

## Head Start By the Numbers

187	Number of children funded
187	Average monthly enrollment
97	Percent of eligible children served
211	Number of families served
240	Number of children/pregnant women served during year
99	Number of single-parent families served
112	Number two-parent families served
19	Number of teaching staff
60	Number of Head Start and Early Head Start staff
40	Number of staff who are current or former Head Start parents
396	Number of Volunteers
100	Percentage of children with a medical home
100	Percentage of children receiving medical exams
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The Head Start program in Morgan County began with a summer program operated by the school system in 1965. The program saw some changes, and since 1979 Community Action Services (CAS) of Morgan County has successfully operated a Head Start program serving 147 preschool children. The Early Head Start program began in 2001 to serve 40 infants, toddlers and pregnant women.

Morgan County is a Three-Star program and accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC). The program promotes school readiness by enhancing the social and cognitive development of children through the provision of educational, health, nutritional, and social services to enrolled children and their families. We value the **parents as the child's primary teacher and help them to make progress toward educational, literacy, and employment goals.**

### Funding includes

- \$1,805,671 from a federal Head Start grant;
- \$64,144 from the U. S. Department of Agriculture as reimbursement for the cost of food used in Head Start;
- \$26,866 from Training and Technical Assistance
- \$41,104 by providing supplemental child care services at Head Start

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# Morgan County HEAD START

Changing our future,  
one child at a time

EVERY YEAR  
IN MORGAN COUNTY  
WE PROVIDE

- pre-school education and family support to more than 200 of the most vulnerable children in our area
- the best pre-school academic program available
- services to pregnant women
- preventive health care for each child
- free dental exams & treatment
- health insurance referrals
- family goal planning and other social services
- emergency assistance via referrals to local resources
- bus transportation to entire county
- special education services for children with disabilities
- well-supervised staff with degrees or CDA credentials
- superior staff-to-child teaching ratio of 1 : 8
- average class size 17 children
- nutrition services
- mental health services with on-site consultations
- hearing, vision, speech, and language screenings
- high ECERS and ITERS scores

## Annual Report to the Public

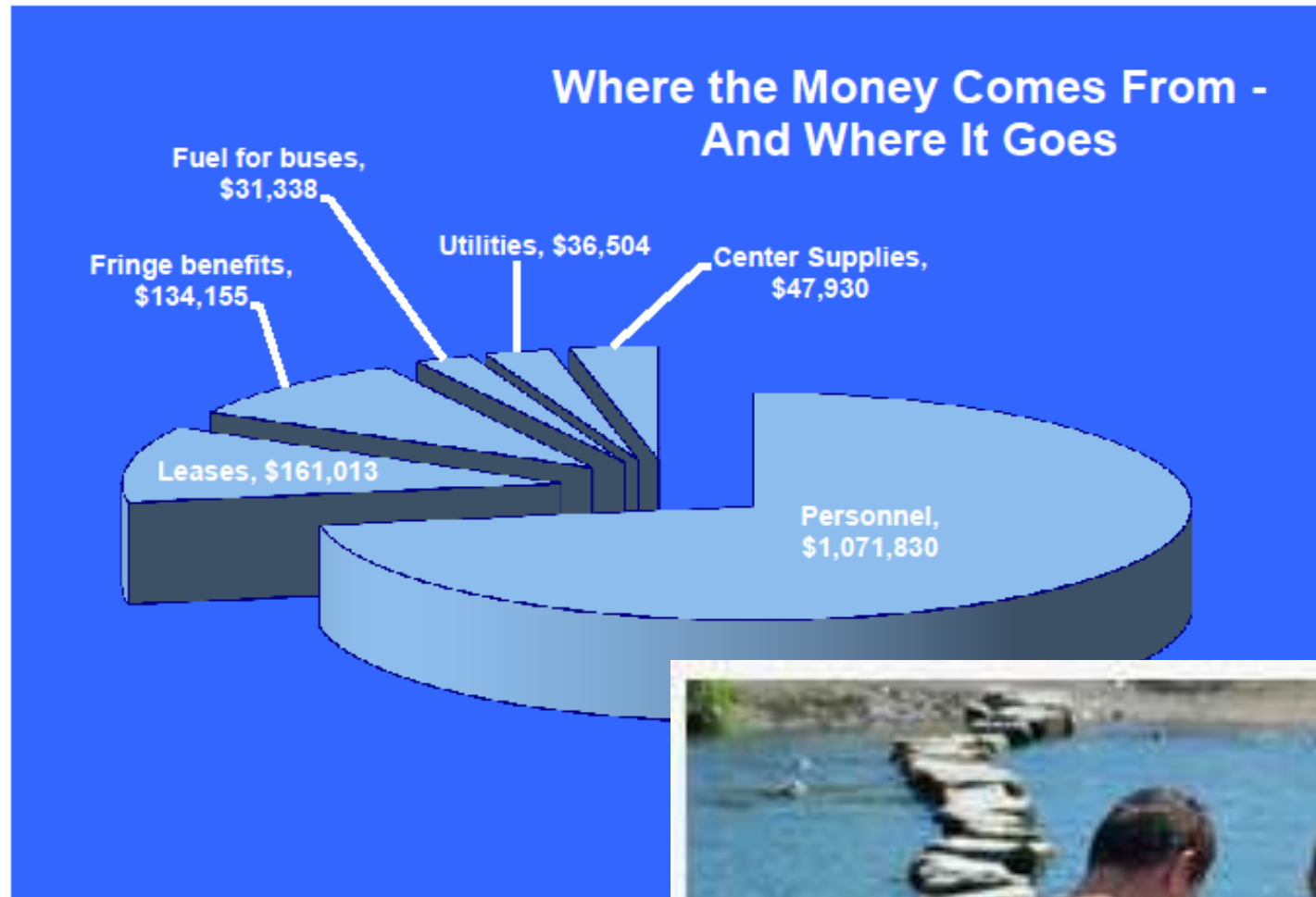
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Our center in Wartburg is nationally accredited by NAEYC and holds Tennessee's highest 3-star rating for child care centers.



## Preparing for Kindergarten

This year, about half our children will continue on to kindergarten. As you can see in the chart below, the children make significant progress in all domains.

To help ease the transition from Head Start to kindergarten, we also prepare the children by introducing them to kindergarten routines. A tour of their new school is usually provided. We also prepare the parents by reminding them what **it's like to go to a regular school**; and often help with the paperwork of registering their child.



*We encourage "Dad-friendly" activities because both boys and girls do better in life when their fathers stay involved.*

### Typical Services Offered to Families

- adult education
- job counseling
- job training
- job search
- marriage enrichment
- parenting
- fathering
- counseling
- child support
- food
- shelter
- clothing
- medical services
- dental services
- home safety
- ... and much more

In addition to academic and social services to children, Head Start also provides many services to families, about two-thirds of whom are two-parent families.

### Typical Parent Involvement Activities

- Fall celebration at Frozen Head State Park
- End of picnics for families
- **Parents' Night Out** in February
- Parent volunteers in the classroom
- Monthly parent meetings that include child abuse/prevention training, mental health, literacy, bus safety, and budgeting
- Spring Fling at Central High School
- Bus in the Fourth of July parade
- Field trips
- Medical and dental appointments & follow-ups

### A Year of Progress at Morgan County Head Start

