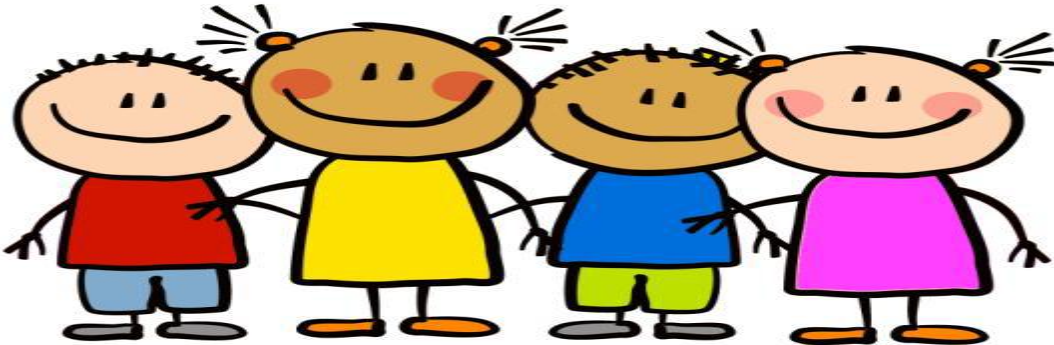


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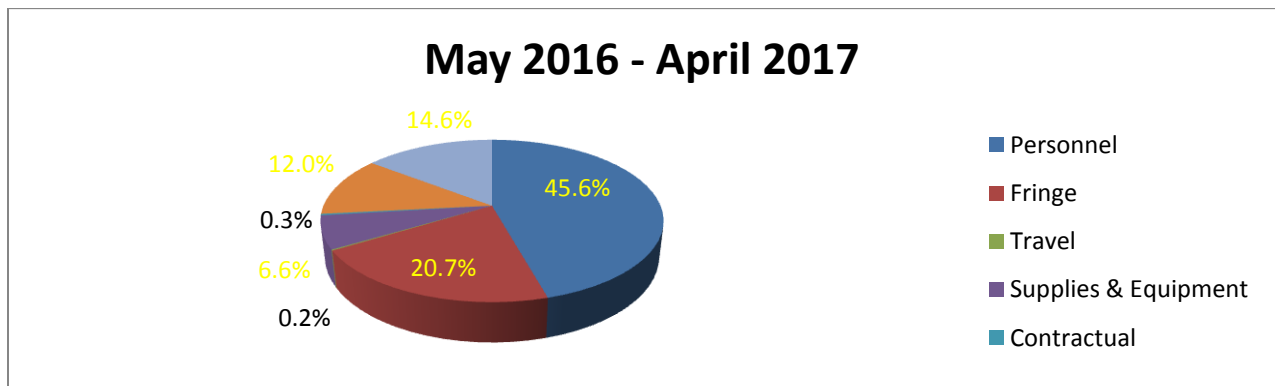
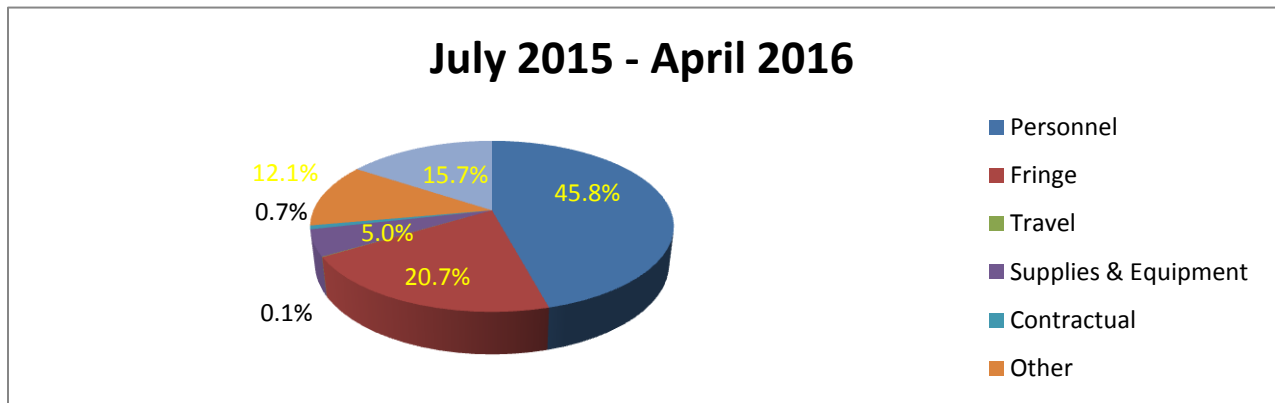
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### Head Start & Early Head Start

*Citizens for Citizens, Inc. (CFC) operates a comprehensive Head Start & Early Head Start program that provides education, special needs, health, nutrition, dental, mental health, family engagement and development services at multiple locations in Bristol County.*

| Funding Sources        | Grant Period<br>July 2015 - April 2016 | Grant Period<br>May 2016 - April 2017 |
|------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|
| Federal                | \$3,427,777                            | \$4,697,322                           |
| Donations/In-kind      | 879,256                                | 858,992                               |
| Early Education & Care | 322,211                                | 386,653                               |
| USDA                   | 210,617                                | 226,851                               |
| Private Child Care     | 121,439                                | 140,000                               |
| <b>Total</b>           | <b>\$4,961,289</b>                     | <b>\$6,309,818</b>                    |



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### Program Description:

Head Start is a free child development program which provides comprehensive services to children ages 2.9-5 from income-eligible families. The overall goal of Head Start is to increase the child's school readiness skills. Because parents are the most important influence in their child's development, Head Start provides many opportunities for parents to become engaged in the program and to improve their own education and employment potential. Early Head Start is a home based program which provides services for low-income expectant women and couples and families with infants and toddlers. Early Head Start is a comprehensive, two-generation program which includes intensive services that begin before the child is born and concentrate on enhancing the child's development by supporting the family during the critical first three years of life.

### Statistics:

|  |                    |
|--|--------------------|
| Number of Children & Families Served                     | 898                |
| Number of Pregnant Women Served                          | 7                  |
| Funded Enrollment  | 405                |
| Average Monthly Enrollment                               | 100%               |
| Percent of Eligible Children Served                      | 98%                |
| Percent of Children Who Received a Medical Exam          | 98.5%              |
| Percent of Children who Received a Dental Exam           | 91%                |
| Results of Most Recent OHS Review (2013) - in compliance | 2 issues corrected |
| Annual Independent Audit                                 | No Findings        |



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### *Family Engagement:*

All centers conduct monthly parent meetings discussing school readiness goals, parent concerns, and planning group activities. Each parent committee elects a Delegate and an Alternate to sit on the Policy Council. The Policy Council meets monthly to approve the hiring of staff and to review and approve budgets, policies and grant submissions. Special Family Engagement events are held at each center on a regular basis centered on themes being taught in the classrooms. In addition, family members are always invited to join in on field trips, volunteer in all capacities throughout the program, visit their child's classroom any time, participate in workshops, parenting education groups, committee meetings, parent/staff conferences, etc. Each family receives a minimum of 4 home visits per year.

### *Transition to Kindergarten:*

222 children were transitioned into Kindergarten. This program serves 8 separate school districts and hosts kindergarten registration activities at the Head Start Aldrich site for the Fall River School Department which serves 85% of our families. Each school district also offers Ready For Kindergarten workshops at all Head Start sites. School readiness activities are worked on all throughout the year. Each child has an individualized Transition Plan to ensure they begin Kindergarten with the skills necessary to succeed.

