



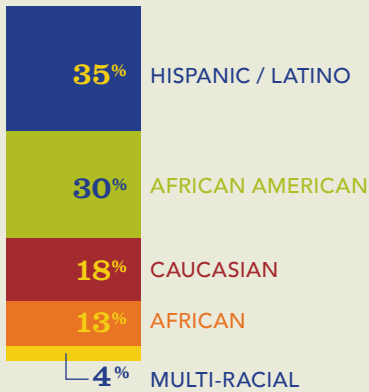
2016-17

Annual Report (Card)!

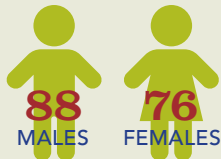
Our SouthSide Family

We served a total of
164
children and their families
during the 2016-17 school year.

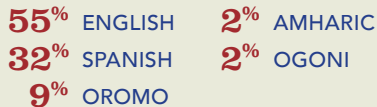
Ethnic/Racial Groups Served



44% OF THE STUDENTS ENROLLED AT SOUTHSIDE COME FROM IMMIGRANT FAMILIES.



Language Diversity



Income Level of Families

80%
OF SOUTHSIDE FAMILIES ARE LIVING IN POVERTY

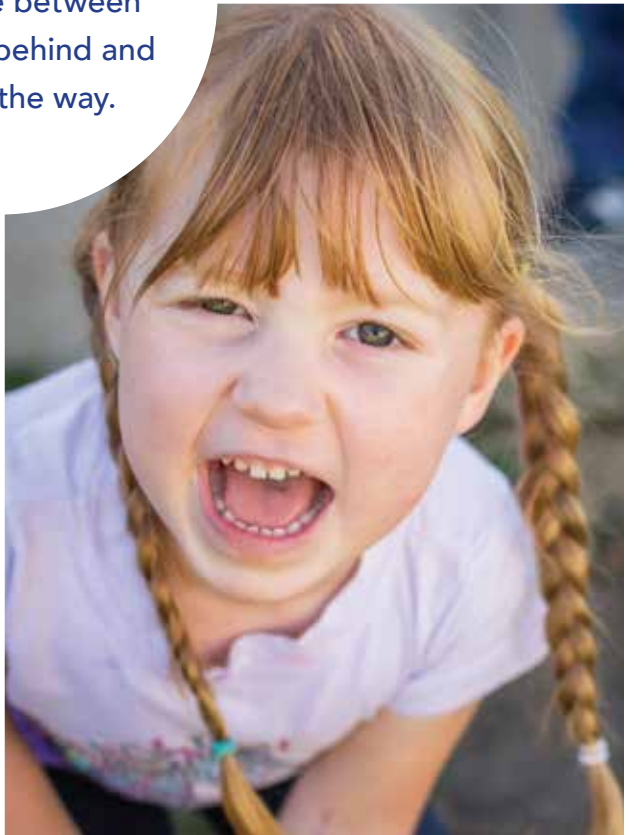
100
FAMILIES ARE MAKING LESS THAN \$25,000 PER YEAR

Household Leadership

65
2 PARENT HOUSEHOLDS

60
1 PARENT HOUSEHOLDS

6% OF STUDENTS ARE HOMELESS AT ANY GIVEN TIME



Early childhood education can be the difference between being left behind and leading the way.

Our Impact

Teaching Strategies GOLD

Students made progress in the developmental areas of: Social-emotional, Physical, Language, Cognitive, Literacy and Math

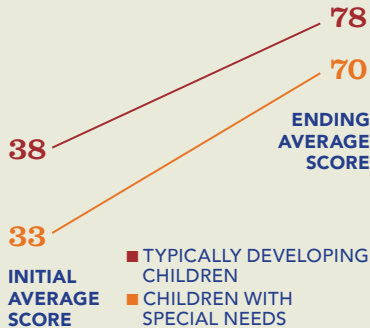
STUDENTS MEETING OR EXCEEDING MILESTONES



DIAL Results

Developmental Indicators for the Assessment of Learning

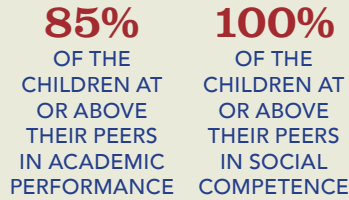
Cognitive, social-emotional, motor and language measurement of students from initial enrollment screening through their last screening before Kindergarten



Kindergarten Transition Results

Both parents and teachers responded that SouthSide graduates are well-prepared for kindergarten!

TEACHER RESPONSES



When Jayden started at SouthSide at the age of three, he had limited language, lacked proper communication skills, and displayed frequent tantrums with inconsolable crying. After receiving on-site speech/language and occupational therapy as well as individualized behavior management strategies and one-on-one supports, Jayden had a breakthrough. For the first time, he was able to focus and follow directions, communicate his wants and needs, and form meaningful relationships with his friends and teachers. All of which are critical skills needed for success—not just in Kindergarten, but throughout his lifetime!

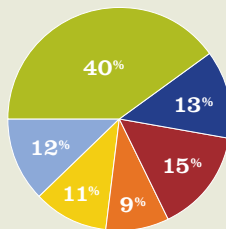
Jayden's DIAL Scores



Our Dollars at Work

SouthSide's mission is to nurture, educate and inspire children and families in a diverse and inclusive environment, promoting healthy development and a strong foundation for success.

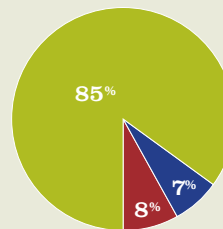
Income



- **GOVERNMENT GRANTS**
\$976,027
- **PRIVATE FOUNDATIONS & GRANTS**
\$505,501
- **CONTRIBUTIONS**
\$371,876
- **UNITED WAY**
\$218,868
- **SPECIAL EVENTS**
\$278,111
- **TUITION & PARENT FEES**
\$290,759

\$2,641,142
TOTAL INCOME

Expenses



- **PROGRAM SERVICES**
\$2,189,432
- **FUNDRAISING**
\$171,215
- **MANAGEMENT & GENERAL**
\$206,474

\$2,567,121
TOTAL EXPENSES

In the spring of 2017, SouthSide implemented our teacher salary increase initiative, which provided a significant market-rate increase for our teachers. Research supports that low-income children stand to gain the most from access to high quality early childhood education and care. The essential ingredients to quality include highly trained and well-compensated teachers who experience on-going professional development and utilize a research-based curriculum. We prioritize teachers because they drive outcomes, and outcomes drive improvements in the larger community.

Strengthening Families

SouthSide knows that for a child to succeed, we must take a two-generation approach addressing the needs of the whole family. This year SouthSide implemented the ASSET Project, an IDA match program offered in partnership with the United Way of Greater St. Louis that teaches critical financial literacy skills such as learning how to budget, save, and get out of debt. Along with our Family Partnership Manager, two SouthSide parents went through training with the United Way and led the ASSET program at the center. Once the financial literacy classes were complete, parents met individually with financial coaches who supported the achievement of their savings goal. Upon completion of the course, parents received \$400 to be used towards the goal they set. The program was a huge success and we hope it will be implemented again in the future!



Our Leadership



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