in an auto accident, Head Start comforted and motivated her. She is now a home base supervisor and is now "the nice lady who knocks on doors and spreads the word of Head Start." |
| Terri Palmer | 5222 4th Avenue West Twin Falls, ID 83301 h-(208) 734-4389 w-(208) 734-5550 | | South Central Community Action Agency Head Start | Terri received a GED and earned a technician certificate in child development after a 20-year absence from school. She became a family educator and then earned a CDA credential in 1994. She was chosen to be on the governing board of Idaho Head Start's Transition Project and appointed to the executive committee of the governing board in 1994. |
| Mary C. Paratta | 508 E. First Street Merrill, WI 54452 h-(916) 493-2266 w-(916) 493-5305, ext. 24 | | Joni LeFabre | Mary completed her GED and entered a job training program since her child was enrolled in Head Start. She now trains at Head Start and is improving her skills working with children, other adults, and computers. She is a strong advocate for families in need and has recently been added to the substitute teacher aide list. |
| Sylvia Parry | P.O. Box 65 Happy Camp, CA 96039 h-(916) 493-2266 w-(916) 493-5305, ext. 24 | | Toni McLane | In 1993, she was named Head Start's "Parent Volunteer of the Year." |
| | | | Head Start Teacher | Sylvia started working for Head Start as a teacher's aide. She later became a teacher and bus driver. She obtained training and a CDA and is enrolled in college classes to earn an early childhood education certificate. |
| | | | M.A.P.S. Head Start/Early Childhood | |
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| | | | 1320 Yellowhammer Yreka, CA 96097 | |
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| Phone | (903) 583-8141 | (405) 275-6060 | (601) 769-3292 |
| Description | Elizabeth is a classroom teacher at Head Start. She worked as an assistant teacher while taking college classes and received a CDA in 1989. She is also active in her community and at her church. | Pauline taught for 22 years. She then accepted a position as the administrative assistant for the agency which oversees six counties. She believes that Head Start gave her a vision and she is proud of what she has accomplished. Pauline wrote, "A poor person is not the one without a penny, but the one without a vision." | Zella Peters was hired as a teacher's assistant and promoted to temporary teacher, then center director. She has received many certificates for training and dedication. She is also a CPR instructor. Presently she is attending college and earning a degree in early childhood education. |
| | | | In her 30 years of employment, Donna Peterson has been promoted from an assistant to a teacher and has taken courses in early childhood education. She is proud to be part of Head Start, a cause which is "dedicated to strengthening the country and...bringing to minorities self-esteem and integrity." |
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Description

Through support from Head Start, Dawn was able to complete her GED. Now she works for the program as a family liaison worker on a full-time basis. She is no longer receiving AFDC payments.

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Mamie Plowden has worked with Head Start for 20 years. She was promoted to education supervisor and guides the teachers. She also believes in staff development and hopes one day to receive her master's degree. She is considered a strong leader.

Deborah went to college when her two children were in Head Start, made the Dean's List for five semesters and graduated in 1983 with a bachelor's degree. Currently she is a Head Start family worker.

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Paula was involved as a Head Start parent for four years with her three daughters who are now teenagers. She enrolled in CDA training and was hired as a home visitor in 1987. When she completed her CDA, she became a center-based teacher. She earned an associate's degree in early childhood education and a Pre-K Certificate. She continues to attend training to keep her skills current.

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| Nancy Boyle Pierce | Head Start Director CEI of Essex Co. Inc. 11724 Route 9 Keeseville, NY 12944 |
| Phone | (518) 834-7171 |

Description

Carrie applied for a job as teacher's aide, was selected, and then enrolled in CDA training. She is an energetic and talented member of the staff.

Christina was a Head Start parent and is now a center director. She held the positions of teacher's aide, teacher, and education coordinator before she became the director and has been involved with Head Start for 26 years.

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| Christina Pound | Gregg Powell |
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| Contact | Same as above |
| Title | Director, Research and Evaluation National Head Start Association |

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| Contact | Same as above |
| Title | Council on Rural Service Programs Inc. 116 E. Third Street, P.O. Box 459 Greenville, OH 93331-1459 |

Juanita is employed by Head Start as a teacher. She has attended adult education classes and is working on her CDA which she hopes to complete in 1995. She has five children and first became involved in Head Start in 1985. She was an active volunteer and served on numerous committees. She was homeless and has lived in shelters several times but is now doing well.

Gregg Powell was a Vietnam veteran when he found that his daughter might benefit from Head Start. A Head Start staff person suggested that he join the Teacher Corps and earn a teaching credential. He achieved this and then accepted a job at Head Start. He has since been the director for three programs and served as a consultant to Head Start and private industry. He soon will complete his dissertation and earn a Ph.D. in human development. Gregg wrote: "Head Start helped me find what was already inside, a desire to learn, and it offered me the opportunity to fulfill that desire. Like Dorothy in the Wizard of Oz, I always had this desire and ability, but it took Head Start to help me find it."

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| Phone | (616) 754-9315 | (317) 927-5700 |
| Description | Deb has been involved in Head Start for 20 years. She is currently a Family Support Supervisor and has held the positions of assistant teacher, Parent involvement/social services coordinator, and family support coordinator. She received a certificate of completion for social services competency based training in 1986 and is now attending classes to obtain a human services associate's degree. | Virginia Pullins now works as the assistant health coordinator. She began her association with Head Start in 1965 and worked in the classroom and in the social services component of the program. She has enjoyed watching children do well in school and their parents gain the confidence to obtain jobs and take a role in their communities. |

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| Lee Turner-Muecke | Jan Eyestone |
| Director of Family Services Spanish Speaking Unity Council-De Colores-Head Start 1470 Fruita Avenue Oakland, CA 94601 | |
| (510) 532-6102 | |

Sandra is a Head Start parent who has been a strong volunteer. She is now an assistant teacher and is fully bilingual.

Georgia is a Head Start employee who began college in 1994 and will receive a program certificate and a CDA by the fall of 1995. She would like to further her college career by obtaining an Educational Paraprofessional Certificate.

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| Contact | Beverly Robinson 125 White Oak Drive Verona, VA 24816 h-(703) 248-4414 w-(703) 245-5163 | Angelina Rojas See work address below |
| Description | <p>Gladys Katie Ridley has been involved in Head Start for 30 years. She was a teacher assistant until 1987, and was also a community activist and a community volunteer who is credited with over 300,000 hours of volunteerism. She has received over 200 certificates and 100 plaques and trophies for her work in the Anacostia area of Washington, D.C. Gladys is still an active Head Start volunteer.</p> | <p>Robin Elaine Riggelman HC 30, Box 78 Arthur, WV 26816 (202) 645-3690/91/92</p> |
| Contact | Doris G. Turner Family Services Supervisor DCPS Head Start Program 12th Place & Jasper Road S.E. Washington, D.C. 20020 Phone | Joyce A. Combs Financial Officer E.A.C.H.S. Head Start Program 2 Hyre Avenue Petersburg, WV 26847 Phone |
| Description | <p>Robin is currently employed by Head Start as a financial assistant. She served as chairperson of the parent group and as a representative to the policy council while she was a parent. Robin became employed by Head Start in 1990 as an office clerk. She teaches Bible school and has served as the vice-president and president of an elementary school. She and her husband operate their own business, Hi-Tech Auto.</p> | <p>Involvement in Head Start inspired Beverly to attend a community college. After completing her studies, she took a position as a teacher's aide. Later she was offered a job at a hospital as a clerk and then became an assistant to the training coordinator. When she moved to a new area, she volunteered in her community and then received a job as a teacher's assistant with an elementary school. This led to a position with Head Start when a new center opened through the school system. She was thrilled to become a family service worker.</p> |

Beverly Robinson is a Head Start parent who became an assistant teacher after preparing by taking classes in English and early childhood education. She is active in both the planning and teaching of the curriculum in her room.

Lee Turner-Muecke
Director of Family Services
Spanish Speaking Unity Council De Colores-Head Start
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Angelina Rojas is a Head Start parent who became an assistant teacher after preparing by taking classes in English and early childhood education. She is active in both the planning and teaching of the curriculum in her room.

Sharon Shurtliff
Family Service Coordinator
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Involved in Head Start inspired Beverly to attend a community college. After completing her studies, she took a position as a teacher's aide. Later she was offered a job at a hospital as a clerk and then became an assistant to the training coordinator. When she moved to a new area, she volunteered in her community and then received a job as a teacher's assistant with an elementary school. This led to a position with Head Start when a new center opened through the school system. She was thrilled to become a family service worker. Beverly wrote: "I am now able to give back to Head Start what they gave to me. I am here to encourage and give that ray of hope to so many families and I know it works because it worked for me."

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| Description | Mary Evelyn Sanders has worked for Head Start for 30 years. She now works as a social services coordinator for both Head Start and the Ironton-Lawrence County CAO. She testified before a Senate subcommittee in Washington, served on the Ohio Head Start Association Board, and has held significant leadership positions in Head Start on councils, boards, and committees. |
| | As a Head Start parent, Sheila served on the policy council and the parent committee. In 1992, she was hired for the position of kitchen assistant/substitute bus driver. She is now in the position of teacher assistant/bus driver. She plans to receive a CDA and continue courses in early childhood education. |

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| Description | Sherrie moved to Utah after the death of her husband. She volunteered at Head Start, and with the encouragement of the staff, applied for a job as parent involvement coordinator. She was hired, and many parents now look to Sherrie as an example. |
| | Christina was a Head Start parent seven years ago. She had a low income and poor self-esteem. She decided to go to college to learn more about child care because while her son was a Head Start student she learned she enjoyed the field. Now she is a teacher assistant with a CDA. She enjoys sharing information about her past with other parents to give them hope for a successful future. |

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Samuel E. Scott
Description Administrator
 Economic Opportunity Board
 of Clark County, Family Services
 2228 Comstock Drive
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Phone (702) 647-2010

Description Dorothy Scott has been a widow for five years and did housework to help with the expenses of raising her seven children. She was hired as a Head Start teacher's aide in 1968 and with the encouragement of staff took college courses in elementary and early childhood education. She received her degree in 1974 and has been an educator in Head Start for 26 years.

Samuel Scott began working with Head Start in 1981 as a teacher's aide. He earned a CDA and was promoted to Teacher I, took more classes, and eventually worked as a Teacher III. After one year, he became an education coordinator supervising four sites. He is studying to earn a B.A. He writes, "Thanks to all the people at EOB for making this achievement possible and having faith...in me (putting) forth all the time and money it took to get me where I am today."

Dianna is a Head Start graduate who choose to teach preschool children. She was a member of the National Honor Society and selected for "Who's Who Among America High School Students" in high school. She was also selected as one of the four students in the state of Colorado to meet the president of the United States and his cabinet. She has also been active in her church. Dianna received her CDA in 1994.

Carla Shaeffer was on the Parent Committee and worked with the Policy Council while a parent in Head Start. She was then hired as a special needs aide in the classroom and later accepted a position as a home visitor. She is also active in the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts. She received a CDA in 1994.

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| | | | <p>Joyce Simek Joyce became a preschool teacher and later grew interested in helping Head Start families. She realized they had a wide variety of needs and started going to "every workshop and training that was offered in the social services field." She became a social services coordinator and is happy to have met many challenges offered by families. She has returned to school to earn a degree and plans to "give it all I have."</p> |
| | | | <p>Kathy is a college student earning a B.A. in interdisciplinary studies and plans to continue her education to earn a master's degree in counseling. She works as a teacher's assistant at Head Start and is also working towards a CDA. Earlier, she was a Head Start parent who volunteered. She enjoyed the work so much, she chose to make it part of her career.</p> |

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Description

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Christie E. Smith

Betty Jean Smith
 See work address below

Laurie is a family resource specialist for Head Start and is also active in her church and community as a foster parent and rape victim advocate.

Betty Jean is the mother of five and a 30-year employee of Head Start. She received Head Start training, took college courses, became a teacher, a parent coordinator, and finally a center director. She has received numerous awards for outstanding leadership and community service. She comments about children: "I see children as seeds that need love and nurturing as the food of life. These are our children of tomorrow."

Patricia Baughman
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In 1987, Christie and her husband became legal guardians of their 2-year-old granddaughter who had been abandoned and abused. This led them to Head Start, and Christie volunteered her time and was happy to have help raising her grandchild. Head Start taught Christie parenting skills and helped the family offer more meaningful support to the grandchild, who had many needs. Later, Christie was hired as an assistant teacher, received a CDA, and became a lead teacher of her own classroom. She is now working for an associate's degree in early childhood education. Her granddaughter is now on the honor roll at school.

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| Description | <p>Beth Sommer is a teacher at the Union Head Start Center. She attends workshops and classes and plans to continue her education and get her CDA and an early childhood education degree. Beth first worked at Head Start as a custodian through the JOBS program and then became interested in teaching. She took classes and taught as a substitute before obtaining a teaching position.</p> |

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| Description | <p>Lola began working as a Head Start community aide in 1972. She received Pell Grants, took training, earned an associate's degree, and a B.A. degree and worked in many positions for Head Start. She was promoted to education coordinator in 1978 after receiving her CDA and in 1992 became the Head Start director.</p> |

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| Description | <p>Joyce Spicer demonstrated outstanding leadership qualities as a Head Start volunteer. She is now a Head Start employee but her involvement began 20 years ago. Joyce became president of her daughter's center when her daughter was enrolled. She then became active on the regional and national levels, served two terms as president of the National Head Start Parent's Association and spearheaded the first National Head Start Parent Training Conference.</p> |

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Description This Head Start graduate is currently employed by the White Earth Reservation Tribal Council as an administrative assistant and coordinator for a cultural dynamics project. She graduated from high school and attended a junior college where she earned an associate's degree in office administration. She is now attending a university and hopes to earn a B.S. degree in 1996.

Shonda Stone has served as a parent volunteer, president of the Area Head Start Parent Committee, and parent representative to the Head Start Policy Council. She began her employment as a bus attendant and was later hired as a teacher assistant and promoted to that position in 1992. She has completed her CDA courses and plans to continue her college education and obtain a B.S. degree in early childhood education. She attributes her success to the training and opportunities provided to her through Head Start.

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Description Deni heard about Head Start by reading a flyer she received with an AFDC check. She became involved as a volunteer and attended parent workshops and classes. With the encouragement of staff, she went to school full time and received a B.S. in social work and criminal justice. She now works as a family service worker for Head Start.

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Description Donna Swartz began her employment as a day care provider and then became interested in teaching. She has since acquired her CDA and is working on a degree in early childhood education at a technical college. She is now the head teacher at a new center.

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| Contact | Dorothy Coleman | Schoharie Center Director | Schoharie Center Director |
| Description | <p>Linda Sykes was a home visitor who was in a troubled marriage and then was divorced. Head Start staff encouraged her to pursue her education through an RN program. She worked part-time as a health coordinator, a position she filled on a full-time basis after she completed school. "The support, encouragement, and love I have received throughout all my trials, failures, and successes in the last ten years are indescribable. I will never forget what this agency has done for me and my family," said Linda.</p> | <p>This single mother of six was first employed by Head Start as a bus driver. Later she became a Head Start janitor, teacher/aide, and, after receiving her CDA credential, a teacher. Finally, she became an area supervisor for her program. Dorsa wrote, "Head Start has been very good to me and for me....My thanks to a good God and a wonderful program."</p> | <p>Lena became involved in Head Start as a parent volunteer. She later accepted a teacher's aide position, then as a community participation worker, parent involvement coordinator, and social service coordinator. She has been involved in her community and is now a foster parent.</p> |
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| Contact | Patsy Thomas |
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| Description | Gaye Thomas is a lead teacher at Beaver Ridge Head Start. She is a former Head Start student who wanted to work directly with children and make a difference in their lives. She completed high school and attended a university for three years. The director at her center commented, "Gaye's enthusiasm and dedication is apparent in her teaching, and she is making a positive and lasting impact on the lives of children." |
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| Phone | h-(404) 762-0176 w-(404) 767-2134 |
| Contact | Carol McHenry |
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| Description | This parent was active on committees and then became employed by Head Start as a data entry clerk. He is an invaluable member of the office support staff and feels he has grown both professionally and personally through his involvement with Head Start. |
| Name | Aline Titus |
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| Description | Mr. Thompson is a former Head Start parent who volunteered and then was hired as a teacher assistant. He is now enrolled in the CDA class and also helps in his community by coaching football, baseball, and basketball. |
| Name | Toni McLane |
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| Title | Director | Administrator | Administrator |
| Address | Laramie Child Dev. Corp. 710 Garfield Room 119 Laramie, WY 82070 | Economic Opportunity Board of Clark County, Family Services 2228 Comstock Drive Las Vegas, NV 89030 | Economic Opportunity Board of Clark County, Family Services 2228 Comstock Drive Las Vegas, NV 89030 |
| Phone | (307) 742-6792 | (612) 598-3118 | (702) 647-2010 |
| Description | Margie has been a Head Start employee for three years. She has finished a degree in social work and psychology during this time. She was a staff representative for WY Head Start Association and their treasurer. | Bonnie is a Head Start parent who served as an officer and was on the Policy Council. She was an aide for eight years and was then selected to be a family advocate. She writes, "I now feel able to tackle the world." | Morissa was a high school dropout but is now attending a community college. She became a Head Start employee after high school. She writes, "Head Start hasn't been anything but a great opportunity to me and my family. Head Start has led me to the top and I'm progressing in my goals every day." |

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Angela Tripp was an honors high school graduate. She went to a local community college for one year and then left school to work two jobs. She got pregnant, later married and had another child. When her husband was laid off from work, they had to use welfare. At Head Start, she learned to set goals and achieve them. She feels that she is now achieving all her goals due to the help she received at Head Start. She works for Head Start and is enrolled in their CDA program.

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| Name Address Phone | Margaret Trost P.O. Box 007, South Main Street Marietta, MN 56257-0007 h-(612) 668-2313 w-(612) 598-3118 | Theresa Turner 11 Earl Drive Conway, AR 72032 h-(501) 336-9565 w-(501) 329-0977 | Contact Title Address Phone | Mavis Ochsendorf Head Start Director Prairie Five Head Star 422 5th Avenue Suite 307, P.O. Box 166 Madison, MN 56256 (612) 598-3118 | Katherine Butt Parent Involvement Coordinator P.O. Box 1044 Conway, AR 72033-1044 (501) 329-0977 | Description <p>Karen Trost is a past Head Start student. She graduated from high school as an honor student and was active in extracurricular activities while working as a dietary aide at a local center. She then attended a university and earned a degree in sociology. While in college, she worked as a mental health worker and as a program guide for the mentally ill. Since 1992, she has been employed at Prairie Five Head Start and is now the disabilities coordinator. She is a member of the Marietta ambulance squad and of other community clubs.</p> | <p>Margaret has been involved with Head Start for many years. She commented, "Head Start has caused me to grow socially and emotionally...." She held many positions since she enrolled her oldest son in 1965, working as both a volunteer and as staff. She is now working as a health/disabilities aide in Arkansas after moving there from Chicago, where she held positions as substitute teacher assistant, co-teacher, teacher, teacher supervisor, assistant to the education coordinator, day care coordinator, and program education coordinator.</p> | <p>Yolanda Upkins is a Head Start graduate who is now a center manager. She earned a college degree, worked as a children's librarian and a shelter volunteer coordinator for homeless children, co-authored an article in "Children Today" about homeless children, and prepared a curriculum for homeless children.</p> |
| Name Address Phone | Theresa Turner 455 E. Fairground Street, #A Marion, OH 43302 h-(614) 382-4026 w-(614) 387-1039 | Stephanie Young Analyst CAU Head Start 350 Autumn Lane S.W. Atlanta, GA 30310 | Contact Title Address Phone | Stephanie Young Analyst CAU Head Start 350 Autumn Lane S.W. Atlanta, GA 30310 | Katherine Butt Parent Involvement Coordinator P.O. Box 1044 Conway, AR 72033-1044 (501) 329-0977 | <p>Theresa became a home base parent when her daughter was three years old. She volunteered and later became a teacher assistant when her child was assigned to a center. In 1994, she was hired as a home base visitor. Theresa is now working towards a CDA.</p> | <p>Yolanda Upkins is a Head Start graduate who is now a center manager. She earned a college degree, worked as a children's librarian and a shelter volunteer coordinator for homeless children, co-authored an article in "Children Today" about homeless children, and prepared a curriculum for homeless children.</p> | <p>Yolanda Upkins is a Head Start graduate who is now a center manager. She earned a college degree, worked as a children's librarian and a shelter volunteer coordinator for homeless children, co-authored an article in "Children Today" about homeless children, and prepared a curriculum for homeless children.</p> |
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| Phone | (408) 279-0929 | (404) 532-3191 |
| Description | Valerie teaches the High/Scope curriculum as part of the Head Start Teaching Center Demonstration Project. She demonstrates positive feelings towards diverse cultures and instructs in both English and Spanish. She was selected by San Jose City College to serve as a mentor preschool teacher. "I am deeply committed to providing positive educational experiences for children and families to lay a solid foundation for their future learning," said Valerie. | Sue received an A.A. degree with a major in elementary education. She worked as an assistant teacher for two years and serves on several boards. She was a Head Start home base teacher for four years and has now moved into the position of social service coordinator. Her son who attended Head Start has been a restaurant manager for a year. |

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| Phone | (217) 923-5141 | (412) 834-1260, ext. 110 | (410) 287-3936 |
| Description | Mary Waltz is a parent/social services coordinator and has begun to take college classes working toward a degree. Since she has been both a Head Start parent and a teacher aide, she has a unique perspective to offer while helping families. | Betty was widowed at age 24 with four children to raise. She became involved in Head Start as a volunteer who read to the children. She then became an aide, attended a local college, attained a CDA, and became a head teacher, home visitor, and supervisor. She has trained many new home visitors and been a supervisor for 14 years. | Bertha is a head teacher at Aberdeen II Head Start Center in Maryland. She was an active volunteer who acquired 90 classroom hours and applied for a Head Start position. She has received a CDA and an associate's degree. |

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Description Currently Cheryl Waybright is a supervisor/parent involvement/nutrition coordinator. She began her employment when her son was enrolled in the early 1970s when she worked as a cook. She taught parents cooking skills and some beginning reading while in the kitchen. She believes her experience has helped her to stress the importance of parent involvement. Cheryl is very active in her community and church and was active in helping others when floods destroyed some West Virginia towns.

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Description When Rose's son was enrolled in Head Start, she was a single parent working on a degree in elementary education. She has completed school and now works for Head Start as a home base teacher and family services assistant. She is now married and has a second child. She and her husband both work full time.

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| Name | Rose Weiss |
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Description Tami became a Head Start volunteer and then attended a community college through JTPA. She earned an associate's degree in early childhood development and graduated with honors. She is a head teacher at Troy Child Development Center and received an award for Miami County's 1994 Outstanding JTPA participant.

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| Description | Patricia has been trained by Head Start as a cook. She also has a good relationship with the children. | Amy Williams believes that her road to success started with her involvement in Head Start in 1974. She graduated from high school, joined the Naval Reserves, graduated from the Naval Medical Corps School, and is affiliated with the Naval Hospital Reserve Unit. She is a Head Start staff member working in the health component as a health assistant. She is also working toward a degree in the medical field. Her background in medicine is an asset to her job performance. She hopes to achieve a master's degree in social work and work as a Head Start Family Therapist. |
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| Description | Patricia has been trained by Head Start as a cook. She also has a good relationship with the children. | Delois (Dee) Williams is the mother of six children. She was an abused child and a battered wife and Head Start helped her gain self-confidence. She earned a GED, was employed as a teacher assistant, earned an associate's degree, became a lead teacher, received the CDA credential, and was appointed center director and lead teacher in 1987. In 1988, she became area supervisor. She also trains employees. |
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| Title | N.W. Arkansas Head Start | | | |
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| Phone | (501) 423-3366 | | | |
| | <p>Judy Williams enrolled her oldest child in Head Start in 1975. She became an active volunteer and was hired as a teacher aide in 1977. Later she was promoted to teacher and, after she received a CDA, to director. She has been an employee for 18 years. "Head Start gave me 'my chance' and encouragement," said Judy.</p> | | | |
| | <p>Lois enrolled her son in Head Start when she was going through a divorce. He was legally blind and had speech problems and a hearing loss. She was happy to have a home visitor to give them the boost they needed. Now she is a home visitor herself and hopes to make "that special difference for the families I work with."</p> | | | |
| | <p>Ruth began her involvement in Head Start as a parent representative on the policy committee. She was then employed as a food service worker and was promoted to family assistant in 1970. She is the mother of five children who attended Newark Preschool Council. Ruth is now beginning her 26th year with Head Start. She plans to enroll in college to enhance her career growth.</p> | | | |
| | <p>Sheila Williams is the Head Start parent of two who is now a human resources coordinator. She enrolled her children to improve their self-esteem, volunteered for six years in classrooms and wherever she was needed, and was involved with the parent policy council board. Later she was employed by Head Start with the Child Care Assistance Program before obtaining her current position.</p> | | | |
| | <p>Jean S. Childs</p> | | | |
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Description
 Carlene became interested in the Head Start program when she enrolled her youngest daughter. She volunteered and later obtained a position as a teacher's aide.

Mrs. Wilson immigrated from Mexico in 1979 with her son. After volunteering for several years in Head Start, she enrolled in the GED program. She obtained one of the highest scores on the GED test. The next year she became a part time interpreter for the Spanish speaking families in our program. Later she moved and is now the health coordinator for another Head Start program.

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Evelyn's dedication and commitment to Head Start is evident in the 19 years she has been connected with the program. She volunteered when her two children were students and was later hired as a home visitor. She was promoted to the position of educational staff supervisor in 1992 and currently holds that position. Her ten foster children and one adopted child were also Head Start graduates. Evelyn has obtained her CDA and has taken several college courses. She has served on peer review teams, was PACT's candidate for Teacher of the Year, and served as a board member of her church for ten years.

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Ruthie Wright attended vocational school and took courses in clerical skills. She was later hired as a temporary clerical staff and then as a clerk typist. She is currently attending college at night to earn a degree in computer science.

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Testimonials

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| T10 | Hellen Glover Julie Graboes | Sandra P. Gomez Karen Hale | T20 | Brenda Nicholson Christina Oruz | Julia M. Olsen Lori Oyler | T30 | Anne Valdez LaShannon Walker | Peggy Visser The Weng Family | | | |

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| Description | <p>Gwendolyn came to Head Start speaking very little English. She is now comfortable with her teachers and peers, has absorbed a lot of language, and uses the words and phrases she has learned.</p> | <p>"I am a former Head Start parent who can truly say that Head Start was and continues to be a positive influence in my life."</p> | <p>"I feel through Head Start's special one-on-one instruction my daughter, Amanda, received her love for reading and compassion for others and the independence she needed for school." Amanda's mother reported that she had problems steering her daughter in the right direction when she was 4 years old and before she enrolled her in Head Start.</p> |
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| Description | <p>"I am a single parent with three children. If it had not been for Head Start, I would never had had the strength to leave a situation that was ruining my life. I can't say enough about this program and hope that support for it will never end."</p> | <p>"I am a social service worker who knows from experience the nightmare that many Head Start parents live. I became pregnant at 15 and later fled to Puerto Rico with my son because I refused to tell the name of a drug supplier. When I returned I was sent to the Women's Correctional Center at 16. Later, I lived with an abusive husband. One day, two Head Start workers talked about the Head Start program...From that day forward, life has been full of new and fulfilling experiences. I got my GED and then the CDA in 1986. I became the social service worker for Head Start in 1989. Because of my bilingual skills, I could provide support and encouragement to Head Start families. I could return the gift of caring that was shared with me."</p> | <p>Michelle wrote that her son has learned a lot in Head Start. He enjoys his books and activities and his teacher has become a friend.</p> | <p>Wanda Bean is the mother of four children who works full time and goes to school part time. Head Start helped her by caring for her children while she attended classes. This has relieved pressure and stress and she is happy that her children receive love and care at the center. She appreciates the excellent stimulation they receive, as well as the good dental care, and her son's speech therapy. She writes, "I wouldn't have made it mentally, physically, or emotionally without their help."</p> |

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| Description | <p>"I enjoy coming to spend time with the kids because I like to see the progress they're making...My son is learning what to look forward to in kindergarten."</p> | | |
| | <p>Sharon Bissell was having trouble with her vision when she was a Head Start volunteer. Another parent helped her understand the need to resolve her eye problems. She investigated and learned that she will lose her vision due to a disorder. Head Start supported her and she now attends a school for the blind. She also learned leadership skills in Head Start, is currently the president of the Utah North PTA council, and oversees 14 PTA presidents under her supervision.</p> | | |
| | <p>Lisa Bowlin wrote that she is a recovering alcoholic and addict who believes that working with Head Start has helped her stay out of trouble. She feels needed at the center and appreciates what Head Start has done for her three children. She enjoys the program, feels the food is nutritious, and likes the example set for the children by the staff. "When it comes to Head Start and success, they go hand in hand!" she wrote.</p> | | |
| | <p>"At the time my son was enrolled, I had no idea what a great program Head Start was. This program was not only great for my son, but they really cared about me as a parent. The program has really changed me as a person and a parent. I now have a job that would not have been possible if it had not been for Head Start." (Billie Jean is a teacher aide for Head Start.)</p> | | |

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Description
Name Henrietta Brown has four children and is an employee of Head Start. She praised the patience and encouragement of her director. Henrietta now feels proficient and accountable. She feels Head Start gave her family a much needed boost.

"Without the encouragement and the head start on learning that my son received at the Economic Opportunity Board of Clark County, he may not have been as academically talented as he is today." Laura's son is now in the third grade and has received numerous awards in reading and mathematics. He was selected to give a speech for the governor's Nevada 2000 conference.

"Head Start has allowed me to grow in my abilities to obtain self-esteem by helping me demonstrate to my children the importance of being involved in their learning, encouraging me to become more self-motivated, building my skills, developing good rapport with my peers and staff, stressing the importance of achieving a head start for low-income children...I have noticed how this program has developed my son Jonathon...Head Start has showed me that children learn through play."

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Amanda's mother Liz writes, "Amanda's first year in Head Start has brought many things, but, most importantly, independence and friendship. With so many working families, there aren't very many children in the neighborhood during the day to play with. Since joining Head Start she has gained important socialization skills by interacting with her many friends. She has also become independent and is now able to separate from me."

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Description "The Head Start program has been very beneficial for me as well as my son...Head Start has helped my son come a long way academically and he has learned how to get along and interact with the other children. I am thankful to Head Start for where I am today and for my future tomorrow."

Meschaier Collier has two children in the program and believes that Head Start gave her the opportunity to go to beauty college. Now she has a shop of her own. She appreciates the fact that her children received health and dental care.

"When Dez was pretested in the State of Maryland for kindergarten, she had such good penmanship and was so very bright that she skipped kindergarten and they put her into the first grade...I feel that most of this is due to the good job your Head Start Center did in preparing her for this day." The Dampiers wrote a letter to the Charleston Center after moving from Mississippi to Maryland.

"I cannot say enough about Head Start. I feel that Head Start should be a part of every young child's life. Head Start not only does great things for the children, it also does great things for parents... My goal is to give back to my families what Head Start gave to me and my son." Cindy wrote these comments from the perspective of someone involved in the program as a parent and home visitor for ten years.

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| Description | <p>"I have felt for twelve years that Head Start has been giving me gifts. The kind of gifts you keep forever. Nurturing, guidance, warmth, direction, caring and knowledge... I give Head Start much of the credit for the good which has happened in my life as well as for the skills to deal with the not-so-good we all face at times... Head Start is not just a child education program. It's a lesson plan for the way the world should be." Mary divorced twice and raised three children on her own. She became involved as a volunteer in Head Start and accepted training which led her to management positions in social services and banking. Later she became the family advocate at the center her son attended earlier.</p> | <p>Annie is the mother of four children. She is very happy with her involvement in Head Start and with the staff. Head Start offered her the opportunity to help her children as well as herself.</p> | <p>"My experience with Head Start and the association with the teachers, staff, and the other parents... was a great boost to me and an invaluable learning experience for my children. I hope it continues to help many other children to get the foot in the door they need to get the most out of their education."</p> <p>Kathy enrolled two girls who are doing very well in elementary school.</p> |
| | | | <p>After being out of school for 15 years, Debra earned a GED. She believes her self-esteem is due to the staff at Head Start and that she is a better parent. "The center is one of the most terrific things to come into our lives," wrote Debra.</p> |

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"Back in 1974 my son was enrolled. I was pregnant again and struggling with deep thoughts of suicide...Head Start teachers and staff helped to build my self-esteem by being supportive and kind. I was experiencing a new concept that I could be worthwhile and had value. Head Start has changed my life...Working these past 16 years (in Head Start), I have tried to pay back Head Start by helping every child and parent I teach, by giving them as much respect, dignity and love that I can."

"I like the Head Start program because I feel that my son has learned a lot since he started. I like the benefits that are given to him, for example, the vision, dental and hearing screenings. I enjoy the staff and want to thank them for helping us, the Spanish speaking mothers."

Julie reported that Head Start helped her child with a speech delay. She began to volunteer and watched her son accept school and grow into a social child who could interact with his peers. The next year she was hired as an assistant teacher. She believes that "Head Start got me through some very tough times."

"I just can't say how much preschool has helped me and my family. My son is so happy. He just comes home singing and jumping and running. All of this is due to attending school. The teachers are so nice and helpful. They teach my son things when he doesn't even know he is learning."

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| Description | | | <p>"I have a 4-year-old son in Head Start. The most important thing to me is the way they work on his self-esteem...I love them for that. I am now employed with Head Start. I am no longer on welfare because of the Head Start program."</p> <p>"Head Start is a wonderful program. Participating in Head Start has taught him (her oldest son) how to deal with other children and different types of situations calmly. My second son...has learned to deal with other children. He has grown up very nicely and enjoys being able to do things for himself rather than wanting someone else to do everything for him."</p> | <p>"The teachers take their time with each child to make sure they are learning what they are supposed to...They also try to help the families."</p> <p>Carolyn wrote that her son benefited from Head Start. He was a child who had a four month delay in all areas when adopted at 12 months of age. Carolyn worked for Head Start and knew her son would make gains in the program. He was able to strengthen his weak areas, such as fine motor and social skills, and was more prepared for the public school setting when he did begin.</p> |

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 Lisa's son wouldn't let anyone help him learn until he enrolled in Head Start. Lisa is pleased because the teacher is so patient.

Ella has three children who attended Head Start, one of whom received help with speech problems. Ella was hired as a bus driver and was able to drop welfare. Her children have excelled in school. "Head Start has really helped myself and my family become better people. I will always support this program because of all the possibilities that can result from being involved," wrote Ella.

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Cearie Howard said that Head Start has been helpful to her entire family. She is the mother of seven children and was active with committees and the policy council. The children in her family who attended Head Start are all doing well in school.

Susan and her family are grateful for the help they received through Head Start. She earned a GED and learned computer skills. Her husband and children also benefited from the experience of being involved. She wrote, "Everyone at Head Start made us feel like part of the Head Start family. They were friends and family to us all. Head Start and the people that make it happen are like a coat of many colors to many, many people."

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| Description | <p>"In the last three years I haven't felt more proud of myself than all the time I have lived. The parent/child center has definitely helped me succeed in all my goals." Jennifer Hubbard wrote to Head Start recently to explain how she overcame her fears, became more competent, obtained employment, developed pride, and learned parenting skills. She is on her way to success.</p> | <p>"Head Start has made me a more patient, loving, and understanding individual. I have had a lot of hard times and I can relate to the families of Head Start. I feel Head Start has made me believe in myself."</p> | <p>Karen has two children who were enrolled in Head Start, one of whom received speech therapy. She believes Head Start motivated her to stop smoking, supported her through difficult financial and emotional times, improved her parenting skills, offered her a new outlook on life, and gave her children the encouragement they needed. She now works as a Head Start bus driver and is happy to have a reason to touch the lives of Head Start children and their parents.</p> |

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| Theresa Jenkins | 13704 Huey Road Carlyle, IL 62231 (618) 594-4473 | Ophelia E. Brown Head Start Director Metropolitan Dade County 395 NW First Street Miami, FL 33128-1698 Phone (305) 347-4600 | "The program shone a light in my life in my darkest hour. When I thought I couldn't go another step, the program was there for me. If I hadn't met Mrs. Olga (the director), there's no telling what or where I would be now. I am now a mother of five children and on my way up the ladder of success through the program. I have a dream of becoming a professional teacher. I am now attending school for a CDA license." |
| Darline Johnson | Rowena Patrick Parent Involvement Coordinator BCMW Head Start P.O. Box 729, 909 E. Rexford, Centralia, IL 62801 Phone (618) 532-4890 | Concerned Parents for Head Start Concerned Parents for Head Start Inc. 90 Martin Street Paterson, NJ 07501 Phone (201) 345-9555 | "Head Start has been a big help to me. Many things have changed since my first round of raising children. Head Start has gotten me involved in my children's learning. I am on the policy council and that has taught me even more about sharing, public speaking, and community involvement. I love Head Start." |
| Rayvon Johnson | Concerned Parents for Head Start Concerned Parents for Head Start Inc. 90 Martin Street Paterson, NJ 07501 Phone (412) 349-6200 | Concerned Parents for Head Start Indiana County Head Start 550 Philadelphia St. Indiana, PA 15701 Phone (412) 349-6200 | "Head Start is the best thing that ever happened in our community especially for the people of...projects. Our children needed a head start...to get ahead in the future. Also Head Start has a slow learners program...which I think...helps them to learn the same as other children...Head Start has what a child needs. Also the parents...I loved the (Exploring Parenting) program because...it gave you a lot of challenges." |
| Barbara Jones | Concerned Parents for Head Start Concerned Parents for Head Start Inc. 90 Martin Street Paterson, NJ 07501 Phone (412) 379-6200 | Concerned Parents for Head Start Indiana County Head Start 550 Philadelphia St. Indiana, PA 15701 Phone (412) 349-6200 | "Looking at your life and where you want to go is an interesting journey and scary all at the same time, but the Head Start staff made the trip easier for me. Planning, parenting skills, and adult education helped me become the person I am today. I am confident, dependable and an asset to my job, family, as well as the community. Looking around the community, more and more of former Head Start parents have become productive members of our society including myself." |

Barbara wrote this statement because she felt the social services component of Head Start had a significant effect on her life. She is now a member of a school board and of a professional women's society.

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"I have spent hours with my daughter, Amanda, in her classroom and have seen the improvements that she has made and her many accomplishments scholastically thus far in her schooling. I have seen the benefits that have come from my daughter being able to participate in Head Start...I feel that this pre-education to normal schooling has been invaluable in teaching her the basics of learning as well as the desire to learn."

"These people didn't care if I was on welfare. I spoke to them and they heard me, they liked it and encouraged more. This was so exciting to me. Someone that like me for me and my input...After realizing the importance of schooling through Head Start, I went back to school and got my GED. I also have two years of college completed." Cindy also reported that her children are doing well in grade school. She tells the teachers, "I owe that to Head Start!"

"I feel that Head Start has helped me and my children to build self-esteem and strengthened my social skills as well as my children's social skills. If it had not been for the persistence of my friends at Head Start, I would still be cleaning offices for a living instead of helping other families and being able to do what I love most, being with children."

(Lorrrie is now a teacher with Head Start.)

"Head Start has provided the opportunity for my 4-year-old son, Brian, to grow in many ways. He has a disorder called neurofibromatosis. I strongly feel Head Start has given him the edge to succeed in school with children his own age. My Husband had a severe back problem and has been out of work for over a year and a half. If it wasn't for Head Start, we wouldn't have had much of a Christmas for our kids. I was able to make toys there and it meant even more to have made something with my own hands."

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Pamela Lewis wrote about the importance of the safety net programs to families such as hers. Her husband was out of work and the family was forced to obtain public assistance. They relied of AFDC and WIC vouchers. She now works for Head Start and is grateful for the help she received from the program and all the other support available in society. She identifies with the parents she helps and understands their problems: "Having been there myself, I can truly appreciate it."

Linda was shy and unsure of herself but became involved with Head Start to assist her son. She has now blossomed into a leader at the policy council and has represented the program at regional and state conferences. She has completed a GED and will enroll for training to work with the elderly in 1995. Linda wrote, "Before Head Start, my family was struggling with everyday life. Stress, work, children, needs and necessities of everyday life. It's still a struggle but easier to manage and cope, thank to the many learning experiences Head Start has to offer."

Jessie Lowry

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Vicki's two children attended Head Start and were honors students through school. She commented that Head Start takes the extra time to meet the needs of children and parents because they are concerned with the future and welfare of both. Vicki now has custody of a boy who attends Head Start and he has gained valuable skills. She has seen changes since her older children attended, but she notes that the staff still take the extra time to understand and meet the needs necessary.

Jessie Lowry is a Head Start employee who feels successful because she was offered a job working with Head Start when she was unemployed. She was identified as a hard worker by her daughter's teacher because she was a strong volunteer. She was able to convince her husband to help with transportation of an older child to and from school and is still happy that Head Start gave her the chance to shine.

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Description
 Michelle Lee Luna was a Head Start student in 1979. She credits her time with Head Start for giving her confidence and maturity. Her mother recalls that Head Start was there to support her.

"Head Start has helped our family... The teachers always have very good ideas about how to teach the children with ways that I wouldn't normally think of myself. Head Start is a wonderful program for learning and enjoying learning."

"Head Start has been a great asset to me in more ways than one way. It not only worked for my child, but for my whole family. I am now being given the opportunity to get training in the social service field. This includes college credit towards a degree in social work. It has been proven to me that Head Start really works."

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Description

Michael is currently in the third grade and doing well. He was recently awarded a certificate of recognition and enjoys school. His mother firmly "believes this attitude was implanted while attending his Head Start program."

"My child had a speech problem. Head Start worked with my family and my child to assure that this problem was being dealt with in the most appropriate way. We were treated with the utmost respect and kindness...My wish is that all families with pre-school age children could benefit from the Head Start program."

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"There are not enough words to describe my deepest appreciation for the Embarras River Basin Agency. During a difficult time in my life, ERBA was always there. Being an independent self-sufficient single parent of two children with only a high school education seemed to be an impossible goal in today's world. ERBA, with loving, caring arms and unbelievable support, was there waiting and eager to help me reach my goals. They have such programs at Head Start. The greatest gift ERBA gave me was the opportunity to go on to college. Today I am an independent, self-sufficient college graduate. I make a decent living and enjoy my life. I have life and health insurance for my family as well as retirement benefits."

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| Description | <p>"It was through Head Start that I received the opportunity to become self-sufficient while my child received the solid basis needed to be competitive in the world. I am a single mother of three and now have my own janitorial business thanks to a self-sufficiency project at Head Start. I signed up because I had no fear of the program since my child was enrolled in the center. The people in the center cared about me and my family."</p> | <p>"Head Start has made it possible for me to attend the university. Knowing that my child is in a good school and that I can afford it has been wonderful. My daughter...has improved in many areas...and has learned how to interact positively with the other children. It has prepared her for kindergarten and she has enjoyed it."</p> |
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| Description | <p>Ann was so affected as a volunteer in the Head Start program in Chicago's inner city in the 1960s that she believes her current work with high-risk adolescents is an outgrowth of that time in her life. She continues to celebrate "the uniqueness and the potential of every child with whom I work. "Thank you, Head Start, for beginning it all for me and for the others."</p> | <p>"I enjoy the Head Start program for my daughter. Head Start is important because children need to learn the basics before they enter kindergarten...I learn how to have more patience with my child and I really enjoy being able to help as much as I can."</p> |

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Brenda thanks Head Start for helping her obtain and reach her goals. She attended adult education classes through Head Start and also obtained a GED and graduated from a nursing program. She passed her state boards in October 1994.

"Words can't express how grateful I am for the way the program has changed my 4-year-old's life. He is borderline hyperactive, and before Head Start he would throw tantrums and sometimes hit me, kick me, bite me, spit on me, or call me names—regardless of our attempts to discipline him. Since he began in Head Start, he is a different child...he uses words to express his needs and his frustration, instead of negative actions. With all my heart I am grateful for the blessing of having this experience in our lives."

"The Head Start program has been excellent! The children have benefited from the center days so much. They get so much from it—being with children, learning new songs, rhymes...I just can't say enough good things. The teachers are just superb. Thank you from the bottom of my heart!"

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| Amy Pachtinger | Lanona Pennington Route 1, Box 183 Reeds, MO 64859 | | | "Head Start has given me a new found independence. I now have a driver's license along with my CDA and a greater knowledge of preschool children... I feel I am a valuable asset to the children and their families and I love my job." | Jean S. Childs | Administrator | Economic Opportunity Board of Clark County 2228 Comstock Drive Las Vegas, NV 89030 | (702) 647-2010 | "I can't possibly think of enough nice, positive things to say about the Head Start program... and the many people we've had the good fortune to meet through the program... Thank you for teaching not only my children, but myself as well, that learning can be more than fun, even for adults. The results are limitless and can last a lifetime." | Patsy Thomas | Director | Cobb County Head Start Ninth District Opportunity Inc. P.O. Drawer L Gainesville, Ga 30503 | (800) 822-0179 | "Being in Head Start helped our entire family... Things are really going well for our family now... I'll start working in September when we're settled into our brand new, beautiful home that we're buying from Habitat for Humanity." | Alyce M. Dillon | Executive Director | Parents in Community Action Inc. 700 Humboldt Avenue North Minneapolis, MN 55411 | (617) 377-7422 | "I am a single parent of a daughter age 3. I am 23 years of age and a full-time student. Since my daughter's involvement in Head Start, she has countless songs, games, and ways of thinking at her disposal that she does not hesitate to share with whomever she meets. The people involved with the program are the best I have met through all interviews I have had with any institutional or individual day care provider. With the team of teachers there is a sense of purpose, of pride in what they are accomplishing that I don't sense with other day care facilities. I am very grateful for all of the many ways my daughter and I benefit from Head Start and to the staff that serves the children." |
| Mitchell Puff | | | | | Michelle Porter | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Contact | Jean S. Childs | Administrator Economic Opportunity Board of Clark County 2228 Comstock Drive Las Vegas, NV 89030 | Jean S. Childs | "Head Start has helped me in the last year to gain back my self-esteem... I have learned to be self-empowered and self-efficient through the help of our Head Start program... Head Start has become a family to me... I would like to just say thank you for giving me just that chance to have a head start with my life." |
| Description | Denise felt lost and alone until her son began in Head Start. She wrote that her life since Head Start has meaning. The staff became her friends and taught her how to interact with children and how to set and fulfill goals. She became involved with her parent group and was voted to be their policy council representative. She was then elected to another leadership position. Now she is a teacher's aide and plans to go to college to earn a CDA. She became a head teacher and hopes to someday become a Head Start director. She knows "the sky is the limit." | Christine writes about her two children and how they have benefitted from Head Start. Her daughter is in kindergarten and at the head of her class. Her boy is still in Head Start and the program is helping this shy child get along with other children. The children ask her to read to them and she thinks Head Start has encouraged them to do things for themselves and will help them later in life. | Christine writes about her two children and how they have benefitted from Head Start. Her daughter is in kindergarten and at the head of her class. Her boy is still in Head Start and the program is helping this shy child get along with other children. The children ask her to read to them and she thinks Head Start has encouraged them to do things for themselves and will help them later in life. | "Head Start has helped me in the last year to gain back my self-esteem... I have learned to be self-empowered and self-efficient through the help of our Head Start program... Head Start has become a family to me... I would like to just say thank you for giving me just that chance to have a head start with my life." |

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| Description | <p>"Working for Head Start has offered me advancement, training and education. It has given me security in a good job at a place that is helping others along with me and my family...I have seen so much good from Head Start both in my child and me as a parent...I feel the program has been an asset to me and my son's future...It has given us both a Head Start."</p> | <p>"When I married, my husband would be broke by Wednesday. I married an alcoholic and a compulsive gambler. Through the understanding, caring, and sharing of my son's Head Start teacher, I began to heal. Through encouragement from my Head Start friends, I entered Central Community College. I've graduated from college and opened my own drapery business. I've become an advocate for Head Start by speaking and testifying on children and family issues. Head Start was the turning point in my life."</p> | <p>"I hope this program will continue to expand and grow because as it does so do we. The Head Start program is just as its name states, a Head Start."</p> |

Marcia's daughter has Down's syndrome and needs stimuli to learn. Marcia chose Home Based Head Start and was amazed to learn about the available activities, the opportunities to volunteer, the information she learned about her community, and what she learned about advocacy for her daughter. She wrote, "Head Start became a special family time. My other daughters have also enjoyed and learned more along with my Head Start student and myself."

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| Description | <p>Paula Roton wrote that her son has cerebral palsy and had trouble walking when he entered Head Start at age 3. The teachers helped him ride a tricycle and learn to walk. He has never stopped trying and has made wonderful strides. Paula gives "his Head Start experience a tremendous amount of credit—it gave him the confidence and determination he needed to succeed in the world, in spite of his disability."</p> | <p>"We have the highest respect for the program and hope that in years to come many people will be able to benefit from Head Start and hope that it will be able to provide this service to...families who have special needs..."</p> <p>Sharon's son Andrew needed help with social skills and speech. Head Start offered the assistance he needed and also helped other family members.</p> <p>"The Head Start program has been a wonderful experience for my girls, a good door-opener for school. The teachers have helped my daughters overcome their shyness, enhancing their social skills. They've not only reinforced my daughters' good manners, politeness, good behavior, but also stressed good table manners, taught them how to be self-sufficient at the table, good hygiene by having children wash their hands before lunch and snack time. I love the verbal praise the teachers use to reinforce good attitudes in children. I am truly grateful for having had the opportunity to be a Head Start parent."</p> |

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| Description | "I enjoy using creative techniques to help children grow." Debbie Severson wrote about how enriched she felt through Head Start and about how she is applying what she learned to her job in child care. | Jane writes that she has been employed by Head Start for almost 25 years. She is now the education coordinator and has seen "hundreds of poor children and their families' lives take a positive turn because of Head Start." About her own family, she writes that her twin daughters who attended are successful in their chosen careers. Head Start also allowed Jan to further her education in early childhood education. She received an associate in science degree and said, "All of my success in life has come about because of my affiliation with Head Start." |
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| Description | "I feel like I'm at home when I'm here. I get to talk to the little children and I learn different things about them." | Alice, the mother of six children, wrote, "I have really enjoyed being a part of our Head Start program the past 10 years. It has really helped me to deal with each one of my children and be a better parent. Head Start is an excellent preschool program. This is my last year in Head Start, but I will always be an advocate and supporter of the Head Start program." Alice and her husband now own their own barber shop. |

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“Head Start has taught me to believe in myself,” wrote Sonya. She was a teenage mother determined to help her son when she became involved in Head Start. She volunteered and was later hired by the program as a bus driver. She earned a CDA and eventually became a teacher. When her emotions about her unhappy childhood surfaced, Head Start helped her get counseling and work things out. She has a second child now, loves teaching, and feels she owes her success to Head Start.

Lisa wrote about her experience as a Head Start parent. She enjoyed watching her son learn and said, “It is a time I will never forget.” She is looking forward to being involved when her second child is enrolled.

This child presented special challenges to the Head Start staff. Her health problems were caused by elevated lead levels in the blood and her behavior was affected. Her mother worked with the staff, the public health department, and Seleda attended kindergarten with relatively few problems.

Deb Smith enrolled her son in Head Start and, although she was a shy person, she got heavily involved. She became a vice-chairperson, helped with recruitment and became a regular classroom volunteer. She said her “girls have blossomed...and instead of being worried about their future...it will be OK.”

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Jim Sterling, a disabled single parent with emphysema and other limitations, wrote, "Head Start has done an excellent job of filling in the cracks in my boy's early development. It has been crucial in his socialization...With the aid of Head Start, he is developing into a bright, intelligent, curious and well-rounded social person with a great appetite for life and learning."

"The Head Start program literally changed my life. Little did I know that what I experienced 17 years ago through the Head Start program would touch my life today. The best way to visualize the impact of Mrs. Freifeld (Head Start teacher) and the program are ripples in water. There is no way of knowing the countless number of lives that will be changed."

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Jennifer is a divorced mother of three children. She attributes her children's success in elementary school to the staff at Head Start. She wrote, "Thanks to the support and encouragement I received from the staff at Head Start, I am now working and off all assistance from welfare...I am also working toward my GED and hope to continue my education. I am working toward being a positive role model for my children. I credit Head Start for giving me the courage to make these changes in my life." Her youngest child had speech problems and Head Start arranged to have his hearing tested. Most of his speech problems are now eliminated.

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| Description | <p>Kim heard about Head Start after separating from her husband. She enrolled her daughter and enjoyed volunteering. She was hired as a bus driver and ten years later is now the special needs teacher. She wrote that through Head Start, "not only did my professional life progress, my home life grew stronger." She reunited with her husband and they purchased their first home. Her daughter and son are excellent students, and she is happy to have learned how to be independent, not dependent. Kim wrote,</p> <p>"I cannot express how important Head Start is to me...I am no longer that person with nowhere to turn."</p> | <p>"When our home base visitor came into our lives, she taught my mom how to turn that precious time into quality productive time with my sister and me...If she had not come into our lives, I truly believe I would not be where I am today. Sherry (the home base visitor) will never be forgotten by my family or myself." Jennifer is now a home base visitor for Head Start.</p> |
| | | <p>"When my son was enrolled in Hamilton County Head Start, it opened many doors of opportunity for him and me. We both learned self-confidence as a result of the can do attitude of the Head Start program," wrote Terri. Terri Stumpf wrote that she developed the courage to apply for Head Start positions with the encouragement of Head Start staff. She has been employed for 13 years, received a CDA, and has returned to college. Her goal is to be a parent involvement manager.</p> |
| | | <p>"Head Start has helped me to open my eyes a little wider and helped me understand and appreciate my children and their education a lot more. I have become calmer with my children and more understanding of their ways of dealing with different things...The sooner problems are made aware of, the sooner they may be resolved...I truly believe that children from lower income families have a greater number of barriers blocking their view of the world...I think everyone deserves a Head Start."</p> |
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| Description | Since Tammi became involved in Head Start, she started an apprenticeship in the computer field, smiles often, has found child care, lost 50 pounds, and has become openly affectionate and self-reliant. This contrasts with her earlier behavior when she was reclusive, overly protective of her children, did not trust anyone, and was isolated. | After becoming involved in Head Start, Connie's whole outlook on life changed, including her appearance and self-esteem. She has grown tremendously and developed pride in herself and her family. She is now working as a security guard at a security corporation. | "My daughter loves her teachers and the activities they have in class. She also loves the meals that are served daily...EOB (Head Start) has helped me more than anyone could think." |
| | | | This parent wrote about a Head Start teacher, Muriel Freifeld. "The education that the children received inside those four walls surpassed anything I had ever seen before. Muriel shaped the hearts and minds of everyone she came into contact with. She truly is a ray of sunshine!" |

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| Lynette Hadden | Rural UT Child Development Head Start 150 A. West Main Wellington, UT 84542-0508 | (801) 637-4960 | Judy Bryngelson | "My son needed extra help in the areas of social development and verbal expression. Although our family's income was above the Head Start guidelines, they were still able to allow our son's enrollment. Without Head Start's flexibility in that area we would have fallen between the proverbial cracks. He flourished in the program...Now he is a highly successful, friendly, happy little boy. The difficulties he had before Head Start no longer exist." | LaShannon Walker needed heart surgery and Head Start mounted an effort to help her and her family. A Head Start-sponsored fundraiser generated the necessary funds to cover lodging and meal costs. LaShannon recuperated, returned to school, and is doing well. | "I had little self-esteem, self-worth, and self-confidence. I was in an abusive marriage and I felt I really had no reason to live, other than my children. In Head Start I started to create a wonderful circle enfolding my children and me with higher self-esteem, more confidence, and more secure feelings. My world suffered several terrible blows and it was my Head Start family that was there to stand by me, to offer encouragement and support when I would start to crumble...Later as a single parent I got the job as a Head Start secretary...I have no doubt that had it not been for Head Start shedding a little ray of light and hope I would have still been struggling along in an abusive marriage...I have found my life's rainbow." | Hattie Dotson-Handy Ast. Coordinator Soc. Servs. Quad Area Woodland Head Start Center P.O. Box 7590 Clinton, LA 70722 (504) 683-4234 | Judy Bryngelson Yellowstone County Head Start Inc. P.O. Box 2956 Billings, MT 59103 (406) 245-7233 | Linda Fuller Director Action Inc. 510 West Benedict Shawnee, OK 74801 (405) 275-6060 | John, Rita, and Elijah Weng are pleased with their involvement in Head Start. They wrote that Elijah, their son, received attention for persistent ear trouble and ADHD through the program. He is now in kindergarten and doing well thanks to the "kindness and understanding of the (Head Start) staff." John has taken literacy classes and enjoys reading bedtime stories to his son. Rita is involved as a volunteer and is earning a degree in teaching. She feels this program can "show schools how" to work. |
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 "My reason for enrolling my children in Head Start was to improve their self-esteem and to become involved with my children's education on a preschool level...I volunteered for six years in the classrooms...I was real active with Head Start before becoming employed with them."

Sonoeun was shy and withdrawn when she came to Head Start and spoke no English. In six months, she became one of the most outgoing and outspoken children in her class. Her parents rely on the agency for support and guidance and both Son and her family have benefited greatly from Head Start.

Mary believes she has achieved significant improvement in the areas of self-respect and self-confidence since her daughter has been attending Head Start. She is deeply involved in the program and feels it has benefited not only her but also her daughter.

Since her child entered Head Start, this mother has received an associate of arts degree while working full time in the admissions office of a community college. She has taken additional courses in child care and child development. This mother tries to keep abreast of the happenings of the local Head Start and supports the fundraisers as much as time will permit. She takes a few courses at a community college, is a student mentor, co-advisor of the Black Student Association, and involved in other college activities. She writes, "Thanks, Head Start, for providing my family...the chance to better ourselves in every way."

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"I am now a single mother. My little girls and I became homeless and Head Start has become part of our family. Head Start also was instrumental in allowing me to get my business as a tailor and home sewer/contractor off the ground. My children were instilled with a drive and love for learning and a wonderful 'head start' on their self esteem."

This mother of three graduated in 1994. She earned a degree in special education and early childhood and now operates a day care facility. She is very grateful for the encouragement she received through Head Start and happy to report that her children are honors students.

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